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By the QUEEN. A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA, R.

THEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Friday, the twentieth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine; We, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby issue Our Royal Proclamation, and publish and declare that the said Parliament be further prorogued to Tuesday, the eleventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety; and We do hereby further, with the advice aforcsaid, declare Our Royal will and pleasure that the said Parliament shall, on the said Tuesday, the eleventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, assemble and be holden despatch of divers urgent and important affairs; and the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs, of the House of Commons, are hereby required and commanded to give their attendance accordingly, at Westminster, on the said Tuesday, the eleventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

Given at Our Court at Windsor, this thirteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and in the fifty-third year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

By the QUEEN. A PROCLAMATION,

In order to the Electing two Peers of Scotland.

VICTORIA, R.

W HEREAS the Right Honourable Alexander, Earl of Leven and Melville, and the Right Honourable George William Hamilton, Earl of Orkney, were duly elected and returned to be two of the Sixteen Peers of Scotland to sit in the House of Peers in the present Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and are since deceased: In order to the Electing two other Peers of Scotland to sit in their room, We do, by the advice of Our Privy Council, issue forth this Our Royal Proclamation, strictly charging and commanding all the Peers of Scotland to assemble and meet at Holyrood

House, at Edinburgh, on Monday, the sixth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and nincty, between the hours of twelve and two in the afternoon, to nominate and choose two other Peers of Scotland to sit and vote in the House of Peers in this present Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the room of the said Alexander, Earl of Leven and Melville, and George William Hamilton, Earl of Orkney, deceased, by open election and plurality of voices of the Peers that shall be then present, and of the proxies of such as shall be absent (such proxies being Peers and producing a mandate in writing duly signed before witnesses, and both the constituent and proxy being qualified according to law): and the Lord Clerk Register, or the two Principal Clerks of the Session appointed by him to officiate in his name, are hereby respectively required to attend such meeting, and to administer the oaths required by law to be taken there by the said Peers, and to take their votes; and immediately after such election made and duly examined, to certify the names of the Peers so elected, and to sign and attest the same in the presence of the said Peers, the electors, and return such certificate into Our High Court of Chancery of Great Britain: and We strictly charge and command that this Our Royal Proclamation be duly published at the Market Cross at Edinburgh, and in all the county towns of Scotland, ten days at least before the time hereby appointed for the meeting of the said Peers to proceed on such election.

Given at Our Court at Windsor, this thirtcenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and in the fifty-third year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

T the Court at Windsor, the 13th day of December, 1889.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THIS day the Right Honourable Michael, Baron Morris, was, by Her Majesty's command, sworn of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.