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By the King,

A PROCLAMATION,

For the Electing a Peer of Scotland to sit in Parliament in the Room of James Earl of Bute, deceased.

GEORGE R.

Whereas James Earl of Bute was duly elected and returned to be one of the sixteen Peers of Scotland, to sit in the House of Peers of the present Parliament of Great Britain, and is since his Election and Return deceased: In order to the Electing another Peer of Scotland to sit in his 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 Holy Rood-House, on Thursday the Thirteenth Day of June next ensuing, between the Hours of Twelve and Two in the Afternoon, to nominate and chuse another Peer of Scotland, to sit and vote in the House of Peers of the said Parliament of Great Britain, in the Room of the said James Earl of Bute, deceased, by open Election and Plurality of Voices of the Peers that shall be then present, and the Proxies for 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 by Law And the Lord Clerk Register, or such two of the Principal Clerks of the Session, as shall be 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 such Peers, and to take their Votes; and immediately, after such Election made, and duly examined to certify the Name of the Peer so elected, and sign and attest the same in the Presence of the said Peers, 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 published at our Market-Cross at Edinburgh, and in all the County Towns of Scotland, Twenty five Days at least, before the Time hereby appointed for the Meeting of the said Peers to proceed to such Election.

Given at Our Court at St. James's the Twenty eighth Day of April, 1723, in the Ninth Year of Our Reign.

God save the King.

St. James's, May 3.

An humble Address of the Earl of March Lord Lieutenant and Heretable Sheriff of the Shire of Peebles, and of the Heretors and Freeholders met at the Head-Court of the said Shire, has been presented to His Majesty by the Honourable John Douglass, Esq; Brother to the Right Honourable the Earl of March, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Roxburghe one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

An humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common-Council, and Chief Inhabitants of the City of Exeter, has been presented to His Majesty by Samuel Molyneux, Esq; Secretary to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Clinton, Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum for the County of Devon.

An humble Address of the Council and Assembly of the Island of Jamaica, has been pre-

sented to His Majesty by Colonel Charles Durbourgay, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Carteret one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

Stockholm, April 19, O. S. On the 8th Instant, M. Bassewitz had a publick Audience of the King of Sweden: He has the Character of Envoy Extraordinary, from the Duke of Holstein. Yesterday the King went to the Palace at Ekelsund, to take the Diversion of hunting in that Neighbourhood: It is believed his Majesty will come back hither before his Birth-Day, which is the 18th Instant; In a few Days, after, the Court will remove to Carlberg, to pass the Summer at that Palace. The King has been pleased, for avoiding all further Disputes with Count Freytag the Emperour's Minister, to signify to him that he might come to Court when he thought fit; accordingly he has been there twice or thrice this Week, and was received in the usual gracious Manner by the King and Queen. Yesterday the Committee for regulating the Customs, delivered to the States a Project for the Farming of the Customs. The Nobility took it into Consideration, but came to no Resolution upon it. the Burghers having desired by a Deputation that the Affair might be suspended till they had given their Thoughts upon it, which they have taken some Days time to do. The Nobility have under Deliberation the Means of preventing the Contagion, and what sort of Certificates of Health might still be proper for foreign Ships to be provided with.

Lisbon, April 23, N. S. On the 15th Instant the Dutch Fleet, consisting of 26 Merchant Ships laden with Salt, proceeded from hence and from St. Ubes for the Baltick, under the Convoy of two Men of War. The same Day His Britannick Majesty's Ship the Lime sailed out of this Harbour for Cadiz; and the Falmouth, which is the only British Man of War now remaining in this Harbour, will proceed for the Downes in a few Days. On the 21st a Portuguese Man of War of 50 Guns, built by an English Builder, was launched from the Ship-Yard, in the Presence of the King and Queen, and of the whole Court. Our Letters from Cadiz of the 5th Instant advise, that of the nine Spanish Ships which are remaining in that Harbour, four are designed for a Convoy to the Flota to the West Indies, and three for the Relief of Malta, in case it should be attacked by the Turks.

Whitehall, April 23.

Whereas on the 14th Instant at Night, some Persons did cut away and steal from the sixth Moorings at Woolwich the Buooy-Rope of six Inches and an half and twelve Fathom, and likewise eight Fathom of eleven Inch Cable-laid Pendant; His Majesty is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one concerned in the said Robbery, who shall discover his Accomplices, so as they may be apprehended and proceeded against according to Law.

CARTERET.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby promise a Reward of Ten Pounds to the Person who shall make the said Discovery.

Wine-Licence-Office, May 4, 1723.

All Persons owing Arrears of Rent for Wine-Licences, or whose Licences are expired, are hereby required to take Notice, That if they do not pay their said Arrears and renew their said Licences with all Speed, they will be forthwith prosecuted for the same: And whereas His Majesty's Commissioners for managing the said Revenue have