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By the King,

## A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE R.

**W**HEREAS our Parliament stands prorogued to Tuesday the Ninth Day of November next; we, with the Advice of our Privy Council, do hereby publish and declare, That the said Parliament shall be further prorogued on the said Ninth Day of November, to Thursday the 13th Day of January next ensuing; and we have given Order to our Chancellor of Great Britain to prepare a Commission for proroguing the same accordingly. And we do hereby further declare our Royal Will and Pleasure, That the said Parliament shall, on the said Thirteenth Day of January next, be held, and sit for the Dispatch of divers weighty and important Affairs; And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burghesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs of the House of Commons, are hereby required to give their Attendance accordingly at Westminster on the said Thirteenth Day of January next.

*Given at Our Court at St. James's the Twenty Eighth Day of October, 1731 in the Fifth Year of our Reign.*

GOD Save the KING,

*Leghorn, Oct. 31, N. S.* The British Squadron commanded by Sir Charles Wager, arrived here the 26th Instant, having been Nine Days in their Passage from Barcelona. There came in with them the Spanish Admiral the Marquess de Mari, Vice Admiral Cornejo, and three other Ships of their Squadron, and a sixth is coming in; and Don Roderigo de Torres the Rear Admiral, having put into Port Spezzia, which is but ten Leagues off, with eleven Ships more of the Spanish Squadron, it is not doubted but they will all be here in a Day or two. Upon the two Admirals entering into our Port, instead of being saluted by the Town with eleven Guns each, the usual Salute to Admirals of Crown'd Heads, there were two and twenty Guns fired, which they both answered together with eleven Guns each. The

next Day, being the 27th, the two Admirals, the Count de Charny General of the Spanish Troops, the British and Spanish Ministers residing here, and the Marquess de Rinuccini the Grand Duke's Minister, met at the Grand Duke's Palace in this Town, to settle the proper Regulations for the Introduction and Repartition of the 6000 Spanish Troops in the Dutchy of Tuscany: The Conferences were renewed the 28th on board the British Admiral's Ship the Namur: And the 29th there was another Meeting, in which every thing having been settled, a Draught of the Regulation was sent to the Grand Duke at Florence; who having approved of it, the Instrument for this Purpose was signed here this Day by Sir Charles Wager, and Mr. Colman the British Minister, on the Part of His Britannick Majesty; Don Salvadore d'Ascanio the Spanish Minister, the Count de Charny and the Marquess de Mari, on the Part of his Catholick Majesty; and the Marquess de Rinuccini on that of the Grand Duke. The Count de Charny is to take the Oath of Fidelity To-morrow to the Grand Duke, and the next Day the Troops that are here will be landed, as the rest will also be, as soon as they arrive. Two Battallions and 30 Dragoons are to be quartered at Pisa, two Battallions more at Porto Ferrajo, and between 60 and 70 Dragoons at Leghorn, with so many of the Spanish Infantry as can be lodged in the Magazine of Porta Murata, and in that of Bottini da Olio; and the Remainder of the Spanish Foot is to incamp, till the Count de Charny, and the Grand Duke's Governour of this Place, have settled proper Quarters for them here and at Pisa. The Introduction of the 6000 Spanish Troops into this State being now compleatly settled, and on the Point of being actually put in Execution according to the Treaties in that Behalf, the British Squadron will in very few Days sail from hence on their Voyage Home.

*Whitehall, November 2.*

Saturday last being the Anniversary of His Majesty's Birth Day, His Majesty received at Noon the Compliments of the Nobility, Foreign Ministers and other Persons of Distinction. At Night there was a Ball. The Appearance was at both Times very numerous, and