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By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

WILLIAM, R.

**W**HEREAS certain of Our subjects, in different parts of Our Kingdom, have recently promulgated plans for voluntary associations, under the denomination of Political Unions, to be composed of separate bodies, with various divisions and subdivisions, under leaders with a gradation of ranks and authority, and distinguished by certain badges, and subject to the general controul and direction of a superior committee or council, for which associations no warrant has been given by Us, or by any appointed by Us on that behalf: and whereas, according to the plans so promulgated as aforesaid, a power appears to be assumed of acting independently of the Civil Magistrates, to whose requisition, calling upon them to be enrolled as constables, the individuals composing such associations are bound, in common with the rest of Our subjects, to yield obedience: and whereas such associations so constituted and appointed, under such separate direction and command, are obviously incompatible with the faithful performance of this duty, at variance with the acknowledged principles of the constitution, and subversive of the authority with which We are invested, as the Supreme Head of the State, for the protection of the public peace: and whereas We are determined to maintain, against all encroachments on Our Royal power, those just

prerogatives of the Crown, which have been given to Us for the preservation of the peace and order of society, and for the general advantage and security of Our loyal subjects: We have, therefore, thought it Our bounden duty, with and by the advice of Our Privy Council, to issue this Our Royal Proclamation, declaring all such associations, so constituted and appointed as aforesaid, to be unconstitutional and illegal, and earnestly warning and enjoining all Our subjects to abstain from entering into such unauthorised combinations, whereby they may draw upon themselves the penalties attending a violation of the laws, and the peace and security of Our dominions may be endangered.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this twenty-first day of November one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, and in the second year of Our reign.

GOD save the KING.

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**W**HEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Tuesday the twenty-second day of this instant November; We, with the advice of Our Privy Council, do hereby publish and declare, that the said Parliament shall be further prorogued, on the said twenty-