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Last Night arrived here a Flying Pacquet, which brought us the most sorrowful News of the Death of our late Gracious Sovereign; Whereupon the Lord Chancellor and the Lord Treasurer caused the Privy-Council immediately to meet; and having expressed their just grief for the loss of so good a King and Master, they unanimously and with great acrimony resolved to Proclaim the next Morning our Dread Sovereign King *JAMES* the Seventh. Accordingly at Eight this Morning the Privy-Council met again, and having read His Majesty's Gracious Letter to them, the Lord Chancellor took the Oath of Allegiance, the Oath of a Privy-Councillor, and the Test, and then Administred the same to the other Councillors; which done, they all Signed the Proclamation for Proclaiming His Majesty, and then went to assist at the Solemnity of it. The Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town-Council in their Formalities marched bare-headed, next the Lyon and Heralds in their Coats of Arms displayed; then the Lord Chancellor, Lord Treasurer, and the rest of the Officers of State, and Councillors, and other Lords Spiritual and Temporal; and after them the Lords of the Session in their Robes, the Trained Bands standing on both sides the Streets. Being come to the Cross, and mounting it, the Lord Chancellor proclaimed the King, which was followed with an universal Acclamation from more than 30000 of all Ranks of People present, who with up-lifted Hands swore Allegiance to His Majesty. And then was Proclaimed His Majesty's Gracious Proclamation for continuing all Officers by Lyon King at Arms: After which they marched back in the same manner to the Council-House. In the Afternoon the Privy-Council met again, and went with the Magistrates to the Cross, where they Drank the King and Queens Health, and the rest of the Royal Family. The Town was full of Bonfires, the Cannon from the Castle fired all the while, and the Night concluded with all imaginable Demonstrations of joy and satisfaction.

A PUBLICATION;

Of the Royal Authority, of the most Serene, most Mighty, And most August Monarch, JAMES the Seventh, by the Grace of God, King of Scotland, England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c:

- The Earl of Perth, Lord High Chancellor.
- The Lord Archbishop of St. Andrews.
- The Duke of Queensberry, L. High Treasurer.
- The Lord Archbishop of Glasgow.
- The Lord Marquess of Arbol, Lord Privy Seal.
- The Lord Duke of Hamilton.
- The Lord Marquess of Douglas.
- The Earl of Drumlanrig.
- The Earl of Winton.
- The Earl of Linlithgow, Lord Justice-general.
- The Earl of Southesk.
- The Earl of Panmure.
- The Earl of Tweeddale.
- The Earl of Balcarras.
- The Lord Yester.
- The Lord Kinnaird.

- L. President of the Session.
- L. R. Giller.
- L. Advocat.
- L. Justice-Clerk.
- L. Castlehill.
- General Lieutenant Drummond.
- Drumelzeer.
- Abbotshall.
- Colonel Graham of Claver-house.
- Gosford.

FOrasmuch as it hath pleased the Almighty God, to Call CHARLES the Second, Our late Sovereign Lord, of Glorious and ever Blessed Memory, from a Temporary Crown, so Inherit an Eternal in the Heavens; Whereby the undoubted Right of Succession, to Him, in the Imperial Crown of This Realm, was immediately Devolved on the Sacred Person of His Royal, and Dearest Brother, Our present Sacred Sovereign (whom GOD long preserve.) Therefore We, the Lords of His Majesty's Privy Council, Authorized in that Capacity, by His Majesty's Royal Letter, bearing Date at Whitehall, the sixth Day of February instant, Do, with the Concurrence of several other Lords, Spiritual, and Temporal, Barons, and Burgesses of this Realm, Hereby Declare, and Proclaim to all the World, That Our Sovereign Lord JAMES the Seventh, is by Lawful and undoubted Succession and Descent, KING of Scotland, England, France, and Ireland, and the Dominions therunto belonging, Defender of the Faith, &c. (Whom GOD preserve and Bless with a Long, Glorious, Happy Life and Prosperous Reign) And whom we shall humbly Obey, Dutifully and Faithfully Serve, Maintain and Defend with our Lives and Fortunes, against all deadly, as our only Righteous King and Sovereign, over all Persons, and in all Causes as Holding His Imperial Crown from GOD alone. And for Testification whereof, We here, in presence of the Almighty God, and a great number of His Majesty's Faithful People, of all Estates and Qualities, who are assisting with us, at this Solemn Publication, of our Due, Humble, and Faithful Acknowledgment of his Supreme Sovereign Authority, at the Mercat Cross of the City of Edinburgh, Declare and Publish, That Our said Sovereign Lord, by the Goodness and Providence of Almighty GOD, is of Scotland, England, France, and Ireland, and Dominion therunto belonging, The most POTENT, MIGHTY, and undoubted KING. And hereby give Our Oaths, with up-lifted Hands, that we shall bear True and Faithful Allegiance, unto Our said Sacred Sovereign, JAMES the Seventh, King of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. And to His Lawful Heirs and Successors, and shall perform all Duties, Service, and Obedience to him, as becomes his Faithful, Loyal, and Dutiful Subjects.

So help Us GOD.
Per actum Dominorum Secreti Concilii.
WILL. PATERSON, Cls. Sec. Concilii.
GOD Save King JAMES the Seventh.

By the KING:

JAMES R.
JAMES the Seventh, by the Grace of GOD, King of Scotland, England, France and Ireland; Defender of the Faith, &c. To all and sundry Our good Subjects