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By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE R. HEREAS Charles Earl of Lauderdale was duly elected and returned to be one of the Sixteen Peers of Scotland, to fit in the House of Peers of the present Parliament of Great Britain, and is fince deceased; in order to the electing another Peer of Scotland to fit in his Room, We do, by the Advice of our Privy Council, issue forth this Proclamation, strictly charging and commanding all the Peers of Scotland to affemble and meet at Holy Rood House in Edinburgh, on Friday the Twelfth Day of October next, between the Hours of Twelve and Two in the Afternoon, to nominate and choose another Peer of Scotland to fit and vote in the House of Peers of this present Parliament of Great Britain, in the Room of the faid Charles Earl of Lauderdale, 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 Constituent and Proxy being qualified according to 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 refpectively required to attend such Meeting, and to administer the Oaths required by Law to be taken there by the faid 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 fame 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 Proclamation be duly published at the Market-Cross at Edinburgh. and in all the County Towns in Scotland,

Twenty five Days at least before the Time bereby appointed for the Meeting of the faid Peers to proceed on fuch Election.

> Given at our Court at Kensington, the 9th Day of August, 1744, in the 18th Year of our Reign.

> > GOD fave the KING.

We hear that the Gibraltar, June 23. Plague is quite ceased in Barbary: The Brothers Abdala and Mustady are still contending who shall be Emperor, so that the Troubles are like to continue there for some time. Capt. Crook-shanks, in the Lowestoff Man of War, brought in here, about 10 Days ago, a French Merchant Ship of 20 Guns, bound to Marfeilles from Martinico, which it is said is worth 20,000 Pounds.

Admiralty Office, August 14. His Majesty's Ship the Solebay, Capt. Themas Bury, stationed off Gibraltar, on the 28th of June, Cape Spartel S. E. by E. 29 Leagues, fell in with, and took, after a small Resistance, a Privateer Bilander, called the El gran Carlo Magno, commanded by one Domingo Pattlet, a Frenchman, as were all her Officers. She is about 120 Tons, had 10 Carriage and 14 Swivel Guns, with Small Arms answerable, and 78 Men on board; The came out of Cadiz the Day before with 40 Days Provisions on board for her Complement. One of her Men was killed, and another wounded.

Captain Rich, in his Majesty's Sloop the Baltimore, cruizing off of Oporto, on the 8th of July, was chased by a Snow, but coming almost within Gun-shot, and perceiving the Baltimore not to be a Merchant Ship, she hawl'd her Wind, but Capt. Rich out-fail'd her so much, that in an Hour he came within Pritol-shot of her, and fired a Shot to bring her to, which she answered with a Broadside. Rich then run a-long-fide of her, and after an Engagement of two Hours, Yard-arm and Yard-arm.

(Price Two-Perce.)