

By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION,

Declaring His Majesty's Pleasure touching His Royal Coronation, and the Solemnity thereof.

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HEREAS We have resolved, by the Favour and Blessing of Almighty God, to celebrate the Solemnity of Our Royal Coronation, and of the Coronation of Our dearly beloved Consort the Queen, upon a day in June next to be hereafter determined, at Our Palace at Westminster; and forasmuch as by ancient Customs and Usages of this Realm, as also in regard of divers Tenures of sundry Manors, Lands, and other Hereditaments, many of Our loving Subjects do claim and are bound to do and perform divers Services on the said Day, and at the Time of the Coronation, as in Times precedent their Ancestors and those from whom they claim have done and performed at the Coronations of Our famous Progenitors and Predecessors, Kings and Queens of this Realm; We therefore, out of Our Princely Care for the Preservation of the lawful Rights and Inheritances of Our loving Subjects whom it may concern, have thought fit to give Notice of and publish Our Resolution therein, and do hereby give Notice of and publish the same accordingly: And We do hereby further signify, That, by Our Commission under Our Great Seal of the United Kingdom, We have appointed and authorized the Most Reverend Father in God Our right trusty and right entirely beloved Councillor Frederick, Archbishop of Canterbury Primate of All England and Metropolitan; Our right trusty and right well-beloved Cousin and Councillor Hardinge Stanley Earl of Halsbury, Our Chancellor of Great Britain; the Most Reverend Father in God Our right trusty and right entirely beloved Councillor William Dalrymple, Archbishop of York Primate of England and Metropolitan; Our right trusty and right entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor Spencer Compton Duke of Devonshire, President of Our Council; Our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor Robert Arthur Talbot Marquess of Salisbury, Keeper of Our Privy Seal; Our right trusty and right entirely beloved Cousins and Councillors Henry Duke of Norfolk, Hereditary Earl Marshal of England; William John Arthur Charles James Duke of Portland, Master of Our Horse; Alexander William George Duke of Fife; Our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousins and Councillors Henry Charles Keith Marquess of Lansdowne, one of Our Principal Secretaries of State; Gavin Marquess of Breadalbane; Our right trusty and right well-beloved Cousins and Councillors Sidney Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, Lord Steward of Our Household; Edward Hyde Earl of Clarendon, Lord Chamberlain of Our Household; Archibald Philip Earl of Rosebery; John Poyntz Earl Spencer; George Henry Earl Cadogan, Our Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland; William Waldegrave Earl of Selborne, First Commissioner of Our Admiralty; Charles Robert Earl Carrington; Frederick Sleigh Earl Roberts, Commander-in-Chief of Our Forces; Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor George Francis Hamilton, commonly called Lord George Francis Hamilton, one of Our Principal Secretaries of State; the Right Reverend Father in God Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor Arthur Foley, Bishop of London; Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillors Alexander Hugh Lord Balfour of Burleigh, Our Secretary for Scotland; Edward Lord Ashbourne, Chancellor

of that part of Our United Kingdom called Ireland; Michael Lord Morris and Killanin; Henry Lord James of Hereford, Chancellor of Our Duchy of Lancaster; James Patrick Bannerman Lord Robertson, Lord of Appeal in Ordinary; Richard Everard Lord Alverstone, Lord Chief Justice of England; Charles Thomson Ritchie, Joseph Chamberlain and St. John Fremantle Brodrick, three of Our Principal Secretaries of State; Sir Michael Edward Hicks-Beach Baronet, Chancellor and Under Treasurer of Our Exchequer; Sir William George Granville Vernon Harcourt; John Blair Balfour, Lord Justice General and President of the Court of Session in Scotland; Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman; Arthur James Balfour, First Commissioner of Our Treasury; Aretas Akers-Douglas, First Commissioner of Our Works and Public Buildings; Sir Francis Henry Jeune, President of the Probate Divorce and Admiralty Division of Our High Court of Justice; and Sir Archibald Levin Smith, Master of the Rolls; or any five or more of them, to receive, hear, and determine the Petitions and Claims which shall be to them exhibited by any of Our loving Subjects in this Behalf; And We do hereby appoint such of Our said Commissioners as may be summoned for that Purpose to sit in the Council Chamber at Whitehall upon Wednesday the Seventeenth Day of July next at Eleven of the Clock on the Morning of the same Day, and from Time to Time to adjourn as to them shall seem meet, for the Execution of Our said Commission, which We do thus publish, to the Intent that all such Persons whom it may any ways concern may know when and where to give their Attendance for the exhibiting of their Petitions and Claims concerning their Services before mentioned to be done and performed at Our said Coronation: And We do hereby signify and declare that it is Our Royal Will and Pleasure that such part only of the Solemnity and Ceremony of the Royal Coronation of Ourself and Our dearly beloved Consort the Queen, as is usually upon the Coronation of the Kings and Queens of this Realm solemnized in Westminster Abbey, shall take place. And We do further by this Our Royal Proclamation signify and declare that We do for Ourself, and for Our dearly beloved Consort the Queen dispense, upon the occasion of this Our Coronation, with the services and attendance of all persons who do claim and are bound to do and perform any services which, according to ancient custom or usage, are to be performed in Westminster Hall or in the Procession. And We do hereby further graciously declare that the same shall not interfere with the rights and privileges of any of Our loving Subjects to claim the performances of such several services or any of them at any future Coronation. And We do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, declare and make known to all such of Our loving Subjects as it may concern, that it seems good to Us that the Committee of Claims shall, upon the occasion of this Our Coronation, exclude from their consideration such claims as may be submitted to them in respect of rights or services connected with the parts of the ceremonial heretofore performed in Westminster Hall and with the Procession.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Twenty-sixth day of June in the First Year of Our Reign.

God save the King.