

For the Right Honourable the Committee of Estates of the Kingdom of Scotland: These.

Edinburgh, 17th January, 1650.

MY LORDS,

Having been informed of divers barbarous murders and inhuman acts, perpetrated upon our men by one Augustin a German in employ under you, and one Ross a Lieutenant, I did send to Lieutenant-General David Lesley, desiring justice against the said persons. And to the end I might make good the fact upon them, I was willing either by commissioners on both parts, or in any other equal way, to have the charge proved.

The Lieutenant-General was pleased to allege a want of power from Public Authority to enable him herein; which occasions me to desire your Lordships that this business may be put into such a way as may give satisfaction;- whereby I may understand what rules your Lordships will hold during this sad Contest between the two Nations; 'rules' which may evidence the War to stand upon other pretences at least than the allowing of such actions will suppose.

Desiring your Lordships' Answer, I rest,

My Lords,
Your humble servant,
OLIVER CROMWELL.