

according to the real Canonical Precepts, are summoned to come forth to receive their lawful vocation, from a person calling himself Bishop of Agra, and one of the Pope's Apostolic Vicars.

His Holiness in the said Proclamation declares, that he knows nothing of such a call; that there is no such person as a Bishop of Agra in being, and that his pretended Apostolic mission is a falsehood. His Holiness charges all the Orthodox Bishops, especially those of Lyons and Poitou, to warn their flock against the assumed authority of the pretended Prelate, and to induce the latter to desist from his past conduct, that the faithful may not be induced into error.

CIVITAVECCHIA. Aug. 12. By a gentleman just arrived from Barbary, we learn that a strong army is ready for sea in the port of Algiers, which consists of nine sail, of from 18 to 40 guns, manned with numerous crews of desperate ruffians. It was not publicly known who was to have the command; many think it will be given to old Abdalla, a fellow of invincible courage, very bold and daring; in the wars with Spain he was a terror to that coast for many years, and did surprising acts of bravery both at sea and on shore; this man has often attacked ships of double his own force, and after the most terrible and bloody conflict, brought them into Algiers. It is thought these sea wolves will be let loose against the French Republic.

Of General Custine, beheaded Aug. 28, by the Jacobins of Paris, the history has been frequently before the public. Till the Revolution, he had the title of Count, yet he was one of those, who, in the first National Assembly, voted for the suppression of all titles; afterwards he was Governor of Landau, which place he refused to deliver up to the Prince de ——— for a bribe; it is scarcely ten months since he overrun great part of the Western frontier of Germany with his troops; and not more than two, since he assumed the command of the French army of the North.

### *In the Name of ALMIGHTY GOD!*

The Humble Petition of the American Captives in Algiers, is most respectfully submitted to the consideration of the Citizens of the United States of America.

#### *Fellow-Citizens,*

Your Petitioners had the misfortune to be captured by the Corsairs of this Regency, nearly eight years past, while we were navigating vessels belonging to the Citizens of the United States.

That we were, for a considerable time, flattered with the expectations held up to us, that we would be redeemed from captivity, as soon as it could be done consistent with propriety and the interest of our country.

That to effect this Redemption, Mr. John Lamb was sent to Algiers on the part of the United States, and that he entered into an agreement with the Regency of Algiers for our ransom: in consequence of which, the sums were recorded on the books of the Regency as a bargain regularly made; but Mr. Lamb never returned to fulfil them by the payment of the ransom-money, though he promised in the name of the United States, to do it in four months.