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WAR DEPARTMENT.

Downing-Street, April 26, 1813.

LETTER, of which the following is an extract, has been received from Lieutenant-Colonel Bourke, dated Coruña, April 14, 1813.

A N official account, which I have received from the Governor of Castro Urdiales, reports the investiture of that place, on the 18th ultimo, by about three thousand men under General Palornbin, who, after different attempts, in all of which he was beat off by the garrison, retired on the 25th towards Bilboa and Durango. The immediate cause of his retreat, was the approach of General Mendizabel, with the division of Longa and other corps, to the relief of the place. The enemy lost in the different attacks, and in a skirmish with the force under General Mendizabel, on the 26th, near six hundred men, in killed, wounded, and missing. The greatest excesses and barbarities were committed by the Italian troops in the villages in the neighbourhood of the place, during the period of the siege. General Mendizabel has since returned with his troops to Valmaseda and Orduña, leaving a battalion of Colonel Longa's in garrison in Castro.

T the Court at Carlton-House, the 20th of February 1813,

PRESENT,

His Hoyal Highness the PRINCE REGENT in Council.

HEREAS, by virtue of the powers vested in His Majesty by sundry Acts of Parliament, His Royal Highness the Prince Regent was

of March one thousand eight hundred and twelve, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to allow, and did thereby allow, until the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, the importation into any port or place of Great Britain. of certain articles of provisions, in the manner and under the conditions therein mentioned; and whereas by an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of His present Majesty, cap. 14, it is enacted, that an Act, made in the thirty-ninth year of His present Majesty, intituled "An Act for enabling His Majesty to prohibit the Exportation, and permit the Importation of Corn, and for allowing the Importation of other Articles of Provision without Payment " of Duty, to continue in force until Six Weeks. " after the Commencement of the next Session of " Parliament," which was continued by an Act of the thirty-ninth and fortieth years of His present Majesty, and amended and further continued. by several subsequent Acts until the twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eleven, shall, from and after the said twenty-fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eleven, be, and the same is thereby further continued during the continuance of the war, and until six months after the ratification of a definitive treaty of peace; His Royal Highness the Prince Regent is thereupon pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, to allow, and doth hereby allow, for the space of twelve months, to commence from the twenty-fifth day of March next, the importation from any port or place whatsoever into any port or place of Great Britain, of any beans, called kidney or French beans, tares, lentiles, calavancies, and all other sorts of pulse; and also of bulls, cows, oxen, calves, sheep, lambs, and swine; and of beef, pork, mutton, veal, and lamb (except salted becf and pork); and of bacon, hams, tongues, butter, cheese, potatoes, rice, sago, sago powder, tapioca, vermicelli, millet seed, poultry, fowls, eggs, game, and sour crout, in any British ship or vessel; or in any other ship or vessel belonging to persons of any kingdom or state in amity with His Majesty, pleased, by His Order in Council of the twentieth and navigated in any manner whatever, without