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AT the Court at *Carlton-House*, the 21st of July 1823,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the third year of His Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to regulate the trade between His Majesty's Possessions in America and the West Indies, and other places in America and the West Indies," certain articles enumerated in the schedule B annexed to the said Act, are permitted to be imported into certain ports in His Majesty's said dominions; and whereas some of the said articles are subject, on importation into the said ports, to the payment of certain duties, according to the rates set forth in schedule C annexed to the said Act; and whereas by an Act, passed in the fourth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to authorise His Majesty, under certain circumstances, to regulate the duties and drawbacks on goods imported or exported in foreign vessels, and to exempt certain vessels from pilotage," His Majesty is authorised, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, or by His Majesty's Order or Orders in Council, to be published from time to time in the London Gazette, whenever it shall be deemed expedient, to levy and charge any additional duty or duties of Customs, or to withhold the payment of any drawbacks, bounties, or allowances upon any goods, wares, or merchandise imported into or

exported from the United Kingdom, or imported into or exported from any of His Majesty's dominions, in vessels belonging to any foreign country in which higher duties shall have been levied, or smaller drawbacks, bounties, or allowances granted upon goods, wares, or merchandise when imported into or exported from such foreign country in British vessels, than are levied or granted upon similar goods, wares, or merchandise when imported or exported in vessels of such country, provided always that such additional or countervailing duties so to be imposed, and drawbacks, bounties, or allowances so to be withheld as aforesaid, shall not be of greater amount than may be deemed fairly to countervail the difference of duty, drawback, bounty, or allowance paid or granted on goods, wares, or merchandise imported into or exported from such foreign country in British vessels, more or less than the duties, drawbacks, bounties, or allowances there charged or granted upon similar goods, wares, or merchandise imported into or exported from such foreign country in vessels of such country; and whereas British vessels entering the ports of the United States, from the ports of His Majesty's Possessions in America, or the West Indies, with cargoes consisting of articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture of the said possessions, are charged with a duty of one dollar per ton for tonnage duties and light money, and a discriminating duty of ten per cent. is charged on the cargoes of such vessels, to which vessels of the United States, and cargoes of the