

Providence, mainly depends, not only individual happiness, but the high station which this kingdom holds among the nations of the world.

Then the Lord Chancellor, by His Majesty's command, said:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

It is His Majesty's royal will and pleasure, that this Parliament be prorogued to Tuesday the twenty-fourth day of August next, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the twenty-fourth day of August next.

At the Court at Carlton-House, the 23d of June 1824,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fourth year of His present 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 foreign 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, to authorise the importation into or exportation from the United Kingdom, or from any other of His Majesty's dominions, of any goods, wares, or merchandise, which may be legally imported or exported in foreign vessels upon payment of such and the like duties only, and with the like drawbacks, bounties, and allowances as are charged or granted upon similar goods, wares, or merchandise when imported or exported in British vessels; provided always, that, before any such Order or Orders shall be issued, satisfactory proof shall have been laid before His Majesty and His Privy Council, that goods, wares, and merchandise imported into or exported from the foreign country in whose favour such remission of duties, or such drawbacks, bounties, or allowances shall be granted, are charged with the same duties, and are allowed the same drawbacks, bounties, or allowances when imported into or exported from such foreign country in British vessels, as are levied or allowed on similar goods, wares, and merchandise when imported or exported in vessels of such country: and whereas by an Act, passed in

the present session of Parliament, intituled "An Act to indemnify all persons concerned in advising, issuing, or acting under a certain Order in Council, for regulating the tonnage duties on certain foreign vessels; and to amend an Act of the last session of Parliament, for authorising His Majesty, under certain circumstances, to regulate the duties and drawbacks on goods imported or exported in any foreign vessels," His Majesty is authorised (in certain cases), 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, to permit and authorise the entry into any port or ports of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or of any other of His Majesty's dominions, of any foreign vessels, upon payment of such and the like duties of tonnage only as are or may be charged or granted upon or in respect of British vessels; and whereas satisfactory proof has been laid before His Majesty and His Privy Council, that goods, wares, and merchandise, imported into or exported from the ports of Norway, are charged with the same duties, and are allowed the same drawbacks, bounties, or allowances, when imported or exported in British vessels, as are levied or allowed on similar goods, wares, and merchandise when imported or exported from Norway in Norwegian vessels; and that British vessels are charged with no other or higher tonnage duties on their entrance into the ports of Norway, than are levied on Norwegian vessels; His Majesty, by virtue of the powers vested in him by the Acts above recited, and by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that, from and after the date of this Order, Norwegian vessels entering the ports of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in ballast or laden, or departing from the ports of the said United Kingdom, together with the cargoes on board the same, such cargoes consisting of articles which may be legally imported or exported, shall not be subject to any other or higher duties or charges whatever, than are or shall be levied on British vessels entering or departing from such ports, or on similar articles when imported into or exported from such ports in British vessels; and also that such articles, when exported from the said ports in Norwegian vessels, shall be entitled to the same bounties, drawbacks, and allowances that are granted on similar articles when exported in British vessels: