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PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THEREAS by a certain Act of Parliament, passed in the sixth year of the reign of His present Majesty, intituled "An Act to regulate the "trade of the British possessions abroad," after reciting, that " by the Law of Navigation foreign " ships are permitted to import into any of the "British possessions abroad, from the countries to which they belong; goods, the produce of those " countries; and to export goods from such possessions to be carried to any foreign country whatever, and that it is expedient that such permission " should be subject to certain conditions," it is enacted, " that the privileges thereby granted to " foreign ships shall be limited to the ships of those countries which, having colonial possessions, shall grant the like privileges of trading with those possessions to British ships, or which, not having " colonial possessions, shall place the commerce and navigation of this country, and of its posses-" sions abroad, upon the footing of the most favoured nation; unless His Majesty, by His Order in Council, shall in any case deem it expedient to " grant the whole or any of such privileges to the " ships of any foreign country, although the con-"ditions aforesaid shall not in all respects be fulfilled by such foreign country:"

And whereas by an Order of His Majesty in Council, bearing date the third day of May one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, after reciting, that within the dominions of His Majesty the King of Prussia, the commerce and navigation of this country, and of its possessions abroad, have been placed upon the footing of the most favoured nation, His Majesty was pleased, by and with the

T the Court at Windsor, the 16th day advice of His Privy Council, to declare, that the ships of and belonging to the dominions of His Majesty the King of Prussia were entitled to the privileges so granted as aforesaid by the Law of Navigation, and might import from such the dominions. of His Majesty the King of Prussia, into any of the British possessions abroad, goods, the produce of such dominions, and might export goods from such British possessions abroad to be carried to any foreign

country whatever:
And whereas by an Order of His Majesty in Council, bearing date the first day of June onc. thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, after reciting, that the conditions mentioned and referred to in and by the said Act of Parliament, had not in all respects been fulfilled by the Government of France, but that, nevertheless, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, did deem it expedient to grant certain of the privileges aforesaid to the ships of France; His Majesty did therefore, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authority in him vested by the said Act of Parliament, declare and grant, that it should and might be lawful for French ships to import into any of the British possessions in the West Indies and America, from the dominions of His Most Christian Majesty, such goods, being the produce of those dominions, as were mentioned and enumerated in the table subjoined to the said Order, and to export goods from such British possessions to be carried to any foreign country whatever; and the table referred to in the said Order was as follows, that is to say; wheat, flour, biscuit, bread, meal, peas, beans, rye, callavances, oats, barley, Indian corn, rice, shingles, red oak staves or headings, white oak staves or headings, wood, lumber, wood hoops, live stock, hay and straw, coin and bullion, diamonds, salt, fruit and vegetables fresh, cotton wool, and all articles subject on importation to a duty ad ralorem, on which articles the amount of such duty should