

thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, His Majesty was graciously pleased to grant unto John Howard Kyan, therein described, his executors, administrators, and assigns, for a term of fourteen years, the sole benefit and advantage of his invention of "an improved mode of preserving paper, canvass, cloth, and cordage for ships and other uses, and the raw materials of hemp, flax, or cotton, from which the same may wholly or in part be made," as well within that part of His Majesty's United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called England, as also in all His Majesty's colonies and plantations abroad:

And whereas by letters patent under the Great Seal of Great Britain, bearing date at Westminster the eleventh day of February one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, His Majesty was also graciously pleased to grant unto the said John Howard Kyan, his executors, administrators, and assigns, for a term of fourteen years, the sole benefit and advantage of his invention of a new mode of preserving certain vegetable substances from decay, within all His Majesty's colonies and plantations abroad:

And whereas specifications of the aforesaid inventions, and of the manner in which the same are to be performed, were duly enrolled, pursuant to the provisions for that purpose in the said letters patent severally contained:

And whereas under and by virtue of an Act of Parliament, made and passed in the last session of Parliament, intituled "An Act to enable John Howard Kyan to assign to a company certain letters patent," and of an indenture of assignment made pursuant thereto, the aforesaid letters patent, and all rights, privileges, and advantages thereby granted, have been assigned to the Anti Dry-Rot Company:

And whereas the said Anti Dry-Rot Company hath, by a memorial, addressed to His Majesty in Council, humbly represented that the said Anti Dry-Rot Company are now at very considerable expence proceeding to bring into use the said invention greatly to the benefit of the public; and that although the aforesaid letters patent of themselves severally extend to all His Majesty's colonies and plantations abroad, it is convenient, and, as regards some colonies, conformable to usage, for the more effectual maintenance of the right thereby granted, that the said letters patent, or certified copies

thereof, should be respectively enrolled in the proper offices of registry in His Majesty's several colonies and plantations abroad, and therefore, praying that His Majesty would be pleased to make an Order in Council for the enrolment of the said letters patent, and of the specification thereof respectively, or of certified copies thereof, within His Majesty's colonies and plantations abroad respectively; His Majesty is, therefore, pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that if the said Anti Dry-Rot Company shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, in the Office of the Colonial Secretary, or in the Office for the Registration of Deeds within each of the several colonies to which the legislative authority of His Majesty in Council extends, true and perfect copies of the said letters patent and specification; and if to such copies so deposited there shall be annexed the affidavit or affidavits of one or more credible witness or witnesses to be sworn before the Colonial Secretary or Registrar of Deeds with whom the same may be deposited, to the effect of such witness or witnesses having diligently compared such copies with the original letters patent and specification, and found the same to be true, perfect, and exact copies thereof in every respect (which oath such Colonial Secretary or Registrar of Deeds is hereby authorised to administer), then and in that case each and every copy of the said letters patent and specification respectively, with the said affidavit or affidavits annexed, shall, within the colony in which the same shall be so deposited, be and be deemed, taken, and reputed to be, to all intents and purposes, as valid and effectual as the original of the said letters patent or specification, if there exhibited and produced, could or might be: and it is hereby further ordered, that in all courts, and before all judges, justices, and others whom it may concern, in all those colonies to which the legislative authority of His Majesty in Council extends, whenever and so often as it may be necessary to make proof of the said letters patent or specification, it shall be competent for the Anti Dry-Rot Company, and their assigns, to produce and give in evidence such copies thereof, so to be deposited as aforesaid in the Office of the Colonial Secretary or Registrar of Deeds of the respective colonies:

And the Right Honourable Lord Glenelg, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. C. Greville.