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AT the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 30th day of *July* 1838.

PRESENT,

The **QUEEN'S** Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS on the twenty-second day of June one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, an Ordinance for the better regulation and enforcement of the relative duties of masters, employers, and artied servants, tradesmen, and labourers, in British Guiana, was enacted by the then Lieutenant-Governor of the said colony, by and with the advice of the Court of Policy thereof; and whereas on the first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, His late Majesty King William the Fourth, by a certain Order in Council of that date, made various provisions for the amendment of the said recited Ordinance, and did Order, that so much of the said Ordinance as was in any manner repugnant or opposed to the provisions aforesaid, or any of them, should be, and the same was, thereby disallowed; and that, save as aforesaid, the said Ordinance should be, and the same was, thereby confirmed and allowed, and finally enacted; and whereas on the twelfth day of July one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, Her Majesty did make a certain Order in Council of that date, whereby provision was made for the amendment, in certain respects, of the said Order in Council of the first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-

seven; and whereas on the eleventh day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, Her Majesty did make a certain other Order in Council of that date, whereby provision was made for the further amendment of the said Order in Council of the first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven; and whereas it is expedient that, subject to the exceptions hereinafter-mentioned, the said recited Ordinance, and the said several Orders in Council, should be repealed and revoked, it is, therefore, hereby ordered by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, that, save as hereinafter is excepted, the said recited Ordinance of the twenty-second day of June one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and the said recited Orders in Council of the first day of March one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, of the twelfth day of July one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and of the eleventh day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, shall be, and the same are, hereby repealed and revoked; provided always, and it is hereby further ordered, that nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to annul or alter any contracts which, before the arrival of this present Order within the said colony, shall have been entered into in pursuance and under the authority of the said recited Ordinance and Orders in Council, or any of them, and that, during the continuance of any such antecedent contracts, the said recited Ordinance and Orders in Council shall,