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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1844.

At the Court at Windsor, the 3d day of September 1844,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fifty-ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third (cap. 54), intituled "An Act to carry into effect a Convention of Commerce concluded between His Majesty and the United States of America, and a Treaty with the Prince Regent of Portugal," divers provisions were made respecting the duties payable, and the bounties and allowances to be granted, upon the importation and exportation of goods, wares, and merchandize into or from the United Kingdom, in vessels of the United States, and in Portuguese vessels; and also respecting the duties and charges payable upon vessels of the United States, and upon Portuguese vessels; and likewise respecting the repayment of certain corporations, bodies politic and corporate, and sundry other persons, of the amount of the sums of money of which they would be deprived by means of the Act now in recital:

And whereas by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty (cap. 113), intituled "An Act to amend the laws of the Customs," after reciting as hereinbefore is recited, and also that,

subsequently to the enactment of the hereinbefore recited Act, Her Majesty and Her royal predecessors had made and concluded, with divers foreign Powers, treaties containing provisions similar to those recited in the said recited Act; and that doubts had arisen whether, according to the true construction thereof, the said recited Act did apply and extend to the trade and shipping of such other foreign Powers, and that it was expedient that such doubts should be removed; it is hereby enacted and declared, that from and after the ratification of any treaty theretofore made by Her Majesty or any of Her royal predecessors, subsequently to the enactment of the said recited Act, or of any treaty which might thereafter be made by Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, with any such foreign Power, in which treaty had been or should be contained provisions similar to those contained in the said recited Act, all and every the provisions, clauses, matters, and things in the said recited Act contained, did and should apply and extend to the trade and shipping of such foreign Powers, respectively, as fully and effectually, to all intents and purposes, as to the trade and shipping of the said United States, and of the said kingdom of Portugal; and, by the said Act now in recital, it is enacted and declared, that the said recited Act did not extend, and should not be construed to extend, to grant or to confer upon the trade or shipping of the said United States, or of the said kingdom of Portugal, or of any other foreign Power, or to the subjects of such states or kingdom, or of any such foreign Power as aforesaid, any other or greater advan.