

day pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the said petitions be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on Wednesday the twenty-fourth day of June next.

Wm. L. Bathurst.

At the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 6th day of *April* 1846,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament holden in the eighth and ninth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty, for a term to be limited, certain duties on sugar imported into the United Kingdom," it was enacted; that from and after the fourteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, until the fifth day of July one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, there should be charged, amongst other duties of Customs, the following (that is to say):

On sugar the growth and produce of China, Java, or Manilla, or of any foreign country the sugars of which Her Majesty in Council should have declared, or might thereafter declare, to be admissible as not being the produce of slave labour, and which should be imported into the United Kingdom, either from the country of its growth or from some British possession, having first been imported into such British possession from the country of its growth, the duties following (that is to say):

White-clayed sugar, or sugar rendered by any process equal in quality to white-clayed, not being refined, for every hundred weight . . . . . 1 8 0

Brown sugar, being Muscovado or clayed, or any other sugar, not being equal in quality to white-clayed, for every hundred weight 1 3 4

and so in proportion for any greater or less quantity than a hundred weight:

And by the said Act it was also enacted, that with regard to sugar the growth of any foreign country between which country and Her Majesty there was then subsisting any Treaty or Convention binding Her Majesty to grant to such country, either conditionally or unconditionally, the privileges of the most favoured nation, or to permit, either conditionally or unconditionally, the produce of such country to be imported into the United Kingdom at the same duties as are imposed upon the like produce of any country, it

should be lawful for Her Majesty, from time to time, by any Order or Orders in Council, to declare that, from and after a day to be named in such Order, brown, Muscovado, or clayed sugars (not being refined), the growth of such country, in case such Treaty should continue to subsist, should, if imported from such country, or from any British possession abroad, having been imported into such British possession from such country, be admitted to entry for consumption in the United Kingdom, at the aforesaid respective rates of duty of one pound eight shillings, and one pound three shillings and four pence per hundred weight, respectively, in like manner as sugars the growth and produce of China, Java, or Manilla:

And whereas a Treaty was, on the eighteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and twenty-five, concluded between His late Majesty King George the Fourth and the State of Colombia, containing, among other things, an agreement, that no higher or other duties should be imposed on the importation into the territories of His Britannic Majesty of any articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture of Colombia than were or should be payable on the like articles, being the growth, produce, or manufacture of any other foreign country:

And whereas the Republic of New Granada was, at the time of the conclusion of the said Treaty, a part of the said State of Colombia:

And whereas the said Treaty was, at the time of the passing of the said Act, and still is subsisting between Her Majesty and the said Republic of New Granada, as having so been a part of the said State of Colombia as aforesaid:

And whereas application has been made on the part of the Government of the said Republic of New Granada, claiming under the said Treaty the admission of sugars, the growth of the dominions of the said Republic, at the said respective duties of one pound eight shillings and one pound three shillings and four pence per hundred weight:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, doth order, and it is hereby ordered accordingly, that, from and after the first day of May next ensuing the date hereof, brown, Muscovado, or clayed sugars (not being refined), the growth of the dominions of the said Republic of New Granada, shall, if imported from the dominions of the said Republic, or from any British possession abroad, having been imported into such British possession from the said dominions, be admitted to entry for consumption into the United Kingdom at the aforesaid respective rates of duty of one pound eight shillings and one pound three shillings and four pence per hundred weight, respectively; subject, nevertheless, to the production of the like certificates, and the making of the like declaration, as are in the said Act required, with respect to sugars the growth of China, Java, or Manilla: