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By the QUEEN.
A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA, R.

WHEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Wednesday the thirteenth day of January instant, We, with the advice of Our Privy Council, do hereby publish and declare, that the said Parliament shall be further prorogued, on the said thirteenth day of January instant, to Thursday, the fourth day of February next; and We have given order to Our Chancellor of that part of Our United Kingdom called Great Britain to prepare a Commission for proroguing the same accordingly: and We do hereby further, with the advice aforesaid, declare Our royal will and pleasure, that the said Parliament shall, on the said Thursday, the fourth day of February next, assemble and be holden for the dispatch of divers urgent and important affairs: and the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs of the House of Commons, are hereby required and commanded to give their attendance accordingly, at Westminster, on the said Thursday, the fourth day of February next.

Given at Our Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, this seventh day of *January*, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and in the twenty-seventh year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 7th day of *January*, 1864.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

IT is this day ordered by Her Majesty in Council, that the Convocations of the provinces of Canterbury and York be prorogued from the day to which the same now stand prorogued, to Friday, the fifth day of February next, and the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of that part of the United Kingdom called Great Britain, is to cause writs to be prepared and issued in the usual manner for proroguing the Convocations accordingly.

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 7th day of *January*, 1864.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament made in the session holden in the sixth and seventh years of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to remove doubts as to the exercise of power and jurisdiction of Her Majesty within divers countries and places out of Her Majesty's dominions, and to render the same more effectual," it is, amongst other things, enacted, that it is and shall be lawful for Her Majesty to hold, exercise, and enjoy, any power or jurisdiction which Her Majesty now hath, or at any time hereafter may have, within any country or place out of Her Majesty's dominions, in the same and as ample a manner as if Her Majesty had acquired such power or jurisdiction by the cession or conquest of territory:

And whereas Her Majesty hath power and jurisdiction in the dominions of the Tycoon of Japan:

And whereas Her Majesty was pleased, on the twenty-third day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, by an Order duly made, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to make provision for the exercise of the said power and jurisdiction; and such Order was afterwards amended, and further provision was made for the exercise of the said power and jurisdiction, by another Order duly made by Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, on the fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one:

And whereas, under and by virtue of the said Orders, Her Majesty's Consuls within the dominions of the Tycoon of Japan are authorised and empowered to make, and to enforce by fine or imprisonment, rules and regulations for the observance of the stipulations of the treaty or treaties between Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, and the Tycoon of Japan, and for the peace, order, and good government of Her Majesty's subjects being within the dominions of the Tycoon of Japan:

And whereas it is expedient that the powers so given to the said Consuls should be extended, as hereinafter is mentioned:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the above recited Act of Parliament, Her Majesty is pleased