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FRIDAY, JULY 9, 1880.

At the Court at Windsor, the 28th day of June, 1880.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.
Lord Chamberlain.

Earl Granville.
Mr. Gladstone.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the 37th year of Her Majesty's reign, chapter 88, intituled "The Slave Trade Act, 1873," it was amongst other things provided that "where any Treaty in relation to the Slave Trade is made after the passing of that Act, by or on behalf of Her Majesty with any Foreign State, Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct that, as from such date, not being earlier than the date of the Treaty, as may be specified in the Order, such Treaty shall be 'deemed' to be an existing Slave Trade Treaty within the meaning of the Act and it was further provided that "thereupon (as from the said date, or, if no date is specified, as from the date of such "Order") all the provisions of the Act shall apply and be construed accordingly.

And whereas on the 29th day of March 1879 a Treaty or Convention was concluded between Her Majesty Government and the Government of the German Empire, extending to the German Empire the provisions of the Treaty made on the 20th day of December 1841 between Great Britain, Austria, France, and Russia, for the suppression of the Slave Trade, in the following terms, that is to say:—

HER Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and His Majesty the German Emperor, King of Prussia, considering it desirable that the Treaty for the suppression of the Slave Trade concluded between Great Britain, Prussia, Austria, France, and Russia, at London, on the 20th December, 1841, and ratified by all these powers, with the exception of France, should be so extended to the German Empire as to correspond with the present altered circumstances, their Majesties have appointed Plenipotentiaries to conclude a Convention for that purpose, namely;—

Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Most Honourable Robert Arthur Talbot Gascoyne Cecil, Marquis of Salisbury, Viscount Cranborne, Baron Cecil, a Peer of the United Kingdom, a Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs;

And His Majesty the German Emperor, King of Prussia, his Excellency George Count Münster, Marshal Hereditary of Hanover, &c., &c., &c., Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of His Imperial Majesty to Her Britannic Majesty;

NACHDEM Ihre Majestät die Königin des Vereinigten Königreichs von Grossbritannien und Irland, und Seine Majestät der Deutsche Kaiser, König von Preussen, es für wünschenswerth erachtet haben, dass der zwischen Grossbritannien, Preussen, Oesterreich, Frankreich und Russland am 20. Dezember 1841 zu London wegen Unterdrückung des Sklavenhandels abgeschlossene, und von allen diesen Mächten mit Ausnahme Frankreichs ratifizierte Vertrag den gegenwärtigen veränderten Verhältnissen entsprechend auf das Deutsche Reich ausgedehnt werde, so haben Allerhöchstdieselben behufs einer zu diesem Zwecke zu treffenden Uebereinkunft Bevollmächtigte ernannt, und zwar:—

Ihre Majestät die Königin des Vereinigten Königreichs von Grossbritannien und Irland, den sehr ehrenwerthen Robert Arthur Talbot Gascoyne Cecil, Marquis von Salisbury, Viscount Cranborne, Baron Cecil, Pair des Vereinigten Königreichs, Ritter des Höchsteden Ordens vom Hosenband, Mitglied Ihrer Majestät Höchsten Ehrenwerthen Geheimen Raths, Allerhöchstihren Haupt Staatssecretair für die Auswärtigen Angelegenheiten;

Und Seine Majestät der Deutsche Kaiser, König von Preussen, Seine Excellenz Georg, Grafen zu Münster, Erblandmarschall von Hannover, &c. &c. &c., Allerhöchstseinen ausserordentlichen und bevollmächtigten Botschafter bei Ihrer Grossbritannischen Majestät;