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AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 29th day of *December*, 1887.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.

Sir Augustus Paget.

Mr. Ritchie.

WHEREAS by "The Foreign Jurisdiction Act 1843" it was amongst other things enacted that it should be lawful for Her Majesty to hold, exercise and enjoy any power or jurisdiction which Her Majesty then had or might at any time thereafter 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 by certain Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date at Westminster the twenty-fourth day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, Her Majesty's Settlements on the Gold Coast and of Lagos were constituted and erected into one Colony, under the title of the Gold Coast Colony.

And whereas by certain other Letters Patent under the said Great Seal bearing date at Westminster the thirteenth day of January one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, Her Majesty's Settlement of Lagos was erected into a separate Colony and by certain other Letters Patent of even date, Her Majesty's Settlements on the Gold Coast as therein described were declared thenceforth to constitute the Gold Coast Colony and by the said Letters Patent a Legislative Council was appointed for the said Gold Coast Colony with certain powers and authority to legislate for the said Colony as by the said last-mentioned Letters Patent, will more fully appear.

And whereas Her Majesty hath acquired power and jurisdiction within divers countries on the West Coast of Africa near or adjacent to Her Majesty's said Gold Coast Colony, and it is expedient to determine the mode of exercising such power and jurisdiction.

Now therefore, Her Majesty is pleased by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order as follows:—

1. It shall be lawful for the Legislative Council for the time being of the Gold Coast Colony, by Ordinance or Ordinances, to exercise and provide for giving effect to all such powers and jurisdiction as Her Majesty may, at any time before

or after the passing of this Order in Council, have acquired in the said territories adjacent to the Gold Coast Colony.

2. The Governor for the time being of the Gold Coast Colony shall have a negative voice in the passing of all such Ordinances as aforesaid.

And the right is hereby reserved to Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, to disallow any such Ordinances as aforesaid, in whole or in part, such disallowance being signified to the said Governor through one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and also to make and establish from time to time, with the advice and consent of Parliament, or with the advice of Her or their Privy Council, all such laws or Ordinances as may to Her or them appear necessary for the exercise of such powers and jurisdiction as aforesaid as fully as if this Order in Council had not been made.

3. In the making and establishing all such Ordinances the said Legislative Council shall conform to and observe all such rules and regulations as may from time to time be appointed by any instruction or instructions issued by Her Majesty under Her Sign Manual and Signet, until further directed, the instructions in force for the time being as to Ordinances passed by the said Legislative Council for the peace, order, and good government of the said Gold Coast Colony shall, so far they may be applicable, be taken and deemed to be in force in respect of Ordinances passed by the said Council by virtue of this Order in Council.

4. In the construction of this Order in Council the term "Governor" shall include the officer for the time being administering the Government of the said Gold Coast Colony.

And the Right Honourable Sir Henry Holland, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly. C. L. Peel.

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