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A T the Court at Windsor, the 27th day of November, 1896.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty. Lord President. Lord George Hamilton. Lord Arthur Hill. Sir Horace Rumbold.

HEREAS by the Extradition Acts, 1870 to 1895, it was amongst other things enacted that, where an arrangement has been made with any foreign State with respect to the surrender to such State of any fugitive criminals, Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct that the said Acts shall apply in the case of such foreign State; and that Her Majesty may, by the same or any subsequent Order, limit the operation of the Order, and restrict the same to fugitive criminals who are in or suspected of being in the part of Her Majesty's dominions specified in the Order, and render the operation thereof subject to such conditions, exceptions, and qualifications as may be deemed expedient.

And whereas a Convention was concluded on the twenty-seventh day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, between Her Majesty and His Majesty the King of the Belgians amending certain Articles of the Extradition Treaty of the twentieth of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, for the mutual extradition of fugitive criminals, which Convention is in the terms following :-

HER Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Empress of India, and His Majesty the King of the Belgians, being desirous to render more efficacious the provisions of Articles II and IV of the Treaty between Great Britain and Belgium of the 20th May, 1876, for the mutual extradition of fugitive criminals, have named as their respective Plenipotentiaries for this purpose, that is to say:

Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Empress of India, the Most Honourable Robert Arthur Talbot Gascoyne Cecil, Marquess of Salisbury, Earl of Salisbury, Viscount Cranborne, Peer of the United Kingdom, 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,

&c., &c.

And His Majesty the King of the Belgians, Baron Whettnall, Commander of the Order of Leopold, Grand Cross of the Order of St. Gregory, Commander of the Order of Charles III of Spain, Knight of the second class of the Iron Crown of Austria, Commander of the Order of Villa Viçosa of Portugal, Commander of the Oaken Crown of Luxemburg, Knight of the Netherland Lion, His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of St. James's, &c., &c.;

Sa Majesté la Reine du Royaume-Uni de la Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande, Impératrice des Indes, et Sa Majesté le Roi des Belges, désirant rendre plus efficaces les stipulations des Articles II et IV du Traité du 20 Mai, 1876, entre la Grande-Bretagne et la Belgique pour l'extradition réciproque des criminels fugitifs, ont nommé pour leurs Plénipotentiaires respectifs dans ce but, à

Sa Majesté la Reine du Royaume-Uni de la Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande, Impératrice des Indes, le Très Honorable Robert Arthur Talbot Gascoyne Cecil, Marquis de Salisbury, Comte de Salisbury, Vicomte Cranborne, Pair du Royaume-Uni, Chevalier du Très Noble Ordre de la Jarre-tière, Membre du Très Honorable Conseil Privé de Sa Majesté, Principal Secrétaire d'État de Sa Majesté au Département des Affaires Étrangères,

&c., &c.;
Et Sa Majesté le Roi des Belges, le Baron Whettnall, Commandeur de l'Ordre de Léopold, Grand Croix de l'Ordre de Saint Grégoire, Commandeur de nombre de l'Ordre de Charles III d'Espagne, Chevalier de deuxième classe de la Couronne de Fer d'Autriche, Commandeur de l'Ordre de Villa Viçosa de Portugal, Commandeur de la Couronne de Chêne de Luxembourg, Chevalier du Lion Néerlandais, Envoyé Extrâordinaire et Ministre Plénipotentiaire de Sa Majesté près la Cour d'Angleterre, &c., &c.;