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FRIDAY, 8 DECEMBER, 1922.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 6th day of December, 1922.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HIS day the Most Honourable Thomas Henry, Marquess of Bath, K.G., C.B., the Right Honourable Rowland Thomas, Earl of Cromer, G.C.I.E., C.V.O., and the Right Honourable Anthony, Earl of Shaftesbury, K.P., K.C.V.O., C.B.E., were, by His Majesty's command, sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took their places at the Board accordingly.

Almeric FitzRoy.

By THE KING.

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS the House of the Parliament constituted pursuant to the Irish Free State (Agreement) Act, 1922, sitting as a Constituent Assembly for the settlement of the Constitution of the Irish Free State, have passed a Measure (hereinafter referred to as "the Constituent Act") whereby the Constitution appearing as the First Schedule to the

Constituent Act is declared to be the Constitution of the Irish Free State:

AND WHEREAS by the Constituent Act the said Constitution is made subject to the following provisions, namely:—

"The said Constitution shall be construed with reference to the Articles of Agreement for a Treaty between Great Britain and Ireland set forth in the Second Schedule hereto annexed (hereinafter referred to as the Scheduled Treaty) which are hereby given the force of law, and if any provision of the said Constitution or of any amendment thereof or of any law made thereunder is in any respect repugnant to any of the provisions of the Scheduled Treaty, it shall, to the extent only of such repugnancy, be absolutely void and inoperative and the Parliament and the Executive Council of the Irish Free State shall respectively pass such further legislation and do all such other things as may be necessary to implement the Scheduled Treaty."

AND WHEREAS by Article 83 of the said Constitution it is provided that the passing and adoption of the said Constitution by the Constituent Assembly and Parliament shall be announced as soon as may be, and not later than the Sixth day of December, 1922, by Our Royal Proclamation:

AND WHEREAS by the Irish Free State Constitution Act, 1922, it is enacted that the said Constitution shall, subject to the provisions to which the same is by the Constituent Act so