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**A**T the Court at Windsor, the 25th day of November 1853,

**PRESENT,**

The **QUEEN'S** Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS a Treaty has been concluded between Her Majesty and the Senate of the Free Hanseatic City of Hamburg, whereby due protection has been secured by the said Senate, within the State of Hamburg, for the benefit of authors of books, prints, dramatic pieces, musical compositions, drawings, paintings, articles of sculpture, engravings, lithographs, and any other works of art in which the laws of Great Britain and of Hamburg do now, or may hereafter give their respective subjects the right of property or copyright, and for the benefit of the lawful representatives or assigns of such authors, with regard to any such works first published within the dominions of Her Majesty :

Now therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of Her Privy Council, and by virtue of the authority committed to Her by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the seventh and eighth years of Her reign, intituled, "An Act to amend the law relating to international copyright," doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that from and after the sixteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, the authors, inventors, designers, engravers, and makers of any of the following works ; that is to say :—books, prints, articles of sculpture, dramatic works, musical compositions, and any other works of art in which the laws of Great Britain give to British subjects the privilege of copyright, and the executors, administrators, and assigns of such authors, inventors, designers, engravers, and makers respectively, shall, as respects works first published within the State of Hamburg after the said sixteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, have the privilege of copyright therein for a period equal to the term of copyright which authors, inventors, designers, engravers, and makers of the like works, respectively, first published in the United Kingdom, are by law entitled to ; provided such books, dramatic pieces, musical compositions, prints, articles of sculpture, or other works of art, shall have been registered, and copies thereof shall have been delivered, according to the requirements of the said recited Act, within three months after the first publication thereof in any part of the State

of Hamburg ; or, if such work be published in parts, then within three months after the publication of the last part thereof.

And it is hereby further ordered, that the authors of dramatic pieces and musical compositions, which shall, after the said sixteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, be first publicly represented or performed within the State of Hamburg, or their assigns, shall have the sole liberty of representing or performing in any part of the British dominions such dramatic pieces or musical compositions, during a period equal to the period during which authors of dramatic pieces and musical compositions, first publicly represented or performed in the United Kingdom, are entitled by law to the sole liberty of representing or performing the same ; provided such dramatic pieces or musical compositions have been registered, and copies thereof have been delivered according to the requirements of the said recited Act, within three months after the time of their being first represented or performed in any part of the State of Hamburg.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

**C. C. GREVILLE.**

At the Court at Windsor, the 25th day of November 1853,

**PRESENT,**

The **QUEEN'S** Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the ninth and tenth years of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend an Act of the seventh and eighth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, for reducing, under certain circumstances, the duties payable upon books and engravings," it is enacted, that whenever Her Majesty has, by virtue of any authority vested in Her for that purpose, declared that the authors, inventors, designers, engravers, or makers of any books, prints, or other works of art first published in any Foreign Country or Countries, shall have the privilege of copyright therein, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, if she think fit, from time to time, by any Order in Council, to declare that from and after a day to be named in such Order, in lieu of the customs from time to time payable on the importation into the United King-