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At the Court at Windsor, the 27th day of
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PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the 'Burial-Grounds (Scotland) Act, 1855,' it is enacted that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty from time to time, by Order in Council, upon the representation of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State that a copy of an Interlocutor of a Sheriff of a county of Scotland, under certain provisions of the said Act, has been received, in pursuance thereof, to order that no new burial-ground shall be opened within certain limits specified in such Order, save with the previous approval of one of such Secretaries of State, or (as the case may require) that after a time mentioned in such Order, burials within certain limits, or in certain burial-grounds or places of burial, shall be discontinued wholly, or subject to any exceptions or qualifications mentioned in such Order, and that such Order in Council shall thereupon have like force and effect as if the same were embodied in the said Act: Provided always, that notice of such representation, and of the time it shall please Her Majesty to order the same to be taken into consideration by the Privy Council, shall be transmitted to the Crown Agent in Edinburgh, and the Sheriff Clerk of the county in which such burial-ground is situated; and that the same shall be by them respectively published in the Edinburgh Gazette, and fixed on the doors of the Church of, or on some conspicuous places within the parishes affected by such representa-

tion, one month before such representation is so considered:

And whereas the Right Honourable Richard Assheton Cross, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has, under the provisions of the said Act, made a representation stating that he has received a copy of an Interlocutor of the Sheriff-Substitute of the county of Wigton, finding proved certain of the allegations contained in a Petition of two members of the Parochial Board of the parish of Portpatrick, viz.:—That the burial-ground of the parish of Portpatrick is overcrowded with human remains by continued and repeated interments in the same ground to an extent contrary to decency:

And whereas in the said representation it is recommended that, from the time when a new burial-ground is opened, burials in the said burial-ground of the parish of Portpatrick should be discontinued, subject to the qualification and exceptions—(1) Of heads of families at present living who have a right of burial-place in the existing old churchyard; (2) unmarried persons now living who have a right to any burying-ground belonging to their parents; (3) persons claiming such a right of interment, and receiving licence therefor from one of Her Majesty's Secretaries of State, under Section 8 of the 'Burial-Grounds (Scotland) Act, 1855:'

And whereas notice of the said representation, and of the time when it pleased Her Majesty to order the same to be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of the Privy Council, has been duly published in the Edinburgh Gazette, and has been fixed as required by the said Act:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the