

inscription "Britanniarum Rex Fid: Def:" and a graining upon the rim.

8th. The half shilling, or six pence silver piece, having for the obverse impression the aforesaid effigy, inscription, and date; and for the reverse, the ensigns armorial as described for the shilling, with the same inscription, and a graining upon the rim.

Should it please your Majesty to approve of the said impressions to be struck upon His Majesty's coins herein respectively described, I humbly request your Majesty will be graciously pleased to signify your Majesty's orders thereon, that the coinage may be forthwith proceeded upon."

His Majesty, having taken the said representation into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of the said designs which are hereunto annexed. And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly. *Jas. Buller.*

AT the Court at *Carlton-House*, the 14th of *June* 1825,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fourth year of His present Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to authorise His Majesty, under certain circumstances, to regulate the duties and drawbacks on goods imported or exported in foreign vessels, and to exempt certain foreign vessels from pilotage," His Majesty is authorised, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, or by His Majesty's Order or Orders in Council, to be published from time to time in the London Gazette, to authorise the importation into or exportation from the United Kingdom, or from any other of His Majesty's dominions, of any goods, wares, or merchandise which may be legally imported or exported in foreign vessels, upon payment of such and the like duties only, and with the like drawbacks, bounties, and allowances as are charged or granted upon similar goods, wares, or merchandise when imported or exported in British vessels; provided always, that before any such Order or Orders shall be issued, satisfactory proof shall have been laid before His Majesty and His Privy Council, that goods, wares, and merchandise imported into or exported from the foreign country in whose favour such remission of duties, or such drawbacks, bounties, or allowances shall be granted, are charged with the same duties, and are allowed the same drawbacks, bounties, or allowances when imported into or exported from such foreign country in British vessels, as are levied or allowed on similar goods, wares, and merchandise when imported or exported in vessels of such country: And whereas by an Act, passed in the fifth year of His present Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to indemnify all persons

"concerned in advising, issuing, or acting under a certain Order in Council, for regulating the tonnage duties on certain foreign vessels; and to amend an Act of the fourth year of His present Majesty's reign, for authorising His Majesty, under certain circumstances, to regulate the duties and drawbacks on goods imported or exported in any foreign vessels," His Majesty is authorised (in certain cases), by and with the advice of His Privy Council, or by His Majesty's Order or Orders in Council, to be published from time to time in the London Gazette, to permit and authorise the entry into any port or ports of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or of any other of His Majesty's dominions, of any foreign vessels, upon payment of such and the like duties of tonnage only as are or may be charged or granted upon or in respect of British vessels: And whereas satisfactory proof has been laid before His Majesty and His Privy Council, that goods, wares, and merchandise imported into or exported from the ports of His Royal Highness the Grand Duke of Mecklenburgh Schwerin, are charged with the same duties, and are allowed the same drawbacks, bounties, or allowances, when imported or exported in British vessels, as are levied or allowed on similar goods, wares, and merchandise when imported into or exported from the said ports in Mecklenburgh vessels; and that British vessels are charged with no other or higher tonnage duties on their entrance into the ports of Mecklenburgh, than are levied on Mecklenburgh vessels; His Majesty, by virtue of the powers vested in him by the Acts above recited, and by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that, from and after the date of this Order, Mecklenburgh vessels entering the ports of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in ballast or laden, direct from any of the ports of Mecklenburgh, or departing from the ports of the said United Kingdom, together with the cargoes on board the same, such cargoes consisting of articles which may be legally imported or exported, shall not be subject to any other or higher duties or charges whatever, than are or shall be levied on British vessels entering or departing from such ports, or on similar articles when imported into or exported from such ports in British vessels; and also that such articles, when exported from the said ports in Mecklenburgh vessels, shall be entitled to the same bounties, drawbacks, and allowances that are granted on similar articles when exported in British vessels:

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

Jas. Buller.

Carlton-House, June 29, 1825.

This day the Chevalier de Los Rios, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from His Catholic Majesty, had a private audience of His Majesty to deliver his credentials from the Duke of Lucca; to which he was introduced by the Right Honourable George Canning, His Ma-