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AT the Court at *Brighton*, the 9th day of
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PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by a certain Act of Parliament, made and passed in the third and fourth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to regulate the trade to China and India," it is, amongst other things, enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty, by any such Order or Orders, as to His Majesty in Council shall appear expedient and salutary, to give to the Superintendents in the said Act mentioned, or any of them, powers and authorities over and in respect of the trade and commerce of His Majesty's subjects within any part of the dominions of the Emperor of China; and to make and issue directions and regulations touching the said trade and commerce, and for the direction of His Majesty's subjects within the said dominions; and to impose penalties, forfeitures, or imprisonments for the breach of any such directions or regulations to be enforced in such manner as in the said Order or Orders shall be specified:

And whereas the Officers of the Chinese Government, resident in or near Canton, in the empire of China, have signified to the Supra Cargoes of the East India Company at Canton, the desire of that Government that effectual provision should be made, by law, for the good order of all His Majesty's subjects resorting to Canton, and for the maintenance of peace and due subordination amongst them; and it is expedient that effect should be given to such reasonable demands of the said Chinese Government; now, therefore, in pursuance of the said Act, and in execution of the powers thereby in His Majesty in Council in that behalf vested, it is hereby ordered by His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, that all the powers and

authorities which, on the twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, shall by law be vested in the Supra Cargoes of the United Company of Merchants trading to the East Indies, over and in respect of the trade and commerce of His Majesty's subjects at the port of Canton, shall be, and the same are hereby, vested in the Superintendents for the time being appointed under and by virtue of the said Act of Parliament; and that all regulations which, on the said twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, shall be in force touching the said trade and commerce, save so far as the same are repealed or abrogated by the said Act of Parliament, or by any commission and instructions, or Orders in Council, issued or made by His Majesty in pursuance thereof, or are inconsistent therewith, shall continue in full force and virtue; and that all such penalties, forfeitures, or imprisonments as might, on the said twenty-first day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, be incurred or enforced for the breach of such then existing regulations, shall thenceforth be, in like manner, incurred and enforced for the breach of the same regulations, so far as the same are hereby revived and continued in force as aforesaid; and that all such penalties, forfeitures, or imprisonments, when so incurred, shall be enforced in manner following, that is to say, either by such ways and means by which the same might, on the said twenty-first of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, have been lawfully enforced, or by the sentence and adjudication of the Court of Justice established at Canton aforesaid, under and in pursuance of the said Act of Parliament:

Provided also, and it is further declared, that the regulations herein contained are and shall be considered as provisional only, and as intended to continue in force only until His Majesty shall be pleased to make such further or other order in the premises, in pursuance of the said Act of Parliament, as to His Majesty, with the advice of His Privy Council,