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A DISPATCH has been received by Viscount Palmerston, G. C. B. Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, from Sir George Villiers, G. C. B. Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Madrid, dated the 21st of October 1837, from which the following is an extract :

(Extract.)

I HAVE the honour to enclose the copy and translation of a Decree, published in the Madrid Gazette of the 14th instant, by which Santa Cruz de Santiago, in Teneriffe, and other ports in the Canary Islands, are established as ports for foreign commerce.

(Translation.)

(Decree.)

DONNA ISABELLA the Second, by the Grace of God, and by the Constitution of the Spanish Monarchy, Queen of Spain, and, in Her name, Donna Maria Christina de Borbon, Queen Regent of the Kingdom, be it known unto all by whom these presents are seen and concern, that the Cortes have decreed and We sanction the following :

The Cortes, in virtue of their powers, have decreed, that the Decrees of former Cortes, viz. the Decree of the 5th of January 1822, in virtue of which the port of Santa Cruz, of Santiago, of Teneriffe,

was permitted to carry on national and foreign trade, with a deposit of the first class ; and of that of the 20th of the same month and year, with several provisional regulations for the trade in the Canary Islands, and for granting the privilege of trade to certain ports of those islands ; and the Order of the 31st of March of the said year, empowering the Provincial Deputation of the Canaries to regulate the ship and port duties exacted from vessels entering the licenced ports of these islands in transit, be herewith re-established, except in that part of the second and third articles of the Decree of January 20th, which is provided for in the tariffs formed in 1830, by the Royal Commission, and approved of by the Government, and which are still in force ; — Which the Cortes present to Her Majesty, in order that She may be pleased to give it Her sanction :

Palace of the Cortes, September 23, 1837.

Therefore We command all tribunals and all authorities, whether civil, military, or ecclesiastical, of whatever rank and dignity they may be, to keep, and cause to be kept, fulfilled, and executed, the present law in all its parts. Let it be so understood, printed, published, and circulated.

(Signed) I, the QUEEN REGENT,

Palace, October 10th, 1837.

To Don Antonio Maria de Feixas,
&c. &c. &c.