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FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 1839.

AT the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 31st day of *July* 1839,

PRESENT,

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

HER Majesty having been pleased to appoint Sir Charles Theophilus Metcalf, Bart. and G. C. B. to be Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the island of Jamaica, he this day took the usual Oath appointed to be taken by the Governors of Her Majesty's Plantations.

AT the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 11th day of *July* 1839,

PRESENT,

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

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament holden in the third and fourth years of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled "An Act to regulate the trade of the British possessions abroad," it was, amongst other things, enacted, that no goods should be imported into, nor should any goods, except the produce of the fisheries in British ships, be exported from, any of the British possessions in America, by sea, from or to any place other than the United Kingdom, or some other of such possessions, excepting to or from the several ports in such possessions

called free ports, enumerated or described in the table in the said Act contained; and it was thereby further enacted, that if any goods should be imported into any port or place in any of the said possessions, contrary to the said Act, such goods should be forfeited; and it was thereby provided, that, if His Majesty should deem it expedient to extend the provisions of the said Act to any port or ports not enumerated in the said table, it should be lawful for His Majesty, by Order in Council, to extend the provisions of the said Act to such port or ports; and that from and after the day mentioned in such Order in Council all the privileges and advantages of the said Act, and all the provisions, penalties, and forfeitures therein contained, subject, nevertheless, to the limitations and restrictions thereafter provided, should extend, and be deemed and construed to extend, to any such port or ports respectively as fully as if the same had been inserted and enumerated in the said table at the time of passing the said Act;

And it was thereby also enacted, that the several ports therein in that behalf mentioned, should be free warehousing ports for all the purposes of the said Act; and that it should be lawful for His Majesty, by Order in Council, from time to time, to appoint any port in His Majesty's possessions in America to be a free warehousing port for all or any of the purposes of the said Act; and that every port so appointed should be, for all the purposes expressed