

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities in Her Majesty by the said Act in that behalf vested, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that the said port of Falmouth, in the island of Jamaica, shall be a free warehousing port for all the purposes of the said Act :

Provided always, and it is hereby ordered, that nothing herein contained shall exempt any goods, wares, or merchandize imported from the said port of Falmouth into any of the British possessions in the West Indies, or on the continent of South America, or into the Bahama Islands, from the payment of the duties now chargeable thereon in such places under the said Act :

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

C. C. Greville.

AT the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 5th day of *March* 1840,

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 in such Order, a free warehousing port under the said Act, as if appointed by the same :

And whereas by the said last before-recited Act it is enacted, that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, by any Order or Orders in Council, to be issued from time to time, to give such directions and make such regulations touching the trade and commerce to and from any British possessions on or near the continent of Europe, or within the Mediterranean Sea, or in Africa, or within the limits of the East India Company's charter (excepting the possessions of the said Company), as to His Majesty in Council shall appear most expedient and salutary, any thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding ; and, if any goods shall be imported or exported in any manner contrary to any such Order of His Majesty in Council, the same shall be forfeited, together with the ship importing or exporting the same :

And whereas Her Majesty doth deem it expedient to extend the before-mentioned provisions of the said Act, respecting such free ports, to Port Melbourne, in the district of Port Phillip, in New South Wales :

Now, therefore, under and by virtue of the said Act of Parliament, and in exercise of the powers thereby in Her Majesty in Council in that behalf vested, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, doth order, and it is hereby ordered