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FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1857.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 25th day of *June*, 1857.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament holden in the fifth and sixth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to amend the law of copyright," it is among other things enacted, that it shall not be lawful for any person, not being the proprietor of the copyright, or some person authorized by him, to import into any port in the United Kingdom, or into any other part of the British dominions, for sale or hire, any printed book, first composed, or written, or printed and published in any part of the United Kingdom, wherein there shall be copyright, and reprinted in any country or place whatsoever out of the British dominions.

And whereas by the "Customs Consolidation Act, 1853," an Act of the eighth and ninth Victoria, chapter ninety-three, entitled "An Act to regulate the trade of the British possessions abroad," was repealed, and by the Act now in recital, books wherein the copyright is subsisting, first composed, or written or printed, in the United Kingdom, and printed or reprinted in any other country, are absolutely prohibited to be imported into the British possessions abroad; but it is hereby provided that nothing therein contained shall be taken to prevent Her Majesty from exercising the power to suspend, in certain cases, such prohibition vested in Her by the tenth and eleventh Victoria, chapter ninety-five, entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the protection in the colonies, of works entitled to copyright in the United Kingdom."

And whereas by the last recited Act, it is enacted that in case the Legislature, or proper legislative authorities in any British possession, shall be disposed to make due provision for securing or protecting the rights of British authors in such possessions, and shall pass an Act or make an Ordinance for that purpose, and shall transmit the same in the proper manner to the Secretary of State, in order that it may be submitted to Her Majesty, and in case Her Majesty shall be of opinion that such Act or Ordinance is sufficient for the purpose of securing to British authors reasonable protection within such possession, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, if she think fit so to do, to express Her royal approval of such Act

or Ordinance, and thereupon to issue an Order in Council, declaring that so long as the provisions of such Act or Ordinance continue in force within such colony, the prohibitions contained in the aforesaid Acts of the fifth and sixth Victoria, and eighth and ninth Victoria, or in any other Acts against the importing, selling, letting out to hire, exposing for sale or hire, or possessing foreign reprints of books first composed, written, printed, or published in the United Kingdom, and entitled to copyright therein, shall be suspended, so far as regards such colony, and thereupon such Act or Ordinance shall come into operation, except so far as may be otherwise provided therein, or may be otherwise directed by such Order in Council.

And whereas an Act has been passed by the Governor, Council, and Assembly of the Island of Jamaica (No. 4170), "to repeal the fifteenth Victoria, chapter five, and to re-enact the same with amendments," whereby provision is made for protecting the rights of British authors in the said colony.

And whereas Her Majesty hath expressed Her Royal approval of the said Act:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of Her Privy Council, and by the authority of the same, doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that, so long as the said Act shall remain and continue in force within the said island, all prohibitions in any of the said hereinbefore recited Acts of the Imperial Parliament, or in any other Acts thereof contained against the importing into the said island, or against the selling, letting out to hire, exposing for sale or hire, or possessing therein foreign reprints of books first composed, written, printed, or published in the United Kingdom, and entitled to copyright therein, shall be suspended, so far as regards the said island.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and the Right Honourable Henry Labouchere, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, are to give the necessary directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

Wm. L. Bathurst.

Manchester, June 30, 1857.

The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood upon James Watts, Esq., of Abney Hall, in the county of Chester, Mayor of Manchester.