el carbon mineral de Chile á que se contrae mi declaracion de veinte y nueve de Enero último.

Aprovecho esta oportunidad para manifestar á V.S. mis sentimentos de respeto y elevada consideracion.

(Fmo.) CASTO MENDEZ-NUÑEZ.

Sor. Encargado de Negocios de S.M. Britanica.

## (Translation.)

Frigate "Numancia," Bay of Callao, April 27, 1866.

I HAVE the honour to announce to you that in my right of a belligerent, I have resolved to blockade, as is blockaded from this date, the Bay of Callao, allowing a term of six days from this date for neutral vessels which are already loaded, or may be loaded in that time, to leave the port, understanding that they have no articles which are contraband of war.

After the six days, only vessels in ballast will be allowed to sail.

I should inform you that the instructions given to the Commanders of vessels of the squadron under my command, for sustaining the blockade, are the same as those published for the ports of Chili, adding at the same time to those articles, Chili coal, as declared in my note of the 29th of January last.

I avail, &c.,

(Signed) CASTO MENDEZ-NUNEZ.

Her Britannic Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires.

A T the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 26th day of May, 1866.

By the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

## PRESENT,

Lord President. Lord Privy Seal. Sir George Grey, Bart. Mr. Milner Gibson. Mr. Bruce.

HEREAS by an Act passed in the session of the eleventh and twelfth years of Her present Majesty's reign, chapter one hundred and seven, intituled "An Act to prevent until the first "day of September, one thousand eight hundred "and fifty, and to the end of the then session of "Parliament, the spreading of contagious or "infectious disorders amongst sheep, cattle, and "other animals," and from time to time continued by divers subsequent Acts, and lastly, by an Act passed in the session of the twentyeighth and twenty-ninth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter one hundred and nineteen, it is (amongst other things) enacted that it shall be lawful for the Lords and others of Her Majesty's Privy Council, or any two or more of them, from time to time to make such Orders and Regulations as to them may seem necessary for the purpose of prohibiting or regulating the removal to or from such parts or places as they may I

designate in such Order or Orders, of sheep, cattle, horses, swine, or other animals, or of hay, straw, fodder, or other articles likely to propagate infection; and to make any other Orders or Regulations for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of the said Act, and again to revoke, alter, or vary any such Orders or Regulations; and that all provisions for any of the purposes aforesaid in any such Order or Orders contained shall have the like force and effect as if the same had been inserted in the said Act:

And whereas the said Act has been amended and explained by an Act passed in the twenty-ninth year of Her present Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend the Act of the eleventh and "twelfth years of Her present Majesty, chapter "one hundred and seven, to prevent the spreading "of contagious or infectious disorders among "sheep, cattle, and other animals."

And whereas a contagious or infectious disorder, generally designated as the "Cattle Plague," has lately appeared, and now prevails, amongst cattle in England and Wales:

And whereas divers Orders in pursuance of the said recited Act have been made by the Lords of the said Council in relation to the said Cattle Plague, which were consolidated and amended by Orders bearing date the 24th day of March, and the 11th day of April, 1866, and such last Orders have been since altered and extended by other Orders of the Council since duly issued, one of which, bearing date the 14th day of April, 1866, relates to South Wales:

And whereas some of the regulations contained in the said Orders will cease on the first day of June next following, and it is expedient that the same should be continued, and that farther regulations should be made in regard to the landing of foreign cattle, the movement of cattle, and the cleansing of pens and the movement of hay and straw as herein provided.

Now, therefore, the Lords of the said Council do hereby order as follows, that is to say:

Art. 1. All the regulations contained in the said Orders above referred to, which, if this Order had not been made, would have ceased and determined on the first day of June next shall be continued and be in force until the Lords of the said Council shall hereafter otherwise order.

Art. 2. All cattle brought by sea from any place out of the United Kingdom, except the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man, and landed at any place in the United Kingdom, shall be taken forthwith to the market held and duly licensed by the Lords of the Council for the sale of cattle, for immediate slaughter, if any such there be within the said place, which shall be held within four days from the landing of such cattle; and if there be no such market duly licensed within such place, or if the market duly licensed shall not be held within four days from the landing of such cattle, such cattle shall be slaughtered at such place before the expiration of such four days.

Art. 3. All lambs, sheep, goats, and swine brought by sea from any place out of the United Kingdom into any town or place in the United Kingdom, in the same vessel with any foreign cattle, shall be dealt with in all respects as such foreign cattle, and shall be subject to all the regulations applicable to such foreign cattle brought by sea into any such town or place.

Art. 4. The Local Authority shall, with the view of preventing the spread of the said dis-