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AT the Court at *Kensington*, the 8th Day of *September*, 1747,

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

W Hereas on the eighteenth Day of *June* last, his Majesty was pleased, by his Order made in his Privy Council, to establish several Rules, Orders, and Regulations, for the better preventing the Spreading of the Distemper amongst the Horned Cattle; Which Rules, Orders, and Regulations were thereby directed to be carefully observed, and to continue in Force for and during the Space of three Calendar Months, to commence from the first Day of July last: And whereas his Majesty hath received Information, that the said Distemper hath of late greatly increased, and extended itself into many Parts of this Kingdom which had been entirely free therefrom; and that this had been occasioned chiefly through the Neglect of the Officers appointed to carry the said Rules, Orders, and Regulations into Execution; — His Majesty taking the same into his most serious Consideration, and being desirous of doing every Thing in his Power towards putting a Stop to the said Distemper, which, if not timely prevented, may end in the entire Destruction of the Horned Cattle, hath therefore thought it proper, by and with the Advice of his Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, That a Prohibition be laid on the Buying, Selling or Removing of all lean Horned Cattle, not only in those Counties where the Distemper now is or may hereafter happen to be, but in all the Counties throughout England; and to that End, that no Person do, from and after the twentieth Day of this Instant September, send, drive or remove, or cause to be sent, driven or removed, any Ox, Bull, Cow, Calf, Steer or Heifer, out of any Town, Parish or Extraparochial Place, to any other Town, Parish, or Extraparochial Place whatsoever, within that Part of Great Britain called England, or do buy, sell, or expose; or offer to Sale;

or cause to be bought, sold, or exposed, or offered to Sale, any Ox, Bull, Cow, Calf, Steer, or Heifer, in any Fair, Market, Town, Parish or Extraparochial Place whatsoever, except only fatted Cattle ready for immediate Slaughter. Provided nevertheless, that nothing herein contained, is meant or intended to take away the Liberty granted by his Majesty's Order of Council of the 18th of June last, for removing Cattle from one Pasture to another, though the same should be in different Parishes, or to drive Ox-Teams in any kind of Carriages from one Parish or Place to another, provided the several Conditions, required by the said Order of Council in the said respective Cases, be in all Things strictly and duly complied with.

And for the greater Certainty that the fatted Cattle are not infected, or come from any infected Place or Herd, his Majesty doth hereby further require and command, That no Person or Persons whatsoever do buy, sell, or expose, or offer to Sale, or cause to be bought, sold, or exposed, or offered to Sale, any such fatted Cattle, unless the Person or Persons driving, sending or removing, or selling such Cattle, do deliver, or cause to be delivered to the Person or Persons who shall buy the same, a Certificate under the Hand and Seal, or Hands and Seals, of one or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the County, Riding, Division, City, Liberty or Town Corporate, or of one or more Commissioner or Commissioners of the Land-Tax, qualified to act herein, for the County, Riding or Division, where the Town, Parish or Extraparochial Place shall lie, from whence such Cattle shall be driven; or (in Case no Justice of the Peace, or Commissioner of the Land-Tax as aforesaid, shall be resident at that Time, within three Miles of such Parish or Place) of the Rector, Vicar, or Curate of such Parish, or of some neighbouring Parish, attested by one of the Churchwardens or Overseers of the Poor of the Parish or Place from whence such Cattle shall be brought or remov'd, specifying the Name or Names, and Place or Places of Abode of the Person or Persons selling the same; and that

