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An Act for carrying into effect the Treaty between Her Majesty and the Republic of Chile for the Abolition of the Traffic in Slaves.

[10th August 1843.]

- WHEREAS on the Nineteenth Day of January in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine a Treaty was concluded and signed at Santiago, between Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Republic of Chile, for the Abolition of the Traffic in Slaves, whereby it was agreed as follows:
  - 'ARTICLE I.—The Slave Trade having been constitu-'tionally abolished throughout the Territories of the ' Chilian Republic is hereby declared to be henceforward ' totally prohibited to all the Citizens of the said Republic ' in all Parts of the World.
  - 'ARTICLE II.—The President of the Republic of Chile · especially engages, within the Space of Two Months after ' the Exchange of the Ratifications, should the ordinary 'Congress then be in Session, or within Two Months after ' the first subsequent ordinary Meeting of the said Con-' gress, to promulgate a Law imposing the Punishment 'attached to Piracy on all Chilian Citizens who shall, ' under any Colour or Pretext, take any Part whatever ' in the Traffic of Slaves; and he in like Manner engages to adopt, from Time to Time as may become needful, ' the most effectual Measures for preventing the Citizens ' of the said Republic of Chile from being concerned, and the Flag of that Republic from being used, in carrying on in any way the Traffic in Slaves.
  - 'ARTICLE III.—Her Majesty the Queen of the United 'Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the President of the Republic of Chile hereby mutually engage that, ' by an additional Convention hereafter to be concluded between the said High Contracting Parties to the present 'Treaty, they will concert and settle the Details of the ' Measures by which the Law of Piracy, which will become 'applicable to that Traffic by the Legislation of each of ' the Two Countries, shall be immediately and reciprocally carried into execution with respect to the Vessels ' and Subjects or Citizens of each.
  - 'ARTICLE IV.—In order more completely to carry into 'effect the Spirit of the present Treaty the Two High 'Contracting Parties mutually consent that those Ships of their Navies respectively which shall be provided with 'special

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special Instructions for that Purpose, as herein-after mentioned, may visit such Merchant Vessels of the Two Nations as may be suspected, upon reasonable Grounds, of being engaged in the Traffic in Slaves, or of having been fitted out for the Purposes thereof, or of having, during the Voyage in which they are met by the said Cruisers, been engaged in the Traffic in Slaves, contrary to the Provisions of this Treaty; and that such Cruisers may detain and send or carry away such Vessels, in order that they may be brought to Trial in the Manner herein-after agreed upon.

'ARTICLE V.—In order to regulate the Mode of carrying the Provisions of the preceding Article into execution, it is agreed,—

'First,—That all Ships of the Navies of the Two 'Nations which shall be hereafter employed to prevent the Traffic in Slaves shall be furnished by their 'respective Governments with a Copy, in the English and Spanish Languages, of the present Treaty, of the Instructions for Cruisers annexed thereto, sub litera (A.), and of the Regulations for the Mixed Courts of Justice annexed thereto, sub litera (B.), which Annexes 'shall be considered as an integral Part of the Treaty:

'Secondly,—That each of the High Contracting

Parties shall from Time to Time communicate to the other the Names of the several Ships furnished with such Instructions, the Force of each Ship, and the Names of their several Commanders:

'Thirdly,—That if at any Time there shall be just ' Cause to suspect that any Merchant Vessel sailing ' under the Flag of either Nation, and proceeding under the Convoy of any Ship or Ships of War of either of the Contracting Parties, is engaged or is intended ' to be engaged in the Traffic in Slaves, or is fitted out ' for the Purposes thereof, or has, during the Voyage on ' which she may be met with, been engaged in the <sup>6</sup> Traffic in Slaves, it shall be lawful for the Commander of any Ship of the Navy of either of the 'Two High Contracting Parties, furnished with such 'Instructions as aforesaid, to visit such Merchant 'Vessel; and such Commander shall proceed to visit the same, in communication with the Commanding 'Officer of the Convoy, who, it is hereby agreed, shall ' give every Facility to the Visit, and to the eventual Detention, of such Merchant Vessel, and in all Things shall assist to the utmost of his Power in the due ' Execution of the present Treaty, according to the

'Fourthly,—It is further mutually agreed, That the Commanders of the Ships of the Two Navies respectively

' true Intent and Meaning thereof:

- 'tively who shall be employed on this Service shall adhere strictly to the exact Tenor of the aforesaid Instructions.
- 'ARTICLE VI.—As the Two preceding Articles are entirely reciprocal, the Two High Contracting Parties engage mutually to make good any Losses which their respective Subjects or Citizens may incur by the arbitrary and illegal Detention of their Vessels, it being understood that this Indemnity shall invariably be borne by the Government whose Cruiser shall have been guilty of such arbitrary and illegal Detention, and that the Visit and Detention of Vessels, specified in Article IV. of this Treaty, shall only be effected by those British or
- this Treaty, shall only be effected by those British or Chilian Ships which may form Part of the Navies (Royal and National) respectively of the Two High Contracting
- 'Parties to the Treaty, and such Ships only of those 'Navies as shall be provided with the special Instruction
- annexed to the present Treaty, in pursuance of the Provisions thereof:
- 'The Compensation for Damages of which this Article treats shall be made within the Term of One Year, reckoned from the Day on which the Mixed Court of Justice pronounces Sentence on the Vessel for the

Detention of which such Compensation is claimed.

'ARTICLE VII.—In order to bring to Adjudication with as little Delay and Inconvenience as possible the Vessels which may be detained according to the Tenor of Article IV. of this Treaty, there shall be established, within the Space of a Year at furthest from the Exchange of the Ratifications of the present Treaty, Two Mixed Courts of Justice, formed of an equal Number of Individuals of the Two Nations named for this Purpose by the Two High Contracting Parties especially.

'These Courts shall reside, one in a Possession belonging to Her Britannic Majesty, the other within the
Territories of the Republic of Chile; and the Two
Governments at the Period of the Exchange of the
Ratifications of the present Treaty shall declare, each for
its own Territories, in what Places the Courts shall respectively reside; each of the Two High Contracting Parties
reserving to itself the Right of changing at its Pleasure
the Place of Residence of the Court held within its own
Territories; provided, however, that one of the Two
Courts shall always be held upon the Coast of Africa,
and the other in one of the Possessions of the Republic
of Chile.

'These Courts shall judge the Causes submitted to them according to the Provisions of the present Treaty, without Appeal, and according to the Regulations and Instructions

- 'Instructions which are annexed to the present Treaty,
- and which are considered as forming an integral Part
- ' thereof.
- 'ARTICLE VIII.—If the Commanding Officer of any of the Ships of the Navies of Great Britain and of Chile
- respectively, duly commissioned according to the Pro-
- visions of Article IV. of this Treaty, shall deviate in any
- respect from the Stipulations of the said Treaty, or from
- the Instructions annexed to it, the Government which
- shall conceive itself to be wronged thereby shall be entitled to demand Reparation; and in such Case the Go-
- ' vernment to which such Commanding Officer may belong
- binds itself to cause Inquiry to be made into the Sub-
- e ject of the Complaint, and to inflict upon the said Officer
- a Punishment proportioned to any wilful Transgression
- ' which he may have committed.
- 'ARTICLE IX.—It is hereby further mutually agreed, that every Merchant Vessel, British or Chilian, which
- ' shall be visited by virtue of the present Treaty, may law-
- fully be detained, and be sent or brought before the
- 6 Mixed Courts of Justice established in pursuance of the
- ' Provisions thereof, if in her Equipment there shall be
- found any of the Things herein-after mentioned; namely, First,—Hatches with open Gratings, instead of the
  - close Hatches which are usual in Merchant Vessels.
    Secondly,—Divisions or Bulkheads in the Hold, or
  - on Deck, in a greater Number than are necessary for
  - 'Vessels engaged in lawful Trade.
    - 'Thirdly,—Spare Plank fitted for being laid down as
  - ' a Second or Slave Deck.
    - ' Fourthly,—Shackles, Bolts, or Handcuffs.
  - 'Fifthly,—A larger Quantity of Water in Casks or
  - ' in Tanks than is requisite for the Consumption of the
  - ' Crew of the Vessel as a Merchant Vessel.
  - 'Sixthly,—An extraordinary Number of Water Casks,
  - or of other Vessels for holding Liquid, unless the
  - ' Master shall produce a Certificate from the Custom
  - ' House at the Place from which he cleared outwards,
  - stating that a sufficient Security had been given by
  - the Owners of such Merchant Vessel that such extra
  - Quantity of Casks or other Vessels should only be used for the Reception of Palm Oil, or for other Pur-
  - ' poses of lawful Commerce.
  - 'Seventhly,—A greater Quantity of Mess Tubs or Kids than are requisite for the Use of the Crew of the
  - ' Vessel as a Merchant Vessel.
    - ' Eighthly,—A Boiler of an unusual Size, and larger,
  - or fitted for being made larger, than requisite for the
  - ' Use of the Crew of the Vessel as a Merchant Vessel,
  - or more than One Boiler of the ordinary Size.
    - ' Ninthly,—



Ninthly,—An extraordinary Quantity either of Rice, of the Flour of Brazil, Manioc, or Cassada, commonly called Farina, of Maize, or Indian Corn, or of any other Article of Food whatever, beyond what might probably be required for the Use of the Crew, such Rice, Flour, Maize, Indian Corn, or other Article of Food not being entered on the Manifest as Part of the Cargo for Trade.

'Tenthly,—A Quantity of Mats or Matting greater than is necessary for the Use of the Crew of the Vessel

as a Merchant Vessel.

Any One or more of these several Things, if proved, shall be considered as primâ facie Evidence of the actual Employment of the Vessel in the Slave Trade; and the Vessel shall thereupon be condemned and be declared lawful Prize, unless clear and incontestible Evidence on the Part of the Master or Owners shall establish, to the Satisfaction of the Court, that such Vessel was, at the Time of her Detention or Capture, employed in some legal Pursuit, and that such of the several Things above enumerated as were found on board her at the Time of her Detention, or had been put on board on the Voyage on which the Vessel when captured was proceeding, were needed for legal Purposes on that particular Voyage.

'ARTICLE X.—If any of the Things specified in the ' preceding Article shall be found in any Merchant Vessel, no Compensation for Losses, Damages, or Expences consequent upon the Detention of such Vessel shall in 'any Case be granted either to her Master or to her 'Owner, or to any other Person interested in her Equip-' ment or Lading, even though the Mixed Court of Justice should not pronounce any Sentence of Condem-' nation in consequence of her Detention, the Intention ' of the Two High Contracting Parties in agreeing to ' this Stipulation being to discourage, by all the Means 'at their Disposal, the Embarkation of Stores of the Class enumerated in the foregoing Article, under any Pretext, or for whatever Purpose they may be intended, and which, though discovered on board of a Vessel not actu-' ally engaged or to be employed in the Traffic in Slaves, ' may be surreptitiously converted to the furtherance of the iniquitous Designs of those who are, or may hereafter be so, in contravention of the Provisions of this 'Treaty.

'ARTICLE XI.—It is hereby agreed between the Two High Contracting Parties, that in all Cases in which a Vessel shall be detained under this Treaty by their respective Cruisers, as having been engaged in the Slave Trade, or as having been fitted out for the Purposes thereof, and shall consequently be adjudged and condemned

- demned by the Mixed Courts of Justice to be established as aforesaid, the said Vessel shall, immediately after its Condemnation, be broken up entirely, and shall
- ' be sold in separate Parts after having been so broken up.
- ARTICLE XII.—The Negroes who are found on board of a Vessel detained by a Cruiser, and condemned by the Mixed Courts of Justice, in conformity with the Stipulations of this Treaty, shall be placed at the Disposition of the Government whose Cruiser has made the Capture, on the distinct Understanding that they shall be immediately set at liberty and kept free, the Government to which they have been delivered guaranteeing the same, and likewise engaging to afford from Time to Time, and whenever demanded by the other High Contracting Party, the fullest Information as to the State and Condition of such Negroes, with a view of insuring the due Execution of the Treaty in this respect.

  For this Purpose the Regulations annexed to this Treaty, sub litera (C.), as to the Treatment of Negroes
- ' liberated by Sentence of the Mixed Courts of Justice, have been drawn up, and are declared to form an integral Part of this Treaty. The Two High Contracting Parties reserve to themselves the Right to alter or suspend, by common Consent and mutual Agreement, but not otherwise, the Terms and Tenor of such Regulations.
- 'ARTICLE XIII.—The Acts or Instruments annexed to this Treaty, and which it is mutually agreed shall form an integral Part thereof, are as follows:
  - ' (A.) Instructions for the Ships of the Navies of both Nations destined to prevent the Traffic in Slaves.
  - ' (B.) Regulations for the Mixed Courts of Justice, which are to hold their Sittings on the Coast of Africa, and in one of the Possessions of the Republic of Chile.
  - (C.) Regulations as to the Treatment of liberated Negroes.
- 'ARTICLE XIV.—The present Treaty, consisting of Fourteen Articles, shall be ratified, and the Ratifications thereof exchanged at Santiago, as soon as possible within the Space of Twelve Months from this Date.
- In witness whereof the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed, in Triplicate Originals, English and Spanish, the present Treaty, and have hereunto affixed the Seal of their Arms.
  - 'Done at Santiago de Chile, this Nineteenth Day of 'January in the Year of our Lord One thousand 'eight hundred and thirty-nine.
    - '(L.S.) John Walpole.
      '(L.S.) Joaquin Tocornal.

# 'ANNEX (A.)

- 'To the TREATY between GREAT BRITAIN and the REPUBLIC of CHILE, for the Abolition of the Traffic in Slaves.
  - 'Instructions for the Ships of the British and Chilian 'Navies employed to prevent the Traffic in Slaves.
  - 'ARTICLE I.—The Commander of any Ship belonging ' to the Navy of Her Britannic Majesty or of the Republic of Chile, which shall be furnished with these Instructions, 'shall have a Right to visit, search, and detain any British or Chilian Merchant Vessel which shall be actually ' engaged, or which shall be suspected to be engaged, in the Slave Trade, or to be fitted out for the Purposes ' thereof, or to have been engaged in the Traffic in Slaves 'during the Voyage in which she may be met with by such Ship of the British or Chilian Navy; and such Commander shall thereupon bring or send such Merchant Vessel as soon as possible for Judgment before that one of the Two Mixed Courts of Justice, established in virtue of Article Seven of the said Treaty, which shall be the ' nearest to the Place of Detention, or which such Com-' mander shall, upon his own Responsibility, think can be ' soonest reached from such Place.
  - ARTICLE II.—Whenever a Ship of either of the said Navies, duly authorized as aforesaid, shall meet a Merchantman liable to be visited under the Provisions of the said Treaty, the Search shall be conducted in the mildest Manner, and with every Attention which ought to be observed between allied and friendly Nations; and the Search shall in all Cases be made by an Officer holding a Rank not lower than that of Lieutenant in the Navy of Great Britain or Chile respectively (unless the Command shall, by reason of Death or otherwise, be held by an Officer of inferior Rank,) or by the Officer who at the Time shall be second in Command of the Ship by which such Search is made.
  - 'ARTICLE III.—The Commander of any Ship of the Two Navies, duly authorized as aforesaid, who may detain any Merchant Vessel in pursuance of the Tenor of the present Instructions, shall leave on board the Vessel so detained the Master, the Mate or Boatswain, and Two or Three at least of the Crew thereof, the whole of the Slaves (if any), and all the Cargo.
  - 'The Captor shall at the Time of Detention draw up in Writing an authentic Declaration, which shall exhibit the State in which he found the detained Vessel, such Declaration to be signed by himself, and to be given in or sent, together with the captured Vessel, to the Mixed

Court of Justice before which such Vessel shall be carried
or sent for Adjudication.

' He shall deliver to the Master of the detained Vessel
' a certified List of the Papers seized on board the same,
' as well as of the Number of Slaves found on board at
' the Moment of Detention.

In the authenticated Declaration which the Captor is hereby required to make, as well as in the certified List of the Papers seized, he shall insert his own Name, the Name of the capturing Ship, the Latitude and Longitude of the Place where the Detention shall have taken place, and the Number of Slaves found on board the Vessel at the Time of the Detention.

'The Officer in charge of the Vessel detained shall, at the Time of his bringing the Vessel's Papers into the Mixed Court of Justice, deliver into the Court a Paper, signed by himself, and verified on Oath, stating any Changes which may have taken place in respect to the Vessel, her Crew, the Slaves (if any), and her Cargo, between the Period of her Detention and the Time of delivering in such Paper.

ARTICLE IV.—The Slaves shall not be disembarked till after the Vessel which contains them shall have arrived at the Place of Adjudication, in order that in the event of the Vessel not being adjudged legal Prize the Loss of the Proprietors may be more easily repaired; and even after the Slaves have arrived at such Place they are not to be landed without the Permission of the Mixed Court of Justice.

Gut if the urgent Reasons deduced from the Length of the Voyage, from the State of Health of the Slaves, or from other Causes, should require that either the Whole or a Portion of the Negroes should be disembarked before the Vessel can arrive at the Place at which one of the said Courts is established, the Commander of the capturing Ship may take upon himself the Responsibility of so disembarking the Negroes; provided that such Necessity and the Causes thereof be stated in a Certificate in proper Form, and that this Certificate be entered at the Time on the Log Book of the detained Vessel.

'The undersigned Plenipotentiaries have agreed, in conformity with Article XIII. of the Treaty signed by them on this Day, the Nineteenth of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, that the preceding Instructions, consisting of Four Articles, shall be annexed to the said Treaty, and be considered as an integral Part thereof.

'The Nineteenth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine.

' (L. s.) John Walpole.
' (L. s.) Joaquin Tocornal.

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# ' Annex (B.)

- 'To the Treaty between Great Britain and the Republic of Chile, for the Abolition of the Traffic in Slaves.
  - Regulations for the Mixed Courts of Justice which are to ' reside on the Coast of Africa and in the Possessions of • the Republic of Chile.
  - ARTICLE I.—The Mixed Courts of Justice to be estab-' lished under the Provisions of the Treaty, of which these Regulations are declared to be an integral Part, shall be ' composed in the following Manner:—Each of the Two 6 High Contracting Parties shall name a Judge and an Arbitrator, who shall be authorized to hear and to ' decide, without Appeal, all Cases of the Capture or Detention of Vessels which, in pursuance of the Stipulations of the aforesaid Treaty, shall be brought before them. 'The Judges and the Arbitrators shall, before entering ' upon the Duties of their Office, respectively make Oath ' before the principal Magistrate of the Places in which such Courts respectively shall reside, that they will judge fairly and faithfully, that they will have no Preference either for the Claimants or the Captors, and that they ' will act in all their Decisions in pursuance of the Sti-' pulations of the aforesaid Treaty.

'There shall be attached to each of such Courts a Secretary or Registrar, who shall be appointed by the Government of the Country within the Territories of which such Court shall reside. Such Secretary or Re-' gistrar shall register all the Acts of such Court, and ' shall, before he enters upon his Office, make Oath before ' the Court to which he is appointed, that he will conduct ' himself with due Respect for his Authority, and will act ' with Fidelity and Impartiality in all Matters relating to

'his said Office.

 The Salary of the Secretary or Registrar of the Court to be established on the Coast of Africa shall be paid by ' Her Britannic Majesty, and that of the Secretary or Registrar of the Court to be established in the Possessions of the Republic of Chile shall be paid by the Government ' of that Republic.

' Each of the Governments shall defray Half of the 'aggregate Amount of the incidental Expences of such ' Courts.

'ARTICLE II.—'The Expences incurred by the Officer charged with the Reception, Maintenance, and Care of the detained Vessels, Slaves, and Cargo, and with the ' Execution of the Sentence, and all Disbursements occasioned by bringing a Vessel to Adjudication, shall, in case of Condemnation, be defrayed from the Funds ' arising

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4 arising from the Sale of the Materials of the broken-up 5 Vessel, of the Ship's Stores, and of such Parts of the 6 Cargo as shall consist of Merchandize; and in case the 6 Proceeds arising from this Sale should not prove suffi-6 cient to defray such Expences, the Deficiency shall be 6 made good by the Government of the Country within

whose Territories the Adjudication shall have taken place.

'If the detained Vessel shall be released, the Expences occasioned by bringing her to Adjudication shall be defrayed by the Captor, excepting in the Cases specified and otherwise provided for under Article X. of the Treaty to which these Regulations form an Annex, and under Article VII. of these Regulations.

'ARTICLE III.—The Mixed Courts of Justice are to decide upon the Legality of the Detention of such Vessels as the Cruisers of either Nation shall, in pursuance of the said Treaty, detain.

'The Courts shall judge definitively, and without Appeal, all Questions which shall arise out of the Capture and Detention of such Vessels.

'The Proceedings of these Courts shall take place with as little Delay as possible, and for this Purpose the Courts are required to decide each Case, so far as may be practicable, within the Space of Twenty Days, to be dated from the Day on which the detained Vessel shall have been brought into the Port where the deciding Court shall reside.

'The final Sentence shall not in any Case be delayed beyond the Period of Two Months, either on account of the Absence of Witnesses or for any other Cause, except upon the Application of any of the Parties interested, in which Case, upon such Party or Parties giving satisfactory Security that they will take upon themselves the Expence and Risks of the Delay, the Courts may, at their Discretion, grant an additional Delay, not exceeding Four Months. Either Party shall be allowed to employ such Counsel as he may think fit to assist him in the Conduct of his Cause.

'All the essential Parts of the Proceedings of the said Courts shall be written down in the Language of the Country in which the Courts shall respectively reside.

ARTICLE IV.—The Form of the Process shall be as follows:—The Judges appointed by the Two Nations respectively shall, in the first place, proceed to examine the Papers of the detained Vessel, and to take the Depositions of the Master or Commander, and of Two or Three at least of the principal Individuals on board such Vessel, as well as the Declaration on Oath of the Captor, should such Declaration appear necessary to Dd 2 enable

enable them to judge and to pronounce whether the said
Vessel has been justly detained or not, according to the
Stipulations of the aforesaid Treaty, so that according
to the Judgment pronounced the Vessel may be condemned or released.

'In the event of the Two Judges not agreeing as to the Sentence which they ought to pronounce in any Case brought before them, either with respect to the Legality of the Detention, the Liability of the Vessel to Condemnation, or the Compensation to be allowed, or as to any other Question which may arise out of the said Capture, or if any Difference of Opinion should arise between them as to the Mode of Proceeding in the said Court, they shall draw by Lot the Name of One of the Two Arbitrators appointed as aforesaid, which Arbitrator, after having considered the Proceedings which have taken place, shall consult with the Two abovementioned Judges, and the final Sentence or Decision shall be pronounced conformably to the Opinion of the Majority of the Three.

'ARTICLE V.—If the detained Vessel shall be restored by the Sentence of the Court, the Vessel and the Cargo, in the State in which they shall then be found, shall forthwith be given up to the Master, or to the Person who represents him; and such Master or other Person may, before the same Court, claim to have a Valuation made, in order to ascertain the Amount of the Damages to which he shall be entitled. The Captor himself, and in his Default his Government, shall remain responsible for the Damages which may definitively be pronounced to be due to the Master of such Vessel, or to the Owners of the Vessel or of her Cargo.

'The Two High Contracting Parties bind themselves to pay, within the Term of a Year from the Date of the Sen ence, the Costs and Damages which may be awarded by the above-named Court; it being mutually understood and agreed that such Costs and Damages shall be made good by the Government of the Country of which the Captor shall be a Subject or Citizen.

'ARTICLE VI.—If the detained Vessel shall be condemned, she shall be declared lawful Prize, together with her Cargo, of whatever Description it may be, with the Exception of the Slaves who shall have been brought on board for the Purposes of Commerce; and the said Vessel, in conformity with the Regulations in Article IX. of the Treaty of this Date, shall, as well as her Cargo, be sold by public Sale for the Profit of the Two Governments, subject to the Payment of the Expences hereinbefore mentioned.

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'The Slaves shall receive from the Court a Certificate of Emancipation, and shall be delivered over to the

Government to whom belongs the Cruiser which made

the Capture, to be dealt with according to the Regula-

' tions and Conditions contained in the Annex to this 'Treaty, sub litera (C.)

'The Charges incurred for the Support and for the Return Voyage of the Commanders and Crews of con-

demned Vessels shall be defrayed by the Government

of which such Commanders and Crews are the Subjects

' or Citizens.

'ARTICLE VII.—The Mixed Courts of Justice shall also take cognizance of, and shall decide definitively, and without Appeal, all Claims for Compensation on account of Losses occasioned to Vessels and Cargoes detained ' under the Provisions of this Treaty, but which shall not ' have been condemned as legal Prize by the said Courts; ' and in all Cases wherein Restitution of such Vessels and Cargoes shall be decreed (save as mentioned in Article X. ' of the Treaty to which these Regulations form an Annex, 'and in a subsequent Part of these Regulations,) the ' Court shall award to the Claimant or Claimants, or to his or their lawful Attorney or Attornies, for his or 'their Use, a just and complete Indemnification for all ' Costs of Suit, and for all Losses and Damages which the 'Owner or Owners may have actually sustained by such 'Capture and Detention; (that is to say,)

' First,—In case of total Loss, the Claimant or Claim-

' ants shall be indemnified,—

(a) For the Ship, her Tackle, Equipment, and Stores.

(b) For all Freights due and payable.

- '(c) For the Value of the Cargo of Merchandize, if any, deducting all Charges and Expences payable upon the Sale of such Cargo, including Commission of Sale.
- ' (d) For all other regular Charges in such Case of total Loss.
- 'Secondly,—In all other Cases, not of total Loss, 'save as herein-after mentioned, the Claimant or 'Claimants shall be indemnified,—

'(a) For all special Damages and Expences occasioned to the Ship by the Detention, and

for Loss of Freight when due or payable.

' (b) For Demurrage, according to the Schedule annexed to the present Article.

' (c) For any Deterioration of the Cargo.

' (d) For all Premium of Insurance on additional Risks.

'Further,—The Claimant or Claimants shall be entitled to Interest, at the Rate of Five per Centum per Annum D d 3 'on

' that of the Chilian Arbitrator, the Place of Chilian 'Arbitrator shall be filled successively by the Chilian ' Consul and Chilian Vice Consul, if there be a Chilian 'Consul or Vice Consul appointed to and resident in ' such Possession; and if the Vacancy be both of the ' Chilian Judge and of the Chilian Arbitrator, then the 'Vacancy of the Chilian Judge shall be filled by the ' Chilian Consul, and that of the Chilian Arbitrator by ' the Chilian Vice Consul, if there be a Chilian Consul ' and a Chilian Vice Consul appointed to and resident in ' such Possession; and in the Case in which there be no ' Chilian Consul or Vice Consul to fill the Place of ' Chilian Arbitrator, then the British Arbitrator shall be called in those Cases in which a Chilian Arbitrator ' would be called in; and in case the Vacancy be both ' of the Chilian Judge and Chilian Arbitrator, and there ' be neither Chilian Consul nor Chilian Vice Consul to ' fill ad interim the Vacancies, then the British Judge ' and British Arbitrator shall sit, and in all Cases ' brought before them for Adjudication shall proceed to ' adjudge the same, and pass Sentence accordingly. 'The highest Civil Authority of the Settlement

wherein either of the Mixed Courts of Justice shall sit shall, in the event of a Vacancy arising either of the Judge or the Arbitrator of the other High Contracting Party, forthwith give Notice of the same to the highest Civil Authority of the nearest Settlement of such other High Contracting Party, in order that such Vacancy may be supplied at the earliest possible Period; and each of the High Contracting Parties agrees to supply definitively, as soon as possible, the Vacancies which may arise in the above-mentioned Courts from Death,

'The undersigned Plenipotentiaries have agreed, in conformity with Article XIII. of the Treaty signed by them on this Day, the Nineteenth of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, that the preceding Regulations, consisting of Nine Articles, shall be annexed to the said Treaty, and considered as an integral Part thereof.

' or from any other Cause whatever.

'The Nineteenth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine.

' (L. s.) John Walpole.
' (L. s.) Joaquin Tocornal.

# ' Annex (C.)

- 'To the Treaty between Great Britain and the Republic of Chile for the Abolition of the Traffic in Slaves.
  - · Regulations for the good Treatment of liberated Negroes.
  - ARTICLE I.—The Object and Spirit of these Regulations is, to secure to Negroes liberated by virtue of the
  - Stipulations of the Treaty to which these Regulations
  - form an Annex, marked (C.), permanent good Treatment,
  - ' and full and complete Freedom, in conformity with the
  - ' humane Intentions of the High Contracting Parties.
  - 'ARTICLE II. Immediately after Sentence of Condemnation shall have been passed by a Mixed Court of
  - ' Justice established under the Treaty to which these Re-
  - ' gulations form an Annex, on a Vessel charged with
    - being concerned in illegal Slave Trade, all Negroes who
    - ' were on board such Vessel, and who were brought on
    - ' board for the Purpose of Traffic, shall be delivered over
    - to the Government to whom belongs the Cruiser which
    - ' made the Capture.
    - 'ARTICLE III.—If the Cruiser which made the Capture is British, the British Government engages that
    - the Negroes shall be treated in exact Conformity with
    - ' the Laws in force in the British Colonies for the Regu-
    - ' lation of free or of emancipated Negroes.
    - ' ARTICLE IV.—If the Cruiser which made the Capture
    - ' is Chilian, then the Negroes shall be delivered over to the Chilian Authorities of that Place in the Dominions of
    - ' Chile in which the Mixed Court of Justice is established;
    - ' and the Chilian Government solemnly engages that such
    - ' Negroes shall there be treated strictly according to the
    - ' Regulations actually in force in Chile with respect to
    - free Negroes, or according to such Regulations as may
    - ' in future be established in Chile in this respect, and which
    - Regulations shall always have in view the humane Ob-
    - ' ject of securing honestly and faithfully to emancipated
    - Negroes the unmolested Enjoyment of their Liberty,
    - ' good Treatment, a Knowledge of the Tenets of the Christian Religion, Advancement in Morality and Civili-
    - zation, and sufficient Instruction in the mechanical Arts
    - 'in order that the said emancipated Negroes may be
    - 'enabled to earn their own Subsistence, whether as
    - ! Artizans, Mechanics, or Servants.
    - 'ARTICLE V.—For the Purpose which is explained in
    - Article VI. there shall be kept in the Office of the Governor of the Part of the Possessions of the Republic of
      - ' Chile

- Chile where the Mixed Court of Justice resides, a Resister of all emancipated Negroes, in which shall be entered with scrupulous Exactness the Names given to the Negroes, the Names of the Vessels in which they were captured, the Names of the Persons to whose Care they have been committed, and any other Circumstances likely to contribute to the End in view.
- ARTICLE VI.—The Register to which the preceding Article refers will serve to form a general Return, which the Governor of that Part of the Possessions of the Republic of Chile where the Mixed Court of Justice resides shall be bound to deliver every Six Months to the aforesaid Mixed Commission, in order to show the Existence of the Negroes emancipated under this Treaty, the Improvement made in their Condition, and the Progress made in their religious and moral Instruction, and in the Arts of Life. The aforesaid Return shall also specify the Names and Descriptions of such of the emancipated Negroes as shall have died during the Period for which the Return is made up.
- ARTICLE VII.—The High Contracting Parties agree, that if in future it should appear necessary to adopt new Measures, in consequence of those laid down in this Annex turning out inefficacious, the said High Contracting Parties will consult together, and will agree upon other Means better adapted for the complete Attainment of the Objects proposed.
- 'ARTICLE VIII.—The undersigned Plenipotentiaries have agreed, in conformity with Article XIV. of the Treaty signed by them on this Day, the Nineteenth of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, that this Annex, consisting of Eight Articles, shall be united to the said Treaty, and be considered an integral Part thereof. The Nineteenth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine.
  - '(L.S.) John Walpole. '
    '(L.S.) Joaquin Tocornal.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;ARTICLES additional to the Treaty concluded this Nineteenth Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, between Her Britannic Majesty and the Republic of Chile, for the Suppression of the Slave Trade.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;ARTICLE I.—It is agreed and understood, that if there should be any Delay in appointing the Judge and the Arbitrator to be nominated on the Part of the Republic of

of Chile to act in each of the Mixed Courts of Justice to be established under this Treaty, or if those Officers, after being appointed, should at any Time be absent, then and in either of such Cases the Judge and Arbitrator appointed on the Part of Her Britannic Majesty, and present in the said Courts, shall, in the Absence of the Chilian Judge and Arbitrator, proceed to open the said Courts, and to adjudge such Cases as may be brought before them under the Treaty; and the Sentence pronounced upon such Cases by the said British Judge and Arbitrator shall have the same Force and Validity as if the Judge and the Arbitrator on the Part of Chile had been appointed and had been present and acting in the Mixed Courts in the Cases in question.

- ARTICLE II.—It is also agreed, notwithstanding the Provisions of the First Article of the Annex (B.), that so long as no Chilian Judge and Arbitrator are nominated it will be unnecessary for the Republic of Chile to nominate the Secretary or Actuary mentioned in the said Article; that in the meanwhile the Secretary or Actuary of the Court which may exist within the Territory of the Republic of Chile shall be named and paid by the Government of Her Britannic Majesty, and that the entire Expence of both the Courts to be established under this Treaty shall be borne by the Government of Her Britannic Majesty.
- 'The present additional Articles shall form an integral Part of the Treaty for the Suppression of Slave Trade signed this Day, and shall have the same Force and Validity as if they were inserted Word for Word in that Treaty, and shall be ratified within Twelve Months, or sooner if possible.
  - ' Done at Santiago de Chile, this Nineteenth Day of ' January in the Year of our Lord One thousand ' eight hundred and thirty-nine.

' (l.s.) John Walpole.
' (l.s.) Joaquin Tocornal.

And whereas the said Treaty was ratified between Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland and the Republic of Chile, and such Ratification was
exchanged on the Sixth Day of August One thousand eight
hundred and forty-two: And whereas an additional and explanatory Convention was concluded at Santiago on the
Seventh Day of August One thousand eight hundred and
forty-one, as follows:

- ARTICLE I.—The Two High Contracting Parties recoginize as valid and existing all the Obligations which it
  was their Intention respectively to contract by all and
  each of the Articles of the Treaty of the Nineteenth
  of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine,
  to co-operate for the effectual and complete Abolition of
  the Slave Trade, and by all and each of the Articles of
  the Annexes marked (A.), (B.), and (C.), and by the
  Two separate additional Articles, which, as therein
  stipulated, ought and are to be considered as integral
  Parts of the above-mentioned Treaty, all in the same
  Manner as if the above-mentioned Treaty formed an
  integral Part of the present Convention, and was inserted
  Word for Word in it; saving, however, the Exceptions
  and Modifications which are hereafter expressed.
- ARTICLE II.—The Power which, by the Articles IV. and V. of the above-mentioned Treaty of the Nineteenth of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, is conceded to the Vessels of the Navies of the Two Nations which shall be employed in impeding the Traffic in Slaves, to visit the Merchant Vessels of both which may be found in the Case indicated in Article IV. already referred to, and in order that in consequence of the Visit they may proceed with respect to the Vessels and their Cargo in accordance with the Instructions in Annex (A.), shall not be understood as yielded unless to be exercised solely and exclusively in the Places which are hereafter expressed; (that is to say,)

'First,—Along the Western Coast of Africa from the Fortieth Degree of South Latitude to the Twenty-fifth Degree of North Latitude, and to the Twenty-seventh Degree of West Longitude calculated from the

' Meridian of Greenwich.

Second,—All round the Island of Madagascar, to the Extent of Twenty Leagues from that Island.

- 'Third,—The same Distance from the Coasts of the Island of Cuba.
- ' Fourth,—The same Distance from the Coasts of the Island of *Puerto Rico*; and,
- 'Fifth,—The same Distance from the Coasts of Brazil.
- Nevertheless, if a Vessel of which Suspicion should be entertained, and which should have been chased whilst within the assigned Limits, should succeed in passing them, it may be searched, provided that it has not been lost Sight of during the Chase.
- 'ARTICLE III.—The before-mentioned Treaty and the present Convention shall be respectively ratified by Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and by the President of the Republic

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- ' lic of Chile; and the Ratifications of both shall be exchanged within One Year, reckoned from the Date of
- the present Convention, or sooner, if possible.
  - 'In faith of which the respective Plenipotentiaries have
- ' signed Three Copies of the present Convention in the
- ' English Language, and have sealed them with their
- ' Arms.
  - Done in the City of Santiago, the Seventh Day of ' August in the Year of our Lord One thousand ' eight hundred and forty-one.

(L. S.) John Walpole.

- (L.S.) Ramon Luis Yrarrazaval.
- And whereas the said additional and explanatory Convention was also ratified between Her Majesty the Queen of the ' United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Repub-' lic of Chile, and such Ratification was exchanged at Santiago on the Sixth Day of August in the Year One thousand eight 'hundred and forty-two: And whereas it is expedient and ' necessary that effectual Provision should be made for carrying into execution the Provisions of the said Treaty, and the ' Annexes thereto, and also the said additional and explanatory • Convention: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That Officers comit shall be lawful for any Officer commanding any Ship of War manding Ships of Her Majesty or of the Republic of Chile, not below the Rank or of the of Lieutenant of the Royal Navy, (unless the Command shall, Republic of by reason of Death or otherwise, be held by an Officer of Chile, being duly authorized inferior Rank,) or by the Officer who at the Time shall be and empowered, Second in Command of the Ship, and who shall be duly in- may visit and structed and authorized, according to the Provisions of the said search Merchant Treaty, to visit and search any Merchant Vessel of either of the Two the said Two Nations which shall upon reasonable Grounds be Nations within suspected of being engaged in the Traffic in Slaves, or having certain Limits. been fitted out for that Purpose, or of having been engaged in such Traffic during the Voyage in which such Vessel is met, and to detain and send or carry away such Vessel, together with its Masters, Sailors, Passengers, Slaves, and Cargo, for the Purpose of such Vessel being brought to Adjudication before One of the Mixed Courts of Justice to be established in virtue of the Seventh Article of the said Treaty; and all such Commanders and other Officers in the Exercise of such Rights shall comply with the several Provisions and Instructions of the said Treaty which apply thereto respectively.

II. And be it enacted, That all Ships and Vessels belong- Ships suspected ing wholly or in part to Her Majesty's Subjects, which shall of having been be suspected upon reasonable Grounds of being engaged in the Purpose of the Traffic in Slaves, or of having been fitted out for that Purpose, or of having been engaged in such Traffic during the Voyage in which such Vessel is met, and all Boats, Apparel, and

Cargoes

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Cargoes therein, shall be subject to Search and Detention by British or Chilian Vessels of War, duly authorized for that Purpose, according to the Stipulations of the said Treaty, and subject to Condemnation or other Judgment by the Judges and Arbitrators of the Mixed Courts to be appointed according to the Provisions of the said Treaty.

Her Majesty may appoint Judges and Arbitrators to decide Cases of Detention.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by any Warrant under Her Royal Sign Manual, countersigned by One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for the Time being, to appoint such Judges and Arbitrators as are in and by the said Treaty mentioned to be appointed by Her Majesty, and from Time to Time to supply any Vacancies which may arise in such Offices by appointing other Persons thereto, and to grant Salaries to such Judges and Arbitrators as aforesaid, not exceeding such annual Sums as the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall from Time to Time direct; and such Judges and Arbitrators shall be empowered to examine and decide all such Cases of Detention, Captures, and Seizures of Vessels and their Cargoes as aforesaid, detained, seized, or captured under the said Treaty, as are by the said Treaty and by this Act made subject to their Jurisdiction, and to proceed therein, and give such Judgments and make such Orders therein, and do all other Things appertaining thereto, agreeably to the Provisions of the said Treaty, as fully as if special Powers for that Purpose were inserted in this Act.

Her Majesty may appoint a Secretary or Mixed Court.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by any Warrant under Her Royal Sign Manual, counter-Registrar to the signed by One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for the Time being, to appoint a Secretary or Registrar to each of the Mixed Courts which shall be established in Her Majesty's Dominions, and from Time to Time to supply by other Appointments any Vacancy which may thereafter occur in such Office, and to grant a Salary to such Secretary or Registrar, not exceeding such annual Sum as the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall from Time to Time direct; and such Secretary or Registrar shall be empowered to perform all the Duties of such Office set forth by the said Treaty, and to do all such Things as may be necessary for the due Discharge of the Duties of his said Office.

In case of the Death or Incapacity from Illness of any British Judge of such Courts, or of the British Arbitrator.

V. And be it enacted, That in case of the Death, Sickness, Absence on Leave, or any other legal Impediment of any such British Judge of either of the said Courts established by virtue of the said Treaty, the British Arbitrator of such Court shall fill the Office of such Judge ad interim until the Office shall be thereafter filled by some Person appointed by Her Majesty, or until such Judge shall resume the Duties of his said Office; and that in case of such Vacancy of the Office of British Arbitrator of the Court established by virtue of the said Treaty in the Possessions of Her Majesty, or in case of the Death, Sickness, Absence on Leave, or other Impediment of the said Arbitrator of the said Court, the Office of such Arbitrator shall

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be filled ad interim successively by the Governor or Lieutenant Governor resident in such Possession, by the principal Magistrate in the same, and by the Secretary of the Government, until the said Office shall be filled by some Person appointed by Her Majesty's Government, or until such Arbitrator shall resume the Duties of his said Office; and that in case of the Death, Sickness, Absence on Leave, or other legal Impediment of the British Arbitrator in the Court established by virtue of the said Treaty within the Possessions of the Republic of Chile, or of his assuming ad interim the Duties of a Judge of the said Court as aforesaid, the Office of such British Arbitrator shall be filled ad interim successively by the British Consul and British Vice Consul resident in such Possession; and in case of such Vacancy of the Offices both of such British Judge and British Arbitrator, then that such Office of Judge shall be filled by the British Consul, and such Office of British Arbitrator by the British Vice Consul; and in case there shall be no British Consul or Vice Consul at such Place, then that it shall be lawful for the Chilian Arbitrator to act in all those Cases in which a British Arbitrator, if there were any, would be required to act; and in case of such Vacancy in the Offices both of British Judge and British Arbitrator, and there should be neither a British Consul nor British Vice Consul resident at such Place, then that it shall be lawful for the Chilian Judge and Chilian Arbitrator of such Court to sit alone in such Court; and in all Cases brought before them for Adjudication to adjudge the same and pass Sentence accordingly, until the said Offices shall respectively be thereafter filled by some Person or Persons appointed by Her Majesty, or until the said British Judge and British Arbitrator shall resume the Duties of their said Offices respectively.

VI. And be it enacted, That every such Judge and Arbi-Judges and trator so appointed by Her Majesty, before he shall enter Arbitrators to upon the Execution of any of the Duties of such his Office, shall take an Oath in the Presence of the principal Magistrate then residing and acting in the Colony, Settlement, or Place in which the Court shall be established, whether belonging to Her Britannic Majesty or to the Republic of Chile; which Oath any such Magistrate shall be authorized to administer in the Form

following; (that is to say,)

' A.B. do solemnly swear, That I will, according to the best Form of Oath. of my Skill and Knowledge, act in the Execution of my

faithfully, impartially, fairly, and without Preference or Favour either for Claimants or Cap-

tors or any other Persons; and that I will, to the best of my

4 Judgment and Power, act in pursuance of and according to ' the Stipulations, Regulations, and Instructions contained in.

' the Treaty between Her Majesty and the Republic of Chile, in the Year

signed at on the ' One thousand eight hundred and

And every Secretary or Registrar appointed by Her Majesty Secretary or under the Provisions of the said Treaty and of this Act, before take an Oath.

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he enters on the Duties of his said Office, shall take an Oath before One of the Judges of the said Court, who shall be empowered to administer the same in the Form following; (that is to say,)

Form of Oath.

I A.B. do solemnly swear, That I will, according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge, act in the Execution of my Office; and that I will conduct myself with Respect to the Authority of the Judges and Arbitrators of the Court to which I am attached, and will act with Fidelity in all the Affairs which may belong to my Charge, and without Preference or Favour either for Claimants or Captors or any other Persons.'

Judges and
Arbitrators may
administer
Oaths.

VII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Judges or Arbitrators, or either of them, or for any such Secretary or Registrar, to administer Oaths to and take the Depositions of all Parties, Witnesses, and other Persons who may come or be brought before them to be examined, or for the Purpose of deposing in the course of any Proceeding before the said Judges or Arbitrators under the said Treaty and this Act; and it shall also be lawful for the said Judges and Arbitrators to summon before them all Persons whom they may deem it necessary or proper to examine in relation to any Proceeding under their Cognizance, and to send for and issue Precepts for the producing of all such Papers as may relate to the Matters in question before them, and to enforce all such Summonses, Orders, and Precepts by such and the like Means, Powers, and Authorities as any Court of Vice Admiralty may do.

Punishing Persons giving false Evidence.

VIII. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall wilfully and corruptly give false Evidence in any Examination or Deposition had or Affidavit taken in any Proceeding before the Judges or Arbitrators aforesaid under the said Treaty or this Act, shall be deemed guilty of Perjury, and being thereof convicted shall be subject and liable to all the Pains and Penalties to which Persons convicted of wilful and corrupt Perjury are liable; and every such Person may be tried for any such Perjury, either in the Place where the Offence was committed or in any Colony or Settlement of Her Majesty near thereto in which there is a Court of competent Jurisdiction to try any such Offence, or in Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench in England; and that in case of any Prosecution for such Offence in Her Majesty's said Court of Queen's Bench the Venue may be laid in the County of Middlesex.

Pendency of Suits before the Judges to be a Bar to any Proceedings instituted for the Recovery of the Vessels detained. IX. And be it enacted, That the Pendency of any Suit or Proceedings instituted before the said Judges or Arbitrators for the Condemnation or Restitution of any Ship or Cargo, or Slaves, taken, seized, or detained by virtue of the said Treaty, or the final Adjudication, Condemnation, or Judgment or Determination thereupon, may be pleaded in bar, or given in Evidence under the General Issue, and shall be deemed in any Court whatever to be a complete Bar in any Action, Suit, or Proceeding, whether instituted by any Person or Persons for the Recovery of any such Ship, Vessel, or Cargo, or of any Damage or for any Injury sustained thereby, or by the Per-

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sons on board the same, in consequence of any Capture, Seizure, or Detention, or any thing done in pursuance of the Provisions of the said Treaty.

X. And be it declared and enacted, That if any of the Vessels equip-Particulars specified in the Ninth Article of the said Treaty ped for Traffic in Slaves to be shall be found in the Outfit and Equipment of or on board deemed engaged any such Merchant Vessel wholly or in part owned by Subjects in the Slave of Her Majesty, and visited and detained in pursuance of the Trade. said Treaty, such Vessel, unless Proof be given to the contrary, shall be taken to have been engaged in the Slave Trade, or to have been fitted out for the Purposes of such Traffic, and to be equipped and employed for the Purposes declared unlawful by an Act of Parliament passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to 5 G. 4. c. 113. amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the Abolition of the Slave Trade.

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XI. And be it enacted, That any Ship or Vessel which shall Vessels conbe condemned under any such Authority as aforesaid may be demned to be sold for Her taken into Her Majesty's Service upon Payment of such Sum Majesty's Seras the Lord High Admiral or the Lords Commissioners of the vice or broken Admiralty shall deem a proper Price for the same, or if not so up. taken shall be broken up and demolished, and the Materials thereof shall be publicly sold in separate Parts, together with the Goods, Wares, and Merchandize laden therein, for the Profit of the Two Governments of Great Britain and Chile, and the Proceeds thereof shall be paid to such Person or Persons as the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury may appoint to receive the same.

XII. And be it enacted, That where any Ship or Vessel Captors of Vesemployed or engaged in illicit Traffic in Slaves, in violation sels shall, after the same are of the said Treaty, shall be seized by any Ship or Vessel belong- condemned, be ing to Her Majesty, duly authorized to make such Seizure under entitled to the the Provisions of the said Treaty or Articles, and shall be after-Portion of the Proceeds bewards condemned by any of the Commissioners appointed in longing to Her virtue of the Treaty or Articles aforesaid, there shall be paid Majesty. to the Captors the Portion to which Her Majesty is entitled, such Portion to be distributed in the Manner herein-after directed for the Distribution of Bounties on Slaves taken on board the said Vessels.

XIII. And be it enacted, That there shall be paid to the Bounty for Commanders, Officers, and Crew of Her Majesty's Ships autho- Slaves captured. rized to make Seizures under the said Treaty a Bounty of Five Pounds for every Man, Woman, and Child Slave seized and found on board a British or Chilian Ship or Vessel taken and condemned in pursuance of the Provisions of the said Treaty and of this Act, such Bounty to be distributed to and amongst the Captors aforesaid, in such Manner and Proportions as Her Majesty shall think fit to order by any Order in Council, or by any Proclamation to be made for that Purpose.

XIV. And be it enacted, That where any Ship or Vessel Bounty on Tonwhich shall have been seized and condemned under the Provisions of the said Treaty shall have been or shall be demo- and demolished.

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lished, and the Materials thereof publicly sold in separate Parts, as well as her Cargo, there shall be paid to the Commanders, Officers, and Crews of Her Majesty's Ships authorized to make and making such Seizures, and in addition to the Amount which may be payable in respect of Her Majesty's Portion of the Proceeds of such Sale as herein-before mentioned, a further Bounty on the Tonnage of such Ship or Vessel, at the Rate of Thirty Shillings for every Ton of such Tonnage.

Where no Slaves are on board a Ship seized, an additional Bounty to be paid.

XV. And be it enacted, That where any Ship or Vessel having no Slaves on board shall have been seized and condemned under the Provisions of the said Treaty there shall be paid to the Commanders, Officers, and Crews of Her Majesty's Ships authorized to make and making such Seizure an additional Bounty upon the Tonnage of such Ship or Vessel at the Rate of Four Pounds for every Ton; and the Tonnage of all such Vessels shall be ascertained according to the Mode of ascertaining the Admeasurement of British Vessels, either by the principal Officer of the Customs at the Port where the Vessel may be at the Time of Condemnation, or in default thereof by the best Evidence which can be obtained, to be certified by the Commissioners by whom such Condemnation shall be pronounced: Provided always, that in every Case in which any Ship or Vessel shall be seized with Slaves on board, in which the Bounty calculated upon the Number of Slaves shall be less than the Bounty calculated upon the Tonnage, the Commanders of Her Majesty's Ships making the Seizure may elect to take the Bounty calculated according to Tonnage, instead of the Bounty which would be payable upon the Number of Slaves on board.

Bounties to be paid out of Consolidated Fund.

XVI. And be it enacted, That all Bounties payable under this Act shall be payable out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland to the Commanders, Officers, and Crews of Her Majesty's Ships authorized to make such Seizures under the Provisions of any such Treaties or Conventions, and such Bounties shall be issued and paid by Order from the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

Bounties not liable to Payment of Fees.

XVII. And be it enacted, That the said Bounty, as also all Bounties payable under any of the Acts for the Abolition or Suppression of the Slave Trade, shall not hereafter be charged with Treasury Fees or Exchequer Fees of any Description.

Proof of Tonnage. XVIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That in order to entitle the Captors to receive the said Bounty Money the Tonnage of the Ship or Vessel so seized and condemned shall be proved to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by producing a Copy, duly certified, of the Sentence or Decree of Condemnation, or by such documentary or other Evidence as they may deem satisfactory.

Copy of Sentence of Condemnation to be produced to the Commis-

XIX. Provided always, and be it enacted, That in order to entitle the Captors to receive the said Bounty Money the Number of Men, Women, and Children so taken, delivered over, and condemned shall be proved to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's

Majesty's Treasury, by producing a Copy, duly certified, of the sioners of the Sentence or Decree of Condemnation, and also a Certificate Treasury. under the Hand of the proper Officer or Officers, Military or

Civil, who may be appointed to receive such Slaves.

XX. And be it enacted, That where any Slaves, or Persons One Moiety of treated as Slaves, shall be seized on board any British or Chilian the Bounty only Ship or Vessel taken and condemned in pursuance of the Pro- to be paid in certain Cases. visions of the said Treaty and of this Act, but who shall not have been delivered over in consequence of Death, Sickness, or other inevitable Circumstance, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, if to their Discretion it shall seem meet, by Warrant signed by any Three or more of them, to direct the Payment of One Moiety of the Bounty which would have been due in each Case respectively if the said Slaves had been delivered over.

XXI. Provided also, and be it enacted, That any Party or Parties claiming Parties claiming any Benefit by way of Bounty under the Pro-Benefit under visions of this Act, or of any Share of the Proceeds of any resort to the British or Chilian Vessel confiscated in pursuance of the Pro- Court of Advisions of the aforesaid Treaty, may resort to the High Court miralty. of Admiralty for the Purpose of obtaining the Judgment of the said Court in that Behalf; and that it shall be lawful for the Judge of the said High Court of Admiralty to determine thereon, and also to hear and determine any Question of joint Capture which may arise upon any Seizure made in pursuance of this

XXII. And be it enacted, That all the Provisions, Rules, Regulations Regulations, Forfeitures, and Penalties respecting the Delivery and Penalties by Prize Agents of Accounts for Examination, and the DisAgents Actribution of Prize Money and the accounting for the Agents Actribution of Prize Money, and the accounting for and paying counts extended over the Proceeds of Prize, and the Per-centage due thereon, to Bounties and to Greenwich Hospital, shall be extended to all Bounties and this Act. Proceeds to be distributed, under the Provisions of this Act, to the Officers and Crews of any of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels of War.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That where any Ship or Vessel Commissioners belonging in whole or in part to Subjects of the Republic of of the Treasury Chile shall have been detained and brought to Adjudication by may order Payany Officers of Her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and awarded for Ireland, and the said Ship shall be restored by Sentence of the Vessels of Her Court, as is mentioned in the Fifth Article of the Annex (B.)

Majesty detained but not to the said Treaty, it shall be lawful for the Commissioners condemned. of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant signed by any Three or more of them, to direct Payment to be made out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland of any Costs or Damages which may be duly awarded according to the Provisions of the said last-mentioned Article: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall exempt such Officer from his Liability to make good the Payments so made when lawfully called upon by Order of the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

XXIV. And



The Commissioners of the Treasury may repay to the Seizor of any Vessel not condemned the Expences incurred by him. Cap. 52, 53.

No Compensation to be made when any Articles specified in the Ninth Article of the Treaty are found on board.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That when any Seizure shall be made by any of the Commanders, Officers, and Crews of Her Majesty's Ships authorized to make such Seizures under the aforesaid Treaty, and Judgment shall be given against the Seizor, or when such Seizure shall be relinquished by him, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, if to their Discretion it shall seem meet, by Warrant signed by any Three or more of them, to direct Payment to be made out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland of such Costs and Expences as the Seizor may have incurred in respect of such Seizure, or any proportional Part thereof.

XXV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if any of the Things specified in the Ninth Article of the said Treaty shall be found on board any Vessel which shall be detained and brought before either of the said Mixed Courts, neither the Master nor the Owner, nor any Person whatsoever interested in the Equipment or Cargo of the Vessel, shall recover any Compensation or Damages for such Detention, although the said Mixed Courts should not pronounce any Sentence of Condemnation; but that in such Case it shall and may be lawful for the said Mixed Court, if they shall think fit, to pay out of the Prize Fund under the Control of the said Court such Sum of Money as, according to the Circumstances of the Case, they may judge reasonable, in proportion to the Demurrage suffered.

#### CAP. LIII.

An Act for carrying into effect the Treaty between Her Majesty and the Queen of Portugal for the Suppression of the Traffic in Slaves.

[10th August 1843.]

- WHEREAS on the Third Day of July in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty-two ' a Treaty was concluded and signed at Lisbon between Her ' Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain ' and Ireland and the Queen of Portugal, for the Suppression of ' the Traffic in Slaves, whereby it was agreed as follows:
  - 'ARTICLE I .- The Two High Contracting Parties ' mutually declare to each other that the infamous and ' piratical Practice of transporting the Natives of Africa by Sea, for the Purpose of consigning them to Slavery, ' is and shall for ever continue to be a strictly prohibited ' and highly penal Crime in every Part of their respective Dominions, and for all the Subjects of their respective ' Crowns.
  - 'ARTICLE II.— The Two High Contracting Parties ' mutually consent, that those Ships of their Royal Navies respectively

