

of His Majesty's islands and ports in the West Indies from the United States in their own vessels, not being above the burden of seventy tons, any goods or merchandises, being of the growth, manufacture or produce of the said States, which it is or may be lawful to carry to the said islands or ports from the said States in British vessels; and that the said American vessels shall be subject there to no other or higher tonnage duties or charges than shall be payable by British vessels in the ports of the United States, and that the cargoes of the said American vessels shall be subject there to no other or higher duties or charges than shall be payable on the article if imported there from the said States in British vessels.

"And His Majesty also consents that it shall be lawful for the said American citizens to purchase, load and carry away in their said vessels to the United States, from the said islands and ports, all such articles being the growth, manufacture or produce of the said islands, as may now by law be carried from thence to the said States in British vessels, and subject only to the same duties and charges on exportation, to which British vessels and their cargoes are or shall be subject in similar circumstances.

"Provided always that the said American vessels do carry and land their cargoes in the United States only, it being expressly agreed and declared that, during the continuance of this article, the United States will prohibit and restrain the carrying of any molasses, sugar, coffee, cocoa or cotton in American vessels, either from His Majesty's islands or from the United States to any part of the world except the United States, reasonable sea stores excepted. Provided also that it shall and may be lawful, during the same period, for British vessels to import from the said islands into the United States, and to export from the United States to the said islands, all articles whatever, being of the growth, produce or manufacture of the said islands or of the United States respectively, which now may by the laws of the said States be so imported or exported. And the cargoes of the said British vessels shall be subject to no other or higher duties or charges than shall be payable on the said articles if so imported or exported in American vessels.

"It is agreed that this article, and every matter and thing contained therein, shall continue to be in force during the continuance of the war in which His Majesty is now engaged; and also for two years from and after the date of the signature of the preliminary or other articles of peace, by which the same may be terminated."

"And it is further agreed that at the expiration of the said term the two contracting parties will endeavour further to regulate their commerce in this respect, according to the situation in which His Majesty may then find himself with respect to the West Indies, and with a view to such arrangements as may best conduce to the mutual advantage and extension of commerce. And the said parties will then also renew their discussions, and endeavour to agree, whether in any and in what cases provisions and other articles, not generally contraband, may become so. But in the meantime their conduct towards each other in these respects shall be regulated by the articles hereinafter inserted on those subjects.

68. 1814. *Treaty of Ghent*.—Treaty of peace between Great Britain and United States.

Article I. provides that all territory should be restored as before the war.