

ing the said Exhibition into effect, under the directions of Our most dearly-beloved Consort the Prince *Albert*, President of the said Society :

AND whereas Our most dearly-beloved Consort, the Prince *Albert*, hath represented to Us that, in carrying out the objects proposed by the said Exhibition, many questions may arise regarding the introduction of productions into Our kingdom from Our Colonies, and from Foreign dominions ; also regarding the site and the best mode of conducting the said Exhibition ; and likewise regarding the determination of the nature of the Prizes, and the means of securing the most impartial distribution of them ; and hath also besought Us that We would be graciously pleased to give Our sanction to this undertaking, in order that it may have the confidence, not only of all classes of Our subjects, but of the subjects of foreign dominions :

NOW KNOW YOU THAT We, considering the premises, and earnestly desiring to promote the proposed Exhibition, which is calculated to be of great benefit to Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce,

merce, and reposing great trust and confidence in your fidelity, discretion, and integrity, have authorized and appointed, and by these presents do authorize and appoint you, Our most dearly-beloved Consort,