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## THE REIGN OF EMPEROR NICHOLAS I

## 1843 yr.

## 475. - April 20<sup>th</sup>. The Highest Approved Provision of the Committee of Ministers announced by the Minister of Justice. -

About the removal of the Jews, who are living within a fifty-five-versts' distance from the border, into the interior Gubernias (Provinces).

Upon the Provision of the Committee of Ministers, pursuant to (following) the presentation of its Minister of Justice, which was held in regards to [the question of] the Jews, who are living within a fifty-five-*versts*' distance from the border, on April 20<sup>th</sup> there followed an autographic (personal) command (order) of His Imperial Majesty: "All the Jews living within the fifty-*versts*' strip (zone) along the border with Prussia and Austria, must be moved into the interior [territories] of the gubernias (provinces), allowing to those who own their houses to sell them in a two-year term, and to fulfill [this order] without any sorts of excuses (unconditionally)"(*V.P.S.Z., vol. XVIII, No. 16,767*).