ROBT. PRESCOTT, GOVR.

EORGE THE THIRD by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth; To Our much beloved and faithful Legislative Councillors of Our Province of Lower Canada, and to Our faithful and well beloved Knights, Citizens and Burgesses, of Our said Province Greeting. WHEREAS the meeting of the Provincial Parliament stands

prorogued to the Twenty-eighth day of February instant, Nevertheless for certain causes and Considerations We have thought fit to prorogue the fame to Thursday the Twenty-eighth day of March next, so that You nor any of You on the faid Twenty-eighth day of February at Our City of Quebec to appear, are to be held or constrained, for We do Will that You and each of You be as to Us in this matter, entirely exonerated: and being willing that You should actually meet and proceed to the dispatch of Business, We Command and by the tenour of these prefents firmly enjoin You and every of You, and all others in this behalf interested, That You on the said Twenty-eighth day of March at Our City of Quebec, personally be and appear to Treat, Do, Act and Conclude upon those Things which in Our faid Provincial Parliament by the Common Council of Our faid Province by the favor of God may be Ordained. In TESTIMONY whereof, these Our Letters We have caused to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Oursaid Province to be thereunto affixed. WITNESS Our Trusty and well-beloved ROBERT PRESCOTT, Esquire, Captain-General and Governor in Chief of Our Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, Vice-Admiral of the same and Commander in Chief of all Our Forces in the faid Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and in Nova-Scotia, and New-Brunswick and their several Dependencies, at the Castle of Saint Lewis in Our City of Quebec and the Province aforesaid the Ninth day of February, in the Year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine and in the Thirty-ninth Year of Our Reign.

FINLAY, C. C. in Ch.

R. P.