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"Whitehall, May the 5th, 1863.

The second question which relates to the security of North America, seems to include Two Objects to be provided for: the first is the security of the whole against any European power: the next is the Preservation of the Internal Peace and Tranquillity of the Country against Indian Disturbances. Of these two objects the latter appears to call more immediately for such Regulations and Precautions as Your Lordships shall think proper to suggest.

Tho' in order to succeed effectually in this point, it may become necessary to erect some Forts in the Indian country with their consent, yet His Majesty's Justice and Moderation inclines him to adopt the more eligible method of conciliating the Minds of the Indians by the Mildness of His Government by protecting their persons and property, and securing to them all the Possessions, Rights and Privileges they have hitherto enjoyed and are entitled to, most cautiously guarding against any Invasion or Occupation of their Hunting lands, the possession of which is to be acquired by fair purchase only; and it has been thought so highly expedient to give them the earliest and most convincing proofs of His Majesty's Gracious and Friendly Intentions on this Head, that I have already received and transmitted the King's Commands to this purpose to the Governors of Virginia and the two Carolinas and Georgia, and to the Agent for Indian Affairs in the Southern Department, as Your Lordships will see fully in the enclosed copy of my circular letter to them on the subject."

Extract from reply from Lords of Trade to Egramont. (Canadian Archives, A. & W. I. Vol. 268, p. 93.)

Whitehall, June 8th, 1763.

***** Having thus stated the most obvious advantages resulting from the Cession made to Your Majesty through the late Definitive Treaty, We submit to Your Majesty, as Our Humble Opinion, that they can only be secured and improved by immediate establishment of regular Government, in all such places where planting and settlement, as well as trade and commerce are the immediate objects. For in order to invite new settlers to risk their persons and property in taking up new land, as well as to secure the old inhabitants in the enjoyment of those rights and privileges reserved for them by the Treaty, such regular Government appears, both from reason and experience, of an absolute necessity. ***** It will therefore be sufficient to provide for the free trade of all Your Majesty's subjects under such Regulations. And such administration of Justice as is best suited to that end. Such, We apprehend, to be the case of New Foundland, where a temporary fishery is the only object, and this, we suppose, has been the reason which has induced Your Majesty to annex the Coast of Labrador to that Government; such is the case of