

persons and masterless, as well out of towns as of the country; and with them that be condemned to perpetual banishment, or for three years at least out of our realm provided always it be done by the advice, consent and authority of our officers. Over and besides that which is above mentioned. (And that which is moreover prescribed, commanded and ordained unto you by the conditions and powers which our most dear cousin the Lord of Ampville, Admiral of France, hath given unto you for that which concerneth the affairs and charge of the admiralty, in the exploits, expeditions and executing of the things above said), to do generally whatsoever may make for the conquest, peopling, inhabiting and preservation of the said land of La Cadia; and of the coasts, territories, adjoining and of their appurtenances and dependencies, under our name and authority, whatsoever ourselves would and might do if we were there present in person, although that the case should require a more special order than we prescribe unto you by these presents: to the contents whereof we command, ordain and most expressly do enjoin all our justices, officers and subjects to conform themselves; and to obey and give attention unto you in all and every the things aforesaid, their circumstances and dependencies. Also to give unto you in the executing of them, all such aid and comfort, help and assistance as you shall have need of, and whereof they shall be by you required; and this upon pain of disobedience and rebellion. And, to the end, nobody may pretend cause of ignorance of this our intention and to busy himself in all or in any part of the charge, dignity and authority which we give unto you by these presents; we have of our certain knowledge, full power and regal authority, revoked, suppressed and declared void and of none effect hereafter, and from this present time all other powers and commissions, letters and expeditions given and delivered to any person soever, for to discover, people and inhabit in the aforesaid extension of the said lands, situated from the said 40th degree to the 46th, whatsoever they be. And, furthermore, we command and ordain all our said officers of what quality and condition soever they be, that after these presents, or the duplicate of them, shall be duly examined by one of our beloved and trusty counsellors, notaries and secretaries, or other notary-royal, they do upon your request, demand and suit, or upon the suit of any of our attornies, cause the same to be read, published and recorded in the records of their jurisdiction, powers and precincts, seeking, as much as shall appertain unto them to quiet and appease all troubles and hindrances which may contradict the same; for such is our pleasure.

Given at Fontainebleau, the eighth day of November, in the year of our Lord 1603, and of our reign the 15th.

Signed "HENRY," and underneath "By the King, POTIER," and sealed upon single label with yellow wax.