

the work of the King of France, or his Ministers alone; it was the result of consultations, with the most distinguished merchants in that kingdom; and has, with very few alterations, been continued for more than a century, to be the law of a country, where commerce, and the benefits of it, are certainly not unknown. All the penal parts of that Edict are abrogated, by the Statute of the 14th of the King; and the Ordinance of the Governor and Legislative Council of the year 1777, which enacts, That in all judgments, in suits between merchant and merchant, and for goods and wares sold and delivered, execution shall go (provided after discussion of the moveable and immoveable estates of the defendant, the amount of the judgment shall not have been levied) against the body of the defendant, has abrogated, in compliance with the policy of Great-Britain, in not extending the Bankrupt Laws to her colonies, that part of the Code Marchand, which, upon a *cessio bonorum*, discharged the debtor from any pursuit of an individual creditor. The judgment of the Provincial Court of Appeals, which declares *the Code Marchand in toto*, not to be in force, under pretence that it was not enregistered, and which is cited in the Appendix to the Pamphlet, is now in appeal

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