

29th. And whereas complaints have been made by the officers of Our Customs in Our Plantations in America, that they have been frequently obliged to serve upon juries, or personally to appear in arms whenever the Militia is drawn out, and thereby are much hindered in the execution of their employments. Our will and pleasure is that you take effectual care, and give the necessary directions that the several officers of Our Customs be excused and exempted from serving on any juries or personally appearing in arms in the Militia, unless in cases of absolute necessity or serving on any parochial offices which may hinder them in the execution of their duties.

30th. And whereas you will receive from Our Commissioners for executing the office of Our High Admiral of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the Plantations a commission constituting you Vice-Admiral of Our said Province, you are required and directed carefully to put in execution the several powers hereby granted you.

31st. And there having been great irregularities in the manner of granting Commissions in the Plantations to private ships of war, you are to govern yourself, whenever there shall be occasion, according to the commission and instructions granted in this kingdom, but you are not to grant commissions of marque or reprisal against any Prince or State in amity with Us to any person whatever without Our especial command.

32nd. Whereas, commissions have been granted in Our Colonies and Plantations for trying pirates in those parts pursuant to the several Acts for the more effectual suppression of piracy, and a Commission will be prepared empowering you, as Our Captain General and Governor in Chief of Our Province of Nova Scotia, with other persons therein mentioned, to proceed accordingly in reference to the said Province, Our will and pleasure is that in all matters relating to pirates you govern yourself according to the intent of the said Acts.

33rd. You are to permit all persons inhabiting Our Province under your Government to have full liberty of conscience and the free exercise of all such modes of religious worship as are not prohibited by law, provided they be contented with a quiet and peaceful enjoyment of the same, not giving offence or scandal to the Government.

34th. You shall take especial care that God Almighty be devoutly and duly served throughout your Government, that the Book of Common Prayer as by law established shall be read each Sunday and Holiday, and the blessed Sacrament administered according to the Rites of the Church of England. You shall be careful that the churches which are or hereafter be erected in Our said Province be well and orderly kept, and that besides a competent maintenance to be assigned to the minister of each Order of the Church, a convenient house be built at the common charge for each minister, and you are to take care that the parishes be so limited and settled as you shall find most convenient for accomplishing this good work.

35th. It is Our will and pleasure to reserve to you the power of granting licenses for marriages, letters of administrations, and probate of wills, as heretofore exercised by your predecessors, and also to reserve to you and all others to whom it may lawfully belong, the right of patronage and presentation to benefices. But it is Our will and pleasure that the person so presented shall be instituted by the Bishop, or his commissary duly authorised by him.

36th. And you are to take special care that a table of marriages established by the Canons of the Church of England be hung up in all places of public worship according to the Rites of the Church of England.

37th. And in case of distress of any other of Our Plantations, you shall, upon application of the respective Governors to you, assist them with such aid as the condition and safety of Our said Province, under your Government, can spare.

38th. You are, likewise, from time to time, to give unto Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, an account of the wants of Our said Province, what are the chief products thereof, what new improvements are made therein by the industry of the inhabitants or planters, and what further improvements you consider