

of being punished with the utmost Severity of Law and Justice. And Whereas the Most Christian King hath caused Application to be made to His Majesty, That His Majesty would, conformably to the Third Article of the Treaty of Navigation and Commerce concluded at Versailles, the Twenty-sixth September, One thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, renew and publish in all His Dominions and Countries the strict and express Prohibitions contained in the said Article; His Majesty doth hereby strictly forbid all His Subjects to receive any Commission for arming and acting at Sea as Privateers, or Letters of Reprisals, from any Enemy of the Most Christian King, or by virtue or under Colour of such Commissions or Reprisals, to disturb, infest, or any-ways damage His Subjects; or to arm Ships as Privateers, or go out to Sea therewith, under the severest Punishments that can be inflicted on the Transgressors, besides being liable to make full Restitution and Satisfaction to those to whom they have done any Damage.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Twenty-fifth Day of May One thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, the Thirty-second Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the KING

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ALURED CLARKE.

GEORGE 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 the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses of Our said Province, to an Assembly at Our City of Quebec on the Tenth Day of July last, to have been commenced and held, called and elected, and to every of you, Greeting. WHEREAS We for divers arduous and urgent Affairs Us the State and Defence of Our said Province concerning, Our Assembly at the Day and place aforesaid to be held, did, ordain, and you by Our Writ at the City and Day aforesaid to be present, We did command, to treat, consent and conclude upon those Things which in Our Assembly should then and there be proposed and deliberated upon, and the said Assembly for certain causes and considerations, Us to this specially moving, We did prorogue to the first day of October next, and Our said Assembly We have thought fit further to prorogue, so that you, nor any of you on the said first day of October next, at Our said City to appear are to be held or constrained, for We do will therefore, that you and each of you, be as to Us in that Matter entirely exonerated, commanding and by the Tenor of these Presents firmly enjoining you and every of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on monday the twelfth day of November next at our said City of Quebec, personally you be and appear and every of you be and appear to treat, do, act and conclude upon those Things which in Our said Assembly by the Common-Council of Our said 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 Our said Province to be thereunto affixed. WITNESS Our Trusty and Well-beloved Alured Clarke, Esquire, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of Our said Province of Lower Canada, and Major General commanding Our Forces in North America, at the Castle of Saint Lewis in Our City of Quebec in Our said Province of Lower Canada, the fifteenth day of September, in the Year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, and of Our Reign the Thirty-second.

H. Finlay, C.C. in Ch.

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