

is designed by the treaty of Utrecht, nor in the right relative to all and each of the isles which belong to his most christian majesty, the whole conformable to the true sense of the treaties of Utrecht and Paris.

ART. II. The subjects and inhabitants of the said united states, or any of them, shall not be reputed *Aubains* in France, and consequently shall be exempted from the *Droit d'Aubaine*, or other similar duty, under what name soever : they may by testament, donation, or otherwise, dispose of their goods, moveable and immoveable, in favour of such persons as to them shall seem good ; and their heirs, subjects of the united states, residing whether in France or elsewhere, may succeed them, *ab intestat*, without being obliged to obtain letters of naturalization, and without having the effect of this concession contested or impeded, under pretext of any rights or prerogatives of provinces, cities, or private persons ; and the said heirs, whether such by particular title, or *ab intestat*, shall be exempted from the duty called *Droit de detraction*, or other duty of the same kind ; saving