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Blue Book.

And whereas you will receive through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State a Book of Tables in blank, commonly called the Blue Book, to be annually filled up with certain Returns relative to the Revenue and Expenditure, Militia, Public Works, Legislation, Civil Establishments, Pensions, Population, Schools, Course of Exchange, Imports and Exports, Agricultural Produce, Manufactures, and other matters in the said Blue Book more particularly specified, with reference to the state and condition of Our said Island of Newfoundland : Now We do hereby signify Our Pleasure, that all such Returns be accurately prepared and punctually transmitted to Us from year to year, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and that no Officer in Our said Island within whose Department it may lie to contribute any return or returns for the purposes aforesaid, or to prepare the same when so contributed, shall be entitled to receive or shall receive from you any Warrant for the payment of his Official Salary, which may become due and payable to him, so long as such duty shall be in arrear or remain unperformed.

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Governor to make reports of his proceedings.

And you are upon all occasions to send to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, a particular account of all your proceedings and of the condition of affairs within your Government.

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Terms on which Governor is to obtain leave of absence.

And where as great prejudice may happen to Our Service, and to the security of Our said Island, by the absence of the Governor ; you shall not, upon any pretence whatsoever, quit Our said Island without having first obtained leave from Us for so doing under Our Sign Manual and Signet, or through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State.

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