

and Signet, or by order of Our or their Privy Council, unto you, the said Thomas Carleton, or to the Commander-in-Chief of the said Province for the time being, then such and so many of the said Laws, Statutes and Ordinances as shall be so disallowed and not approved, shall from thenceforth, cease, determine and become utterly void and of none effect, anything to the contrary thereof notwithstanding. And to the end that nothing may be passed or done by Our said Council or Assembly to the prejudice of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, We will and ordain that you, the said Thomas Carleton, shall have and enjoy a prerogative voice in making and passing of all Laws, Statutes and Ordinances as aforesaid, and you shall and may likewise, from time to time, as you shall judge it necessary, adjourn, prorogue, and dissolve all General Assemblies as aforesaid. And We do hereby authorize and empower you to keep and use the public seal which will be herewith delivered to you, or shall be hereafter sent to you, for sealing all things whatsoever that shall pass the Great Seal of Our said Province. And We do, by these Presents, give and grant unto you, the said Thomas Carleton, full power and authority, with the advice and consent of Our said Council, to erect, constitute and establish such and so many Courts of Judicature and Public Justice within Our said Province as you and they shall think fit and necessary for the hearing and determining of all causes, as well Criminal as Civil, according to Law and Equity, and for awarding execution thereupon with all reasonable and necessary powers, authorities, fees and privileges belonging thereunto, as also to appoint and commissionate fit persons in the several parts of your Government to administer the Oaths mentioned in the first recited Act of Parliament altered as above, as also to tender and administer the aforesaid declaration unto such persons belonging to the said Courts, as shall be obliged to take the same. And We do hereby authorize and empower you to constitute and appoint Judges, and in cases requisite Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer, Justices of the Peace, and other necessary Officers and Ministers in Our said Province, for the better administration of Justice, and putting the Laws in execution, and to administer or cause to be administered unto them, such Oath or Oaths as are usually given for the due execution and performance of offices and places, and for the clearing of truth in judicial causes. And We do hereby give and grant unto you full power and authority, where you shall see cause, or shall judge any offender or offenders in criminal matters or for any fines or forfeitures due unto Us, fit objects of Our mercy, to pardon all such offenders, and to remit all such offences, fines and forfeitures, treason and wilful murder only excepted, in which cases you shall likewise have power, upon extraordinary occasions, to grant reprieves to the offenders until and to the intent Our Royal pleasure may be known therein. And whereas it belongeth to Us in right of Our Royal Prerogative to have the custody of Idiots and their Estates, and to take the profits thereof to our own use, finding them necessaries; and also to provide for the custody of Lunatics and their estates, without taking the profits thereof to our own use; and whereas, while such Idiots and Lunatics, and their estates, remain under our immediate care, great trouble and charges may arise to such as shall have occasion to resort unto Us for direction respecting such Idiots and Lunatics, and their estates, and considering that writs of inquiry of Idiots and Lunatics are to issue out of Our several Courts of Chancery, as well in Our Provinces in America as within this Our Kingdom, respectively, and the inquisitions thereupon taken are returnable in those Courts: We have thought fit to intrust you with the care and commitment of the custody of the said Idiots and Lunatics, and their estates, and We do by these presents give and grant unto you full power and authority, without expecting any further special warrant from Us, from time to time, to give order and warrant for the preparing of grants of the custodies of such Idiots and Lunatics, and their estates, as are or shall be found, by inquisition thereof, taken or to be taken, and returnable into Our Court of Chancery, and thereupon to make and pass grants and commitments, under Our Great Seal of Our Province of New Brunswick, of the custodies of all and every such Idiots and Lunatics, and their estates, to such person or persons suitors in that behalf as, according to the rules of law and the use and practice in these and the like cases, you shall judge meet for that trust, the said grants and commitments to