GORDON DRUMMOND.

EORGE THE THIRD, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith; To our much beloved and faithful the 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 Twenty-fifth day of April instant, to have been commenced and held, called and elected, and to every of you, Greeting: - Whereas for divers urgent and arduous affairs, us. the state and defence of our said Province, concerning, our Assembly at the day and place aforesaid, to be present, we did command, to treat. to consent and conclude upon those things which, in our Assembly, should then and there be proposed and deliberated upon; and for certain causes and considerations, us to this especially moving, we have thought fit to prorogue our said Assembly, so that you, nor any of you, on the said Twenty-fifth day of April instant, 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 this 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 the Fourth day of July next, at our said City of Quebec, personally you be and appear, to do, act and conclude upon those things which, in our said Assembly, by the Common Council of our said Province, by the favour 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 Sir Gordon Drummond, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable and Military Order of the Bath, Administrator in Chief in and over our said Province of Lower-Canada, &c. &c. &c. at the Castle of Saint Lewis, in the City of Quebec, in the said Province. the Tenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, and in the fifty-sixth year of our Reign.

G. D.

THOMAS DOUGLASS, Clk. Cn. in Ch.