

to furnish a supply of this kind, such a supply, in a time of peace, will as easily be obtained, in the way of purchase, from an American freeholder, as it would be if the land belonged to our own subjects. But there are other and more effectual resources for providing masts to the British navy.

UPON the whole question concerning the Canada boundaries, it may be observed, that government, in consenting to them, had two views, the one political, the other commercial. In a political light, if we could have gotten back to the state we were in in 1763, it would have been a very desirable circumstance. But since that was become no longer practicable, what was it which sound wisdom prescribed in such a situation? It certainly prescribed that we should lay the foundation of another large and liberal system, the first object of which should be permanent peace. To the attainment of this end, it was necessary
to