

“ pray *Us* to grant, in conformity with the laws and
“ usages in force, and applying in that behalf, so that
“ they may search, dig for and work the said mines
“ by themselves, or by other experienced persons,
“ offering to pay *Us* the net one-tenth part of the
“ whole produce of the said mines, praying also to
“ be allowed a remission of the said one-tenth part
“ for a limited time, after the melting of the said
“ ores shall be in operation, to compensate them for
“ the first outlay required, therefore : Now, Know
“ YE, that in consideration of the premises, WE of
“ Our especial grace, certain knowledge and mere
“ motion, have given and granted and by these pre-
“ sents do give and grant unto the said Dame Marie-
“ Josephte Fraser, Charles-Joseph Chaussegros de
“ Léry, Alexandre Chaussegros de Léry, their heirs
“ and assigns for ever, Our Royal Permission and
“ authority to make such researches as may be re-
“ quired, in order further to ascertain the position
“ and extent of the said mines, and to dig and work
“ the same by themselves, or by other experienced
“ persons, at any one or more place or places within
“ the limits of the said Fief, and Seigniorie, and for
“ that purpose to erect furnaces, buildings and other
“ apparatus that may be required to melt, and render
“ available for profit and advantage for thems elves
“ and of their heirs and assigns, all such ores and
“ minerals, which they may have found, the whole
“ in as ample a manner as may be necessary, for the
“ due effect of these presents, the whole on condition
“ that our said grantees, their heirs and assigns for
“ ever. shall strictly conform to all laws and usages