

We do hereby direct and enjoin you to call upon the Judge who presided at the trial of any offender who shall have been condemned to suffer death by the sentence of any Court within Our said Dominion to make to you a written Report of the case of such offender, and such Report of the said Judge shall by you be taken into consideration at the first meeting thereafter which may be conveniently held, of Our said Privy Council, when the said Judge may be specially summoned to attend; and you shall not pardon or reprieve any such offender as aforesaid, unless it shall appear to you expedient to do so, upon receiving the advice of Our Privy Council therein, but in all such cases you are to decide either to extend or to withhold a pardon or reprieve, according to your own deliberate judgment, whether the Members of Our said Privy Council concur therein or otherwise; Entering, nevertheless, on the Minutes of Our said Council a minute of your reasons at length, in case you should decide any such questions in opposition to the judgment of the majority of the Members thereof.

XII. And We do further direct and enjoin that all Commissions granted by you to any person or persons to be Judges, Justices of the Peace, or other officers, shall, unless otherwise provided by law, be granted during pleasure only.

XIII. And We do further direct and enjoin that you do transmit to Us punctually from year to year, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, such annual Returns as are compiled in the Dominion of Canada, 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 with reference to the state and condition of Our said Dominion.