

“ all Places of Public Worship according to the Rites of the Church of
“ England.

“ Fifty-fourth. It is Our Will and Intention that the petty Trade of the
“ interior Country shall be free and open to all Our Subjects, Inhabitants of
“ any of Our Colonies, who shall, pursuant to what was directed by the Royal
“ Proclamation of 1763, obtain Trading Licences from the Governor of any
“ of Our said Colonies, under Penalties to observe such Regulations as shall
“ be made by Our Legislature of Our Province of Upper Canada for that
“ Purpose; these Regulations therefore, when established, must be made
“ public throughout all Our American Possessions, and they must have for
“ their Object the giving every possible Facility to that Trade which the
“ Nature will admit and which may be consistent with fair and just Dealing
“ towards the native Indians with whom it is carried on. The fixed stated
“ Times and Places for carrying on the Trade and adjusting Modes of settling
“ Tariffs, the Price of Goods and Furs, and, above all, the restraining the Sale
“ of Spirituous Liquors to the Indians will be the most profitable and effectual
“ Means of answering the Ends proposed.

“ Fifty-fifth. And whereas it is expedient for Our Service that We should
“ from Time to Time be informed of the State of the Trade and Fisheries, as
“ well as of the Population, of the said Province of Upper Canada, it is Our
“ Will and Pleasure that you do transmit to Us, through one of Our principal
“ Secretaries of State, and to Our Committee of Our Privy Council for Trade
“ and Foreign Plantations for their Information, yearly and every Year, a full
“ and particular Account of the State of the Fur and Peltry Trade, the Nature
“ and Extent of the several Fisheries carried on by Our Subjects or others
“ either on the Lakes or Rivers of the said Province, the State of the Cul-
“ tivation, particularly specifying the Quantity of Grain, Hemp, and Flax
“ produced, and of any other important Branch of Trade which may, in your
“ Opinion, be undertaken and advantageously carried on by Our Subjects,
“ the Number of Inhabitants, distinguishing them under different Heads of
“ Men, Women, and Children, inserting in such Accounts the Number of
“ Persons born, christened, and buried, and any extraordinary Influx or
“ Emigration from Our said Province; specifying at the same Time the
“ Number of Slaves and the Number of Our Subjects capable of bearing Arms
“ in the Militia, the Number and Tonnage of Shipping and Craft employed
“ upon the Lakes and Rivers in or contiguous to the Province of Upper
“ Canada, together with any Information on these or any other Points of the
“ like Nature which may be proper to be communicated to Us.

“ Fifty-sixth. And whereas you will receive from Our Commissioners for
“ executing the Office of High Admiral of Our United Kingdom of Great
“ Britain and Ireland and of the Plantations a Commission constituting you
“ Vice Admiral of Our said Province of Upper Canada; you are required
“ and directed carefully to put in execution the several Powers thereby
“ granted to you.

“ Fifty-seventh. Whereas it is absolutely necessary that We be exactly
“ informed of the State of Defence of all Our Plantations in America, as well in
“ relation to the Stores of War that are in each Plantation as to the Forts and
“ Fortifications there, and what more may be necessary to be built for the De-
“ fence and Security of the same; you are from Time to Time to transmit an
“ Account thereof, with relation to Our said Province of Upper Canada, in the
“ most particular Manner, and you are therein to express the present State of
“ the Arms, Ammunition, and other Stores of War belonging to the said Pro-
“ vince, either in any public Magazine or in the Hands of private Persons,
“ together with a State of all Places either already fortified or that you may
“ judge necessary to be fortified for the Security of Our said Province; and
“ you are to transmit the said Accounts to Us through one of Our Principal
“ Secretaries of State, and also Duplicates to Our Master-General or principal
“ Officers of Our Ordnance; which Accounts are to express the Particulars
“ of Ordnance, Carriages, Balls, Powder, and all other Sorts of Arms and
“ Ammunition in Our Public Stores, and so from Time to Time of what
“ shall be sent to you or bought with the Public Money, and to specify the
“ Time of the Disposal, and the Occasion thereof, and other like Accounts
“ half-yearly in the same Manner.

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No. 3.
Instructions
to the
Governor of
Upper Canada,
dated
7th Sept. 1839.