

‘ France to fish and dry their cod-fish on a part specified on the banks of Newfoundland; which privilege is proposed to be renewed to France as aforesaid.

2. ‘ The King will come to cede to his Majesty the Isle of St. Pierre with its port, which Isle, with respect to that part of Newfoundland situate between the bay of Placentia and the bay of La Fortune, stands east south east, and its port opens towards the north-east, the interior part of which port is called *Bourgoway*; the isle of St. Pierre, which the King is willing to cede, is divided by a little streight from another island known by the name of *Mequelon*, or of *Michelon*, which lies to the north of the said isle of St. Pierre.

‘ To the cession of the said isle, as above mentioned, his Majesty annexes four indispensable conditions.

1. ‘ That France, on no pretence, nor under any denomination whatever, shall erect any fortifications, either in the said isle, or in its port; and that she shall not keep any troops there, nor maintain any military establishment whatever.

2. ‘ That the said isle and the said port shall only serve as a shelter for the fishing-vessels of the French nation, and that France shall not suffer the vessels of any other nation whatever to partake of the convenience of this shelter for the fishing-boats.

‘ That the possession of the isle of St. Pierre as aforesaid, shall not be construed in any case to confer, transmit, or participate in any manner whatever, the least right or power of fishing or of drying cod-fish in any part of the coast of Newfoundland, beyond the district expressly stipulated and fixed for that purpose by the 13th article of the treaty of Utrecht; that is to say, *a loco Cap Bonavista nuncupato, usque ad extremitatem ejusdem Insulæ septentrionalem, indeque ad latus occidentale recurrendo usque ad Lacum Pointriche appellatum.*

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