
ROYAL INSTRUCTIONS.

come utterly void and of none effect; anything to the contrary thereof notwithstanding. And to the end that nothing may be passed or done by Our said Council and Assembly, to the prejudice of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, We will and ordain that you, the said Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, shall have and enjoy a negative voice in the making and passing such Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances, as aforesaid; and that you, or in your absence, the Officer Administering the Government, shall and may from time to time, as you or he shall judge it necessary, adjourn, prorogue, or dissolve all General Assemblies as aforesaid.

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And whereas by a Commission under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the Second day of March One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-two, in the Second year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, and by Instructions under his Royal Signet and Sign Manual bearing date the Twenty-seventh day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-two, his said late Majesty did authorize and empower Sir THOMAS JOHN COCHRANE, Knight, then Governor of Newfoundland, to summon General Assemblies of the Freeholders and Householdors within the said Island. And whereas General Assemblies were afterwards elected and holden in and for the said Island, under and by virtue of the said last mentioned Commission and Instructions, and under and by virtue of other Commissions and Instructions from time to time issued by Us. And whereas by an Act passed in the Sixth year of Our Reign, intituled "An Act for amending the Constitution of the Government of Newfoundland," it was enacted amongst other things, that it should be lawful for Us, in the manner therein provided, to establish a qualification in respect of income or property, in right of which any person might thereafter be elected to serve as a Member of the said Assembly; and in manner aforesaid to determine the length of the period of residence which should be required in addition to any other qualification for voting at such elections, or for being elected to serve as a Member of the Assembly; and to restrain in manner therein provided, appropriations of monies to the public service by the said Assembly; and to require that all Elections of Members to serve in the said Assembly should be simultaneous. And whereas by the said last mentioned Act it was provided and enacted that no change which should be made thereby in the Constitution of the said Island should continue for a longer time than the First day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-six, unless Parliament should otherwise determine. And whereas by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Ninth and Tenth years of Our Reign, intituled "An Act to continue till the First day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-seven, certain of the provisions of an Act of the Fifth and Sixth years of Her present Majesty's Reign for amending the Constitution of the Government of Newfoundland," it was enacted that the changes made in the Constitution of the said Island under the said recited Act, should continue in force until the First of September One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-seven: And whereas by a Commission under the Great Seal aforesaid, bearing date the Twenty-seventh of August, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-two, and by Instructions under Our Signet and Sign Manual, bearing date the First of September One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty two, We did in pursuance of the powers reserved to Us