

- 2 within Seven Months from the Exchange of the Ratification of that Treaty, or sooner if possible, by the Most Christian King, to those who had a Commission from the Queen of *Great Britain* for that Purpose; nor should the Most Christian King, his Heirs or Successors, or any of their Subjects, at any Time thereafter, lay claim to any Right to the said Island and Islands, or to any Part of them; moreover, it should not be lawful for the Subjects of *France* to fortify any Place in the said Island of *Newfoundland*, or to erect any Buildings there, besides Stages made of Boards, and Huts necessary and useful for drying of Fish, or to resort to the said Island beyond the Time necessary for fishing and drying Fish: That it should be allowed to the Subjects of *France* to catch Fish, and to dry them on Land, on that Part
- 3 only, and in none other besides that Part of the Island of *Newfoundland* which stretches from the Place called *Cape Bonavista* to the Northern Point of the said Island, and from thence running down by the Western Side, and reaches as far as the Place called *Cape Riche*:

AND whereas, by the Fifth Article of the Treaty of Peace, concluded at *Paris* on the Tenth Day of *February* One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty-three, between His Majesty and the late Most Christian King *Louis* the Fifteenth and his Most Catholic Majesty, it was among other Things agreed, That the Subjects of *France* should have the Liberty of fishing and drying on a Part of the Coast of the Island of *Newfoundland*, such as is specified in the Thirteenth Article of the Treaty of *Utrecht*, which Article is confirmed and renewed by the present Treaty:

- 4 AND whereas, by the Fifth Article of the Definitive Treaty of Peace, concluded at *Versailles*, between His Majesty and the Most Christian King, on the Third Day of *September* One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty-three, it was among other Things agreed, That His Majesty the King of *Great Britain* should be maintained in His Right to the Island of *Newfoundland*, and to the adjacent Islands, as the Whole were assured to him by the Thirteenth Article of the Treaty of *Utrecht*, excepting the Islands of *Saint Pierre* and *Miquelon*, which were ceded in full Right, by the said Treaty of the Third Day of *September* One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty-three, to his Most Christian Majesty; and that his Majesty the Most Christian King, in order to prevent the Quarrels which had before then arisen between the Two
- 5 Nations of *England* and *France*, consented to remove the Right of Fishing which belonged to him in virtue of the aforesaid Article
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