

accounted a sufficient cultivation and improvement: Provided also, that every three acres that shall be cleared and worked, or cleared and drained as aforesaid, shall be accounted a sufficient seating, cultivation and improvement to save for ever from forfeiture, fifty acres of land in any part of the tract hereby granted; and the said respective several grantees, and their respective heirs and assigns, be at liberty to withdraw his, her, or their stock, or forbear working in any quarry or mine in proportion to such cultivation and improvements, as shall be made upon the plantable lands, swamps, sunken grounds or marsh therein contained; and if the said rent hereby reserved, shall happen to be in arrear, or unpaid for the space of one year from the time it shall become due, and no distress can be found on the said lands, tenements and hereditaments hereby granted, or if this grant shall not be duly registered in the Register's Office of our said province, within six months from the date hereof, and a docquet also entered in the Auditor's Office of our said province, then this grant shall be void, and the said lands, tenements and hereditaments hereby granted, and every part and parcel thereof shall revert to Us, our heirs and successors; and provided also, and upon this further condition, that if the land hereby given and granted to the said several and respective grantees, and his, her, or their respective heirs as aforesaid, shall at any time or times hereafter, come into the possession and tenure of any person or persons whatever, inhabitants of our said province of Nova-Scotia, either by virtue of any deed of sale, conveyance, enfeoffment, or exchange, or by gift, inheritance, descent, devise, or marriage, such person or persons being inhabitants as aforesaid, shall within twelve months after his, her, or their entry and possession of the same, take the oaths prescribed by law, and make and subscribe the following declaration, that is to say, " I do premise and declare that I will maintain and defend to the utmost of my power the authority of the King in his Parliament, as the supreme legislature of this province," before some one of the Magistrates of the said province, and such declaration and certificate of the Magistrate, that such oaths have been taken, being recorded in the Secretary's Office of the said province: The person or persons so taking the oaths aforesaid, and making and subscribing the said declaration, shall be deemed the lawful possessor or possessors of the lands hereby granted, and in case of default on the part of such person or persons in taking the oaths, and making and subscribing the declaration, within twelve months as aforesaid, this present grant, and every part thereof, shall, and We do hereby declare the same to be null and void to all intents and purposes, and the lands hereby granted, and every part and parcel thereof, shall, in like manner revert to and become vested to Us, our heirs and successors, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

*GIVEN under the Great Seal of Our Province of NOVA-SCOTIA. WITNESS Our Trusty and Well-beloved JOHN PARR, Esquire, Our Captain-General, Governor, and Commander in Chief, in and over Our said Province, this Twenty-fourth Day of May, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-four, and in the Twenty-fourth Year of Our Reign.*

**J. PARR.**

By His Excellency's Command,

Signed in Council, 24th May, 1784.

**RICHARD BULKELY.**

Nova-Scotia, Halifax, Registered 27 May, 1784.

**ARTHUR GOOLD, Register.**

Nova-Scotia, Halifax, 7th June, 1784.

Entered at the Auditor's Office.

**FRANCIS SHIPTON, Deputy-Auditor.**

*A true Copy of the Original G R A N T,*

*Registered in the Register's Office.*