

the eastern bank of the said river to the Lake Ontario; thence through the Lake Ontario, and the river commonly called Niagara, and thence along by the eastern and south-eastern bank of Lake Erie, following the said bank, until the same shall be intersected by the northern boundary, granted by the charter of the Province of Pennsylvania, in case the same shall be so intersected, and from thence along the northern and western boundaries of the said Province until the said western boundary strike the Ohio. But in case the said bank of the said lake shall not be found to be so intersected, then following the said bank until it shall arrive at that point of the said bank which shall be nearest to the north-western angle of the said Province of Pennsylvania, and thence by a right line to the said north-western angle of the said Province, and thence along the western boundary of the said Province until it strike the River Ohio, and along the bank of the said river westward to the banks of the Mississippi, and northward to the southern boundary of the Territory granted to the Merchants Adventurers of England trading to Hudson's Bay, and also all such Territories, Islands and Countries which have, since the tenth of February, one thousand seven hundred and sixty-three, been made part of the Government of Newfoundland, be, and they are hereby, during His Majesty's pleasure, annexed to and made part and parcel of the Province of Quebec, as created and established by the said Royal Proclamation of the seventh of October, one thousand seven hundred and sixty-three.

Provided always, that nothing herein contained relative to the boundary of the Province of Quebec, shall in any wise affect the boundaries of any other colony.

Provided always, and be it enacted that nothing in this Act shall extend, or be construed to extend to make void or to vary, or to alter any right, title, or possession derived under any grant, conveyance, or otherwise howsoever, of, or to any lands within the said Province, or the Provinces thereto adjoining, but that the same shall remain and be in force, and have effect as if the Act had never been made, &c., &c.

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Description of Grant from Charter of Hudson's Bay Company. Charter the Second, 2nd May, 1670.

We have given, granted, and confirmed, and by these presents for us, our heirs and successors, do give, grant and confirm unto the said Governor and Company, and their successors, the sole trade and commerce of all those seas, straits, bays, rivers, lakes, creeks, and sounds, in whatsoever latitude they shall be, that lie between the entrance of the straits commonly called Hudson's Straits, together with all the lands and territories upon the countries, coasts, and confines of the seas, bays, lakes, rivers, creeks and sounds aforesaid, that are not already actually possessed by, or granted to any of our subjects, or possessed by the subjects of any other Christian Prince or State, with the fishing of all sorts of fish, whales and sturgeons, and other royal fishes in the seas, bays, inlets and rivers within the premises, and the fish therein taken, together with the royalty of the sea upon the coasts within the limits aforesaid, and all mines royal, as well discovered as undiscovered, of gold, silver, gems and precious stones to be found or discovered within the territories, limits and places aforesaid; and that the said land be from henceforth reckoned and reputed as one of our plantations or colonies in America, called "Rupert's Land." And further, we do by these presents, for us, our heirs and successors, make, create and constitute the said Governor and Company for the time being, and their successors, the true and absolute Lords and proprietors of the same territory, limits and places aforesaid, and of all other the premises, saving always the faith, allegiance and sovereign dominion due to us, our heirs and successors, for the same, to have, hold, possess, and enjoy the said territory, limits and places, and all and singular other the premises hereby granted as aforesaid, with their and every of their rights, members, jurisdiction, prerogatives, royalties, and appurtenances whatsoever, to them the said Governor and Company, and their successors, for ever, to be holden of us, our heirs and successors, as of our manor of East Greenwich, in our County of Kent, in fee and common soccage, and not in capite, or by Knight's service. yielding and paying yearly to us, our heirs and