

' tations and restrictions, to the subjects of France for
 ' fishing and drying their cod-fish on a certain part of
 ' the banks of Newfoundland, has not been refused by
 ' Great Britain, but connected with a reciprocal sa-
 ' tisfaction on the part of France, with regard to
 ' the indispensable object of Dunkirk, which the
 ' King has required, and still requires: it is therefore
 ' on condition that the Town and Port of Dunkirk
 ' shall be put in the condition it ought to have been
 ' in by the last treaty of Aix la Chapelle, that his
 ' Majesty consents to renew to France the privi-
 ' lege of fishing and of drying their fish by virtue of
 ' the treaty of Utrecht, upon the foresaid district
 ' of Newfoundland.

' As to the demand which his Most Christian Ma-
 ' jesty has farther made, that his subjects may fish in
 ' the Gulf of St Lawrence, as also to have a port
 ' there *without fortifications*, and subject to the in-
 ' spection of England, as proposed on the part of the
 ' D. de Choiseul in his conferences with Mr Stanley
 ' on that head, which port should merely serve as a
 ' shelter to the fishing-boats of the French nation
 ' which shall land there; the King, to manifest to his
 ' Most Christian Majesty and to the whole world,
 ' the sincerity of his intentions with regard to peace,
 ' will consent,

1. ' To grant the French subjects the privilege
 ' of fishing in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, upon
 ' this express condition, that is to say, That the
 ' said French subjects shall abstain from that par-
 ' ticular fishery on all the coasts appertaining to
 ' Great Britain, whether on the Continent, or on the
 ' Islands situated in the said Gulf of St. Lawrence,
 ' which fishery the proprietors only of the said coasts
 ' have constantly enjoyed and always exercised; sa-
 ' ving always the privilege granted by the 13th ar-
 ' ticle of the treaty of Utrecht, to the subjects of
 ' France