

“ Fishermen of the said Island, for the ensuing Season only, in like Manner as your Majesty has been pleased to permit such Importation for the Six preceding Years; their Lordships humbly take Leave to lay herewith before your Majesty the Draught of an Order proper to be issued by your Majesty in Council, and a Warrant, under your Majesty’s Sign Manual, to the Governor of Newfoundland, for the Purpose above-mentioned.”

His Majesty, having taken the same into Consideration, was pleased, with the Advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed, and also of the Draught of the Order in Council, and of the Warrant to the Governor of Newfoundland, for the respective Purposes therein mentioned.

And His Majesty doth hereby order, that his Grace the Duke of Portland, One of His Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of State, do prepare the said Warrant (Copy whereof is hereunto annexed) to the Governor of Newfoundland, for His Majesty’s Royal Signature.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Twentieth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, “ An Act for regulating the Trade between the Subjects of His Majesty’s Colonies and Plantations in North America and in the West India Islands, and the Countries belonging to the United States of America, and between His Majesty’s said Subjects and the Foreign Islands in the West Indies,” it is, amongst other Things, enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty in Council, by Order or Orders to be issued and published from Time to Time, to authorize, or by Warrant or Warrants, under His Sign Manual, to empower the Governor of Newfoundland for the Time being to authorize, in case of Necessity, the Importation into Newfoundland of Bread, Flour, Indian Corn, and Live Stock, from any of the Territories belonging to the United States, for the Supply of the Inhabitants and Fishermen of the Island of Newfoundland, for the then ensuing Season only; provided always, that such Bread, Flour, Indian Corn, and Live Stock, so authorized to be imported into the said Island of Newfoundland, shall not be imported except in conformity to such Rules, Regulations and Restrictions as shall be specified in such Order or Orders, Warrant or Warrants, respectively, and except by British Subjects and in British-built Ships owned by His Majesty’s Subjects, and navigated according to Law.

It is Our Royal Will and Pleasure, and We do, by virtue of the Power vested in Us by the said Act, hereby empower you to authorize, in case of Necessity, the Importation into Newfoundland of

Bread, Flour, and Indian Corn, from any of the Territories belonging to the said United States of America, for the Supply of the Inhabitants and Fishermen of Our Island of Newfoundland, for the ensuing Season only; provided that such Bread, Flour, and Indian Corn so authorized to be imported into Our Island of Newfoundland shall not be imported except by British Subjects and in British-built Ships, owned by His Majesty’s Subjects, and navigated according to Law; provided also that such Ships as aforesaid shall clear out from some of the Ports of the said Island for any of the said United States, and shall be duly licensed for that Purpose by you, or such other Person or Persons as shall, by an Instrument under your Hand and Seal, be authorized to license the same.

And We do hereby order and direct that such Licences so to be granted by you, or by any Person or Persons duly authorized as aforesaid, shall be of the like Nature, as near as the Circumstances will admit, with those which are directed to be granted to Ships clearing out from Great Britain, by an Act passed in the 25th Year of Our Reign, intituled, “ An Act for continuing, for a limited Time, the Trade between the Ports of the United States of America and His Majesty’s Subjects of the Island of Newfoundland, to Bread, Flour and Live Stock, to be imported in none but British-built Ships, actually belonging to British Subjects, and navigated according to Law, clearing out from the Ports of His Majesty’s European Dominions, and furnished with a Licence according to the Form hereunto annexed.”

And We do hereby strictly charge and command you, that, in granting of such Licences as aforesaid, especial Care be taken to prevent all contraband and fraudulent Trade between the Inhabitants and Fishermen of Our said Island of Newfoundland, and the People belonging to the Territories of the United States of America.

AT the Court at *St. James’s*, the 21st of *January*, 1795,

P R E S E N T,

The KING’s Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Thirty-third Year of His present Majesty’s Reign, intituled, “ An Act to amend an Act made in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act for regulating the Importation and Exportation of Corn, and the Payment of the Duty on Foreign Corn imported, and of the Bounty on British Corn exported,” it is, amongst other Things, enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors,