

Lib. C. B. That a reasonable Quantity of Land shall be granted to all New Comers being Protestants, Either British or Foreigners, in fee Simple in proportion to the Number of People by them imported, that is to say, for Every Man Woman or Child as well free as Slaves, twenty Acres

That the Land shall be surveyed laid out and granted to such New Comers free from All fees or Rewards by a Person to be appointed by his Majesty.

That the said Lands shall likewise be exempt from all Quitt Rents Duties and Services for twenty years from the Date of the respective Grants except only Services in the Militia for the Defence of the Island in time of Need, and after the Expiration of the twenty years A Quitt Rent to be paid not exceeding two Shillings p hundred Acres.

That Every Inhabitant his family and Slaves shall be subsisted with Provisions out of the Publick Store for the first year after their Arrival & be furnished with working Tools for clearing and cultivating their Lands

That all Protestant Natives or foreigners shall enjoy full Liberty of Conscience in Matters of Religion & be Entitled to all the Privileges of English Subjects

That no Inhabitant of the s<sup>d</sup> Island shall be arrested distrained or prosecuted for any Debt contracted before his Arrival on the said Island

That an Additional Encouragement be given in Grants for Land to All Carpenters, Sawyers, Smiths, Coopers, Masons Brickmakers and all other handy-craft Tradesmen who shall settle on the said Island That his Majesty is graciously pleased to issue his Royal Orders to the Governor of Jamaica and the Commander of his Majestys Squadron, stationed on that Island, upon all Occasions to protect defend and assist the Inhabitants of Rattan

And His Majesty judging it proper, in Order to make a speedy Settlement on the said Island that the before mentioned Encouragements should be published and made known in Others of his Majestys Colonles abroad did therefore order that the Lord's Commissioners of Trade and Plantations should transmit Copies of that his Majestys Order to the Governor & Commanders in Chief of such of his Majestys Colonies in America is They should think proper on that Occasion, with Directions to them to cause the said Encouragements to be published and distributed within their respective Governments; And Whereas their Lordps. have transmitted a Copy of his Majestys Order to me to be so published I have therefore in Obedience to his Majestys Commands signified to me by the said Lords Commiss<sup>rs</sup> issued this my Proclamation hereby strictly charging and requiring the several Sheriffs of