

Whitehall August the 19th 1714 —

Her late Majesty having been informed by the
Trade that there were carried on between several of the British
Plantations in America and the French Settlements
in those parts to the Prejudice of the Trade of this King-
dom and in Violation of the Law thereof and the
Treaties between this Kingdom and France, Their
Excellencies the Lords Justices have Comanded Us to
Send you following Extract of a Treaty of Peace &
Neutrality in America Concluded between England &
France the 11th day of Octob. 1686 —

By the fifth and sixth Articles of the said Treaty the
Subjects Inhabitants & of each Kingdom are prohibi-
ted to Trade and fish in all places possessed by either
in America and if any Ship shall be found trading
contrary to the said Treaty upon due Proof shall be
Confiscated, but in case the Subjects of either King-
dom shall be forced by Storms of Weather Enemies or other
Necessities into the Ports of the other in America
They shall be treated with Humanity & kind use
and may provide themselves with Victuals and other
things necessary for their Subsistence & Reparation
of their Ships at Reasonable Rates provided they
do not beate Bulke nor carry any Goods out of
their Ships exposing them to Sale nor receive any
merchandise on Board under any Penalty of
capture of the Ship & Goods —