

SUTTON  
NAAU HILU

By His Excellency John Elliot Esq.  
Governor and Commander in Chief  
in and over the Island of  
Newfoundland &c

Whereas Thomas Sutton of  
Trepassey Harbour Boatkeeper has cleared away and Built  
Fishing conveniences upon a piece of Ground known by the  
Name of Saturday Night, in the S. E. Arm of the said Har-  
bour, and is desirous of being secured in the possession thereof,  
that he may be able to extend his business in the Fishery  
with

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with safety; And Capt<sup>n</sup> Hamham of His Majesty's Ship Minchelsea  
Surrogate to His Excellency Governor Campbell (for that district)  
having represented that the said Piece of Ground is not claimed  
by any other Person; I do hereby order and direct that the said  
Thomas Sutton be not upon any pretence whatsoever interrup-  
ted in the quiet and peaceable enjoyment of the said piece of  
Ground by any Person or Persons whatsoever so long as he the said  
Thomas Sutton shall continue to occupy the same for the  
purpose only of Curing Salting Drying and Stowbanding of Fish  
agreeable to an Act of Parliament passed in the <sup>10<sup>th</sup></sup> and <sup>11<sup>th</sup></sup>  
Years of King William the 3<sup>d</sup> entitled "an Act to encourage  
the Trade to Newfoundland". But if the said Thomas Sutton  
should desert and suffer the said Fishing Room to go to decay  
or shall neglect to make fish thereon for one Entire Season  
then it may be occupied by any other Person first arriving  
from His Majesty's Dominions in Europe who shall take and  
keep possession thereof in like manner and for the like pur-  
pose of carrying on the Fishery agreeable to said Act of Parlia-  
ment.

Given under my Hand and  
Seal at St. John's in the Island of  
Newfoundland the 16<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> 1786

J. Pitt

By His Excellency's Command

A. G. W. M. M.