

## **Proclamation of 1763**

Phillip: Proclamation of 1763

Mark: I heard you and the native americans are having issues. Because of these issues I say no settling west of this line unless I buy you the land from the natives

Thor: This is not fair, I want land so I can make money so me and the paxton boys are gonna slaughter native americans and take their land'

Mark: please don't. I really hope you are stopped

## **Sugar act**

Phillip: Sugar act. The British, mainly George Grenville, wants to raise the duty on molasses to pay Britain's war debt.

Mark: I'm in debt so you will pay a 3 pence duty on molasses, and you're going to stop smuggling

Thor: No I think 1 penny works just fine, and I kinda want to keep smuggling

Mark says: No you are going to pay the tax, stop smuggling, and to enforce it if you do smuggle I won't give you a fair trial.

## **Currency act**

Phillip: Currency act. Britain removes paper money and requires all taxes to be paid in gold or silver

Mark: No more paper money. Pay me in gold and silver

Thor: uhhh we don't have that because of all your taxing. My money is following the army because of the duties you are making me pay.

Mark: No actually it's fine because the gold is gonna circulate through the colonies

Thor: That's not actually how it works, and to show this I'm going to write you a letter

Mark: I'm just not gonna read it

### **Quartering act**

Phillip: Quartering act. Tensions from the sugar act taking the colonies money away from them, and the currency act reducing the volume of viable money they have, are rising with every new tax. Britain still needs money, and the colonies are becoming more and more reluctant to share

Mark: I'm still kind of in debt, so you have to pay for public barracks and your assemblies have to supply the soldiers

Thor: I already supply the soldiers why do I have to quarter them?

Mark: Because I said so and you are unhappy you also have to pay taxes on the barracks you provide

### **Stamp act**

Phillip: Stamp act. Colonial resistance to British tyranny is on the rise. Many colonists feel that Britain is trying to restrict or take away their liberties. The British are violating the rights of colonists and the colonists are beginning to unite in protest.

Mark: My buddy George Grenville and I understand you are unhappy with how we are literally using you. We know you don't appreciate the taxes and the lack of representation. So, we want to repeal the Quartering act and stop taxing you for barracks. Instead, we want to tax all legal documents and papers as well as playing cards.

Thor: Okay, we don't care about the money, we understand you are in debt, but you need to let us have a voice. We are not going to use your stamped paper, and we are going to unite in protest. We are going to have our Sons of Liberty drive away the stamp collectors by threatening them with great violence.

Mark: Fine fine we can find another way to make money.

## **Townshend acts**

Phillip: Townshend acts. Colonists strongly resisted the internal tax of the stamp act, so the British decided to tax them externally instead. This caused tensions between colonists and the British to rise yet again, especially because of how Charles Townshend decided to use the money his tax generated.

Mark: I understand that you don't like the Stamp act and want it, and all other taxes repealed. I want to take into account your concerns and repeal the Stamp act in favor of the Townshend acts. Also just to make you guys happy I want to use the revenue from the Townshend act to pay your governors so your assemblies have less power over them :)

Thor: Wait a second, how are external duties different from internal taxes? We should attack these customs offices. Also, I need to coordinate with other colonies to see what you'll do wrong next and how I can protest it!

Mark: Ok fine, I'll cut you a deal. I repeal every duty except the one on tea so I don't actually stop making money.

Thor: Buddy I just want a say in how I help you raise money

## **Tea Act**

Phillip (interrupting Thor): Tea act. Colonists are now uniting against the British. The protesters are becoming more radical and organized.

Mark: You know, maybe I have been unfair. How about I stop taxing your tea but you can only buy tea from the British East India Company.

Thor: How about I block all of your merchants from docking in colonial ports? Or better yet, I could let a couple in then throw all of their tea overboard into the Boston harbor?

Mark: That's enough out of you I have tried to be kind but no more. I'm going to punish you with a few more acts. First off, the Boston harbor is closed until you pay me back for that tea; secondly, you have to allow my redcoats to quarter in your homes; third, Massachusetts doesn't get to have an assembly anymore from now on the royal governor gets to appoint his council; and lastly, royal officers get to be tried outside the colony they allegedly committed a crime in.

Phillip: The intolerable acts were the last straw for the colonies. This never-ending cycle of misunderstandings and showings of power or resistance began a chain reaction and a short road to war. The colonists will soon begin to truly work together to undermine British control. The colonists are now a separate identity, they want to protect their liberties and freedoms at any cost.