COMMISSIONS and INSTRUCTIONS

FROM THE

Lords Proprietors of Carolina

TO

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Arnald Bruneau Esq'r. having merited well of us in contributeing
to the well settlement of our Province Wee have thought fitt And
doe hereby require you to Order the Surveyor Generall to
admeasure out for the said Arnald Bruneau Three thousand
Acres of Land for which you are to pass Grants to the said
Bruneau and his Heires for ever And the which &c Three thou-
sand Acres Wee will shall be made A Manor (if he shall desire
it soe to be) For which this shall be your warrant Given under
our hands and Seales this six and twentieth day of January One
thousand Six hundred Eighty and five


Craven Patn. (Seale)
To Joseph Morton Esq'r one of y'c Landgraves
& Govr. of that Part of the Province of
Cape Faire and to the Govr. for the
time being and our Deputies

Peter Colleton (Seale)
Seth Sothell (Seale)

William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven Baron of
Hamstead Marshall Lord Lieutenen't. of the County of
midlesex and Borough of Southwark One of the Lords of
his Maties Most Honble Privie Councill Lieuten't. Gen'l of
all his Maties forces Pallatine And the Rest of the true and
Absolute Lords and Proprietors of Carolina

To James Colleton Esq'r. one of the
Landgraves of Carolina Landgrave
Joseph West and the Rest of Our
Trustees for Granting Land in Carolina

Whereas Wee did by Our Ord'n. beearing date the 30th day of
July Anno Dom One thousand Six hundred Eighty five direct
our Gov't. and Deputies for the time being To Cause to be admea-
ured out and pass Grants to Monsieur Jean Louis de Genillat His
Heires and assignes for Ever for three thousand acres of Land
And whereas wee did alsoe by our Ord'n. beearing date the six and
twentieth day of Jan'y Anno Dom One thousand six hundred
Eighty five Direct our Governor and Deputies for the time being to
cause to be admeasured out and pass Grants to Arnald Bruneau
Esq'r. his Heires and assignes. for Ever for the like quantity of
Land and whereas wee are Informed there is some doubt whether
the said Lands were intended by us to be granted to them Rent
free; wee doe hereby Signify That the said Lands were a free
Gift from us to the said Monsr. Genillat and Monsr. Bruneau
and are to be granted without reservinge any other Right then
one Eare of Indien Corne when Lawfully Demanded: Of which
you are take notice and pass the Grants accordingly ×
Given under Our hands and Seales this fourteenth day of July
anno Dom one thousand six hundred Eighty and Seaven

Craven Pall × (Seale)

Bathe
for y². Lord Carteret (Seale)
P Colleton (Seale)
Tho Amy (Seale)

William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven Baron of
Hamstead, Marshall, Lord Lieutenant of the County Midles-
sex and Borough of Southwarke one of the Lords of his
Maties Most Honble Privie Councill Lt. Generall of all his
Maties forces Palatine And the Rest of the true and Abso-
lute Lords and Prop’s × of Carolina

To James Colleton Esq one of the
Landgraves of Carolina Landgrave
Joseph West and Rest of our Trustees
for Granting Land in Carolina

Whereas Wee have received (on a Bill of Exchange drawn
by Mr. James Boyd on Mr. Peter D’Albert) the sum of thirty one
Pounds and Six Shillings being the purchase money for Six
hundred and twenty Six Acres of Land in Carolina You are to
pass Grants to him for the said Six hundred and twenty Six
acres of Land according to the forme Wee have directed for Land
Sold And which Land is to be Layd out and bounded according
to our Rules and Instructions in force for Granting Land For
which this Our Order which are to Record and file shall be your
Warrant Given Under Our hands and Seales this 13th. day of
July anno Dom: 1687

Craven Palatine (Seale)

Bath
for y². Lord Cartret (Seale)
Peter Colleton (Seale)
Tho Amy (Seale)
William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven Baron of Hamstead Marshall Palatine and the rest of the true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of the Province of Carolina
To Our Trusty and well beloved Collonell Phillip Ludwell Governor of our Province of Carolina/

Wee the sayd absolute Lords and Proprietors of the Province aforesayd reposing specially Trust and confidence in ye Courage Loyalty and prudence of you our sayd Governor Doe hereby Constitute and appoint you the sayd Collonell Phillip Ludwell during our pleasure Governor of our Province of Carolina and you are to doe and execute all things in due maner that Shall belong to your Command or the Trust wee have reposed in you according to the severall powers and directions granted and appointed you by this present Comission and our Instructions and by such further powers and Instructions as Shall at any time hereafter be granted and appointed you under our hands and Seales according to such reasonable Laws and Statutes as alreadye have been ratifyed and confirmed by us or hereafter shall be made and agreed upon by you with the advice and Consent of the Councill and Generall Assembly of our Province of Carolina or any part thereof wherein there is a distinct Government appointed by us according to the methode and forme appointed by Our Instructions herewith given you And wee doe hereby appoint and Impowre you Our sayd Governor to be Comander in Chiefe of all the forces raised or to be raised within our sayd Province and over them to appoint Officers and them to remove at your pleasure, and to cause the sayd forces to be exercised in armes as often as you shall See fitt, and to doe all other thing & things that to the Office of a Captaine Generall or Comander in Chief doth belong And wee doe hereby give and grant unto you full power and authorty by and with the advice and Consent of any Three or more of our Deputyes to erect and establish such and so many Courts of Judicature and publique Justice as you Shall think fitt and necessary for the hearing and determining of all Causes as well Criminall as Civill according to law and equitye and for awarding execution thereupon and to appoint Judges and Magistrates for that purpose and Such other Magistrates as to you and any three or more of our Deputyes Shall seeme meet Given under
our hands and Seales this Eight day of Novb^r= One Thousand six hundred and ninetye one

Craven Pallatine ————*
A Ashley ————*
John Archdale ————*
for Tho: Archdale
Casteret ————*
P Colleton ————*
Tho: Amy ————*

Recorded yr. 23d: of Aprill 1692/

J: Hobson

William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount
Craven Baron of Hamstead Marshall
Pallatine of the Province of Carolina

To Collonell Phillip
Ludwell Governor of Carolina/

Whereas It is agreed by the Lords Proprietors of the said Province That the Pallatine should name the Governour I out of the trust and Confidence I have of the wisdome prudence Integritye and Loyaltye of you Collonell Phillip Ludwell Doe hereby nominate Constitute and appoint you the sayd Collonell Phillip Ludwell to be Governor and Comander in Chief of Carolina with full power and authoritye to doe, act and execute all such Jurisdictions and powers as by virtue of the Rules of Government and Instructions Given by myself and the rest of the Lord Proprietors of the said Province a Governor is to doe and exercise, and you are to follow such Instructions as are here-with given you or that you shall hereafter from time to time receive from my self and the rest of the Lord Proprietors of the sayd Province and thus to Continue during my pleasure Given under my hand and Seale this Second day of November: One Thousand six hundred and Ninetye One/

Craven Pallatine (seale)

Recorded yr: 23d: of Aprill 1692

J Hobson
Anthony Lord Ashley

one of the true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of the Province of Carolina

To Stephen Bull Esqre

Whereas each of the Lords Proprietors hath power to make a Deputye to be his Representative in Parliament and in the Grand Counciill and to have and exercise other powers and rights in the absence of the Deputator out of Carolina as by our fundamentall Constitutions and Instructions more fully doth appeare I out of the Trust & Confidence I have in the wisdome prudence and Integritye of you Stephen Bull doe hereby Constitute and appoint you the sayd Stephen Bull my Deputye in Carolina with full power to act as in our fundamentall Constitutions Temporary Lawes and Instructions is or by farther Instructions Shall be provided Witness my hand and seale the 23d of 7ber= 1691/

A Ashley (seale)

Recorded ye 23d: of Aprill 1692

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J Hobson

George Lord Carteret one of the true and absolute Lords & Proprietors of the Province of Carolina

To Paule Grimball Esqre/

Whereas by our Instructions or Rules for the Government of Carolina It is appointed that each of the Lords Proprietors shall appoint a Deputye I out of the trust and confidence I have in the prudence and Integritye of you Paull Grimball Doe hereby Constitute and appoint you the sayd Paull Grimball my Deputy in that part of the Province of Carolina that lyes South and West of Cape Fear with full power and authoritye to act and doe those things that to a Proprietors Deputy doth belong Given under my hand and Seale this Eight day of Decber= 1691/

Carteret (seale)

Recorded ye 23d: of Aprill 1692—

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J Hobson
Thomas Amy Esq^r= one of the true Lords and absolute Proprietors of Carolina

To Thomas Smith Esq^r

Whereas each of the Lords Proprietors hath power to make a deputy to be his Representative in Parliament and in the Grand Councill and to have and exercise other powers and rights in the absence of the ye: Deputator out of Carolina as by our fundamental Constitutions and Instructions more fully doth appear I out of the trust and Confidence I have in the wise-dome prudence and Integritye of you Thomas Smith Doe hereby constitute and appoint you the said Thomas Smith my Deputy in Carolina with full power to act as in our fundamental Constitutions temporary Lawes and Instructions is or by farther Instructions hereafter Shall be provided Witness my hand and Seale this 22d of Sep^ber= 1691/

Tho Amy (seale)

Recorded ye: 23d of Aprill 1692

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J Hobson

John Archdale Esq^r= Guardian to Thomas Archdale one of the true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of the Province of Carolina

To Richard Conant Esq^r

Whereas by the Instructions or Rules of Government of Carolina It is appointed that each Guardian to a Proprietor shall appoint a Deputy I out of the Trust and confidence I have in the prudence and Integrity of you Richard Conant Doe hereby Constitute and appoint you the said Richard Conant my Deputy in Carolina with power and authority to act and doe those things that to a Proprietors Deputy doth belong Given under my hand and seale this tenth day of November 1691/

John Archdale (seale)

for Tho: Archdale
Sir = Peter Colleton Baronet one of the true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of the Province of Carolina

To Joseph Blake Esq

Whereas by our Instructions or Rules for the Governm't of Carolina It is appointed that each of the Lords Proprietors shall appoint a Deuty e I out of the trust and Confidence I have in the prudence wisdome and Integritye of you Joseph Blake Do hereby constitute and appoint you the sayd Joseph Blake my Deuty e in that part of the Province of Carolina that lyes South and West of the Cape ffeare with power and Authority to act and doe those things that to a Proprietors Deuty e doth belong Given under my hand and Seale this 2d day of December 1691/

P Colleton (seale)

Recorded ye: 23d: of Aprill 1692

J Hobson

Instructions for Collonell Phillip Ludwell
Governor of Carolina

1 Wee The Lords Proprietors have agreed That the Eldest of the Lords Proprietors and that was Proprietor the first of March One Thousand Six hundred and Sixtye nine Shall be Pallatine

2 But after the decease of them and before the year One Thousand Seaven hundred Hee that hath been longest a Proprietor and hath payd the full proportion with the rest for setling the Province Shall be Palatine But after the year One Thousand Seaven hundred, the eldest of the then Lords Proprietors and who hath payd as aforesaid Shall be Palatine

3 It is alsoe agreed that there Shall be seaven other great Offices Erected (viz.=) Admirall Chamberline Constable Chief Justice Chancellor High Steward and Treasurer to be Injoyed by none but the Proprietors and that upon the vacancye of any of these Offices the Eldest of the Proprietors that was Prop'r= the first of March One Thousand Six hundred and Sixtye nine shall have his Choice and after the Decease of those hee that hath been longest Prop'r= and hath payd his full portion of money that hath been expended in the setlement of the Province but after the year One Thousand seaven hundred the Eldest man of the
then Lords Proptors—— and that hath payd his money as above
Shall then have his choice
4 The eldest of those Proptors—— that were so the first of March
One Thousand six hundred and sixyte nine that Shall be in Caro-
lina and hath payd his full proportion of the money expended by
the Lords Proptors—— Shall of course be the Palatines Deputye
unless the Palatine and Three more of the Lords Proptors—— Shall
otherwise direct under their hands and seales
5 The Palatine is to name the Governor and the Admirall the
Marshal of the Admiralty the Chamberline Register of Births
and Marriages the Constable the Marshall of the Regiments
The Chief Justice the Register of Writeings and Contracts,
the high Steward the Surveyor of Land the Chancellor the Ser-
geant at armes attending the Chancery and upon any mans pro-
duceing a Comission from any of the Lords Proptors—— under his
hand and seale from any office in that Proptors—— disposall you are
to admit the person so Commissioned to the Execution of the sayd
office
6 ff or as much as it is of great securitye to the Inhabitants of
Carolina that no ill or unjust man be in so great a Trust in the
Governm't as a Proptors—— Deputye any Deputy of a Lord Prop-
rietor howsoever Constituted Shall cease to be a Deputye when
the Palatine and three more of the Lords Proptors—— Shall under
their hands and seales so order and direct
7 ff or as much as it may be very mischievous to the Inhabitants
of our Province to have any Governor Deputy or any officer in
the Choice of the respective Proptors—— not in the power of the
Palatine and Proptors—— to be removed when hee Shall act
unjustly or contrary to Law and to the oppression of the people
or contrary to the peace or quiet or securitye of the setlem't any
Governor whether one of the Lords Proptors—— or other is to cease
to be Governor whenever the Palatine and three more of the
Proptors—— shall under their hands and seales signifie it to be
their pleasure and so direct when any six of the Proptors—— or
their Guardians if under age Shall under their hands and seales
so direct although the Palatine be not one of them
8 Upon the death of any of the Lords Proptors—— you are not to
admitt any person to any office that was in that Proprietors dis-
posall who is dead by virtue of a Comission from another
Proptor—— untill the Palatine and three more of the Lords
Proptors—— have certified under their hands and seales that Such
Proptor—— hath right to and is admitted into the place of that
Proctor= who is deceased and had dureing his life time powers of disposeing of the said place
9 Wee have alsoe agreed that each of the Lords Proctors= shall nominate or appoint a Deputye under his hand and seale to be Recorded in Secretarys Office in Carolina
10 The Lords Proctors= Depties are to be your Councill—If it shall happen That any of the Lords Proctors= Deputys shall by death or departure out of Carolina cease to be a Deputy That there may not be a failure in the Governm't for want of a due number of Proprietors Deputys You our Governor and the rest of our Deputys who are see by Deputation under the hand and seale of the Proctors= are by Majoritye of votes Given by Ballot to choose a person to be a Deputye for that Proctor= whose Deputye is dead or departed the Province who shall Continue to be a Deputye and have the same power as our other Deputys unless in electing Deputys untill that Proctor= shall under his hand and seale have appointed another Deputye
11 You our sayd Governor are by and with the consent of any three or more of our Deputys testified by their signeing the Comission and where wee ourselves have not appointed or shall not appoint a person or persons for the sayd Office to constitute a Chief Judge by the name of a Sheriff with four Justices for the tryall of Causes in any of the Countys that have fiftie freeholders qualified to serve on Juryes which Sheriffe and Justices are to take an oath If free to sweare for the due Administration of Justice
12 Untill any Countye have a Court erected in it the Causes of the—Inhabitants of that Countye shall be tryed in that Countye that lies next to them and where a County Court is already appointed and the Inhabitants of such County may serve as Jurymen in the next Countye untill a Court be erected in the County where they reside
13 All processes and actions to be tryed in the County Courts and Please &c shall be entred and Records kept of them by the Cleark of that County Court where the action is to be tryed the Clearks of the Respective County Courts shall be appointed by the chief Judge or Sheriffe which Clearks are to be sworn for the due execution of his Office and give security by his own bond/
14 You are by and with the consent of our Deputys to appoint a Marshall to each County who is to execute all Writts and Executions Issueing from the said Court
15 All process Writts and Executions Issueing in actions or Causes to be tryed before yourself and our Deputys shall be served and Executed by the Provost Marshall
All actions please and so forth to be tryed before yourself and our Deputys are to be entred by the Secretary by us appointed and records thereof kept by him
16 Yourself and our Deputys are to hear and determine of Writts of Error from the Inferior County Courts and to be the Court of Chancery untill wee shall otherwise direct
17 You and our Deputys are to hear and determine all Causes Criminall and Judgments thereon to give and Execution thereon to award according to Law and as often as yourself and any three or more of our Deputys shall think fitt You are alsoe hereby Impowred to grant Comissions to Such other persons as yourself or any three or more of our Deputys shall think fitt to hear and determine all Causes Criminall and Judgments thereon to give and Execution to award according to Law
18 And if it Shall appear to you that any person found guilte is a fitt object of mercy you are by and with the consent of any three or more of our Deputys to stopp Execution and reprieve the said person and then you are forthwith to send us a copye of the Indictments and an accompt of the proofes against the said person and the reasons why you think him worthy of Mercy
19 What other Officers you our said Governor and our Deputys shall find necessary for the better administration of Justice and carrying on the Government and for which office no person is before Commissioned by us or provision made, you are with consent of our Deputys to grant Comissions for in our name and under the little seale appointed for the use of the Government in Carolina to be inforce untill it shall be otherwise directed by the Palatine and three more of the Lords Proprietors under their hands and seales or a Comission by them granted to Some other for the said place under the great seale of the Province you are to grant no Comission but dureing pleasure onely
20 And whereas power is Given unto us ye Lords Proprietors by virtue of our Letters Patents from ye Crown to make ordeine and Enact and under our seales to publish Laws for the better Government of the said Province by and with the advice and consent and approbation of the freemen of the said Province or their Delegates or the Major part of them in order there unto to assemble them In Such maner and forme as to us the Lords Pro-
priortors shall seeme best, You are with the consent of any three or more of our Deputies when ever you Shall think there is need of any Laws for the better and more peaceable Governm't of the Inhabitants of our Province In our names to Issue Writts to the Sheriffs of the Respective Countys to choose Twentye Delegates for the ffreemen of Carolina (viz') five for Albemarle Countye, five for Berkley Countye five for Colleton Countye, and five for Craven County to meet and assemble In such place and att such time as you and any three or more of our Deputies shall think fitt to give their advice assent and approbation to such Laws as Shall be thought reasonable to be Enacted for the better Governm't peace and welfare of the said Province, Always provided That the said Laws be not repugnant to the Laws of England.

21 And That there may be no dispute about the bounds of Countys Wee have thought fitt to appoint that the bounds of Albemarle County be from the great river called Albemarle river on Roanoake river to Virginia That the bounds of Craven County be from Sewee Twenty three miles to the North East along the Shoare and from thence Thirty five miles in a Northwest Line into the Land That the bounds of Berkley County be Sewee on the North-east and so along the Sea to Stonoh River to the Southwest and Thirty five miles back into the Land from the Sea — —

22 And that the bounds of Colleton County be Stonoh River on the northeast and Combehe on the Southwest and thirty five miles into the Land in a Streight Line from the Sea, and where the River's nominated form the Northeast and Southwest bounds of any Countys doe not extend full thirty five miles from the sea in a streight line the bounds of the Said Countys are to be streight Lines run from the heads of the said rivers untill it meet with the Northwest bounds of the said County which is to be thirty five miles from the sea and no more

23 The Countys farther up than thirty five miles from the sea shall have the same Rivers for their bounds if they run so farr up, but if the rivers run not so far then a line running Northwest shall be extended thirty five miles farther into the Land then the northwest bounds of the County next the sea which Lines running northwest Shall be The northeast and Southwest bounds of the said Countys

24 And when any County shall make it appear That by Grants Registed in the Registers Office that there is in that Countye forty ffreeholders You are then to Issue Writs to the Sheriff of
the said County for the chooseing of four Delegates to represent in the Assembly the freemen of that County, and then you are to Issue Writts to the forenamed Countys for the choice of four Delegates for each County onely.

25 And as other Countys come to be planted and make it appeare there is forty freeholders in the County You are to Issue Writts in Such Countys for the choice of four Delegates also to represent them in the generall assembly of the freemen of the Province And before any County have forty freeholders so as to have Writts directed to it for the Choice of Representatives for the County they reside in, they are to give their Votes for the Choice of Delegates in the County next to them that is qualifiyed to choose Delegates.

26 At the same that you issue Writts for the choice of Delegates for the County You are to send Writts in our names to each of the Landgraves and Cassiques in Carolina to Convene and give their advice and Consent to the passing of such Laws as Shall be thought reasonable, and the Landgraves are to sitt together with our Deputys.

27 With the advice and Consent of our Deputys and ye Landgraves and Cassiques and Delegates of the freemen thus assembled or the Major part of them you are to make ordaine & Enact Such laws as shall be thought necessary for the better Governm't of our Province but to be ratified by yourself and three or more of our Deputys under their hands and Seales in presence of the Landgraves and Cassiques and Delegates of the Countys before such acts be published or allowed to be Laws Which laws so past are to Continue in force for Two yeares and no longer unless within that time they are ratified and Confirmed under the hands and Seales of the Palatine and three or more of the Lords Proprietors themselves by their orders published in the Generall Assembly.

28 Any Law so past before it hath been ratified under the hands and Seales of the Palatine himself and three more of the Lords Proprietors themselves under their hands and Seales and by their order published in the Generall Assembly of the Landgraves and Cassiques and Delegates for the Countys shall cease to be a Law whenever the Palatine and three more of the Lords Proprietors signifie their dissent to it under their hand and Seales.
29 You are constantly to transmitt to us all Laws past as soone as possible.
30 You our Governor are by and with the consent and advice of any three or more of our Deputys to adjourage Prorogue and dissolve the generall assembly so often as you shall think it requisite so to doe.
31 Wee having long since thought fitt to take all the Indyans resideing within four hundred miles of Charles Towne into our Protection as Subjects to the Monarchy of England You are not to Suffer any of them to be sent away from Carolina.
32 You our said Governor are to be Comander of all the forces raised or to be raised within the Limitts of your Government over whome you are to place Officers and them remove at your pleasure and to cause the said forces to be duely exercised in armes and to doe all other things that to a Comander in Chief doth belong.
33 You our said Governor are to direct the meetings of our Deputys as often as you Shall think fitt.
34 If you our said Governor Should happen to dye or depart the Province or any otherways be out of the Governm't and no person on the place Comissioned by the Palatine or us the Lords Proprietors Our will and pleasure is That the Proprietors Deputys who are under hands and seals of the Proprietors shall choose one of the Landgraves to be Governor if any Landgrave be then in Carolina and against whome there is no objection, and if there be any objection against the sayd Landgraves being Governor they transmitt the said objection to us.
But if there be no Landgrave in Carolina against whome there is no objection That then those our Deputys are hereby impowered to choose one of those our Deputys who is so by virtue of a Deputation under the hand and seale of a Proprietor to be Governor untill another shall be appointed by the Palatine, and if there be no deputy who hath a Deputation under the hand and Seale of a Proprietor That then the Deputys may choose one of those Deputys put in by the Governor to be Governor as aforesaid.
35 You are to be very carefull not to Suffer any of the Inhabitants of our Province to Comitt any acts of hostility against the Spanyards.
36 You are to suffer no fines to be Layd on any one for misdemeanors by them Comited but to our use the fines so layd being our Right.
37 You our said Governor upon any misdeameanor Comitted are by and with the consent of any three or more of our Deputies to Suspend any officer in Carolina put in by any of the Proprietors Except our Deputies and our Receiver Generall, and place another to execute the said office in his roome untill our pleasure be knowne and while the said office is executed by another hee that soe shall execute the said office is to keep an accompt of the profits of the said office and be responsible to the party who is so Suspended for the profits of the sayd Office if wee ourselves shall think fit to restore him and so direct And you are to send us the reason of such Suspension That wee ourselves may be Inabled to Judge if there be sufficient Cause for yo so doing and what the said party doth alledge for himself

38 Any officer put in by any of the Proprietors if hee execute the said Office by a Deputy is to take such Deputy as you our Governor and our Deputies shall approve of and no other

39 You are to take all Imaginable care to see the acts of Trade and Navigation duly observed

40 You are to use your utmost endeavour to seize any Pyrates that Shall come to Carolina and you are to prosecute all such as shall presume to trade with them or have any Comerce with them contrary to Law to all the utmost rigor the Law allowes

41 In all the matters not limitted or provided for by these our Instructions You our sayd Governor are by and with the consent of any three or more of our Deputies to make such orders from time to time for the peace and safety of the Governm there as to you shall seeme necessary and wee our selves have power to do by virtue of our Charter from the Crown, which order you are forthwith to transmitt to us with your reason for the makeing of them which orders are to be in force untill wee shall under the hand and seal of the Palatine and three more of the Lords Proprietors otherwise direct and noe longer

42 These Instructions shall be the rules for proceedings for any succeeding Governor as well as yourself and be put in execution by him untill wee shall otherwise direct

43 Wee doe hereby Repeale and make voyd all former Instruc- tions for the Governm of that part of our Province that lies South and West of Cape fear and all Temporary laws what-soever These our Instructions being to be your onely Rule for the Governm for the future untill wee shall otherwise direct But our powers and Rules for granting Land are not hereby Revoaked but to remain as they are Given under our hands and
Seales this Eight day of November One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety one.

Craven Palatine (seale)
A Ashley (seal)
Carteret (seale)
P Colleton (seale)
Tho Amy (seale)
John Archdale (seale)
for Tho: Archdale

October the 6th 1690

Wee being Informed That there is little money in Carolina whereby it is difficult for the Inhabitants that are to pay us quitt rents and gett English money to doe it, And wee never Intending to require Impossibilities or put hardshipes upon them Therefore Impower you where the person who is to pay hath not English money to receive the same in Spanish money, or in Cotton, Silk or Indigoe at such rate as they will cleare in England, the freight Custome and all other Charges deducted And that you take care that you receive that that is good of each Specie and constantly give us an exact accompt what you receive from each person and at what rates

Wee understand That Severall vessells have been seized and Condemned in Carolina for tradeing contrary to the Acts of Trade and Navigation You are hereby required to send us an exact accompt how many vessells have been Seized their names and the Masters and from whence each vessell came what shee was appraisat at, and to whome Sold, and for what each vessell was sold and to whome the Kings Share of the said vessell was deliv- ered and of this you are to send us Duplicates for fear in this time of Warr the Original should miscarry, And if you find any difficultye in the performing this our order You are to give us notice of it, and from whence the difficultye proceeds

Wee here send you a Sealed up Comission for the Government to be opened first In case the proper Governor should dye or leave the place

To Paule Grimball Esqr= Receiver of our Rents in that part of Carolina that lyes South and West of Cape sfare
Recorded April ye 27th, 1692 me J Hobson

Craven Palatine (seale)
A Ashley (seal)
Cartaret (seale)
P Colleton (seale)
John Archdale
for Tho: Archdale (seale)
Tho: Amy (seale)
Whereas wee are Informed That diverse of the Inhabitants of our Province not desiring to be Incumbered with a Rent have a mind to purchase their Lands But not haveing money in England desire they may be admitted to pay the purchase money in Carolina with which their Requests wee being willing to comply You are to pass Grants for Land not exceeding Six thousand Acres in all to such as shall pay in the purchase money after the rate of one shilling ¶9 acre to Paule Grimball Esq':= our Receiver to be remitted us to England which Grants are to be according to the forme by us directed for Land sold But no part of these Six thousand acres is to be any part of it, towne Lotts, Except the towne Lotts now in possession of Major William Dunlope, Thomas Smith and Barnard Schenckingh Esq's:= for all wch= this our Order together with the receipt of the sayd Paule Grimball Esq'= first Registered in the Registers Office and so verified by the Register which together with this our order are to be filed in the Registers Office shall be your Warrants Given under our hands and seals this Eighteenth day of October 1690/

To James Colleton Esq'=
Paule Grimball Esq'=
the rest of our Trustees for granting of Land
Recorded April ye 27th
1692 ¶9 me
J Hobson

Recorded 6th: May 1692 ¶9 me
J Hobson

William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven Baron of Hamstead Marshall Palatine & the rest of the true & absolute Lords & Proprietors of the Province Carolina

To Seth Sothell Esq' or our Governor for the time being our Deputies the Grand Councill & Magistrates & officers whatsoever of that part of the Province of Carolina that lyes South & West of Cape ffeare—
Whereas an act was past in Carolina & signed & sealed by Seth Sothell as Governor George Muschampe John Harris & John Berresford In these words following

An act for disabling James Colleton Esq' late Governor of this part of the Province from bearing or exercising any authority either military or Civill within this part of the Province & for departing the same

Whereas James Colleton Esq' late Governor of this part of the Province did make Articles of Warr, & erect & Establish Martial Law, and the same did cause to be published at the head of every Company of the Militia of that part of the Province under the paines of death & other penalties as in the said act is set downe and required, & the Same did Inforce & put in Execution upon & against divers of his Majies= peaceable subjects Inhabiting this Province to apparent breach of their Libertys propertys & priviledges and to the dread & terror of their Majies= Subjects, Notwithstanding at that time there was no danger of appearance of any forreign Invasion or any Domestick Rebellion tumult or Sedition

Be it therefore enacted by his Excellency William Earle of Craven Pallatine, & the rest of the true & absolute Lords & Proprieters of this Province, by & with the advice & consent of the Comons in this present Parliamt assembled, and by the authority of the Same that the said James Colleton shall not at any time from & after the ratification of this present act exercise any publique Office Charge or Trust either Military or Civill of either honour or profitt in this Province but shall be utterly disabled to exercise the same by himself substitute or Deputy

And be it further enacted & declared by the authoritye aforesd That in case the aforesd James Colleton shall assume or take upon him to exercise any place trust charge or office as aforesd In this part of the Province contrary to the true intent & meaning of this Act That any act or acts thing or things done by Colour or pretext of this said office Charge or place of trust either by himself his Deputye or Substitute is hereby declared Voyd Null and of no effect to all intents and purposes whosoever And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesd That the said James Colleton doe depart this Province for England at or before the foure & Twentieth day of ffebruary next ensueing and that hee do on the first day of Michaelmas Term next after the ratification of this Act render himself at the Kings Bench
barr at Westminster in the Kingdome of England and there give sufficient Baile of ten thousand pounds Sterling to answer to all maner of Charges that are or shall be exhibitted against him as well on behalf of our gracious Soveraignes King William Queen Mary as the behalf of their Majesties free people of this Province or any other person or persons by them Comissionated to that purpose
And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesd that hee the s'd James Colleton be in the meantime comitted and is hereby Comitted to the Custody of Edward Rawlins Marshall one of the Messengers of this house who is hereby authorized & required to take the s'd James Colleton into his Custody and there to keep and continue him as a prisoner by the Authority of this Parliament who shall not be from thence discharged untill hee shall have given sufficient Security of Ten thousand pounds Sterl to the intent & purpose as in this Act is requir'd and expressed—
And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesd That the Right Honble: Seth Sothell Esqr' one of the Lords & absolute Proprietors of this Province & Governo' of the same together with Coll Andrew Percivall Lieut Coll Robert Quary Capt James Moore Ralph Izard & Job Howes Esqr's or any four of them, provided that the Governor be one, are hereby authorized and Impowered on good and Sufficient Securitye to take baile for him the s'd James Colleton In the name of the Right honble Seth Sothell Esqr' and Governor upon the penaltye of Ten Thousand pounds sterl
The Condition of which obligation shall be such That if the above bounden James Colleton depart this Province for England at or before the fhoure and Twentieth day of February next according to the purport true intent & meaning of an Act entituled an Act for the disabling James Colleton Esq'r, late Governor of this part of the Province from beareing any authority either Military or Civill within this Province and for his departing the same, and that in the meantime hee Doth well & truly keep their peace and be of good behaviour towards all & every the Inhabitants of this Province That then this p'sent obligation to be voyd and of none effect otherwise to abide be & remaine in full force and virtue
And be it further Enacted by the authoritye aforesd That if the said James Colleton shall not give such Securitye as is before in this Act required nor depart this Province at the time Limited
according to the true Intent & meaning of this Act or shall in anywise offend Contrary to this Act or any Clause or title or thing therein mentioned shall forfeit the Sume of five thousand pounds Sterl to be leavyed on his goods and Chattells by Warrant of distress under the hand & seale of the Governor for the time being who is by this Act Impowred to grant the same directed to the High Sheriffe for the time being of Berkley Countye who is likewise impowred and required by virtue hereof to seize take and distraine the Goods & Chattells of him the s'd James Colleton and the distress & distresses soe taken to lead drive and carry away and upon such distress as aforesd to impanell a jury of able and Sufficient freetholders of the said County who are hereby likewise required on their Oaths well truly and Indifferently to appraise & value the Severall goods & Chattells so taken and distrained by the Said Sheriffe who is hereby required to take a true & effect Inventory thereof by Indenture between the s'd Sheriffe and Jury which Indented appraisemt the sayd High Sheriffe shall returne to the Parliamt at their next sitting and the s'd goods & Chattells to be by them disposed off for the publique use & benefit of this part of the Province

Provided allways That if the s'd Goods & Chattells amount to more then the Sume of five Thousand pounds Sterl That the overplus after the charge of leavying distraining and appraiseing the same shall be returned to the owner

And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesd That if any dispute shall arise concerning any clause words sentence or Article contained in this present Act in any Court or Courts that the Judges are hereby required to construe the same in favour of this Act

Read three times past and ratifyed this 22d day of December 1690/ John Harris

John Berresford

Which s'd Act Wee y're Palatine & Proprietors doe dissent & require you not to put any ætes of y're s'd Act in Execucion as a Law Given under our hands & Seales this 27th day of May 1691

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Recorded this sixth of May 1692

فاء me
Wee have seen an act pretended to be past in Carolina & signed & Sealed by Seth Sothell as Governor George Muschamp, John Berresford & John Harris as Deputies and Dated the 22d day of December 1690 Intitled an act to disable James Colleton Esqr late Governor of this part of the Province from bæreing or exercising any authority either Military or Civill within this part of ye Province which act not being past in the formes Wee have appointed, & not being ratified by Three Legall Deputies & being in itself repugnant to ye Laws of England & very unreasonable & against their Majtys prerogative Royall Wee have thought fitt under our hands & seales to signifie our dissent to & thereby have made ye same voyd according to the powers by us reserved by our Rules or Instrucons for ye Governm't= Before wee had notice of this pretended act Wee had sent a Comission to ye Grand Councill to make Inquiry upon Oath of the setting up Martial Law & to Certifiey the same to us Wee intending then to have proceeded in a more Legall regular & Justifiable way to the punishm't of the said James Colleton if wee had found hee was really guyltye of the things layd to his Charge so as to have made him an example to all succeeding Governors that should make use of their power to the oppression of the people. And did at the same time appoint another Governor to Succeed Mr Sothell upon his departure from that part of our Province whome wee had desired to come for England And wee doe require you & all Officers or persons whatsoever not to make use of, act by or yield obedience to the said pretended Law Given under our hand & seales this 27th day of May 1691/

To ye Govern'r our Deputies
Grand Councill Magistrates &
all Officers whatsoever of that
part of our Province of Carolina that lies South & West of
Cape Fear—

Craven Pallatine (seale)
A Ashley (seale)
Carteret (seale)
P Colleton (seale)
John Archdale
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for Thomas Archdale

Recorded ye 13th day of May 1692

ÿ me J Hobson

William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven Baron of Hamstead Martiall Pallatine & the rest of the true & absolute Lords & Proprietors of the Province of Carolina
To the Governor for ye time being of that part of our Province that lies South & West of Cape Fear our Deputies Councillors & all other Magistrates & Inhabitants whatsoever of the said Province

Whereas Wee are Informed that Seth Sothell Esq' since his takeing upon him the Governm't as one of the Proprietors of the said Province hath permitted Parliam' or Assemblies of the freeholders of that part of the Province that lies South & West of Cape Fear to meet & sitt without having power duly derived from us so to doe And in assemblies or Parliam' so permitted to sitt hath past acts for the banishing of some persons & disabling others from bearin Office in Carolina upon pretence of their having either Consent to or petitioned for Martial Law to be exercised in this time of Warr for the better security of the said Province in which their Majesties Prerogative Royall being Concerned Wee have thought fit to dissent to all act or acts whatsoever & howsoever past and unconfirmed by us for banishing or disabling any Son or Sons from bearing Office in Carolina as also all other act or acts whatsoever past in the Assembly or pretended Parliam' that did meet & Sitt at Charles Towne in Berkeley County the 16th of November 1690 and all act or acts whatsoever of ye assembly or pretended Parliament that mett or was held at Charles Towne on the 19th of March 1690 and doe hereby declare ye same void & repealed, and doe strictly charge & require you & every of you not to put the s'd Acts or any thereof in Execution as Laws Given under our hands & seales this 22 day of September 1691

Craven Pallatine (seale)
A Ashley (seale)
Carteret (seale)
P Colleton (seale)
John Archdale for }
Tho: Archdale (seale)
Tho: Amy (seale)

Recorded ye 4th May 1692

J: Hobson
Wee being Informed that you have in an arbitrary maner seized upon the Letters & orders of us the Proprietors in generall directed to our Officers in Carolina for the better Governm't of the Province & have alsoe Seized the Letters of some of the Proprietors containing Deputations to such persons as they have thought fitt to Imploy as Deputys & suppress the same & have Commissioned others to act as Deputys for those Proprietors by which your actings you have as much as you can taken yr Gov-ernm't of the said Province out of our hands & disabled us from rendring account to their Maj'ties: of yr Governm't there & have Issued out writts & held Parliam'ts in Carolina in other maner then you had authority from us so to doe, and have past unwarrantable acts have arbitrarily Imprisoned several Persons contrary to Law & have taken upon you to grant Comissions to Pyrates for which wee conceive you had no authority & other Illegal acts all which tending towards throwing off the Subjection, all the Inhabitants of Carolina and wee our selves the Proprietors of the sd Province owe to their Maj'ties as King & Queene of England that these matters may be duely inquired into & a stopp put to such arbitrary, oppressive, Irregular, Illegall, & dangerous proceedings Wee have thought fitt & doe hereby suspend you from the Governm't of Carolina, or any part thereof, and straitly charge and require all the good people Inhabitants of our Province & all others it may Concerne not to obey you as such but to be obedient to Collonell Phillipp Ludwell whome wee have appointed to be our Governor of our Province and to such others as shall be Commissioned by us for the Governm't and who wee have directed to Inquire into these matters and to doe Justice to all men according to Law to which wee require you & all others the Inhabitants of our Province to yield obedience as they & you will answer the Contrary at your perills Given under our hands & seales this Eight day of Novbr= 1691

To Seth Sothell Esq:

Recorded yr 13th of May 1692 ye M'd yr 9th of April 1692

The Originall of yr above above Duplicate was delivered by yr R't honble Coll Phillipp

Craven Palatine (seale)
A Ashley (seale)
P Colleton (seale)
Tho Amy (seale)
John Archdale

for Tho Archdale

Carteret (seale)
Ludwell Governor to Seth
Sothell Esq' in ye p'sence
of ye dep'ties (vizt)
Thomas Smith Stephen Bull
Paule Grimbull Joseph Blake
& Richard Conant Esq' &
several others/

Recorded ye 13th of May 1692 §§ me
J Hobson

William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount
Craven Baron of Hampstead Marshall
Pallatine & the rest of the true & absolute
Lords & Proprietors of the Province of
Carolina

To all their Maj'ys: faithfull
Subjects Inhabitants of our
said Province & all others
whome it may Concerne

Greeting

Know yee That wee for divers Causes & Considerations
relateing to their Maj'ys Service & good Governm't of the Said
Province Have Suspended & Doe hereby suspend Seth Sothell
Esq' who is or pretends to be one of the Lords Proprietors of the
said Province from the Governm't thereof and have Comissioned
Collonell Philipp Ludwell to be our Governor of the said
Province and Wee doe hereby strictly require & Comand all the
Inhabitants of our said Province and all others resideing there to
yield obedience to the said Collonell Philipp Ludwell as our
Governor of our said Province as they will answer the Contrary
at their perills Given under our hands & Seales this Eight day
of November One thousand Six hundred & Nintye one/

Recorded ye 13th of May 1692 §§ me J. Hobson

Craven Pallatine (seale)
A Ashley (seale)
Carteret (seale)
P Colleton (seale)
Tho: Amy (seale)
John Archdale for }
Tho: Archdale } (seale)
William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount
Craven Baron of Hampstead Marshall
Pallatine & the rest of the true & absolute
Lords & Prop'tors— of Carolina

Whereas wee are Informed that there are many Whales that
frequent the Coast of Carolina but that noe his sons endeavours
to take ye same by reason ye takeing of all the Royall fish, & the
fish are granted to us by our Charter from ye Crowne & reserved
to ourselves by our Constitutions and wee being willing to Incour-
age the Inhabitants of our Province & for ye Increase of that
trade Doe hereby grant free leave & authority to all his sons what-
soever that are Inhabitants of Carolina that Shall first have given
bond to Paule Grimball Esq' our Receiver Generall for the time
being that they shall & will give a true acct: to him or any other
Impowered by us of all Whale fish by him or them taken what
whale oile, or whalebone, or whalefin, or Spermaceti the sd whale
or whale fish soe taken Shall have produced & shall pay or
deliver one Tenth part thereof to ye said Paule Grimball or our
Receiver Generall for the time being for our use to take whales
or whale fish on the said Coast and them untill Michaelmas in
the yeare of our Lord 1711 convert to their owne use paying to us
one Tenth part of the oyle finns, bones & Spermaceti or other
productions of the said fish Witness our hands and Seales this 13th of May 1691/

Recorded ye 13th of May
1692

Craven Pallatine (seale)
A Ashley (seale)
Cartaret (seale)
P Colleton (seale)
Tho Amy (seale)

Whereas by our Rules or Instructions for ye Governm't of Caro-
lina power is reserved to the Pallatine & Three more of ye
Proprietors to remove or displace any Proprietors Deputye how-
soever Comissioned So to be from being any longer a Deputye and
Whereas wee are Informed That George Muschamp John Berres-
ford & John Harris pretend they are Deputys Wee the said Pal-
latine & Lords Proprietors have thought fitt & Doe hereby dis-
place remove and discharge George Muschampe John Berresford
& John Harris from from being Deputys & from all power pretended
thereby & declare the same null and voyd Given under our hands
& Seales this 27th= day of May 1691/
To the Governor or our Deputys of that part of our province of Carolina that lyes South & West of Cape Fear

Craven Pallatine — —(seale) A Ashley — — — —(seale) P Colleton — — — —(seale) Tho Amy — — — —(seale)

Recorded ye 13th of May 1692 ☑ me

J. Hobson

Wee haveing taken into our Serious Consideration the Condition of the nobility of Carolina have thought fitt that Baronys shall pay but Twentye pounds ☑ Annum rent, Wherefore you are to pass Grants for one Barrony to each of the Landgraves & Cassiques who shall produce to you his Patent Constituteing him Landgrave or Cassique under the great Seale of our Province & the hand of ye Pallatine & three more of the Proprietors or that wee have by our Letters signified to you that wee have made Landgrave or Cassique for which this shall ye your Warrant Given under our hands & Seales this 13th of May 1691

To James Colleton Esq' one of the Landraves of Carolina Paul Grimball Esq' & the rest of our Trustees for granting Land

Craven Pallatine — —(seale) A Ashley — — — —(seale) P Colleton — — — —(seale) Tho Amy — — — —(seale)

Recorded ye 13th of May 1692/

☑ me J Hobson

London ye 13th of May 1691

Sr—
Wee are Informed that you have by force taken all ye Records of Carolina out of the hands of Mr Grimball our Secretary although the said Grimball was Commissioned by us to be Secretary under our hands & the great Seale of our Province in which manner wee found it absolutely necessary to have our Secretary Commissioned that hee being an Officer of the greatest trust in the Governm't next to the Governor, might have his dependance on the Proprietors in generall who are answerable to the King for the good or evill Governm't of his Subjects & untill wee had thus Comissioned Mr Grimball wee could never have the Copies of those Records & papers as were necessary to enable us to satisfye ye King in such matter as hee had or might inquire of us wherefore must adhere to haveing our Secretary entirely
depend on the Proprieto in generall Wee are also informed that you have imprisoned ye said Grimball because hee would not deliver the records & Seale with the Custody of which hee is particularly intrusted by us for the sealeing of Grants for Land onlye This Imprisonm if it be as wee have heard is illegall & soe arbitrary & tyrannicall & in so much contempt of our authority wee doe not well know how to believe it, But that wee may know the Certaine truth of these matters wee have impowered Landgrave Colleton Thomas Smith Stephen Bull Ralph Izard & John llarr Esqr to make inquiry thereof upon Oath & to Certifie the same to us how they find it, & withall to take Duplicates of the Depositions of the witnesses & send them to us that wee ourselves may be satisfied their report of this matter is without prejudice or partiallity to any partye & wee doe hereby charge & require you to restore the Records & Seale to the said Grimball if it be true that you have dispossest him of them & to suffer him quietly to Execute & Injoy the place of Secretary which wee have Conferred on him

Wee are alsoe informed that you have put Mr Schenckingh out from being chief Judge or Sherriffe of Berkley Countye & have Comisioned Mr Quary for the said place a son by us ordered to be put out from being Secretary for receiving of Pyrates whilst hee acted as Governor without any authority from us & other his misdemeanors whilst hee was Secretary Wee have heard noe Compl of Mr Schencking for Injustice or oppression & wee think it is not for the Kings Service or our own honour to have a man turn’d out of Imploym who hath behaved himself faithfully therein and it being the Proprieto in generall that are responsible to the King of any failure of Injustice in Carolina that Judges may not be too much in the power of any Governor but may without danger of being turn’t out doe Justice equally between any man in power in Carolina & many other of the Inhabitants wee have thought fitt to reserve to ourselves the power of appointing Judges or Sherriffes of Countys & have now sent a Comission under our great Seale to Mr Schenckingh to be the chief Judge or Sherriff of Berkley County whome wee require you to Emitt quietly to execute that Office who wee hope & are confident will doe Equall Justice to all men

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1See petitions of Grimball, finding of Jury, etc. on pages 198-201 of Warrants for Lands in South Carolina, 1692-1711.
whereby the people to avoyd being ruined may not be compelled
to doe as they did at Albemarle wee rest your affectionate
triends
A true copye examined from the
originall this ninth of April 1692
§§ me

M4 ye 9th of April 1692
The Original was Delivered by ye R: Honoble Coll Phillipp
Ludwell Governor to Seth Sothell Esqre in ye §§sence of the
Deputies (vizt) Thomas Smith Stephen Bull Paule Grimball
Joseph Blake & Richard Conant Esqrs & seavall others/
Recorded ye 28th May 1692/
§§ me J: Hobson

To Seth Sothell Esqr in Carolina
London May ye 12th 1691

Sr/

Yo Letters directed to each of us & all of the same tenor of
ye 21st of October Wee have received & are well pleased to find
you write that you will Submitt to our Instructions for the Gov-
ernmt & that you never denied soe to doe Wee hope you are too
knowing & too wise a man to clayme any power in Carolina but
by virtue of them for no Proprietor single by virtue of our
Patents hath any right in the Governmt or to Exercise any Juris-
diction there unless Impowred by the rest Nor hath any Seaven
of the Proprietors power to bind any one in his priviledge or
propertye unless by agreemt among ourselves Which agreemt is
contained in our fundamental Constitutions beaering Date the
12th of January 1681. Those being the only Constitutions agreed
or signed to by all the Eight Proprietors and if any Proprietor
shall come into Carolina & take upon him Governmt grant Com-
issions & traine & exercise men any otherwise then pursuant to
the Rules & Instructions for Governmt appointed by the rest of
the Lords Proprietors it is by ye Law of England High Treason
as wee are well Informed and if any Governor of Carolina shall
without Consent of our Deutys Impowred by us or Rules from
us take upon him to Impowre Judges & other Magistrates it is
a very high misdemeanor in the §§son granting and alsoe in the
§§son who accepts & Executes such Office and all any such Officer
Shall doe is voyd & Erroneous & at his perill And any man in Carolina that shall take upon him to act as Deputy that is not duely Impowred by us or by Rules from us is answereable for all hee shall doe by virtue of any such pretended power of Deputye/

Wee are informed that Mr Joseph Blake haveing a Deputation under the hand & Seale of Mr Archdale you have notwithstanding put him out From being Deputye & put in Mr Berresford in his roome of yo\textsuperscript{r} owne Choice & that Mr Berresford acts as Deputye Wee hope this Information is not true for wee can never approve yo\textsuperscript{r} soe doeing & shall bee obliged to Vindicate our owne Rights therein for wee will never allow that any Governor upon any pretence whatsoever shall turne out a Deputye that is soe appointed to be under hand & Seale of any Prop\textsuperscript{or}— That tending towards a Rebellion to the Crowne arbitrary power in himselfe & the outing of the rest of the Prop\textsuperscript{or}— of their Rights Wee know not what to say of the protestation of our Deputies untill wee are truely informed of the matter of fact, they saying you positively refused to Govern by our Instructions or Rules of Governm\textsuperscript{t} and you affirme the Contrary, for if you did refuse to Govern by our Instructions Wee think they did like wise & honest men to refuse to act with you & wee have a very good Charactar of the honesty prudence & truth of severall of them but wee shall suspend our Judgem\textsuperscript{t} of the matter untill your arrivall in England and that wee have of the allegations on both sides Wee doe not approve of any reflections upon you for actions in Albemarle and shall be very ready to shew our resentm\textsuperscript{t} thereof as soone as you have cleared yourself from the misdemeanors and Oppressions lRAYd to your Charge by the Inhabitants of that County which misdemeanors are (Vizt)

1 That you seized upon two persons that came into Albemarle from Barbado's pretending they were Pyrates although they produced Cocketts & Clearements of their goods from the Governm\textsuperscript{t} of Barbado's & Bermudas

2 That you kept these persons in hard durance without bringing or pretending to bring them to Tryall, in which hard durance Richard Humphrey one of the them dyed of griefe & ill usage

3 That the said Richard Humphrey made a Will before his death & left one Thomas Pollock his Executor whom you would never admitt to prove the said Will though often required by the said Pollock to permitt him to prove it before you Nor would
not so much as suffer the Court to attest that the said Pollock
had offered the Will to prove but tooke the Goods unto your own
hands & converted them to your own use
4 That the said Pollock haveing sett up his name to come for
England to Complaine of your Injustice you Imprison'd him
without showing any reason or permitting him to see a Copy of
his Mittimus
5 That you have for bribes withdrawn accusations that were for
felony & Treason
6 That you did unlawfully Imprison one Robert Canon
7 That you did arbitrarily & unlawfully deteine from John
Steward one Negro & Seaven pewter dishes
8 That you did Imprison George Durant upon pretense of his
haveing said some reflecting words of your self & did compell
him to give you a bond for a Sume of money while hee was in
durance & did afterwards on pretense of said bond Seize upon
all the Estate of the said George Durant without any process or
Colour of Law & Converted the same to your own use
9 That you did unjustly take from one John Tomlin his Plant-
tation
10 That you did unlawfully deteine the Cattle of George Mat-
thews & refuse to deliver them although there was an Order of
Court for it
11 That you tooke the Plantation of John Harris upon pretence
of a Sale of the same to you by the said Harris although the said
Harris was under age/
12 That you unlawfully Seiz'd upon the Estate of one Mow-
berry
13 That you did by your power as Governor & Proprietor Seize
upon severall mens Estates without process of Law & did severall
unjust & arbitrary actions for which misdemeanors & other
oppressions the Inhabitants of Albemarle Imprisoned you with
intent to send you prisoner to England & there to accuse you, but
you intreated them not to send you to England but that you
would submitt all to be determined by the next general assembly,
who accordingly gave Judgem't against you in all the foremen-
tioned particulars and Compelled you to abjure the Countrey
for Twelve months & the Governm't for ever which pro-
ceedings of your self & the people is in our opinions prejudi-
ciall to the prerogative of the Crowne & the honour and
dignity of us the Proprietors Wherefore as in duty bound
& for our owne Vindication wee are Resolved to have this matter thoroughly inquired into that wee may take such Course for the preventing such Disorders for the future as shall appeare most fitting for the asserting of their Maj:ties prerogative the peace of our Province the Just Liberties of the people and the vindication of our selves but are unwilling to proceed therein untill wee have first spoke with you Wherefore desire & require that you come speedily for England that wee may have a full & cleare Information of all matters & be thereby Enabled to know how to proceed and if you shall refuse or delay to come Wee cannot avoid thinking you guilte of all the misdemeanors layd to your Charge & shall be constrained for our Vindication & to shew our abhorrence of the injustice and Oppression practised by any of our number to lay the whole matter before the King & pray his Mandamus for your appearance here to answer what shall be objected against you which wee hope you will not compell us to Wee being unwilling to make you a publique shame or to bring you under a prosecution wee ourselves cannot stopp when once began

Our Deputys had orders from us not to call any Parliam't in Carolina without directions from us Unless some very Extraordinary occasion should require it Wherefore wee cannot blame them for following our Instructions nor can wee approve of your Encouraging the people to Petition for a Parliament or calling one because they did petition tumultuous petitions, being prohibited by act of Parliament herewith a severe penalty upon such as shall breake that Law And wee know not how farr such ill example in Carolina may influence his Maj:ties Subjects in his other American Plantations but since you write that the Inhabitants have Instructions to Depute two persons for our better Information of all matters Wee have Directed our Deputye to Consent to the calling of a Parliam't for that purpose for any Parliam't called by you without consent of such Deputies as are not directly impowered by us Wee cannot allow to be a Parliament nor can wee tell how to Justify our owne consenting to any acts made by such Assembly

Wee here Inclosed send you Coppy of some articles under the hands & seales of the Proprietors in 1672 to which my Lord Clarendon Set his hand & Seale and to which any that Claim under him are bound Wee have no thoughts nor Intentions to doe you wrong or Injury but on the other side wee shall not omitt
ourselves to be Imposed on Nor his Majtice Subjects that Live under our Governmt to be opprest or unjustly dealt with by any of sons whatsoever and shall much rather surrender our Governmt to the King then suffer it If it be not remedied otherways for wee have noe other interest to keep the Governmt in our hands but that wee may be able to assure people they shall not be opprest by the Governmt and thereby encourage them to come to Carolina to take our Land & pay us the rent for it is not our Intentions to make proft by the Governmt ourselves Or to suffer any Officers under us to Oppress the people by Extravagant ffees & grow rich by the ruine of the people Wee rest

Yo' affectionate friends
Craven Pallatine
A Ashley
P Colleton
Tho Amy
Carterett
John Archdale

To John Comings Esqt
Whereas it is appointed by our Rules & Instructions for the Governmt of Carolina That each Propor shall have a Deputy to sitt and represent him in the Councill & Parliamt with divers other powers as by the said Instructions Rules for the Governmt or Constitutions may more at large appeare And Whereas the Duke of Albemarle is deceased and it doth not yet appeare to whom that Proprietorshipp doth belong to the intent the number of Deputys with authority immediatly from us may be full Wee have thought it fitt and doe hereby constitute Impowre & appoint you the said John Comings to be Deputye for that Proprietorshipp untill it shall be determined here to whom ye said belong or that wee have appointed another Deputy Given under our hands & Seales this 13th of May 1691

Craven Pallatine — — (seale)
A Ashley — — — (seale)
Carterett — — — (seale)
P Colleton — — — (seale)
Tho: Amy — — — (seale)
John Archdale — — — (seale)

Recorded ye 28th May 1692

Paull Grimball

3—H. C.
The Case of the freemen of Carolina humbly represented to the Rt Honble Phillip Ludwell Esqr Governor & Capt Generall of all the forces of the sd Province And to the rest of the Honble the Lords Proprietors Deputies
Charles the Second of happy memory of England and &c late King did in his Royall Charters bearine date ye 30th day of June in the 17th yeare of his Reigne, Give & Grant unto the Rt honble the Lords Propors of the Province of Carolina Ample Rights Instructions Priviledges Prerogatives Royaltys Libertys Imunities & franchises for the good & happy Governmt of the sd Province & the people there inhabitting or to Inhabitt & of his special grace towards the said people in the said Charters hath made Provisions that no Laws Orders or Ordinances which either appertaine to the publique state of the Province or the private utility of particular Æsons or which extend to the binding Chargeing or takeing away of the rights or Interest of any Æson or Æsons in their freehold goods or Chattells whatsoever shall be ordained made Enacted or published but by & with the advice assent & approbation of the freemen of the said Province or the greater part of them, or of their Deputies, and hath alsoe, in the said Charter taken care that no subsidies or Customs shall be payable for or assessed upon any goods fforreigne or Native but by & with the Consent of the free people there or the greater part of them as aforesaid which Charters (now their Lordshipps have been pleased to null & make Voyd the ffundamentall Constitutions or Rules of Governmt which the greater part of the people had approved assented & subscribed to) are the only true basis from by & according to which all other Laws Methods & Rules of Governmt which anywaies concerned the Peoples Lives Liberties freeholds goods or Chattells of the Inhabitants of this Province ought or Legally can be taken derived & Enacted And by these (as by the before recited words and Clauses) It is plaine & evident the greater part of the freemen or freeholders of Carolina have the Libertye power, priviledge & right to Enact such Lawes, The Lords Proprietors are Judges of the manner & forme (i e) of the time & place whether they shall be assembled by Countys Barrony's or Collony's or the Inhabitants of the whole Province in one Bodye
The Kings of England from time to time as markes of theire royall favours for especiall & signall meritts of their Subjects have granted to Counties City's & Burroughs to send one, two, or as
many as they thought Convenient Deputys to their Parliament:
and still have the power to grant the same to as many more as
in their wisdomes shall be thought to deserve the same.

King Charles the Second of his paternall care for the welfare
of his Subjects and because (by reason of the remoteness of this
Province from the Kingdome of England) hee could not personally
discover the Injuries & oppressions (if any such should
happen) which their Lordshippes Governors of these his people
might in process of time bring upon these his subjects Hath by
these Charters provided that noe Lawes, Orders or Ordinances
which Extend to the bindeing, Chargeing, or taking away of the
Rights or Interest of any person, or persons in their freehold
goods or Chattells whatsoever, shall be ordained made Enacted
or published but by & with the advice, assent, and approbation of
the freemen of the said Province or the greater part of them, or
of their Deputies The number of which Deputies, they have right
to nominate and appoint Wee therefore humbly conceive that
noe Conventions of Persons whose Numbers as well as names are
not appointed by the greater part of the freemen of Carolina
as aforesaid are Legally quallifyed to Enact such Laws, and doe
hereby presume that all Lawes as aforesaid made or pretended
to be made by any Persons whatsoever not appointed as aforesaid,
are not bindeing & ought not to extend to the bindeing Chargeing
or taking away of the right or Interest of any Person or Persons
in their Freehold Goods or Chattells whatsoever:

Robert Daniell—  
Ra: Izard  
John Berresford  
Jonathan Amory

Ja: Moore  
J Moore  
Job Howes  
John Boone

N: Johnson  
Joseph Morton  
And: Percivall  
Rob: Quary

The hono: Phillip Ludwell Esqr
Governor & ye Lds Dep= Recd ye above Case of ye freemen & Sub-
scribers Sr Nathaniel Johnson &
others/

J: Hobson

An act for restraining and punishing of Privateers
Whereas nothing can more contribute to his Sacred Majesties
honor and the peace & quiet of this Collony, then that such
articles as are agreed and concluded on in all Treaties of Peace
should be most inviolably preserved and kept in & over all his
Dominions & Territories And whereas not only against such
Treaties of Peace made by his Majestie with his Allies But alsoe contrary to his Majestys Royall Proclamation several of his Subjects have and doe continually goe from other English Colonys, And may hereafter from this Colony into the service of forreigne Princes And saile under their Comissions contrary to their Duty and good Allegiance & by faire meanes cannot be restrained from soe doinge

Be it therefore Enacted by the Palatine & the rest of the true & absolute Lords and Proprietors of this Province By & with the Advice of the Nobility and of the Comons in this Parliamt assembled That from & after the Publication hereof it shall be sfellony for any person which now doth, or within foure yeares last past heretofore hath, or hereafter shall Inhabit or belong to that part of the Province of Carolina that lyes from Cape sfear South and West to serve in America in an hostile manner under any forreigne Prince State or Potentate or any imploye under any forreign Prince State or Potentate or any imploye under any of them against any other Prince State or Potentate in Amity with his Majestye without Especiall Lycense for soe doing under the hand and seale of the Governor or Comander in Chief of this Province for the time being And that all & every such offender & offenders contrary to the true intent of this Act being thereof duly convicted in the Chief Justices Court or in any of the Countye Courts within the said part of this Province To which Courts Authority is hereby given to hear & Determine the same as in other Cases of sfellonye shall suffer paynes of Death without benefit of Clergy Provided Nevertheless that this Act nor anything therein contained shall extend to any person or persons which now are or have been in the Service or Imploymt of any forreigne Prince State or Potentate whatsoever that shall return to this Province & leave & Desert such service and Imploymt before the Twentieth day of January next ensuing rendering themselves to the Governour or Comander in Chiefe for the time being, and giving him such security as hee shall appoint for the future good behaviour and alsoe that hee or they shall not depart the Province without the Governours Leave

And for the better & more speedy Execution of Justice upon such who having committed Treasons, Pyraces, sfellonyes & other offences upon the Sea shall be apprehended & brought Prisoners to this Province Be it further Enacted by ye authoritye aforesaid That all Treasons, sfellonys, Pyraces, Robberys, Murthers, or
Confederacies committed or hereafter shall be committed upon the Sea, or in any Haven, Creeke or Bay, whereby the Laws of England the Admirall hath Jurisdiction, shall be Inquired, tryed, heard, determined & Judged within this Province in such like forme, as if such offence had been Comitted in & upon the Land And to that end & purpose Comissions shall be under the great Seale of the Province for the time being directed to the Admirall of this Province or his Deputy or such other substantiall persons as the Governor or Comander in Chief of this Province and the Lords Proprietors or their Deputys for the time being shall be named or appointed Which said Commissioners or such a Quorum of them as by such Commission shall be thereunto authorized shall have full power to doe all things in and about the Inquiry Hearing, determineing, adjudgeing & punishing any of the Crimes and offenses aforesaid as any Commissioners to be appointed by Comission under the great Seale of England by virtue of a Statute made the Twentye Eight yeare of the Reigne of King Henry the Eight are Impowred to doe & Execute within the Kingdome of England And that the said offenders which are or shall be apprehended in, or brought to this Province, shall be lyable to such proofs, Orders Judgen marry Execution, by virtue of such Commission to be grounded upon this Act as might be awarded, or given against them, if they were proceeded against in the Realme of England by virtue of any Comission grounded upon the said Statute
And all Tryalls heretofore had against such Criminnall or Criminalls before any Judge or Judges by virtue of such Comission or authoritye at any time heretofore granted & all proceedings thereupon are hereby ratified confirmed & adjudged lawfull and all such Judges with all & every the Inferior Officers that have acted thereby are hereby indemnifyed to all intents & purposes whatsoever and in Case they or any of them shall at any time hereafter be sued, vexed, molested, or troubled for any such their proceedings as aforesaid hee or they so sued vexed or molested shall plead the generall Issue, and give this Act in evidence, any Law Statute Custom or usage to Contrary in anywise notwithstanding
And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesaid That all & every person or persons that shall or may knowingly entertaine harbour conceale Trade, or hold any correspondance by Letter or otherwise with any person or persons that shall be deemed or
adjudged to be Privateers Pyrates or other Offenders within the Construction of this act And shall not readily endeavour to the best of his or their power to apprehend or Cause to be apprehended such Offender or Offenders shall be lyable to be prosecuted, as accessory & confederates, & to suffer such paines & penalties as in such Case by law is provided And for the better and more effectual Execution of this Act And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesaid that all Comission Officers in their severall precincts within the said part of the Province aforesaid are hereby Impowred & required upon his or their knowledge or notice given that any Privateeres, Pyrates, or other person suspected to be upon any unlawfull designe are in any place within their respective precincts to raise and Leavye such numbers of armed men as hee or they shall think needfull for the seizing apprehending & carrying to Goale all & every such persons And in Case any resistance or refussall to yield obedience to his Majesties Authoritye it shall be lawfull to kill or destroy such person or persons And all & every person or persons that shall oppose or resist by striking or fireing upon any Commanded partyes shall be deemed taken & adjudged as felons without benefit of Cleargye and every such Officer that shall omitt his dutie herein shall forfeit the Sume of fiftie pounds Currant money of this Province for every such Offence to be recovered in any of the Courts of Record within this Province by plaint or Information wherein Noe Esoigne wager of Law or Protection Shall be allowed one moiety whereof to be the Pallatine and Lords Proprietors & their Heires & Successors for and towards the Support of the Governm of this Province and the Contingent Charges thereof and the other moiety to the Informer and all & every other person or persons that upon orders given him or them shall refuse to repaire immediatly with his or their arms well fixed & amunition to such place as shall be appointed by the sd officer and not readily obey his Comands in the Execution of the p'misses shall be lyable to such fine or Corporall punishment as by the Grand Counciell shall be thought fitt Read three times and ratifyed in open Parliam this Three and twentieth day of November 1685

By the Pallatine & Lords Proprietors

Wee doe Ratifye & Confrime the foregoing Act Intituled an Act for restraineing and punishing Privateers Witness our hands
& Seales this Third day of March One thousand Six hundred Eighty & Six

Craven Palatine — — (seale)
Albemarle — — — (seale)
P Colleton — — — (seale)
Bath for the
Lord Carterett — — — (seale)
Tho Amye — — — (seale)

William Earle of Craven Lord Lt. of the Countye of Middlesex and Borrough of Southwarke one of the Lords of the Lords of his Majestys most Honourable Privy Councill Palatine and the rest of the true and absolute Lords and Prop°'s of the Province of Carolina

To Joseph West Esq' Governor of that part of our Province that lies South and West of Cape ffare or the Governor for the time and our Deputys

Greeting

Whereas wee have sold unto James Du Gue five hundred Acres of Land for which wee have received Twentye five pounds. You are to direct the Surveyor generall to Admeasure the same out for him in such place as hee the said James Du Gue shall choose within the Limits and with such proportion of front to the Navigable Rivers or Creekes as wee have by our Instructions for setting out & bounding of land beareing date in September One thousand Six hundred Eighty & Three appointed, And you are to pass Grants of the five hundred Acres of Land to him his heires & Assignes for ever according to the forme wee have appointed for Land Sold for which this shall be your Warrant Given under our hands & Seales this fourteenth day of April One Thousand Six hundred Eightye and five

Craven Palatine — — (seale)
Albemarle — — — (seale)
P Colleton — — — (seale)

Recorded this 10th day of June 1692 ¶7 me

Arnald Bruneau Esq' haveing meritted well of us in Contributing to the well Settlement of our Province Wee have thought
fitt and doe hereby require you to order the Surveyor Generall to admeasure out for the said Arnold Bruneau Three Thousand Acres of Land for which you are to pass Grants to the said Arnald Bruneau and his Heires for ever and the which Three Thousand Acres Wee will shall be made a mannor (if he shall desire it so to be) for which this shall be your Warrant Given under our hands & Seales this Six & twentieth day of January One Thousand Six hundred Eightye & five
To Joseph Moreton Esqr one Craven Palatine — — — (×)
of the Landgraves and Gover- P Colleton — — — — — (×)
ner of that part of the Prov- Seth Sothell — — — — (×)
vince of Carolina that lyes South & West of Cape ffeare and to the Governor for the time being & our Deputyes Recorded this 10th day of June 1692 ḅ me

Mr Jean ffrancoise de Genillatt being the first of his nation that hath made knowne to us his designe of settling in Carolina & haveing shewed us Testimonys of his honoße: Extraction &c and wee being being willing to Incourage more of the Swisse nation to become Settlers in our Province have thought fitt & doe hereby require you to order the Surveyor Generall to admeasure out for the said Jean ffrancoise de Genillatt Three Thousand Acres of Land for which you are to pass Grants to the said Jean ffrancoise de Genillatt & his Heires for ever and the which Three Thousand Acres of Land wee will shall be made a Mannor if hee shall desire it so to be Given under our hands & Seales this Thirtieth day of July One Thousand Six hundred Eightye & five
To Joseph West Esq' Governor Craven Palatine — — — (×)
of that part of the Province of P Colleton — — — — — (×)
Carolina that lyes South & Tho: Amy — — — — — (×)
West of Cape ffeare & to the Governor for the time being & our Deputyes there Recorded this 10th day of June ḅ me
William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven Baron of Hamstead, Marshall, Lord Lt. of the County of Middx, & Borrough of Southwark, one of the Lords of his Maj'ties most hon'ble: Privye Counciill Lieuentenant Generall of all his Maj'ties forces, Palatine, and the rest of the true & absolute Lords, & Proprietors of Carolina

To James Colleton Esq' one of the Landgraves of Carolina, Landgrave Joseph West and the rest of our Trustees for granting Land in Carolina.

Whereas Wee did by our order beareinge date the Thirtieth day of July Ano Doni One Thousand Six hundred Eightye sive Direct our Governor & Deputies for the time being To cause to be admeasured out and pass Grants to Monsieur Jean Lowis de Genillatt his Heires & Assignes for ever for Three Thousand Acres of Land And whereas wee did alsoe by our Order beareing Date the Six & Twentieth day of January Ano Doni One Thousand Six hundred Eightye sive direct our Governor & Dep'ties— for the time being to cause to be admeasured out and pass Grants to Arnald Brunenau Esq' his Heires & Assignes for ever for the like quantitye of Land And whereas wee are Informed there is some doubt whether the said Lands were intended by us to be granted to them Rent free Wee doe hereby signifie that the said Lands were a free gift from us to the said Mons' Genillat and Mons' Brunneau And are to be granted without reserving any other Rent then one Eare of Indyan Corne when lawfully demanded Of which you are to take notice and pass the Grants accordingly Given under our hands & Seales this fourteenth day of July one Thousand Six hundred Eightye and Seaven.

Recorded this 14th day of June 1692

Craven Pallatine — — — (X)
P Colleton — — — — — — (X)
Bath for the 
Lord Carterett — — — — (X)
Tho: Amy — — — — — (X)

Wee having sold unto Nicholas De Longuemar One hundred Acres of Land and received the Sume of five pounds for the same you are to direct the Surveyor Generall to lay out according to our Instructions for granting Land the said one hundred Acres
of Land in such place as the said Nicholas De Longuemar shall choose that is not already made choice of by some other that hath right to choose. And you are to pass Grants for the same as for Land Sold for which this (which you are to record and file) shall be your Warrant Given under our hands & Seales this twentye third day of June One Thousand Six hundred Eightye and five

To Joseph West Esq' Governor Craven Palatine— — —(seale)
of that part of our Province P Colleton — — —(seale)
that lyes South & West of Cape Tho: Amy — — —(seale)
ffear and to the Governor for the time being & our Deputys
Recorded this 15th day of
June 1692

William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven, Baron of Hampstead, Marshall Lord Lieuten of the County of Middx, and Burrough of Southwark, One of the Lords of his Majties most honble privy Councill Lt. Generall of all his Majties forces, Palatine and the rest of the true & absolute Lords and Proprietors of the Province of Carolina

To Joseph Moreton Esq' one of the Landgraves & Governor of that part of our Province of Carolina that lyes South & West of Cape ffear and to the Governor for the time being and our Deputys/

Greeting

Whereas wee have sold unto James Nicholas alias Petibois Two hundred Acres of Land for which wee have received the Sume of Tenn pounds, You are to direct the Surveyor Generall to admeasure the same out for him in such place as hee the said James Nicholas Shall choose within the Limits & with such proportion of front to the Navigable Rivers or Creekes as wee have by our Instructions for setting out and bounding of Land bearing date in September One thousand Six hundred Eighty & three appointed And you are to pass Grants for the said Two hundred Acres of Land to him & his heires & assignes for ever according to the forme Wee have appointed for Land Sold, for which this (which you are to Record & file) shall be your Warrant Given under our hands & Seales this fifteenth day of April Ano Doni 1687/
Wee having Sold unto Isaac le Grand Esq'r Sieur d'Anarville one hundred Acres of Land & received the Sume of five pounds for the same You are to direct the Surveyor Generall to Lay out (according to our Instructions for granting Land) The said One hundred Acres of Land in such place as the said Isaac Le Grand shall choose that is not already made choice of by some other that hath right to choose And you are to pass Grants for the same as for Land Sold for which this (which you are to Record & file) shall be your Warrant Given under our hands and Seales this one & thirtieth day of August Ano Doni 1686
To James Colleton Esq'r one Craven Palatine — — (X)
of the Landgraves of Carolina Albemarle — — (X)
& to the Governor for the time P Colleton — — (X)
being & our Deputyes
Recorded this 15th day
of June 1692 bbing me

Sr: Peter Colleton Baronet one of the true and absolute Lords and Prop's: and high Steward of the Province of Carolina//
To Coll Philipp Ludwell
Whereas by yr: rules & Instructions for the Goverm't of Carolina it is agreed and appointed that the high Steward shall nominate and appoint the Surveyor generall I out of the trust & Confidence I have in the wisdome prudence and skill of you the said Philipp Ludwell doe hereby nominate & appoint you the Said Phillipp Ludwell to be Surveyor generall of Carolina w'th: power to appoint such and see many under Surveyors as to you Shall Seem meet and to Continue to be dureing my pleasure given under my hand and Seale this 20th: of December 1691
Recorded yr: 6th: May 1693  P Colleton (seale)
bbie mee J Hobson

London this 21st of December 1691/
Sr: I have already written you by this Convenience wch= will be delivered to you by Coll Ludwell and alsoe a black box in wch: are Several orders to yo':selfe and our Trustees for granting Land and a Dormant Comission Sealed up with the palatines
Seale to be produced by you, if Coll Ludwell should dye or depart the province with intent not to returne any moore and take upon him ye: Goverm: for Coll: Ludwell will have Occasion to goe to north Carolina to settle things there & to virginia to Settle his owne affaires before he fixes in Carolina, In any of which Cases ye: sd: Dormant Comission is not to be by you &duced or opened but a person is to be appointed by Coll: Ludwell wth: consent of our Dep'ees: to be Governo: dureing his absence and when Coll Ludwell returns, ye: power of ye: person so appointed is to cease nor are you to Lett any p'son whatsoever

Know ye: you have any such sealed up Comission in yo' Custody but that is to remaine as Secret to yo':selfe onely untill there is necesaty of &duceing of it by reason of Coll Ludwells death &c I am

This Letter of Sr: Petters was Yo: very affectionate frend
Recorded Tuesday ye: ninth P Colleton/

day of May 1693//

m mee J Hobson

The Superscription of ye: aforesd: Letter is
To Paull Grimball Esq: at Charles Towne
In Carolina//

William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven Baron of Hampstead Marshall Palatine and the rest of the true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of Carolina

Whereas wee did by our order bearing date the twentieth sixth day of September 1685 signify to you that we had Contracted with Mr. James LeBas for Three thousand Acres of Land and had received ninety pounds of the purchase money and did there upon Direct that yow should pass grants to the said James Le Bas (&c) as by the said order relation thereunto being had will appeare, now ye said James Le Bas haveing signifyed to us that he hath bought a Plantation Containing fifteen hundred Acres of Land of Landgrave Joseph West whereon the penny &# aker Rent is reserved and hath not Grants for any Land rent free by vertue of the said order, Therefore desaires that the said fifteen hundred Akers so purchased may goe as parte of the three thousand

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1The next two pages (72-73) contain some scratched over entries of warrants for land—evidently recorded in the wrong book by mistake.
Acres he had Contracted for, and that Seventy & five pounds of
the ninety pound may be the purchase money of the said of ye
fifteen hundred Acres and that he may have three hundred Akers
of Land more for the remainder of the said ninety pounds so
paid and that ye said Contract for three thousand Acres may be
void with which his request, wee being willing to Comply you
are therefore upon his Surrendring to you the forsaid order for
three thousand Acres, if you have not already pass'd: any Grants
for land to him by virtue of ye said order dated the 26th: of
Sep't: 1685 then to pass grants to him for the said fifteen hun-
dred Acres so purchased and a Grant for three hundred Acres
more according to the forme wee have prescribed for Land
Sold which land is to be laid out and bounded according to our
Rules and Instructions now in force for granting land for all
which, this which you are to record and file together with the
to the forementioned order for three thousand Acres Shall be your
warrant Given under our hands and Seales this 23d day of
December 1689 × ×
To James Colleton Esqr: one of the Landgraves & Governor
of that part of Carolina that lies south & west of Cape feare
and ye rest of our Trustees for
Granting of Land:

Recorded this 3d day of November 1693

Th: me Jn: Hamilton Dep'y: Sec'y

Additionall. Instructions

Whereas by the Twenty Seaven't & twenty Eighth articles of our
Instructions to you Collonell Phillip Ludwell our Governo're:
Dated April 7th
of our Provine of Carolina beareing date ye: eighth
day of November one Thousand Six hundred
1693/

Ninety & one Wee have given powre & Authoritie
to ye: Said Coll Phillip Ludwell by & with ye: advice and Con-
sent of our Deputys Landgraves and Cassiques and Deligates of
the freemen or major part of them to make ordaine & Enact Such
& three or moore of our Deputies under their hands and Seales
before Such acts be published or allowed to be Laws which Lawes
Should Continue In force for two yeares & no Longer unless
within that time they weare Ratified and Confirmed under the
handes and Seales of ye: Pallatine and Three or more of the Lords Prop'ts: themselves and by their order Published in the Generall Assembly and Should cease to be Lawes when ever (before they weare soe Ratified and Confirmed) the Pallatine and three and more of the Lords Prop'ts: Should under theire hands & Seales Signefye theire desent to them which power and Authoritye for passing of Lawes as aforesaid we doe hereby Repalle & make void as to all matters Relateing to Courts of Judicature in Carolina or alteration of the formes of proceeding therein from what was practised during the Govern't: of Landgrave James Colleton and Landgrave Joseph Morton or any other Matters Relating to Judicature Majestrats Judges Sheriffs or other officers or Relateing to Jurys or Ellection of Representa-
tives for the Generall Assembly or Relateing to the ffees taken or Belonging to any officer or officers Constituted or apointed by us all which being matters which admitt of Delay without Exposeing the Safty of the Inhabitants of our province to any forin Enemie or Attempts of the Indians we will & ordaine that Bills Relateing to the the above Mentioned Matters & Consented to by you our Governo': or the Governor for the time being & three or moore off our Dep'ts: Shall be Transmitted to us to be Considered of & not Published or putt in Execution as Lawes untill they be Consented to & Ratifyed and Confirmed under the hands and Seales of ye: Pallatine & three or moore of the Lords Prop'ts: and by their order Published as a Law in Carolina but in all other matters the Said power for passing & Enacting Lawes is to Continue as is appointed by our Said Instruccons to Collonell Phillip Ludwell our Governor of the Province of Carolina beareing date the Eighth day of november one thousand Six hundred ninety one Given under our hands and Seales this 7th: of Aprill 1693

To Coll Phillip Ludwell our Governor of Carolina for ye: time being & our Dep'ts: for that part of our Province of Carolina that Lyes South, & west of Cape ffeare

Recorded ye 14th: September 1693 & $ me Exsamoned

Paull Grimbale Secr'y:
Comission for Granting of Land
To all to whom these Presents shall Come Greeting Know ye that wee William Earle of Craven Pallatine

Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carterett St. Peter Colleton Barronett Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale and Thomas Amy Esq. The true and absolute Lords & proprietors of the Province of Carolina in America for Divers good and reasonable Causes and Considerations us there unto moving Have Given and Granted and by these presents doe give and Grant unto Collonell Phillipp Ludwell Governor of ye said Province and in Case of his Death or absence to James Colleton Esq. one of the Landgravses of the said Province and in Case of his death or absence to Thomas Smith Esq. another of the said Landgraves and in case of his Death or absence to Paul Grimbail Esq. full power Licence and Liberty and authority for us and in our names to Grant and convey Land in Carolina to such person or persons as shall transport themselves or others into our said province to plant and inhabitt by Deed indented according to the forme hereunto annexed. And in our Names and to our uses to receive the Counterpart of such Deed or Deeds Indented from any person or persons to whom Land shall be so Granted or conveyed as a foresaid and to every or any such Deed or Deeds Indented after the forme aforesaid to sett our hands and Seales and in our names and to the use of the persons to whom such Land is Granted to Deliver and execute by and with the consent of ye said James Colleton Thomas Smith Paul Grimbail and Joseph Blake John Comings & Richard Conant Esq. or of any two or more of them to be attested by their witnessing the same on the back of the said Deed or Deeds Indented so to be signed and Sealed by the said Collonell Phillipp Ludwell and in case of his death or absence by the said James Colleton and in case of his Death or absence by the said Thomas Smith and in case of his death or absence by the said Paul Grimbail which said Deed or Deeds soe to be executed as aforesaid being Recorded together with the Counterpart thereof signed and Sealed by the party to whom Land shall be thereby Granted shall be as good and firme a Conveyance in Law for the Land therein mentioned to be Granted and Conveyed as if ye said Deed or Deeds Indented had been actually Signed Sealed and delivered by us the said William Earle of Craven

Anthony Lord Ashley
George Lord Carterett St. Peter Colleton Seth Sothell Thomas
Archdale & Thomas Amy. Our heires or assignes allways provided That there be noe Land thereby Granted or conveyed then according to the Rules and quantity Limits and bounds that are Directed by our Rules and Instructions for Granting of Land here unto annexed and also provided that the said Rent of one peny per aker in the said Deed or Deeds Indented Reserved be made payable in the cheef Towne of that County wherein the Land so as aforesaid to be Granted or conveyed shall happen to be situated from the next nine and twentieth of September. two yeares after the partys choose the Land conveyed or that it be run out or surveyed And also provided that the Land so Granted be not to any person or persons that have already posset land in Carolina and have not payed the Rent due to the Lords Proprietors for the Same to their Receiver or any other person Imployed by them to receive the Same And we do Hereby Repeale and make voyd all Maner of former or other powers by us Heretofore Given for Granting or Conveying of Land to such persons as shall Transport themselves or others into our said Province to plant and inhabit Except our order of the thirteenth of May one thousand six hundred ninety and one about the Baronys to Landgraves and Cassiques and our Powers and orders for Selling Land. In Wittness whereof wee have here unto sett our Hands and Seales this Sixth day of february in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred ninety and two

Exsamoned & compared by Paull Grimball Secr'y: Recorded this 15th September i693 ☐ me Joss Hamilton Dep'y Sec'y: Craven Pallatine A: Ashley — — — — (X) P Colleton — — — — (X) John Archdale for Thomas Archdale Tho: Amy — — — — (X) Tho: Smith

September ye 18th 1693 Read & Examined by ye Governor & Counsell

Tho: Smith

This Indenture made the day of Anno Domini one thousand Between the Rt Honoble. William Earle of Craven Pallatine Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carterett Sr. Peter Colleton Barronett Seth Sothell Tho: Archdale and Thomas Amy Esqrs: The true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of the Province of Carolina in America of the one part and A: B. & c: of the other part. Wittnesseth
that the said William Earle of Craven

Anthony Lord Ashley. Geo. Lord Carterett Sr. Peter. Colleton Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale & Thomas Amy. for and in Consideration of ye said A. B: his bringing into Carolina by name & c: and for and in consideration of ye yearly Rent hereafter in and by these presents reserved & contained Have granted bargained sold aliened and confirmed and by these presents doe Grant bargaine sell Aliene and confirme unto the said A. B. a plantation containyng Acres of Land English measure lyeing and being in the County of in the province of Carolina a foresaid and bounded

According to the plott hereunto Annexed together with all Woods underwoods Trees and what else there is thereon Standing or growing with priviledge of Hawking Hunting fishing and fowling (Except and always reserved out of this present Grant all Mines Miners Quarrys of Gems and precious stones) And the Reversion and Revertions Remainder and Remainders of all and every the profits of the said premises To Have and to Hold the said plantation and premises Hereby Granted unto him the said A. B. His Heirs and assignes for ever yielding and payeing therefor yearly and every year upon the nine and twentieth day of September in every year unto the said William Earle of Craven

Anthony Lord Ashley. George Lord Carterett Sr. Peter Colleton Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale and Thomas Amy their Heirs and assignes one penny of Lawfull money of England or the same quantity of silver in Bullion or other coine as there is or by Law ought to be in one penny of Lawfull money of England for every of the said Acres the first payment thereof to begin and be made on the nine and twentieth day of September which shall be in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand to be holden of them the said William Earle Craven

Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carterett Sr. Peter Colleton. Seth Sothell Tho. Archdale and Thomas Amy their Heirs and assignes in free & comon soccage And ye said A. B: doth for himselfe his Heirs executors Administrators and assignes Covenant promise and Grant to and with the said William Earle of Craven

Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carteret Sr. Peter Colleton Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale & Thomas Amy their Heirs and assignes in Manor and forme following (that
is to say) That he the said A B: his Heirs and assignes shall and
will from time to time and at all times hereafter well and truly
pay or cause to be paid the said yearly Rent of one penny $9 aker
or the quantity of silver aforesaid hereby reserved unto ye said
William Earle of Craven Anthony Lord
Ashley George Lord Carterett Sr. Peter Colleton Seth Sothell
Thomas Archdale & Thomas Amy their Heirs or assignes at or
in Charles Towne in Berkley County in ye said province of Caro-
lina provided always and it is hereby agreed. that if the said
yearly Rent of one penny $9 aker or the quantity of silver afores-
said hereby reserved or any part thereof shall happen to be
behind & unpaid by the space of six Calendar Moneths next over
or after any of the said days of payment wherenon the same is
hereby reserved or made payable there being noe sufficient dis-
tress upon ye premises Hereby Granted then and in such case
it shall and may be Lawfull to and for the said William Earle
of Craven Anthony Lord Ashley George
Lord Carterett Sr= Peter Colleton Seth Sothell Thomas Arch-
dale and Thomas Amy their Heirs and assignes unto the Same
premises and every part there of to enter and to take and receive
to their owne proper use and benefit the Rents Issues and profits
thereof so long and untill they shall be fully satisfied and paid
all arrears of the said Rent and all their reasonable charges
damages and expences which they shall from time to time suffer
or sustaine for or by reason of the non payment of the said
Rent in Maner aforesaid provided also and the said A. B: doth
for himselfe His Heirs and assignes Covenant and Grant to
and with the said William Earle of Craven
Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carterett Sr= Peter Colleton
Seth Sothell Thomas Archdell and Thomas Amy their Heirs and
assignes that in case it shall happen that the said yearly Rent
Hereby reserved or any parte thereof be behind and unpaid in
part or in all by the space of ninety days next over or after any
of the said days of payment whereon the same ought to be
paid by vertue of the reservation thereof herein before contained
that then and so often it shall and may be Lawfull to and for the
said William Earle of Craven Anthony Lord
Ashley. George Lord Carterett Sr= Peter Colleton Seth Sothell
Thomas Archdale and Thomas Amy their Heirs and assignes
from time to time and at all times there after into all and every
of the premises hereby Granted or any parte thereof to enter And
distraine and the distres and distresses then and there found to take lead and carry away and Impound and in Pound to detain & keep or the said distresses to dispose of according to the Laws of England untill they shall be fully satisfied and paid all arrears of ye said Rent and the reasonable charges and damages In Witness whereof the said partys to these presents have hereunto Interchangeably sett their hands and seales the day and yeare first above written
Read & Examined by ye
Governor & Counsell
ye 18th day of September 1693

Tho: Smith

Rules and Instructions for Granting of Land
Wee have directed the surveyor generall forthwith to sett out two countys one of the North of Berkley county which is to be Called Craven county and the other South which is to be called Colleton County to divide them into squares of twelve thousand acres which when done you are to observe the following Rules in the grants you pass for Lands in the Same and all other that hereafter be sett out untill you have other orders from us × ×
1 In the first place you are to make choice of in all Navigable Rivers in each County to be sett out a peec of Land of five hundred acres whereon to build the port Towne for that River in ye choice of which you are to have regard to the following particulars viz— That it be as farr up as the bigest ship that can come over the barr of the said River can safely and conveniently sayle. The Land yow make choice of to be so high above high water marke that there may be convenient Sellers made under ground that there be plenty of wholesome water easy to be come at. That it be (if possible) farr from Marshes swamps or standing water × ×
2 The Square wherein the five hundred acres shall be by you made choice of for a port Towne is to be a Colony, soe are the two next squares on the same side of the River adjoyning to it and so are the squares in behind them from the River which six are to be a precinct and noe one man shall have in any of them nor any of the three squares on ye other Side of ye River opposite to them above the proportion following viz= a proprietor eight hundred Acres any Landgrave that heath built a house in the said Towne and heath right to so much Land over and above his Baronys
six hundred acres. a Cassique that heath built a house in the Said Towne and heath right to so much Land over and above his Barronys four hundred acres any other person that heath right to so much Land and shall build a house in the said Towne two hundred acres and noe more, so that there may be roome for a good number of people to sitt downe together for the better strengthening of the place and whosoever doth take up Land in any of the said nine squares according to the said proportions may have as much front to the River as one fifth part of the depth or side lines of his land is in from the River × ×

3 You are to consider of a convenient place for a ferry upon Navigable River and having pitched upon a place convenient you are to order to be sett out one thousand acres which whosoever takes up shall be obleiged to keep a ferry for the ferryeing over men and horses at such pryce as Shall be agreed on by the Governor and Councill and when you pass a Grant for the said Land you are to Incert the condition for keeping a ferry in the Grant besides the rent × × ×

4 Any Landgrave or Cassique makeing it appeare to you that he is see either by produceing his patent or being signified to you by us that wee have see created him and having subscribed in the book for that purpose provided to bear faith and true allegiance to our soveraigne Lord and Lady the king and queen their Heirs & Successors and to be true and faithfull to yse Lords proprietors their heirs and Successors you are then to Issue out your orders to the surveyor Generall to admeasure out unto him as many of the squars for Baronys in the said County as of right doe belong unto him and he is willing to take up and are not made choice of by yow for a precinct for the Towne nor are before made choice of any other that hath right to choose provided that each Barony be in one entire peece and that in noe one county there be above four Baronys Sett out to the Landgraves, four to Cassiques nor above eight Seignorys to the Lords proprietors so that in every county there shall be four and twenty of the forty squares remayning for the use of yse people nor are yow in any County to suffer the people to posses more then four and twenty squares soe that sixteen intire squares may be left for the seignorys and Baronys. which Baronys you are to pass Grants for at the rent of twenty pounds ££ aannum. as wee have apoynted by our order under our hands & Seales bearing date the thirteenth
day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred
and ninety one. × ×
5 Any of the squares of a County that are made choice of by
a proprietor shall be a seignory and yow are to pass Grants for
the same to the Respective Proprietors who shall take up such
squares reserving onely one eare of Indian corne rent when
Lawfully Demanded. × ×
6 Any Proprietor Landgrave or Cassique that is not in Carolina
may take up the Land belonging to his dignity by his Agent or
attorney × ×
7 Noe man that hath right to Land in Carolina by purchase and
is under the degree of a Proprietor shall have liberty to choose the
Land due to him untill he have Subscribed in the book for
that use provided to beare allegiance to our soveraine Lord and
Lady King William & Quen Mary their Heirs and Successors
and to be true and faithfull to the palatine and Lords proprietors
their Heirs and Successors × × ×
8 Any man that hath Subscribed as is above mentioned shall
have liberty to choose their Land and have it sett out in manner
following × ×
9 Any man who by purchase hath right to twelve thousand
acres of Land, if he will take up all together in one peece shall
have leave to choose any of the squares in any of the Countys
that wee have directed forthwith to be sett out that is not actually
made choice of by some other that hath right to choose a whole
square or part of one and may have as much front to a Navigable
River as his land is in depth, any man so having right to any
quantity of Land under twelve thousand acres. and above six
thousand acres may have as much of his Land fronting to a
Navigable River as the quantity of acres will allow. with the side
lines of the said peece of Land running from the River in streight
parallell lines three hundred forty six chaine soo that the breadth
of the said peece of the head line in from the River may be equall
to the front line of ye River. × × ×
10 Any man having right to six thousand acres of Land taking
it up in one peece may have as much of his Land fronting to the
River as halfe the depth viz: one hundred seaventy and three
chaine fronting on the River. × × ×
11 Any man having right to any quantity of Land under six
thousand and above three thousand acres may have as much front
to the River as the said quantity of Land will beare with the
side lines of it running in from the River in streight paralell lines. Three hundred forty six chaine × × ×
12 Any one that shall take up his Land three hundred forty six chaine in from a Navigable River shall have it in a square figure, butt any man that shall take up his Land in a Creek navigable for boatts only shall have butt a sixth part of his depth fronting to said Creek that soe the more persons may have the benefit of it
13 If two navigable Rivers be so near together that the distance is not sufficient to have the side lines run in three hundred forty six chaine from each River. Then if they are above three hundred forty six chaine asunder the side lines are to run noe further then the midle betwixt the said Rivers but if they be not above three hundred forty six chaine asunder the side lines of Land taken upon such part of them as are so near together may run from River to River. × ×
14 If any mans line that takes up his land in a navigable river or Creek be not contiguous to another, it shall not be nearer to another's line then twelve chaine. if any mans line that takes up his Land three hundred forty six chaine in from a Navigable River be not contiguous to another it shall not be nearer to the next mans line then twenty chaine that so the space between line and line may not be too little for a plantation and soe become useless to the Lords Proprietors. × ×
15 You are not to pass Grants to any man whatsoever above thirty miles south of Stonoh River nor above fifty miles north of Ashley & Cooper Rivers upon any pretence whatsoever unless you have especiall orders for the same under the hands & Seales of the Palatine and two more of us the Lords Proprietors. —
16 You the said Collonell Philip Ludwell are by and with the advice and consent of James Colleton Thomas Smith. Paul Grimball Joseph Blake John Comings and Richard Conant Esq*: or any two or more of them to apoint such place or places as you Shall think convenient to erect townes in, about each of which places you may reserve a square of twelve thousand acres to be devided into such proportions for the better accomodateing of the Inhabitants of the said Towne as you the said Philip Ludwell shall thing convenient. always provided there be not granted more than two hundred acres of the said square of twelve thousand acres to any person and to none butt to such who shall build a house in said Towne. × ×
17 From any of these Rules for setting out Land, bounding and
passing Grants for Land which we have also comanded the surveyor Generall to observe You are not to deviate without especiall orders for the same under the hands and seales of the Palatine and two more of the Lords Proprietors. × × ×

18 For as much as many persons may desire to become inhabitants of Carolina that have not wherewithall to purchase Land and are therefore willing to have Land on rent with which their desire wee being willing to comply, you may therefore Grant to any free person above the age of sixteen years that comes to plant and inhabitt in Carolina and are content to signe the Counter part of the Deed according to the forme hereunto annexed Such proportions of Land as you and the Governor by us apointed Shall think fitt provided ye same doe not exceed fifty acres of Land and fifty acres of Land more to them for each servant that he or they shall at their own cost & charge Import into Carolina ther to plant and inhabitt and within fourteen dayes after their arrival record the names and age of the said Servants and the ship they came in, in the Secretary's office and you may also Grant to each Servant that is willing to signe the like Counter part when out of his or their time so much Land as you and our Governor for the time being shall think fitt provided it doe not exceed fifty acres to the respective persons and their Heirs for ever they paying one peny ² acre ² annum quitt rent for ever and which is to begin to be paid the next Michaelmas two years after the choice of their Land and to be see Incerted in their respective Grants. × × ×

19 Any person that hath at his charge brought persons into Carolina to plant having made the same appear to you and that the names of the said persons and the ships they came in were Registered within fourteen days after the said Ships arrivall having Subscribed to beare faith and true allegiance to our Sovreaigne Lord and Lady the King and Quen and fidelity to the Lords Proprietors you are to Issue out a warrant to our Surveyor Generall in the forme following none otherwise

Whereas hath made it appeare that he hath at his proper cost and charge Imported into the province of Carolina persons aged above sixteen years to plant and inhabitt the said province named And persons under that age named the names of all which persons were registred in the secretaries office within the space of fourteen dayes after their respective arrivall in the
province aforesaid you are therefore to survey and admeasure out for the said Acres of Land according to the Rules and proportions apointed by ye Lords proprietors Instructions for Granting of Land, of which survey you are to make a Certificate, the which together with the plot of said Land you are to returne to me that Grants may be made for the said Land and you are to take notice that if the said do not within the space of ninety days after your surveyeing or admeasuring of ye said acres of Land take out Grants for the same and signe the Counterpart thereof according as it is apointed by the power to me given & Granted by William Earle of Craven Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carteret Sr= Peter Colleton Barronet Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale and Thomas Amy Esq's. for conveying land that then the said Land is free to be made choice of run out surveyed and Granted to any other person whatsoever Given under my hand & Seale this day of Anno Domini 16... × × And our surveyor or his deputy having done the same and the warrant and his returne thereon being recorded you are to pass a Deed Indented for the Same according to the forme to which These our Rules are annexed and you are to cause the party to whom you pass ye said Deed at the same time and before the same witnesses to signe Seale and deliver a Counter part thereof to the use of us William Earle of Craven Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carteret Sr= Peter Colleton Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale and Thomas Amy our Heirs and assignes to which Deed you the said Collonell Philipp Ludwell and in case of your death or absence the said James Colleton and in case of his death or absence the said Thomas Smith and in case of his death or absence the said Paul Grimbale and with the consent of the rest of our said Trustees or any two or more of them Testified by their being witnesses to the same, and ye Counterpart being so signed sealed and delivered as aforesaid both are to be Recorded in the Registers office and the Counterpart of the said Deed to be kept amongst the Records of Land disposed of. × × 20 Whereas Divers persons who have noe mind to be incumbred with payinge of rent have bought Land of us and may hereafter buy Land of us. You are to such as produce our order for it under the hand and seale of the Palatine and under the hands & seals of any two or more of the Lords Proprietors signifying the sume of money Received and the quantity of Land sold, to
pass Grants for the same according to the forme following. × ×
William Earle of Craven Palatine Anthony Lord Ashley
George Lord Carteret Sr= Peter Colleton Barroit Seth Sothell
Thomas Archdale & Thomas Amy Eqra. the true and absolute
Lords and Proprietors of the province of Carolina
To all to whome these presents shall come Greeting Know Yee
that we the said Palatine and Lords Proprietors for the Consideration of
pounds of Lawful money of England to us
in hand paid befor the sealing and delivery of this our Grant.
Have bargained sold released confirmed assigned and sett over and
by these presents doe bargain sell Release and Confirme assigne
and sett over unto of a plantation contain-
ing acres English measure lyeing and being in the county of
bounded according to the plot hereunto annexed to Have and to hold the said acres of Land
to him the said His Heirs and assignes for ever with
privilege of hawking hunting fishing and fowlieing within the
bounds of the same with all woods and trees with what else is
thereon standing growing and being. Except all Mines and
minerals and all Quarrys of Gems and precious stones yielding
and payeing therefor unto us our Heirs and assignes on every
twenty ninth day of September ensuing the date hereof one year
of Indian Corne when Lawfully demanded Given at Charles
Towne in Berkley County in the province aforesaid under the
Seale for that purpose provided witnes
And the rest of our Trustees for Conveyeing Land in Carolina
who have hereunto sett their hands this day of
Anno Domi 16 .
21 This Grant being sealed with our Seale for that use provided
and you the said Colonell Philipp Ludwell Having signed it
and in case of your death or absence the said James Colleton and
in case of his death or absence ye said Thomas Smith and in
case of his death or absence the said Paul Grimball and any two
or more of the said James Colleton Thomas Smith Paull Grim-
ball Joseph Blake John Comings and Richard Conant and it
being Recorded in the Registers office shall be a full and firme
conveyance of the Land therin mentioned to the persons to
whom it is Granted his Heirs and assignes for ever. × ×
22 You are to pass Grants to the Landgraves and Cassiques for the
Baronys according to the forme following and not otherwise. × ×
This Indenture made the day of in the year of
our Lord Between the R't. Honorable William Earle of Craven Palatine Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carteret Sr. Peter Colleton Barronet Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale & Thomas Amy Esq'r: The true and absolute Lords & Prop'r of the province of Carolina in America of the one part And A. B. one of the of Carolina of the other part witnesseth that the said William Earle of Craven Palatine Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carterett Sr. Peter Colleton Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale & Thomas Amy Doe Give and Grant and for them their Heirs and Successors doe give and Grant unto A. B. as one of the of Carolina a Barony containing twelve thousand acres of Land English Measure lyeing and being in the County of in the Province of Carolina aforesaid and bounded according to the plot hereunto annexed together with all woods underwoods Trees and what else there is thereon standing or growing with priviledge of Hawking hunting fisheing and fowling Except and alwayes reserved out of this present Grant all Mines and Mineralls Quarrys of Gems and precious stones To Have & to Hold the said Baronys of twelve thousand acres and the premises hereby Granted all Intirely and undevided unto him the Said A. B: and his Heirs and to such his assignes and noe other to whom he shall assigne over or sell the same together with the Dignity of and the Barony thereunto belonging all Intirely together and undevided befors the year of our Lord one thousand seaven hundred for ever yeilding and payeing therefore yearly and every year upon the twenty ninth of September in every year unto the said William Earle of Craven Anthony Lord Ashley. George Lord Carteret Sr. Peter Colleton Seth Sothell Tho= Archdale & Thomas Amy Their Heirs and assignes the yearly rent of twenty pounds of Lawfull money of England or as much silver in other coine as there is or by Law ought to be in twenty pounds of lawfull money of England the first payment to begin on the twenty ninth day of September which shall be in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand to be holden of them the said William Earle of Craven Anthony Lord Ashley. George Lord Carteret Sr. Peter Colleton Seth Sothell. Thomas Archdale & Thomas Amy their Heirs and assignes in fee and Comon Soccage and the said A B. doth for himselfe his Heirs executors
administrators and assignes Covenant & promise and grant to
and with the said William Earle of Craven
Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carteret S: Peter Colleton
Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale & Thomas Amy Their Heirs and
assignes in maner and forme following (that is to say) that he
the said A B: his Heirs and assignes shall and will from time to
time and at all times hereafter well and truely pay or cause to be
paid the said yearly Rent of twenty pounds or the quantity of
silver aforesd Hereby reserved unto the said William Earle of
Craven
Anthony Lord Ashley George
Lord Carterett S: Peter Colleton Seth Sothell Thomas Arch-
dale & Thomas Amy their Heirs and assignes in Charles Towne
in Berkley County in the said province of Carolina provided
always and it is hereby agreed that if the said yearly rent of
twenty pounds or the quantity of silver aforesaid hereby reserved
should be behind and unpaid in part or all by the space of ninety
days next over or after any of the said days of payments whereon
the same ought to be payed by vertue of the reservation thereof
herein befor contayned that then and so often it shall and may
be Lawfull to and for the said William Earle of Craven

Anthony Lord Ashley George Lord Carterett, S: Peter Colleton. Seth Sothell Thomas Archdale and Thomas Amy
their Heirs and assignes from time to time and at all times there-
after into all and every of the premises hereby granted or any
parte thereof to enter and distraine and the distress and distresses
then and there found to take lead and cary away and Impound or
the said distress and distresses to dispose off according to the
Laws of England untill they shall be fully satisfied all arrears
of the said rent and it is hereby further agreed for the said A B.
his Heirs and assignes shall have power of granting estats of
two third parts of the said Barrony in such parcels and to such
persons as he his Heirs & assignes shall think fit for three lives
or for thirty one years certain and noe more and that one full
third part of the said Barony and the remaining third part be
always Demesne and remaine in the possession of the person
who shall posses the said Dignity of for the better
Support of the said Dignity In Wittness whereof the partys
hereunto Interchangeable have sett their hands & seales the day
and year first above written Given under our hands & Seales the
sixth day of february Anno Domini 1692
William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven Baron of Hampstead Marshall Palatine and the rest of the true and absolute Lords & prop'rs: of ye province of Carolina
To all whom These presents shall come Greeting
Know ye yt whereas wee did publish and under our hands and Seales apoint Constitutions of Government for the province of Carolina wherein among other things it was provided that every fforraigner that should Subscribe the said Constitutions and take an oath to beare faith and true allegiance to our soveraigne Lord the King His Heirs and Successors and to be true and faithfull to us the Lords proprietors our heirs and Successors should be naturalized and enjoy all the same privileges with English men And Whereas the inhabitants of the said province has declared they would rather be Governed by the powers Granted to us by our Charter or Letters patent from the Crowne and wee our selves being of opinion it may be more for the quiet of the inhabitants and protection of the good and orderly inhabitants of our said province and speedier bringing to Justice all such as shall break the Laws in favouring of pyrats or Injuring the indians or other things. have also thought fitt to Governe the said province by the full power Granted to us by our said Constitutions there is now noe provizion for the securing the descent of the reall Esteats of fforreigners to their next Heirs or to such to whom by their Last Wills and Testaments. they shall bequeath the same butt doe by Law escheat to us who are the true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of the said Province Yett wee being unwilling to take advantage of the Inconveniencys. the said fforreigners have contributed to bring on themselves by Joyning with those who oposed the receiving the said Constitutions for the security of the descent of their reall Estates to their posterity or to such to whom they shall by their Last wills and Testaments bequeath the same Doe Hereby promise and declare for ourselves our Heirs Successors and assignes not to take the advantage of the
forfeiture of any Aliens estate that shall escheat to us upon his death that heath taken out Grants for the same and duly paid the rent of one peny £ aker of all Lands he hath possesst in Carolina not bought of us and the like of all Land bought of us and paid for butt will Suffer the same to goe to and be enjoyed by the next of Kin to the said person that is deceased or by the person to whom by his last will and Testament he shall bequeath the same and at their request will convey the said reall estate to the said persons according to the forme wee have apointed for Granting of Land in Carolina without any other Conditions then such as were contayned in the Grant to the Alien deceased and without any other Charge then the usuall fees for such Grants. And our Will and pleasure is that this our Grant be Registered in the Secretarys and Registers office in Carolina that it may remaine upon Record in the said province and be binding to us our Heirs and Successors and assignes In Witness whereof wee have hereunto Sett our hands & Seales this twelth day of April 1693

Recorded the 20th day of September 1693 me

Craven Palatine (X)

A: Ashley — — — — (X)

Jn. Hamilton

Peter Colleton (X)

Dep’t: Sec’y

Thomas Amy (X)

Whereas wee Have contracted with Mr. James Le Bas for three thousand acres of Land for one hundred and fifty pounds of which some Wee have already received Ninety pounds. you are to direct the surveyor General to admeasure the same out for him in such place as the said Mr. James Le Bas shall choose within the Limitts And with such proportion of front to the Navigable Rivers & Creeks as wee by our Instructions for setting out & bounding of Land bearing date in September 1683 have appointed and you are to pass Grants for said Three thousand Acres of Land to him and his Heirs and assignes for ever Reserving only one year of Corne Rent when Lawfully demanded According to the forme we have appointed for Land sold Which three Thousand Acres of Land Is to be a Mannor If he the said Mr. James Le Bas shall soe desire. And you are to take from him a Mortgage of the said Three Thousand Acres of Land to Sr. Peter Colleton for our use for the Securing the payment of the Remaining sixty pounds on the five and Twentieth day of December which shall be in ye year of our Lord one Thousand six hun-
dred eighty and six here in London for which this our order (which you are to record and file) shall be your warrant Given under our hands and Seales this six and twentieth day of September Anno Dom 1685

To Joseph Morton Esqr one of the Landgraves and Governor of that part of our province of Carolina that lies south and West of Cape fear and to the Governor for the time being and our dep'ts.

Recorded this 20th: of September 1693: 少不了 Jo Hamilton

Dep't: Sec'y

London. this 10th: of Aprill. 1693

Wee have seen an Act past in Carolina Intituled an Act to provide Indifferent Jury men in all causes Civill and Criminall which Act requiring the Sheriff of each County to de vide all the Persons of each County into twelves and them write in papers and two papers of twelve names each to be drawne and the persons whose names are therein contained to be Sumoned to serve as Jury men the next Court after Such draught and then one of the said papers drawne againe and the persons whose names are written in the paper thus last drawne to be the Jury for tryall of Causes. We Judge to be very unreasonable and many ways dangerous and Tending to the leaveing the most Enormous Crimes unpunisht especially Pyracy for it will thereby be in the power of the sheriff so to devide the twelves for each paper that there shall be in every paper some notorious favorers of pyrats who Comeing prepared for it. may be able to constrain the rest of the Jury to consent to what Verdict they please, Which being contrary to their Majt's: Service and dangerous to the peace perhaps of England it selfe, and the said Act being in other things very dangerous to the Inhabitants of our Province and Contrary to the Laws of England as it is declared in the Bill of Rights passed in their present Majestys Reigne. Wee have thought fitt to dissent to and thereby have made the same null and void and doe require you nott to Suffer the same to be putt in Execution as a Law in Carolina and that you doe forthwith upon receipt hereof give notice of our dissent to the said Act to y
respective sheriffs of the Countys there and that the said Law is thereby vacated and ceased to be a Law and that they are not to putt the said Act in Execution as a Law any Longer. Wee have also seen another Act Intituled an Act to regulate Regulate\footnote{The first “regulate” is the last word on page 93. “Regulate” is the first word on page 94. Between them on an unpaged leaf is recorded “Instructions for Granting of Land”} Elections of Members of the Generall Assembly which Act enabling all persons that make oath they are worth ten pounds to give their vote for Members of ye Assembly and all the Members for the present being chosen for the Countys. Wee are of opinion they ought all to be ffreholders that elect and the said Act nott mentioning how longe any person worth Ten pounds must have been an Inhabitant of the County before he be admitted to vote for Members of the Assembly, It is so loose that by this Act all the pyrats that were in the shipe that had been plundering in the Red Sea had been quallified to vote for Representatives in Carolina which being of dangerous consequence to the inhabitants, Wee have thought fitt to dissent to that Act also, butt have Cheerfully passed and under our hands and Seales ratified and confirmed the Act Intituled an Act for the better observation of ye Lords day comonly Called Sunday and are as well pleased with all those that voted for it and wee hope that you will take great care the said Act be strictly put in Execution
Wee have also ratified and confirmed the Act intituled an Act to prevent Swine going loose or at large in or about Charles Towne and to prevent Nusances and Shall be always ready to consent to any other Act that wee are convinced is for the good or conveniency of the inhabitants of our Province
Wee have thought fitt to Send you additionall Instructions about passing Laws in Carolina which you are to observe and wee doe require that you ratyfe no law that diminisheth or altereth any of the powers granted to us in our Charter from the Crowne but when any such bill is past in the Generall Assembly & consented to by our selves you are to Send the Same unto us for our aprobation and consent befor you ratify the same our intent and meaning being that nothing of that nature should be putt in Execution as a Law in Carolina untill wee our selves have consented to it ×
The ffrench have complained to us that they are threatned to have their Estates taken from their Children after their death
because they are Aliens now many of them have bought the Land they Enjoy of us and if their estates are forfeited they Escheat to us and god forbidd that wee should take the advantage of ye forfeiture nor doe wee soe intend and therefore have Sent our Declaration under our hands & Seales to that purpose Which wee will Shall be registred in the Secretarys and Registers office that it may Remaine upon Record in Carolina and be obleidding to our Heirs Successors and assignes, They also complaine that they are required to begin their Divine Worshipe at ye same time that the English doe which is inconvenient to them in Regard that severall of their Congregation liveing out of the Towne are forced to come and goe by water and for ye Convenience of such they begin their Divine worship earlyer or later as the Tide serves in which wee would have them not Molested They complaine also that they are told the Marriages made by their Ministeres is not Lawfull because they are not ordained by some Bishop and their Children that are begotten in such Marriages are Bastards Wee have power by our Patent to grant Liberty of conscience in Carolina. And it is Granted by Act of Parliament here and persons are Marryed in the Dutch and fFrench Churches by Ministers that were never ordained and yett wee have not hard that the Children begotten in such marriages are reputed unlawfull or bastards and this Seems to us oposite to that Liberty of conscience their Majesties have consented to here and wee pursuant to the power Granted to us have Graftted in Carolina \times \times \times \times \\
Wee desire these things may be remedied and that their Complant of all kind be heard with favour and that they have equall Justice with English men and Enjoy the Same priviledges it being for their Majesties Service to have as many of them as we can in Carolina \times \times \times \\
Wee would have them receive all manar of Just incouragemt: whatsoever and we would have you send for ye cheife of them and give them assurance of it 
Wee find that Mr. Joshua Hobson Deputy to Mr. Grimball in the Secretaries office did Suffer for the refusing to submitt to the usurped authority of Mr. Sothell wherefore wee are willing that he should be incouraged and would not have him hindred from pleading in the Courts there as well as assisting him as his Deputy in Secretaries office, The which wee doe in favour to the sd. Joshua Hobson as well as to ease our Secretary who being
to Send us constant copy of all that passeth in the Councill and Parliament there, for which he hath noe fees wee would not have his charge augmented by forcing him to allow Mr. Hobson a greater salary to Incourage him to continue his Deputy and this wee would done unless you can give us Some very substantiall reason to the contrary × ×

Wee observe in the Act about Jurys the fines of those Jury men that doe not apeare are apointed to be paid to ye Treasurer to be disposed of as the Generall Assembly shall direct Wee doe not find one president that the Parliament of England have ever reserved any money either out of Taxes or forfeitures to be disposed of by themselves, And by our Grant from the Crowne the Laws of Carolina are to be as near as may be agreeable to the Laws of England. Wherefore wee desire you to be cautious how you pass any Such Clauses for the future. for we shall consider very well befor wee pass any such, all publique money in Carolina must be disposed of by our order or consent × × ×

And wee also desire that in all Acts or other publique writings you give us the same Stile that is given to us by the Crowne in our patent of true and absolute Lords Which Title gives us no more power then the patent it selfe doth nor doe wee claime more thereby × × × × ×

Wee have thought fitt to apoint Mr. Thomas Smith to be Sheriff or Cheif Judge of Berkly County by which Employment wee doe not understand that he is incapacitated to serve as a Deputy butt may continue in that station alsoe wee comitt you to protection of Almighty God and rest

Your very affectionate friends

To the Governor and our Craven. Pallatine
Deputies at Ashley River in A: Ashley
Carolina P: Colleton
Recorded this 14th: day of Tho: Amy
November: 1693

Mayor Jn Hamilton
Depvt: Sec'y

Wee the Pallatine and Lords Prop's doe ratify & confirme the Act Entituled An Act for the better observation of ye Lords Day comonly called Sunday Witness our hands and Seales this seventh day of Aprill one thousand six hundred ninety and three
John Archdal     Craven Pallatine     (seale)
for Tho. Archdal   (seale)     A: Ashley   (seale)
Thomas. Amy       (seale)     P: Colleton  (seale)
Recorded this 14th. day of
November 1693     (seale)
Jno Hamilton
Dep'ty Sec'ty

Wee the Palatine and Lords Prop's doe ratify and Confirm the
Act. Entituled An Act to Prevent Swine goeing loose or at large
in or about Charles Towne & to prevent Nusances Witness our
hands and Seales this tenth day of Aprill one thousand six hun-
dred ninety and three
Recorded this 14th day
of November 1693     (seale)
Jno Hamilton
Dep'ty: Sec'ty

Wee the Palatine and. Lords Prop's. doe dissent to the Act
Entituled An Act to regulate the Elections of Members of
Assembly. and thereby make the Same Null and voyd Witness
our hands and Seales this Tenth day of Aprill 1693
Recorded this 14th. day
of November 1693
Jno Hamilton
Dep'ty: Sec'ty

Wee the Palatine and Lords Prop's Doe dissent to the Act In-
tituled An Act to provide Indifferent Jury men in all Causes
Civill and Criminall and thereby make the Same Null and Voyd
Witnesse our hands and Seales this seventh day of Aprill 1693
Recorded this 14th.
day of November
i693
Jno Hamilton

William Earle of Craven Lord Viscount Craven. Baron
of Hampstead Marshall Palatine and the rest of the
true & absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of
Carolina
To all their Majestyes faithfull
Subjects inhabitants of our
said Province and to all
others whom it may concerne. Greeting

Whereas, by our Proclamation bearing date the eight day of
November in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred
ninety and one. for divers good Considerations. Wee did suspend
Mr. Seth Sothell who is or pretends to be one of the Proprietors
of the said Province from the Government thereof, and who had
taken the Government thereof upon him as he pretended by vir-
tue of certain Constitutions by us apointed for the Goverment
of our said Province and Whereas the inhabitants of our Pro-
vince have desired rather to be Governed by ye full power
Granted to us by our Charter from the Crowne as it was repre-
sented to us by Mr. Maurice Mathews the whom they did Im-
power to be their Agent with which their desire wee having
Complied Whereby the Rules and Limitations apointed by the
said Constitutions for the Goverment are now ceased and ye
Goverment of the said Province is to be for the future as it shall
be directed by the Majority of us the said Lords Prop's: of the
said Province pursuant to the powers granted to us by our
Charter. And whereas Wee are informed that the said Seth
Sothell hath notwithstanding our said suspention pretended
a right to the Goverment to the great disturbance of the quiett
of our Province that none of ye inhabitants may be seduced from
their duty by the pretensions or Inveglings of the said Seth
Sothell and thereby run into the danger of the loss of their lives
and Estates by the breach of the Lawes through Ignorance Wee
doe hereby make knowne and publish they are not to obey the
said Sothell as Governor of Carolina or any party thereof unless
to be Impowred soe to be by the Palatine and Major part of
the Lords Prop's: by Comission under our hands and Seales butt
are to obey such other Governor as shall be apointed by us the
Palatine and the Major of us the Lords Prop's: or in default
thereof by the Palatine himselfe under his hand & seale and
if no Governor be appointed by the Palatine under his hand and
Seale then such Governor as shall be apointed by virtue of our
Instructions for the Goverment bearing date the eight day of
November one thousand six hundred ninety and one or such
other Rules and Instructions as shall be hereafter given by us
under our hands and Seales whereof none are to fail as they will
answer the Contrary at their perills. Given under our hands and
Seales this Eleventh day of May one thousand six hundred
ninety and Three
Recorded this 14th day of
November. 1693 首富
Jr Hamilton
Dep'ty: Sec'ty
Craven Pal'tine: (seal)
Cartaret (×)
A: Ashley (×)
P: Colleton (×)
John Archdal
for Thomas Archdal (×)
Tho: Amy (×)

William Earle of Craven Lord Lt: of the county of
Medlesex and Barrough of Southwarke one of the
Lords of his Maj'ties: most Honble privy councill
Pallatine and the rest of the True & absolute Lords
& Prop's: of the Province of Carolina
To Joseph West Esq'r Governo'r: of that part of our
Province that Lyes South and west of Cape feare
or The Governo'r for the time being & our Deputys
Greeting

Whereas we have Sold unto Isaac ffleueiry three hundred and
fifty acres of Land in Carolina, for which we have Received
Seventeen pounds Tenn Shillings, You are to Direct y's: Surveyo'r
Generall to admeasure the Same out for him in Such place as he
the Saide Isaac ffleueiry, Shall choose within the Lemits & wth:
Such proportion of front to y's: navigable river or creeks as Wee
have by our Instructions bearing date in September one thous-
and Six hundred Eighty & three apointed, And you are to passe
grants for the Said three hundred & fifti Acres of Land to him
his heires & Assignes forever according to the forme Wee have
apointed for Land Sold for which this shall be your warr't:
wh't: you are to Record and file Given under our hands & Seales
this fourteenth day of Aprill one thousand Six hundred Eighty
& five
Recorded this 21st:
March 1693/4
首富 me Paull. Grimbll: Sec'r:'
Craven Pal'tine: (X)
Albemarel (X)
P. Colleton (X)

William Earle of Craven Lord viscount Craven
Baron of hamstead Marshall Palatine

To Thomas Smith Esq':
Governor of the Province
of Carolina
Whereas it is agreed by ye Lords Prop.ss: of ye Said Province that the Pallantine Should name ye Governor: I out of ye: trust & Confyidence, I have of ye: wisdome Prudence Integrity & Loyalty of you Thomas Smith doe hereby nominate constitute & apoint you ye: Said Thomas Smith to be Governor: & Comander in cheif in Carolina wth: full power & authoritye to doe, act & execute all such Jurisdictions & powers as by virtue of ye: Rules of Govern: & Instructions given by my Selfe & ye: Rest of ye: Lords Prop.ss: of ye: sd Province, a Governor:.. is to doe & Exerce, & you are to follow Such Instructions as are herewth: Sent you or ye, you Shall hereafter from time to time receive from my Selfe, & ye: Rest of ye: Lords Prop:ss: of the Said province & thus to Continue during my pleasure, Given under my hand & Seale this twenty ninth day of November: in ye yeare of our Lord. 1693,

Paltine (Locco)
Craven: (Sigile)

Recorded this 7th: aprill 1694

me Paull. Grimball Secr:s:

Whereas we did on ye: twenty Eight of September one thousand Six hundred eighty three receive from Robert Stevens & Bartholomew Le Roux ye: Some of Seaventen pounds ten Shillings ye: purchase money of three hundred & fifty acres of Land for wth: we issued out an order for ye: passing grants to them for ye: Said Land in these words Following


To Joseph Morton Esq: Governor: for ye: part of our Province that Lyes South & west of Cape feare or ye: Governor: for ye: time being & our Deputies Greeting × ×

Whereas we have Sold unto Robert Steven & Bertholomew Le Roux three hundred & fifty acres of Land for wth: we have received of them ye: Some of Seaventeen pounds, ten Shill, you are to direct ye: Surveyor: generall to run ye: Same out for them & you are to pass grants for ye: Same as we have directed for Land Sold, & they Carrying or Sending five ₣sons in this Ship, by which there is two hundred & fifty acres more due to them for wth: they are to pay ye: rent reserved by yo: Instructions you are to direct ye Laying out of ye: whole Six hundred acres for them
in ye: towne precinct if they desire it, for which this Shall be
your warrant: Given under our hands & Seales this 8th of Septem:
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Craven Albemarell Bath or ye: Ld: Carterett P Colleton
Recorded this 26th: March 1694
\_\_ me Paull Grimball

And whereas its is aleaged by ye: Said Robert Stevens yt: ye: Sd:
Land was not taken up by him or ye: Said Bartholomew Le Roux
or grants pased for ye. Same if upon examination you Shall
find yt: Grants for ye: Said Land hath not already past for ye.
Same to ye: Said and sons or either of them or to any other and son
for them, you are then to pass grants for ye: Said three hundred
& Fifty acres of Land according to ye: forme we have directed
for Land Sold, & if ye: Said Stevens Shall desire yt: one hundred
acres of Land by him purchased of one John Maverick be part of
ye. said thre hundred & fifty acres of Land, you are to include it
in ye. Said grant for which this our order wch: you are to record &
file Shall be ye: warrant: Given under our hands & Seales this
23rd: day of Septem: 1690
To James Colleton Esq: one of ye. Landgraves & Gover-
erno: of yt: and of Carolina
yt: Lyes South & west of
Cape feare & ye: rest of our
Trustees for granting of
Land
Recorded ye: 20th: March 1694
\_\_ me Paull Grimball

London ye: 24th of November 1693
Wee have receed your Letter of ye: 17th— of May by way of new
yorke & alsoe yt: of ye: 24th by way of Barbadoes by which we
perceive yt: ye: Governt: is in ye: hands of Mr: Tho: Smith wch:
is as we would have it, we perseive ye. asembley hath past eight
acts of wch: we have not as yett Reced ye: copyes we understand
there was Some Struggling about an act of Indennity, butt Such
pardon as we think fitt to grant was Sent by ye: Last Ships yt:
went from hence wch: we hope will put an end to ye: debates
about yt: matter we take notice yt: Some of ye: troublers of ye:
quiett of Carolina have Left it, & yt: you are of opinion yt: if
three more were gone, ye: country would be Soone in a Settled
Condition ye: laws of England have apointed punishm't: for such as by false & Scandalous reports & Sedicious Speeches & Insinuations endeavour to disturbe ye: publique peace & quiett, & if you putt these Laws Streicly in Execution, men will be Careful how they offend w'ch: will produce order & quiett we Shall Informe ye: Comissioners of theire Maj'vre: Customs here. of ye: Care you have taken aboutt their Maj'vre: dutys on Cotton transported from Carolina to other plantations we perceive ye: Coll Ludwell had proposed to ye: asembly to Consider of a forme of a deed for us to grant our Land by, for w'ch he had noe authoritie from us, nor doe we aprov'e of it, for ye: Land is ours & we Shall not part w'th: it but upon our owne termes, we take notice, ye: you have information ye: one Westbrooke hath been killed by a Savannah Indian & ye: you are resolved to enquire Streicly into it Least you fall into ye: contemnptt of ye: Indians you are to be very Carefull in this matter, for we have heard it is comon among the Indians to doe an ill thing & then Lay it upon another nation, & if ye: matter of fact be done by a Savano our opinion is that you Shall require ye: Savanos themselves to punish ye: person ye: did it, and not deliver him up to be punishett by you, for we are Informed ye: Indians are aptt to reveng ye: death of their Relations upon ye: nation ye: put him to death although he be delivered up as a Criminal by his owne nation to be putt to Death, & you must not expect to have Long peace w'ch: ye: indians unless you punish Such English as doe violence to them
In our Instructions for ye: Governm't: to Coll: Ludwell we ormd ye: all Pyratts that Came to Carolina Should be Seized & prosecuted & therefore we desire that you will Satisfye us how it Came to pass how those Pyratts that Left there Ship as a wreck at Sea & came into Carolina & where they Confest (as we are Informed) that they had been plundring ye: Mogulls Subjects in ye: red Sea came not to be prosecut'd & try'd as pyratts when by their owne Confession there was proofes against them, we Comitt you to ye: protection of almighty God & rest
Your very affectionate

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Recorded ye:
10th: of April 1694
§§ me Paull Grimball

Craven Pallatine
A Ashley
P Colleton
Thomas Amye

Read in Councill ye: 13 day of March 1693/4
Whereas we are informed ye divers of the Inhabitants of our province not willing to have ye Incumbrance of a rent on theire Lands are Desirious to buy ye Same But not haveing money in England desire they may be admited to pay ye purchase money In Carolina wth wch their desires we being willing to Comply Doe therefore hereby Impower & Direct you James Colleton Esqr= Paull Grimball Tho: Smith & Barnard Schenckingh Esqr= & ye rest of our trustees for ganting Land to pas grants to all Such sons for Land after ye manner we have Directed for Land Sold ye Shall have paid to Paull Grimball Esqr= our Reseiver Generall ye purchase money for ye Same after ye rate of one Shill for every acre either in ye Curri money of ye Kingdom of England or in peices of Eight of ye Coyne of maxico Civill or piller money of peru weighing Eighteen peny troy weight each peice of Eight or in Leighter peices of ye Same Coyne After ye rate of five Shill & four pence ye ounce troy, & Shall produce to you ye Said Grimballs Receipt for ye Same, Registed in ye Registers office, alwaise provided ye. Such Sales doe not in ye whole Exceed twelve thousand acres nor be not any of ye towne Lotts of Charles towne or any other towne for all which this Shall be your warrt: Given under our hands & Seales this 8th= of Novber= 1691

Recorded this 1st: may 1694

Craven Palatine (X)
A Ashley (X)
Carterett (X)
P Colleton (X)
John Archdale
for Tho: Archdale (X)
Tho: Amy (X)

William Earle of Craven Lord viscount of Craven Baron of Hampstead, Marshall Lord Lieutenant of the County of Midd: and Burrough of Southwarke one of the Lords of his Majesties Most Hono: privy Councill, Lieutenant General of all his Maj: forces Pallatine, And the Rest of the Lords and Prop's of the Province of Carolina
To James Colleton Esqr one of the Landgraves of Carolina:
Landgrave Joseph West, and the rest of our Trustees for Granting Land in Carolina
Whereas wee have given unto Maurice Mathews Esqr one thousand Acres of Land in Consideration of his haveing Purchased
the Lands from the Indians and taking Bills of Sale for the 
Same according to the forme by us Sent him (viz) one from the 
Cassique of Stonoh, one from the Queen or Cheife Governesse 
of Edestoh, one from the Cassique of Ashepoo one from the 
Queen or Cheife Governesse of St: Hellena, one from the Cas-
sique of Combahe, one from the Cassique of Cussah, one from 
the Cassique of Wichcaugh, one other from the Cassique of Wim-
bee, And one other Generall Deed from all the said persons of 
their said Lands from the Sea to the Appalatean Mountaines, You 
are therefore to Cause the said one thousand Acres of Land to be 
Laid out for the said Maurice Mathews, in Such place as he Shall 
desire, not already made Choice of by Some other ♂ son who 
hath a Right to Choose, Or that is not made Choice of for the 
Precint of Some Towne, always Provided that the said Land 
be within the Limitts And bounded according to our Rules for 
Setting out measureing of Land, for which you are to passe 
Grants to him and his Heires Reserving only one Eare of Indian 
Corne Rent yearly when Lawfully Demanded, According to the 
forme Wee have appointed for Land Sold for which this (Which 
you are to Record & file) Shall be your Warrant, Given under 
our hands and Seales, this Second day of November Anno Domi 
1686

Craven Pallatine  (X)  
Albemarle  (X)  
P: Colleton  (X)  
Tho: Amy  (X)

Recorded this 6th: day of febry  
Anno Domi i69 4/5  

♂  Hamilton  
Deytv: Sec'ty

To the Governor of South Carolina  
I doe hereby give Liberty unto William Sadler uppon his 
arrairvell in Carolina to take up a Towne Lott for himselfe out of 
that Land, which was formerly Run out for me at Charles 
Towne, Witness my hand this 20th: July i694  

John Archdale.

Recorded the 20th: March 169 4/5  
♂  Hamilton  
Deptv: Sec'ry
Wee understand that the Ground weares away at Charles Towne for want of wharving in, Now wee are Content that every man that hath a Lott on the Sea, shall have Liberty to wharfe in the Land before his Lott in the said Towne, and take the profitt of it to himselfe Provided that the persons who have the benefitt of this our Concession doe Settle Some way amongst them, for the wharving and keeping in Constant Repaire. The wharfs against the Ends of the Streets allso; So that there may a Wharfe for the other Inhabitants to Land their Goods at without Charge, Dated the 24th day of April, j694
To our Governor and Craven Pallatine
Deputyes at Ashley River Bathe
Recorded the 24th day of A: Ashley
xber i694 John Archdale for
Joo Hamilton Tho: Archdale
Depy: Sec:ty Tho: Amy

London. Aprill ye 24o: i694

Wee think good to give you a Small Abstract of a former Letter to you of the 29th of November 1693: wherein wee earnestly Signified. our Great Dislike of your entertayning or in any wise Coniving at the releife or Succouring of any Pyrats especially of that Grand one from the Red Sea who there plundred ye Mogulls Subjects as wee have been Informed of, which wee desire an Acco't in your next to us
Wee also Expect an Accompt of the murder of Westbrooke by a Savanah Indian. hoping that you have been diligent. to Search into the truth thereof, and punish the Same according to Justice, butt Since that time, wee have Red yours of ye 12o.— of October i693, whereby wee are Surprized at the Strong ferment of Discontent amongst the people. as alsoe of your despair to Alley and accomodate the Same and therefore of your Intentions and of many of the people to remove into other parts of America without giving us ye particular Causes of this great discontent. Lay-Ing the same only upon a Generall faction of a Long Date amongst you, Hopeing therefore that this our Letter may find the Strong discontented humour of the people more allayed and your owne feares more Abated, Wee desire ye principal aggrievances may be in particular represented to us by the first Ships, And wee doubt not. but to give the people all reasonable Satisfaction on our part, In the Mean time wee desire you to assist our Receiver
Generall in gathering our quitt Rents either in Money, or in the true and full value in Such Comoditys of the produce of the Country as you both shall think fitt, Wee expect our arrears to be gathered gradually. there being foure yeares due at Lady day Last, Wee Expect that before Michaelmas day next, Two yeares Rent be Collected, And So every year two yeares together. untill the whole arreares be Satisfied, And this wee Look on as reasonable haveing at the beginning of our Planting that Colony: allowed fifteen years time free of all quitt Rents, whereas noe other Country though. pretenting great Matters to encourage the new Settlement ever allowed Soe farr as wee can understand above two or three years. And whereas wee understand by Some accounts thence that vast quantitys of Land as Seventy thousand akers are taken up on our Accompts in your parts, And thereby the Plantations lye in Great distances and the Countys unInhabited wee therefore by the first Shipp, alsoe desire a true Accompt of yᵉ same Wee wonder whey our Generall Pardon was not delivered with the rest of our writings, being Sent in the Same box, for want of which Wee understand many ℒsons are allmost ruined by Contentious Suites at Law one against the other of which wee desire a Speedy Accompt
And whereas you say the people Complaine that noe Rent or purchase money can be paid with Safety. because all the Lords have not Joined in the power to that purpose Sent by them nor any full or Common agreement of theirs to Impower a Lesser number to Authorize the doeing of any of those things and putting in Execution the powers of the Patent from the Crowne
The Meaning of this Complaint must be either that it is not the Majority of the Lords Prop's that doe Act in this Case or that a majority is not Sufficient, If it be the first, it is a mistake: for the Lords Prop's. being an Equall number, And the Pallatine by them appointed: being to have a Casting voyce. then foure in Eight. of which the Lord Pallatine is one: makes a majority, If it be the Second It is upon a Maxime that overturns all Manner of Acting in assembly Corporation, or any body politick of Men
As to the Miscarriage of what wee ordered Concerning yᵉ wharifes wee are willing to Gratifye the ℒSons concerned therein, therefore doe hereby order that each man that had a front Lott in Charles Towne have the advantage of it. If he would wharfe to Save the Streett he may have the benefitt to Low water marke
Provided that all those the owners of Such Lotts. Should Contribute to repairing the Ends of the Streetts and keeping of them. So that all people that please may Land there

Wee Hereby further Signifye unto you, that the R't Honoble: The Earle of Bathe, who is one of the Kings Privy Councill is admitted as one of the Lords Prop's in the Roome of the Duke of Albemarle Lately Deceased, He haveing the said Right. by a verdict in the Kings Bench a Decree in Chancery and that confirmed by the house of Lords, And hath been sent with us at Several Meetings whose hand is hereunto with us Sr. Peter Colleton. dyed the 24°— of the Last Moneth Haveing by his Will Left his Proprietorshipi in Carolina to his Son Sr. John Colleton who will in Short time Choose his Guardian

We are

Your very affectionate

ffriends

Recorded the 24th: day of December 1694

Jno Hamilton

Depty. Sec'y

Craven Pallatine

Bathe

A: Ashley

John Archdale for

Tho: Archdale

Tho: Amy

Whereas wee have heard great Complaints have been made by the people upon our Dissent to a Certaine Late Act Concerning Jurys, That it may appeare to you that what was done in that Case was by us understood to be for the better advantage of the people and for the Saving to them a better forme, which they are provided with in our Constitutions; Wee doe hereby give you our Directions. And Authorize you our Governor and Deputys, To give your Assent to and Ratifye any Act that shall be drawne up after the forme in the 67 Article of the Constitutions, which is the following

"Att every precinct Court before they rise, The names of all the freeholders who are to Serve Jury men at the Precinct "Court writt in Little peices of parchment of an Equal bignes "and rolled up, shall be taken out of the bag and Compared "with the freeholders book to see that none be omitted and

3Marginal note: our meaning is that the Jury Consisting of twelve men so Impartially chosen should always unanimously agree in the verdict
"none double, And then all shall be putt into a box and
"Shaken together And then by a Child under Ten yeares
"old. So many names shall be drawne out as will be Suffi-
cient. for So many Jurys as the Court shall think they shall
"have need of. the next Term in the Temp of Jurys which they shall
"Summons to Attend

Wee apprehending it to be much more for the advantage of the people that the names should be so Severally drawne one by one. Then that they should be drawne by Twelves (as in the Act Sent to us by you) by which you are much more Subjected to ill prac-
tice and Arts in packing of Jurys. Given under our Hands & Seales this 27th of Aprill 1694

To our Governour and
Deputies of that part
of our province of Carolina
that lyes South & West
of Cape Fare
Recorded ye 24th: day of
xb: 1695

Craven Pallatine
Bathe
A: Ashley
John Archdale for
Tho: Archdale
Tho: Amy

Th: Jno Hamilton
Dept: Sec'ty

Whereas we have by experience found that the Governors putting in of Prop'tors= Deputy in the Roome of Such Deputies as are dead or departed out of the Province is of dangerous con-
squence to the Inhabitants thereof. Wee have thought fitt and
Doe hereby revoke and anull that article of our Instruccons
that gives power to the Governo': to appoint Deputies in the
room of Such Deputies as are dead or departed the province and
doe hereby Impower Such of our Deputies as have or Shall have
Deputations under the hand Seale of any of the Prop'tors=
by majority of votes given by ballot to choose a person to act as Deputye In the roome of any of the Prop'tors= Deputy that is dead or Shall dye or is departed the Province or is any
otherwise out from being Deputy wch= power so chosen Shall
continue to be Deputy untill the Prop'tor= whose Deputy is dead
departed the province or otherwise out from being Deputy shall
have appointed another or that the Pallatine and three moore of
the Prop'tors: under their hands and seales shall order him to be
removed from being Deputy and to the Intent it may not be in
the power of a Governor: to hinder the Election of a Deputy by refusing to convene the Pallatines Court. Wee doe hereby Give Power to any two of our Deputies that have comissions to be soe under the hands and seales of Propōr's= to convene the rest of our Deputies that have comissions to be soe under the hands and Seales of Propōr's= for the making election of a Deputy upon the death or departure or otherwise of any Propōr's= Deputy an this you are to record and observe as part of our Instructons for the Goverm'= until we Shall otherwise direct Given under our hands and Seales this
Craven Pallatine (×) A Ashley (×) P: Colleton (×)
Tho: Amy (×)
To the Governo': or our Deputy of that part of our province of Caro-
lina that Lyes South and West of Cape feare/

Recorded ye: 16th: May 1693

♫ mee J: Hobson

Md: the 16th: day of May 1693/ Reced then the before written order without date from the hands of Governo': Smith ♫ mee Paul Grimball

London May the 19th i694

Sr

Since the death of our Dear friend and Late Brother Prop' of Carolina Sr: Peter Colleton; a Letter of yours Directed to him is come to our Hands. Dated the 8th of November Last in a post-
script of which wee observe that you have Information that Mr James Moore who is a principall man amongst them who opposed the paying our Rents, had then Complied Soe farre as to make a promise of the payment of his Rent, Which wee hope he hath done, and thereby given an opportunity to the Rest to follow his Example. Especially, when our order is publique That wee doe nott Insist upon the payment in fine Silver onely, but desire to have the Rents received in good Merchantable Commodities, of the Just value and have alsoe Concluded among our Selves, that it shall be Soe Exprest in the Grants of their Lands Accord-
ing as it is in the first Constitution

Wee Rest
To Thomas Smith Esq
Governor of Carolina

Yo affectionat friends
Craven Pallatine
Bathe
John Archdale for
Tho: Archdale
Tho: Amy

Recorded the 24th day
of xb i694

Jno Hamilton
Dep'ty: Sec'ty

London this 31st of Augst: i694

Gen:

Wee Haveing formerly Recd. Severall Complaints from ye people of Carolina of the great partiality in returning of Jurys used by each party as they Came Severally in power, and from Coll: Ludwell an Act of ye assembly Intended as wee beleeve to prevent the like for ye future Butt when wee came to Examine the said Act, Wee found it to be soe farr from being likely to attaine the Good ends Intended that in all probability, it would have opened a way for greater opressions of that kind, Wee therefore disannulled the said Act, And in Severall of our Letters to you wee have Since Sent a power to you our Governor and Counell. to Consent to a Law made by the assembly, According to the Rule prescribed in one of our Constitutions a Copy or Duplicate of which wee have now Sent you, and beleive it may Sufficiently prevent. the like abuses for the time to come, Wee have likewise in our former Letters, given you power to accept our Rents in good Merchantable Comodities and products of the Country. and to insist Strictly. upon the payments in fine Silver. there being Likewise Complaints about the peoples being obliged to take Indentures for the Lands they shall take up, Wee have given full power to our Trusty friend, John Archdale Esq who Intends to depart from England very Speedily in Cap't Mann, To Settle that Matter either by Grants or Indenture as to him. and you shall Seem most for the Ease and wellbeing of our people, And our said friend & Brother Mr. Archdale. being now willing to take a voyage in your Country for your Settlement. it being agreeable to what you have Severally Intimated in your Letters, To have one of our body to come over fully Impowred with all our authority Mr. Archdale now Comeing to you with Such powers, and with a Mind to doe every thing that can reasonably be thought to advance the peace and prosperity of our said
Country it will be your owne faults, if it have not the good effects. which is So heartely Intended by us, And will wee doubt not be endeavoured by him. He will likewise bring over a good number of Industrious people, with good Stocks and of Such a Reputation here that: if they come to be well Settled they will Encourage great numbers to follow and be a Means to have our Country well peopled, Wee recommend you to the protection of almighty God & Rest

Your affectionat friends

To Thomas Smith Esq' one of ye Landgraves and Govern'r of Carolina. and our Depty's: of that part of our Province of Carolina that Lyes South & west of Cape Fear

in Charles Towne

Recorded ye 24th of xbr i694

Jno Hamilton

Depty: Sec'ty

Charles Towne August ye 20th: i695

May it Please Yo': Lordp's=

This Serves to give you an account of ye Safe arivall of our p'sent Govern'r: John Archdaile Esq'= who after a Long & tedious voyage by Sea & an Irksome Journey by Land till hee came to Albermarle from whence he came by Sea, hither arrived the last weeke, and his Comicon was published on the 17th: Instant we are very well Satisfied ye: Lordp's: were pleased to instruct him with So large a power / as we find by his Comicon he hath) being in hopes ye: it may be ye Occasion of ye healing of all misunderstanding between ye Lordp's: & the people, My Lords a little before our p'sent Govern'rs acces to ye Gov're: there was an Addresse presented to Landgrave Joseph Blake late Govern'r: Signed by about an hundred of ye English Inhabitants a copy of which is here inclosed, & wee are informed more are preparing for ye p'sent Govern'rs: the Substance of ye Addresse is that they may have an Assembly of Purely English & Elected onely by English, My Lords if Yo': Lordp's: please to Looke back on ye record of Yo' Instructions Given to Colonell Phillip Ludwell You will find that you ordered ye Inhabitants of Craven County
were to have their representatives in the Assembly, It may be Yo: LordShips might think Craven County to be inhabited by an intermixter of English & ffrench, but my Lords there is only ffrench by which meanes there hath beene ever since six French gentlm— in the House of yc Cmons of yc Assembly which hath been very Dissatisfactory to yc English here, & was the Cause of yc Addresse the people Assert their priviledge of English men & think it very hard that yc ffrench who are refugeese & ought to be Subject to our Lawes are permitted to be Law Makers & to serve on Juryes otherwise then in such Cases where party Juryes are alowed, My Lords wee are att a Stand in the matter & Know not almost what to Say to it Yo: Lordp— orders being possitive yc Craven County Shall Elect, wherefore wee most Humbly begge yo: Lordp= orders in the matter as soone as possible & pray Alsoe that You will lett us know yc Distinction you will be pleased to make betweene yc Scots who though not Subjects of England are Subjects to yc King of England and the ffrench who are in all respects as Alienes, My Lords if wee Should Call an Assembly & should permitt ffrench to be in it we are afraid it will be of Dangerous Consequence the English being highly incensed at it wherefore wee believe wee must be without one till wee can heare from you Unlesse any Emergency may happen & then wee Shall take Care to Do what may be for Yo: Lordp= Honno= & the peace of yc Country & we Do intend that though ffrenchmen be admitted yett wee will have Confrmed all that hath been Enacted by yc Assembly that had ffrench in it to prevent yc mischiefe that will otherwise Happen this my Lords is the onely thing Materiall all other Matters wee hope will be settled to yc satisfaccon of yo: Lordp— & the People So with o: hearty prayers for Yo: Lordp= helth & Long lives Crave leave to remaine Yo: Lordp= Most Humble Servts=

Recorded yc 20th: of Paul Grimball  John Archdale
August Richard Conant  Joseph Blake
Tho Cha= Odingsells WM: Hawett  Ste: Bull
Dep"= Sec'ty Tho: Cary

William Earle of Craven Palatine John Earle of Bath Anthony Ld= Ashley Son & heire apparent of Anthony Earle of Shaftsbury George Ld= Carteret Sr= John Colleton Barronet Thomas Archdale, Thomas Amy and Seth Sothell Esq="= the true and absolute Lords and Proprietors,
of the Province of Carolina

To our trusty and well beloved John Archdale Esq'
Governour of South and North Carolina
Wee the said true and Absolute Lords and proprietors of ye Province aforesaid reposeing Speciall trust and Confidence in the Courage loyalty and prudence of you ye Said John Archdale Do hereby constitute and appoint you during our pleasure Governour of our Whole Province of Carolina and You are to Do and Execute all things in Due Manner & forme that Shall belong to Yo' Comand or the trust wee have reposed in You according to the Sev'ral Powers Granted You by this ₪sent Comission Wee Do hereby farther Impower Constitute and Appoint You our Said Governour to be Admirall Cap': Generall Comand'r: in chief of all the forces raised or to be raised both by Sea or Land within our Said Province and over them to Appoint a Lieutenant Generall or Lieutenant Generalls. Vice Admirall or Vice Admiralls both of South and North Carolina dureing Yo': pleasure and Wee do farther impower you upon all occasions during Yo' abode in America to constitute a Deputy or Deputy Governours both in South and North Carolina dureing yo' pleasure and to constitute & appoint all & Singular Officers in & for the Said Goverm't: of our Said province during Your pleasure and ye Pleasure of us the Lord Proprietors Wee do allso hereby impower you at Yo': departure from Carolina to England to appoint and Constitute a Deputy Governour or deputy Governours both in South & North Carolina with such power only as have bin given by us to the present Governour Thomas Smith wee do farther Give you full power & authority with the advise and Consent of any three or More of our Deputies to grant & Sell lands in fee reserving a Small quit rent of 12d for One hundred Acres ₪ Anno as an acknowledgment: and to Settle ye quit rents by Patents or Indenture & by Such a Method as You our Governour with any three more of our Deputies Shall think fitt So as when Money cannot be had a true vallue may be Setled in the best of Such comoditys as the Countery is capable of produceing Wee do farther impower you to Escheat Lands and afterwards to lett it for rent or Sell the Same And wee do hereby further impower you our Said Governour by and with the advice & consent of our Councill & Generall Assembly of our Province or any part thereof wherein there is a Distinct Goverm't: to alter any former Lawes that
Shall be thought fitt to be Changed And to Enact all Such reasonable Lawes & Statutes for the better Governm't: of our said province as you with the advice and consent of our Councell & Generall Assembly shall think Expedient provided y'c Said Lawes be not Contrary to the Powers granted to us In our Charter from y'c Crown and as nere as possibly Agreeable to y'c ffundamentall Constitutions, Excepting in What relates to y'c Juryes wherein wee have alredy Given Directions. And wee do Hereby repeale and make voyd all other Commissions given by us to former Governours of our Said Province given under our hands and the great Seale of our Province this One and Thirtieth day of August in y'c Yeare of our Lord One Thousand Six Hundred Ninety & Fourec.|  
Recorded y'c 25th=  
day of August  
1695.  
Cha Odingsells  
Dep'y: Sec'y  
Craven Palatine  
Bathe  
A Ashley  
Carteret  
Wm= Thornburgh for  
Sr= John Colleton  
Tho: Amy  

By the Governo'=
Ordered that all msons now in y'c Militia of this part of this Province do remaine in the Same Comand & Obedience they now are & that all Guards, and Watches do remaine & are to be Kept as they now are And that all Judges of Courts, Justices of the peace, and assistants of all Courts Continue as they are till farther Orders Witnesse my hand & Seale this Sixteenth day of August 1695./

John Archdale

Recorded y'c 21st= day  
of August 1695 &  
Cha Odingsells Dep'y: Sec'y  
William Thornburgh Gardian to  
Sr': John Colleton Baronett  
One of the True & absolute  
Lords & Proprieto's: of the  
Province of Carolina.  

To Joseph Blake Esq'=
Wheras it is Apointed by y'c Lords Proprietors of Carolina in their ffundamentall Constitucons & Rules of Goverm't: that
Each of the Lords Prop'rs= (or their Gardian, if under age, shall name a Deputy to be his Representative in the Generall Assembly & Counciull of Carolina I out of the trust & Confidence I have in ye wisdomne prudence & integrity of You the Said Joseph Blake doe Hereby Constitute & appoint You to be my Deputy in that part of our Province that Lyes South & West of Cape ffeare with full power & authority to act & Exercise all such powers as to a Proprietors Deputy Doth belong Given under my hand & Seale this 21st: Day of September 1694./ Recorded ye 1st= of October 1695 Wm: Thornburgh O

♀ Cha: Odingsells for Sr: John Colleton Barr= Dep: Sec'ty

London December ye 3d= 1694

Gentlemen

We have had Intimacon from Carolina that Nothing will Contribute more to Yo' effectuall Settlem'= then to have one of our Body Come over Governr with full powers from us wee have prevailed upon John Archdale Esqr a person Well Knowne to you to take upon him ye office.

Wee make no Doubt but by God's blessing & Yo': Assistance he will Compleate that good Worke which wee are Informed by the good managem'= of Governor Smith is allready much Improved & is hartely Desired by—

Yo'= very Affectionate fr's friends

ffor our Council Craven Palatine
of South Carolina Bathe
Recorded ye 3d=
Day of October 1695 Carterett
♀ Cha: Odingsells A: Ashley

Dep'= Sec'ty Tho: Amy

Charles Towne October 2d= 1695

May it Please Yo'= Lordships

Wee writt to yo' Lordships of the 20th= of August Last, & therein gave You an account of the then Circumstances of this Countrye, we gave a relacon of the disatisfacon of the People in relacon to ye french, & Sent You the Copy of an Addresse presented to Landgrave Joseph Blake when Governr, which wee hope will safely arrive to Yo' hands wee then acquainted You of the Doubts wee were in, how we Should Satisfye the people if
french Should be any More in ye Assembly & there being another
addresse now preferred to ye sent Governr a Copy of Which is
inclosed praying an Assembly & that onely of English to Settle
ye Affayers of this Country, & haveing rece'd a Lett' as from Yo's=
Lordp's= Directed to yo Councill, wherein we are Sensible of
Yo's Earnest Desiers of our happy Settl'd= by the trust & power
you have reposed in our present Governo's= & Knowing ye Nothing
but an Assembly can Setle us we have by vertue of ye Tenth
article of Yo's Instrucons to ye Governo's bearin Date 31st= of
August 1694 impowering him to make Such use of Coll: Ludwells
Instrucons as he Should think fitt, Issued out Writts for an
Assembly to be Chosein by & of English Onely (...) Tenne for
Berkley & Tenne for Colleton Countyes as was formerly & So have
left out Craven County there being not above Thirty Inhabitants
& those all french, when this Assembly meetes which is to be on
ye Twelfth of November next wee hope wee may make the Set-
lem's= happy & Enact Such Lawes as may be for yo Lordp's=
Hon'r= & to Yo's & ye peoples Satisfacon in the mene time we
pray God to Send yo Lordp's= helth & Long Life & are My
Lords

Yo's= Lordps= Most Humble Servants

The great Doubts ye here are
made of ye non Qualificacon
of ye french for Electing ye
being Elected in to As-
semblys is ye Occasion
of our giveng You
this account & to pray
yo Lordp's= as Soone
as with Conveniancy you
can to lett us
Know what Does in
Law quallifie an
Alien borne
Recorded ye 3d= Day of
October 1695. /

Ch: Odinsells
Dep'ry: Secry
John Archdale Esq' Govern'r of Carolina Gardian to Thomas Archdale: One of the true & absolute Lords & Prop'r= of ye Said Province.

To James Moore Esq'=
Whereas it is appointed by the Lords Prop'r= in their fundamental Constitucons & Rules of Governr= that Each of the Lords Prop'r= or their Guardian (if under Age) Shall name A Deputy to be his Representative in the Generall Assembly & Councill of Carolina I out of the trust & Confidence I have in the Wisdome Prudence & Integrety of You the Said James Moore Do hereby Constitute & appoint You to be my Deputy in that part of our Province that Lyes South & West of Cape Ffeare with full power & authority to act & Exercise all Such Powers as to a Proprieto'r= Deputy doth belong & this to Continue Dureing my Pleasure Given under my hand & Seale this first Day of Octobr': 1695.

Recorded ye 3d: day of October 1695 ∷
Cha= Odingsells
Dep'= Sec'y

John Archdale
for Tho: Archdale 0

John Earle of Bath one of ye true & absolute Lords & Prop'r= of ye Provine of Carolina

To Thomas Cary Esq'
Whereas it is appointed by ye Lords Prop'r= of Carolina in their fundamentall Constitucons & Rules of Governr= ye Each Prop'r Shall name a Deputy to bee his representative in the Genl= Assembly & Councill of Carolina I out of the trust and Confidence I have of ye Wisdome Prudence and Integrity of you Thomas Cary Do hereby Constitute authorize & appoint you the Sd= Thomas Cary to bee my Dep'y= in the South part of ye province of carolina with full power to act & Exercise all Such powers & authorityes as to a Prop'r= Dep'y= Doth belong Given under ye hand & Seale this Twelfth Day of March 1695/6

Recorded this 19th=
day of March 1695/6 ∷
Cha: Odingsells
Dep'y= Sec'y

Bathe (X)
May it please Your Lordships
Wee Writt to You the Second of October Last & therein Did acquaint You that Wee had Issued out Writts for an Assembly to be Chosen onely of Barkley & Colliton Countyes, & ye Wee had left out Craven County its Inhabitants being few, & those all French, since Which time arived here to trade a Small Ketch from New Yorke Navigated by French, the Collector Seized & Exhibited an Informacon agst her in our Court of Please for being Sailed Contrary to ye acts of trade & Navigacon, upon her tryall the Jury found for ye Informer The Councell for ye Ketch Peticoned ye Governor for a Writt of Error Which Was granted him, & a Suspension of Judgm't in ye Court of Pleas till ye Errors were argued in our Councell as in Such Cases is Usual the Errors assigned were four which You Will See att Large by ye Copy of ye records herewith Sent & Wee Shall herein make Some small resitall of them for ye better Clearing of ye Matter to You./

The first Error Assigned is ye Informer being an Alien Enemy & So Could not Have any accon./
My Lords ye Informer Was borne a Subject of ye French Kings, Never naturalized nor Deniz'd, but hath Lived Twenty Yeares under ye protection of ye King of England, & is Comiconed by ye Officers of ye Custome House in London to be his Majest's Collector for Carolina, & hath Swoorne Allegiance./

The Second Error: Assigned is that there Was not an Isshew Joyned &c./
Tis true there is not any replicacon of ye Informer to ye Plea & Demurrer of ye Defend'r, but ye Defend'r proceedeing Without it & Evidences being produced & Sworne, & Examined one both sides before ye Jury (Quere) if ye Defend'r did not make it Issuable by his So Doing./

The Third Error Assigned is that one of ye Jury was an Alien Borne./
This Allien Borne is Naturaliz'd by act of Parlim't in England as appeares by an Exemplificacon of ye Said act which hee hath here produced to us./
The fourth Error Assigned is the Ambiguity of ye Verdict &c=
My Lords ye reason of ye Verdicts being as it is, Wee Imagine to be ye Juryes, not being Willing to medle with ye Validity of Denizacon, for ye Ketch was Navigated by four men, that is
to Say, ye Master, & three Sailers ye Master & two of ye Sailers are Denizens ye other is an Allien.
Yo Lordp will find by ye words, yt wee Did not think fitt to give our Judgm but have Left it to You, to
take ye advise of ye Learned in ye Law in ye Matter, & Have Taken Security for ye Ketch, & Cargo if Shall be Condemned by
You/ We have had many disputes about ye Validity of Denizacon, Some aleide they are a Sufficent qualification for Masters, &
Sailors according to ye acts of Trade & Navigacon & Others averr ye Contrary Wherefore Wee pray Yo Lordp to give us Yo advise & Direcons in Such Cases & lett us Know if anything Less then A Naturalizacon be a Sufficent Qualificacon in Law My Lords Wee must pray yo Lordp Answer in this Matter as sone as posable because yt till wee heare from you ye Securty Canot be Dischargd in ye meane time Wee pray for Yo Lordp Helth & Long Lives & are

Yo Lordp Most Humble Servts=

Recorded ye 25th=
of October: 95

Joseph Blake
Tho: Cary
John Berisford

Thomas Amy Esq one of the true & absolute
Lords & Qp of Carolina

To John Berisford Esq
Whereas it is appointed by ye Lords Qp of Carolina in their
fundamental Constitucons & Rules of govern that Each Qp Shall name a Dep to be his representative in ye
Gen Assembly & Councill of Carolina I out of the trust and
Confidence I Have of ye wisdome prudence & Integrity of you
John Berisford Esq Do hereby Constitute and appoint you the
Sd= John Berisford to be my Dep in ye South part of
Carolina with full power to act & Exercise all Such powers &
authorities as to a pp Dep= Doth belong Given undr my
Hand and Seale this Third Day of March 1695:

Recorded ye 6th= day of
March 1695/6 Q
Charles Odingsells
Dep= Sec ty

Tho Amy (X)
Carolina ss

The Rt. Honble John Archdale Esq.
Governr. Admirall Capt. Genl. & Comandr. in Cheife of the Province of Carolina.

To Landgrave Joseph Blake
Whereas William Earle of Craven Palatine & ye rest of ye Lords Propvrs. of Carolina were pleased by their Comicon Dated the one & Thirtyeth Day of August 1694. To Constitute & appoint me Governr. of South & North Carolina & amongst other Speciall Trusts were pleased to impower me to Constitute & appoint Dureing my pleasure a Deputy Governr. for this part of their Province ye 1st Lyes South & West from Cape Sfere I therefore Reposeing Great Trust & Confidence in ye prudence Courage & fidelity of You ye sd. Joseph Blake Do hereby Constitute & appoint You Dureing My pleasure Deputy Governo. of this part of the Province Called South Carolina which Lyes South & West from Cape Sfere as aforesd. And Whereas, ye Lords Propvrs. were also pleased, Contrary to my Desier, to Conferre on me the Trust & power of a Captn. Genl. & admirall with power of Constituting a Lieut. Genl. & Vice admirall hoping thereby I might Prevent many Mischievous & Unecessary warrs Especially with ye Native Indians of Various Nations whom many times ye Covetiousnesse of Trade amongst ye English hathvoaked To warr I therefore being Willing to Discharge my Selve of ye sd. Trust Reserveing to my Selve if I please to make use of it a Negative in Case of makeing Warr. And beleiving as ye sent State of human affaires as Yett Stands ye. ye Same power may bee Useful & Necessary in an otherASON I Do therefore hereby Constitute You the Captn. Joseph Blake a Trusty Valliant & Discreet person to bee Lieut. Genl. & Vice admirall of South Carolina Dureing my pleasure And Transfere Over to You ye sd. Joseph Blake ye full power of Comisonateing all Such Millitary officers as You in Yo. Discression Shall Think fitt Dureing Yo. pleasure And to have Do & Execute all other powers matters & things (Except as before Excepted) ye in my absence I by my before recited Commission have power to Confer on a Deputy Governr. Lieut. Generall & Vice Admirall
During my abode in America Given undr. My Hand & Seale att Armes this Twentieth Day of December 1695./
Recorded ye one
& Twentyeth Day of
December 1695
\(\&\) Cha: Odingsells
Dep\(\&\) Sec'y

Carolina ss

To ye R= Hono\(\&\)ble= John Archdale Esq' Governo' Admirall & Cap'= Genl'= of
this \(\&\)vince

And to The Hono\(\&\)ble= His Councill
By Virtue of a Writt Directed unto me from Yo' Hon'= beare
ing Date ye 30th= Day of November Last past Comanding me to
Sumons all ye Kings Leidge Subjects ye freemen Inhabitants of
Berkly & Craven Countys to bee & appeare togeather with all ye
rest of ye Freemen as aforesd= of this part of this \(\&\)vince att
Charles Towne on ye 19th= Day of December Instant then &
there by a Majority of their Voices to agree to and ascertain ye
Number of their representatives for this part of this \(\&\)vince to
Consult & advise with Yo' Hon'= about makeing Such Lawes as
Shall bee Necessary for ye Safety & Defence of this \(\&\)vince
In Obedience thereunto I have in ye best manner I Could, Sum
moned ye \(\&\)sons in Sd= Writt Declared who have accordingly
mett att Charles Towne & by a Majority of their voices have
agreed to & Declared they Desier to have Asserted for their
Representatives ye Number of thirty \(\&\)sons for this part of this
\(\&\)vince to bee of ye Genl'= Assembly To Advise about Makeing
of Lawes &c= In testimony of which I putt My Hand & Seale
this 19th= Day of December 1695

Rob'= Gibbes

Recorded ye
24th= day of
Decemb'= 1695./
Cha= Odingsells
Dep\(\&\) Sec'y

Mr Charles Colleton Haveing Desiered to Have five hundred
acres of Land in Carolina undr. ye rent of one peny \(\&\) acre
wee are willing to gratify him therein wherefore You are to
Issue Yo' = ord' = to ye Survaier Gen'l to admeasure out for him five Hundred acres of Land for which you are to pass grants according to ye forme we Have d'scribed of which grant hee is to Signe ye Counter part for Security of o' Rent Given und'r = o' Hands & Seales this 29th = Day of Aprill An' = Dni 1686
To Joseph Mourton Esq' one
of ye Landgraves & Governr of ye part of o' Prvince of Car-olina ye Lyes South & West of Cape f'sear & to ye Govern'r for ye time being & o' = Dep'y =
Recorded ye 6th = Day of January
Ch' = Odingsells
1695/6 Dep'y Sec'ty

George Lord Carterett one of ye true & absolute Lords &
Ch' = of Carolina

To Landgrave Joseph Morton
Whereas by o' Instrucons or Rules of Govern't = of Carolina it is appointed ye Each of ye Lords Ch' = Shall nominate & appoint a Dep'y = to be his Rep'sentative in ye Gen'l = Assembly & Council of Carolina wherefore I out of ye trust & Confidence I have In ye Wisdom prudence & Integrity of You Landgrave Joseph Morton Do hereby Constitute & appoint You ye S'd = Landgrave Morton to bee Dureing pleasure my Dep'y = in ye part of o' Prvince ye Lyes South & West of Cape f'sear with full power to Do & Execute Such Jurisdictions & authorityes as by o' Rules of Govern't = to a Lord Ch' = Deputy Doth Ch' imply belong Given und'r = my hand & Seale this 23d = of August 1695.
Recorded ye 1st = of february 1695/6 Carterett (x)
Ch' = Odingsells
Dep'y = Sec'ty

August the 20:96.

May it Please yo' Lordsp'=

The acts of assembly made in march Last and by ye Govern'r Sent to Yo' Hon' = the Effects of Yo' Hon' = Large powers and his Dyscreet and prudent Managem't = of them Given and intrusted to Govern'r Archdale Have Effectually Settled the In-habitants of this Yo'. Collony in a greatfull and Good oppinion
of Yo'Hon's: favorable gratious and benificial Instrucions to them wards as their franck and ready paym't: to Yo' Lordp's= arreares of rent Even before the time appointed and the Gen'n'= unanimous Consent of the People Industriously to encourage and improve the Better Settlem't= of this part of Yo' Province and Yo'Hon's= and their Interest Do Evince wee wee have now no Contending Different ffractions or Interests in the Govern'm'= or Among the People Except that of the ffrrench which Seem Disatisfied and uneasey that they have not all the priviledges and franchices of an Englishman in Every respect they have and Enjoy all Except voting for and being Elected members of Assembly which could not bee granted or allowed them att this time without the apparent Hazard of the Loss of their or a great part of their lives and Estates and Engageing the English ffrriends to their interest and their adversaries in a Sort of Civill warr the Consequence of which could not probably have beeene Less then the Dispeopleing of this Collony which now by the improvem't= of Manufactor's= the $ducon of Sew'all vendible Comodities, the Increase of and the Gen'n'= Inclinacon of the people further to improve trade and the great numbers of Northern Planters already come and Expected this Autumn to come to Inhabit here is more hopefull and Thriveing then Ever Governo'r Archdale his Son one of o' Prop's= now att age is resolved and will not otherwise bee persuaded by his father or any other $son or Interest but to Sell his $prietorship his father hath prevailed with him to Dispose of it to Landgrave and Leuit= Gen'n'= Joseph Blake a $son most fitt as well as most acceptable to the people for that Hon': and the Govern'm'= of any $son now amongst us Notwithstanding his Son might have had more for it of other p'sons but farr Less acceptable to the people and less fitt for the Governm'= for which wee canot Do less then acknowledg his Love and fatherlike care to this Collony and us the Inhabitants of it, which wee See out Lives his interest amongst us, So wishing Yo'= Hon's= Helth and Long Lives remaine Yo'Hon's= Humble Serv'ts=

Recorded the 20th: Day of August 1696 J Archdale
Cha Odingsells
Dep Sec'ty

Ja: Moore
Wm: Hawett
John Berisford
Jos: Blake
Ste Bull
August 28th: 1696.

May it Please Yo' Hon'ble—

Yo' Lordp's Lett's: of the 30th: of January 1695/6 wee have received ¶ Cap't: Man who came a Shoore in his boate Yesterday The Vessell by which wee Send this to Burmodos Sailes this morneing So wee canot possible remitt to Yo' Hon'ble: the Case of the Sloop Blew Star Stated, which wee will take care shall bee Done att Large by the Next Conveyance.

In the 20th: Paragraph of Yo' Lordps Instrucons to Govern'r Ludwell you ord'r: him to Ishue Writts to the Sheriffes of the respective Countyes to Chuse 20v: Deligates for the ffreemen of Carolina viz: five for Albermarle County five for Berkley County five for Colleton and five for Craven County, which in respect of Albermarle County is not practicable, And in the 24th: and 25th: paragrapf of the Same Instrucons You ord'r: Generally that County Should Chose and Send Deligats to the Gen'l: assembly as soone as they are Inhabited respectively with fourty freeholders and that till then the freeholders of any County not Inhabitted with 40 as afores'd: Shall chuse Deligats in the County next to them that is Qualified to Chuse Deligats.

Now may it please Yo' Hon'ble: to bee informed that Craven County is not nor Ever was Inhabitted with 40v: freeholders or more then halfe that number and that they were all fFrench and not more then one in Six that Can understand, any argumenacon or Debate in English, we beleive Yo' Lordps: Did give Govern'r Ludwell private Instrucons what to Do in Case arbermarle County Could not Send their representatives to ashly river, Those or any Copy of them he hath not Left with us and therefore wee Canot Tell how to follow them besides by yo'r 22, & 24th Instrucons afores'd: wee have reason to beleive Yo' Lordp's: did not Know but Craven County was Inhabitted as in them is ¶vided.

and in Yo' Tenth and Last article of Yo' Instrucons to Govern'r Archdale you permitt him to putt in practice, but Such and So many of Gov'r = Ludwells and Gov'r = Smiths Instrucons as in his Judgm't: Should Seeme most fitt to bee putt in practice now hee with the Councills advice Did not think fitt to putt that Instrucon for Craven County att that Juncture of time in practice neither can wee beleive you Yo' Selves would have Done it had you been here for the reasons aboves'd: to Know Every particular matter that related thereto, and therefore by Yo'
aforesd power given him it was Suspended att that time and
to have Ishued Writts for Craven County to Chuse representa-
tives for the Genl Assembly had been Directly to have taken
in Six french to the Assembly, which the people by no meanes
would have Suffered

The french have never been told they Should not voat for or
bee Elected members of Assembly but were for their owne Safe-
ties and the preservacon of the publck peace perswaided to for-
bear voteing which if they had not Done at that time the ruin-
ing of this part of Yo's\[\text{?} vince had very probably followed

They have and Enjoy all priviledges of Englishmen Except
Voateing for and being Elected members of Assembly They are
not Differanced Either in Trade Taxes or Duties from the
English

If Yo Lordps think it Convenient and will bee pleased to
Lett the people Know what priviledges you Designe the frence
Shall Have and by and from what powers they bee Derived and
granted to them Itt will (wee hope) bound much to prevale
with the people to bee Satisfied with their Uses of them There
is none of Yo Lordps Deputies no Civill majestres or officer
but Such as are friends to the French and well und\[standing their
advantage of them particular as well as publick interest the trade
the French make here is to them very few or none of the French
here have Sworne allegiance to the Crowne of England nor have
wee (Least they were not obliged to) pressed them to take that
Oath So Carefull hath the Govern\[\text{?} beene att all times not to
give them any occasion to Complaine or bee Disgusted Though
wee have not many frence refugees (for religion amongst us
So hopeing Yo Lordps will bee Satisfied wee have Done
nothing Contrary to Yo Instrucons or the publick peace and
Safety of the Inhabitants of this Yo Collony wee begg Leave
to Subscribe or Selves Yo Hon\[\text{?} most obedient Humble
Srvs=

James Moore    John Archdale
Wm= Hawett    Jos Blake
Ste: Bull

Recorded the 28th=
of august 1696 \[\text{?}
Cha= Odingsells
Dep\[\text{?} = Sec\[\text{?} ty
William Thornburgh Esq\textsuperscript{r} Guardian to
\textit{Sr.} John Colleton one of the true and
absolute Lords Prop\textsuperscript{n}. of Carolina.

To James Moore Esq\textsuperscript{r}=
Whereas by o\textsuperscript{r} Instrucons or Rules of Govern\textsuperscript{t} of Carolina it
is appointed that Each of the Lords Prop\textsuperscript{n}. or their guardians
if und\textsuperscript{r} age Shall Nominate and appoint a Dep\textsuperscript{v}. to bee his
Representative in the Gen\textsuperscript{d}. Assembly and Counciull of Carolina
wherefore I out of the trust and Confidence I Have in the
wisdom prudence and Integrity of You James Moore Do hereby
Constitute and Appoint You the S\textsuperscript{d}. James Moore to bee my
Dep\textsuperscript{v}. Dureing pleasure in that part of o\textsuperscript{r} Province that Lyes
South and West of Cape ffare with full power to Do and Exe-
cute Such Jurisdicons \& authorities as to A Prop\textsuperscript{n}. Dep\textsuperscript{v}. Do
Properly belong Given und\textsuperscript{r} my Hand and Seale this fifth Day
of octob\textsuperscript{r}= 1696.

\textit{Sr.}: John Colleton
\textit{Wm.} Thornburgh for

Recorded the Sixth Day of
Octob\textsuperscript{r}= 1696  
Cha\textsuperscript{s}. Odingsells
Dep\textsuperscript{v}. Secrty

By the Governor
Whereas the Lords proprietors of Carolina ordered Landgrave
James Colleton to Imploy m\textsuperscript{r} John Stewart to Compare together
all the Constitutions to see in what particulars they diiffered each
from other that thereby it might be p\textsuperscript{r}ceaved how gradually
they enlarged the peoples priviledges and Liberties, and
whereas I have leatly receavd a letter from the Said Land-
grave James Colleton that he did accordingly Imploy m\textsuperscript{r} John
Stewart in the Said undertakeing who accordingly p\textsuperscript{r}formed
the same for the which he was to have on thousand acres of
Land, now the Lords havinge referred this matter to my exam-
ination and finding the truth of the Same as aforsaid I doe ther-
fore hereby order you to Issue forth warrants to the Surveyor
Generall for the admeasuring \& laying out of one Thousand
acres of Land for the Said John Stewart, and the Surveyor is not
to exceed Six places for the running out of the Same, And upon
the making of the grant or grants you are to observe to reserve
to the Lords proprietors an acknowledgement of ten Shillings to
be paid yearly and every year, and for yo\textsuperscript{r} So doing this Shall be
yo:r warrante given under my hand and Seale at Charls town the twinty first Day of october anno domini 1696

John Archdale

To the Secretary of this part of the province of Carolina that Lyes South and west of Cape ffeare
Recorded the 25th = Day of october 1696

Cha: Odingsells
Dep'v: Sec'ty

May it please Yo:r Lordp'=  
Govern'r Archdale now about to Depart out of this fffeince to England hath Left us in his place for Govern'r Ap'r Joseph Blake a p'son no less acceptable to us Yo:r Dep'ees= then to all the people in South Carolina the prudent managem'= of the powers you have been pleased to Entrust Govern'r Archdale with for the Good of the people here hath so Quieted made Easoy & Settled the Inhabitants of this Yo:r Collony that Wee canot fforsee any reasons for any Difference betweene Yo:r Lordps and the people or the people amongst themselves he hath filled up Yo:r Councill here with p'sons So agreeable amongst themselves and So unanimously bent to take care of promoteing & preserveing Inviolate Yo:r Lordp'= Hon'rs: & prerogatives & interest & the Good of the people of this Yo:r Collony that wee have no reason to Doubt of accomplishing anything which may reasonably bee Expected from Such p'sons, the paym'= of Arrearages of rents & rents which hereafter Shall become Due to Yo:r Lordps for Lands is So well Settled by act of Assembly here that the peoples paym'= of their Arreares to Yo:r Receiver before the time appointed by the act may well Satisfy Yo:r Lordp'= that You will not have any occasion to Doubt of the peoples ready paym'= of Yo:r rents hereafter as they Shall become Due, all things generally are So well Settled as that wee canot See no Difficulties for the Govern'= to Struggle with Except the naturalizacon of the ffrench Yo:r Lordp'= in Yo:r Lett'= of the 30th= of January 1695/6 have ordered us in Case the Comons will not Consent to Issue out writt for Craven County (now Inhabitated by ffrench only) to Chuse representatives, to Dissolve that assembly and Call another with writts for Craven County to Elect &c But may it Please Yo:r Lordp'= wee See the humour of the people Such that wee beleive to Do So would have Incensed them So
farr as that the french if they had pretended to that priviledge, would have been in Danger of the Loss of their Lives & Interest for the people Genl= Even those that are great friends to them believe that the french nor any other Aliens have any right to vote for or bee members of Assembly till they are Qualified by act of Assembly for that purpose made heare which wee have reason to beleive may in time gett for them but then we foresee Difficulties in that, for the french. Desier & Seeme not to be willing to accept of anything Less then a Genl= Naturalizacon Sev' all English acts of Parlimt= made & Designed for all the Plantacons in the West Indias perticularly one made (as wee are informed the Last Yeare have taken from all Aliens particular priviledges viz= They Say they Shall not Serve upon Juries where the King is Concerned in reliance to his Duties & that they Shall not bee owners of vessels after the Yeare :98 &c= now whether it will bee for Yo Lordp= Interest to make any acts here with a Non obstante to any English act, or without any notice taken of any English act made and Designed for the West Indias (Contrary to Such acts wee Leave to Yo Lordp= Consideracon and Humbly begg Yo Lordp= ordt= & Directions in that Matter to avoid all the Mischeifes afored= with Submicon to Yo ordt= wee have thought fitt to throwge the assembly, and Indeed all or the greatest part of the Considerate french Do think that an act of Yo Lordp= with the Consent of the representatives of the people assembled will bee a better & more undoubted way of Naturalizacon for Qualifieing them to vote for and bee members of the genl= Assembly then to vote & Sitt there without or before Such an act bee mad to make them capable then any other way Either themselves or any friends of theirs on their behalves have before posed thought of or advised to & Seeme to bee contented to Stay till Such an act Can bee obtained for them & to satisfact that are preparing a peticon for that purpose to bee presented to the Genl= Assembly att their Next Meeteing So wishing Yo Honrs helth & Long Lives wee remaine

Yo Lordp= Most humble Servs=

Charles Towne the 30th: of Octob= 1696.
Recorded the 2d= of November 1696
Cha: Odingsells
Dep'y= Sec'ty

Jos Blake
Jos Morton
Wm= Hawett
John Berisford
Ste Bull
Tho: Cary
John Archdale Esq'r Governor of the whole Province of Carolina Admiral Cap't: Gen'r: & Comand'r in Cheife of all the forces Raised or to bee raised both by Sea & Land with in the S'd= Province

To Joseph Blake Esq'r: one of the true & absolute Lords & Prop'r: of the Province of Carolina & Dep'ty: Governor of South Carolina

Whereas the R't: Honble: William Earle of Craven Palatine John Earle of Bath Anthony Lord Ashly George Lord Cartrett S'd= John Colleton Barr'd: and Thomas Amy Esq'r: true & absolute Lords and Prop'r: of the Province of Carolina Have by their Comicon und'r their hands & the Great Seal of the Province Dated the One & Thirtyeth Day of August in the Yeare of o'clock one Thousand Six hundred Ninety & Fourre Impowered me att my Departure from Carolina to England to appoint & Constitute a Dep'ty: Governor or Dep'ty: Governor: of South & North Carolina and to appoint a Lieutenant Gen'r: & vice Admirall of all the forces raised or to bee raised both by Sea & Land within the Province afores'd:

I the S'd: John Archdale reposeing speciell Trust & Confidence in the Courage Loyaltie & prudence of You the S'd: Joseph Blake Do appoint & Constitute You the S'd= Joseph Blake Deputy Governor of South Carolina with all Such powers onely as have been given by the true & absolute Lords & Prop'r: of the Province afores'd: to Landgrave Thomas Smith Esq'r Late Governor of Carolina And I Do Herewith further Constitute & appoint You the S'd: Joseph Blake Lieutenant Gen'r: Vice admirall of all the forces raised & to bee raised both by Sea & Land within South Carolina for the Defence of the Same with power to aske Demand and take & receive all Such fees Perquisitts Sallaries & Profitts whatsoever which to any Governor or Dep'ty= Governor of South Carolina have been used to bee taken, now are or hereafter Shall be by any maner of Ways or Meanes whatsoever Lawfully become and grow Due, and the Same to Yo' own proper use to Convert And I Do hereby repeale and revoke & make & Declare null and void all other & Former Comicons for Dep'ty: Governor Lieut': Gen'r: & Vice Admirall, Clarke of the Crowne & Peace, & Marshall & Provost Marshall for South Carolina Given und'r my hand & Seale att Charles Towne
this Twenty ninth Day of October Annoq Dni One Thousand
Six hundred Ninety & Six,
Recorded the 14th: Day John Archdale
of November 1696 🅡
Cha: Ordingsells
Depy: Secrty

Charles Towne December the 6th= 1696.
May it Please Yo'r Lordp's=
Soon after Date to that of Yo'r Lordp's: of the 30th: of January
1695/6 wee have received a Lett'r from his Maj'ties= Councill
Chamber att Kensington Directed to the Govern'r or Comand'r
in Cheife of the North and South part of the Province of Carolina
in America Strictly Chargeing and Comanding him to use his
utmost Endeavor that the Lawes of Trade and Navigacon of the
Kingdom of England may bee Duly and Strictly Executed within
his Govern'= &c= and Since that is made publick here an act
made in the Kingdom of England for preventing of ffrauds &
regulateing abuses in the Plantacon Trade which Doth Directly
forbid all Aliens the Benefitt of their being Assembly men, and
Capable to make Lawes and (as wee und'rstand the act) Doth
unqualify all p'sons not Borne in the Kingdom of England Ire-
land or Towne of Berwick or the plantacons to bee parliment
men or have any office or place of publict Trust all which are
of an after Date to Yo'r Lordp's= ord'r: to us to Cause Sumons
to bee Issued forth for the Chuseing Deligats for Craven County
inhabitted onely by french of which wee beleive Yo'r= Lordp's:
were att that time Ignorant now So Soone after Such Strict and
Minatory Comands from his Maj'ties= Councill Chamber to Yo'r
Lordp's= Gov'r: to See the Lawes aforesd= Duly and Strictly
Executed and after the aforesd= act made publicit here which
Seems to us to point More particularly att Yo'r Lordp's= Collony
then any other of his Maj'ties= plantacons in America to have
pretended to have Qualified So many Aliens with those per-
icular priviledges amongst others which His Maj'ties: Sd: ord'rs:
and the Sd: act So Spetially fforbid wee humbly Conceive may
bee neither for Yo'r Lordp's= Hon'rs: or Interest
ffor these reasons and others in o'r Lett'r: to Yo'r Lordp's= of
the 28th= Day of August and of the 30th= of October 1696 Given
wee thought fitt not to take So many Aliens into o' Assembly
who by their Interest in the house may bring themselves and
other Aliens into other places of Publick Trust, before wee have Yo\textsuperscript{o} Lordp\textsuperscript{s}: farther Directions & Comands ab\textsuperscript{t}: that Matter or Can gett an act past heare for giveing them So many privileges as wee Can or dare, we had hopes to have passed one in their favor this Session of the Assembly which Adjourned Yesterday to the 23\textsuperscript{d}: of february Next but the Leadeing men of the french refused to peticon the Assembly for a Bill which wee beleive (if they had Asked for) they might have had this obstinacy of these french Gentlemen have made Such an Impretion on Some others of them that were willing to peticon that they planely tell us that all or Most of the Leading men of those which will not Consent to aske for what they very much want & desier is because they Expect they Shall bee requireed to take the oath of alegiance to his Majesty &c which because they Expect to returne home to france to their Estates there in Som Short Time, they beleive will bee the occasion of Som Trouble or Difficulty to them in their reposessing of their Estates, for these men Do beleive that the warr betweene the Crownes of England and France canot End but with the Restoracon of all the french \textsuperscript{t} testants to their Native Kingdom and Estates To obviate this Difficulty and answ\textsuperscript{r} the Ends of those french y\textsuperscript{t} Realy Designe to Live and Dye heare and are Willing to accept of yo\textsuperscript{o} Lordp\textsuperscript{s}= flavors and the peoples heare, in giveing them Such privileges as Shall bee thought Conveniant wee hope to find out a way to get an act past in the Next Assembly that as many of them as realy Do Desier to bee Naturalized and will take the oath of Allegiance \&c: and Do Such other reasonable things as by the S\textsuperscript{d}: act they Shall be Enjoyed To Do may bee Singly Naturalized the Assembly not Sitting, and in the meane time wee Will take Care that they Shall Enjoy all the privileges they have heitherto Enjoyed without Disturbance And may it please Yo\textsuperscript{o} Lordp\textsuperscript{s}= to bee farther informed that the frequent advice we have of the french's Designe upon this place more particularly Late Informacon upon Oath that the admirall of the french ffllete that Lay Last Sumer before the Havana Did ord\textsuperscript{d} the Same fflete to meete him there againe Early this Spring to take or Burne Charles Towne which ord\textsuperscript{r}= the Inform\textsuperscript{t}= then a prisoner on board the admirall Saith he heard, Did necessitate us to admitt of this Session of this Assembly to Expedite the Building of a fort in Charles Towne which an act made before had appointed but wanted power to press men
and Materialls to Carry on that work time Enough to prevent this Designe of the French against us, which this Last act hath Sufficiently shewed against, wee also wanted a Store of powd'r: which wee hope by an act made this Session we Shall bee Supplied with (att Least Enough till wee receive that wee Sent for to England by Cap't= Edmund Belinger
To have Disolved this assembly and have Called an other according to Yo'. Lordp's= ord'rs= and the Rules & Methods of Yo'. Instrucons would have Left So much time as that we Could not reasonably have Expected to have Done any thing with them in time Enough to have made us Capable to oppose any attempts may bee made upon us next Sumer by o' Enemies.

Yo'. Lordp's: 10 or 11 Years ago was pleased to ord'r that no Lands to the Southward of Combahe river Should bee Laid out or granted to any particular p'son att that time (as wee Suppose) Designing that Land for the Scots by reason of which ord'r none of that Land hath yet been Laid out to any p'son the Scots haveing in all this time made no progress in the planting of that Land and as we beleive by the afores= act of Trade are now forbiden to make any Seperate or Distinct Settlem't: in any of his Maj'ties: plantacons Tracts of Land Island or proprieties wee Do presume to putt Yo'. Lordp's= in mind of that ord'r and that Sev'ral p'sons have been and Now are Desierous To Buy plantacons part of S'd= Land which Tho. wee think it will be Conveniant to have it Settled wee will forbeare to Sell or Dispose of till wee have Yo'. Lordp's= perticular ord'rs= thereabouts Wee herewith Send Yo'. Lordp's= a Copy of the Informacon made to us upon Oath Concerning the Designe of the French to attempt the takeing and plundering or Burneing of Charles Towne Next Spring wee have had Sev'ral other informacons to that purpose Last Sumer but wee hope with gods Assistance to bee able by that time by care & force to repell them And wish Yo'. Lordp's= Long Lives Helth and prosperity and humbly beg Leave to Subscribe o' Selves

Yo'. Lordp's= most Humble Serv'n=

Joseph Blake

Ja: Moore                  Joseph Morton

Ste: Bull

Wm: Hawett                   Tho: Cary
May it Please Yo're Lordp's:

Wee have Yo'res of the 23d of Aprill 1696 with the act &c for preventing frauds & regulateing abuses in the Plantacon Trade which wee in obedience to Yo're Lordp's Comands have by proclamacon made publick wee have att assembly begun att Charles Towne the 30th: Day of January 1696 and Continued by prorogacon and Adjournement: to the 23d: Day of February Last Enacted the following Lawes Vizt: an act to make Currant foraigne Coyne & to Establish & Settle the weight thereof An act for the makeing of Ailens free of this part of this province & for granting Liberty of Contience to all Protestants, An act for to Settle the forme of Conveyances for the purchase of the Quit rent of Lands Pattented att One peney £½ acre, An act to regulate the Election of the Members of Assembly, An additionall act for the Better Settleing & regulateing of the Millitia, a Declaritory and repealeing act to Vide Indifferant Jurimen in all Causes Civill and Criminall The four first of which wee here with Send Yo're Lordp's Coppys as the onely acts then made which Seem's to us to have any relation to Yo're Lordp's: Prerogatives or Distinct Interest the rest being purely Collony Lawes. The act for Naturalizeing of Ailens is as ample as wee Could prevale with the Comons to pass it and Satisfactory to the French as they Say but wee Could not possibly have gott this passed till wee Vide the Comons in an other act To unqualifie all Ailens for assembly men which is Don in the act for the regulateing of the Ellection of Members of Assembly &c.

Wee are now hard att worke abt: a fortificacon att Charles Towne which wee hope in a Little time to make Servicable And to Leave it So as when wee can raise Money to Do it with, it may bee made as regular and formidable as any Such Woorke in America

Yo're Country is very healthy Encreases Daly with Inhabitants flourishes in trade, And very peaceable & Easy So wishing Yo're Lordp's: health and Long Lives Beg Leave to Subscribe o'Selves Yo're Lordp's: Humble Servts:

Jos Blake
Ja Moore
Ste: Bull
Tho: Cary
John Berisford
Wm: Hawett
Charles-Town in South Carolina ye. 12th. of March 1697/8/
May it Please your Lordspp. 
Yrs. of ye 30th. of Augst: by Capt. Stow we have Receiv'd. We were in a short Time after ye. Passing of that Act of Assembly Entituled an Act declaratory concerning indifferent Jurymen in all Causes Civill and Crim-nall, Conscious that ye same ought not to be so Pass'd, and have Practically ever since Omitted ye. Putting of it in Execution, and had (if it had not been first sent to Yr. Lordships for your Approbation) Repealed it before this Time.

We have sent to yr. Lordships Copies of all Acts of Assembly which we Conceiv'd had any Relation to or Concern'd ye. Lordship's Lands, Rights, Rents, Revenues or Prerogatives whatsoever and ye. Titles of all Collony Laws.

We have had ye. Small Pox amongst us Nine or ten Months, which hath been very Infectious and mortall, we have lost by the Distemper 200 or 300 Persons, and

On the 24th. of Feb'y. last a Fire brooke out in ye. Night in Charles Town, which hath Burnt ye. Dwelling, Store and Out Houses of at least fifty Families, and hath Consumed (it is generally Believed) in Houses & Goods the Value of 30000£ Ster: wch. with ye. Small Pox we observe to be a great Disheartening to ye. Planter & March't, Deadens Trade & Discourages Persons from abroad to Settle here. It will be necessary, to make these Afflictions easie and less taken Notice of, that we find out some waies of Encouragem't. to Draw new Setlers hither, wch. we hope wth. your Honrs. good likeing, may be done without any great Charge to your Lordshipps, & to ye. great Interest in ye. Conclusion, So wishing yr. Lordships Long Lives & Happiness we Crave leave to Subscribe our selves Yr. Lordships most humble Servts. Jos: Blake, Ste: Bull; Ja: Moore, Wm Hawett, Tho: Cary.

Charles-Town in Carolina March ye. 14th. 1697/8/
May it please Yr. Lordships,

We have Receiv'd yr's of ye. Twentieth of Decemb. 1697 by Capt. Cole.

The Govern'r. of Bermuda by Capt. Stowe (haveing first Recorded it) hath Sent us his Majestie's Proclamation for a Peace wth.— France, wch. we have Publickly, Solenmly and Joyfully published, and will take Care (as far as in
us lies) That ye. Articles of Peace between ye. two Crowns of
England and France be strictly Observed.

Govern'r. Blake hath been Pleas'd to Comunicate to us ye. Councell here, That the Lords Comissioners. for ye. Plantation Trade do Require of your Honorable an Obligation Penalty 3000£ for his your Governor's. Observance Performance and Obedience of and to all such Directions & Instructions as from time to time shall be Sent to him from ye. King's most Excellent Majestie
&c. He hath been Pleas'd to let us further Know the way and
manner he Intends to Answer ye. Commissioners. Demands, or to
Save harmless ye. Honorable if necessarily ye. Lordships must give
ye. Obligation for Observance as aforesaid, with the Names of ye.
Persons he makes Use of for Sureties who are Mr. James Stan-
yarn and Mr. Jonathan Amory, both which are very sober, honest,
able & Substantially Persons.

Yr. Councell after the Signing of ye. Enclosed, & before Capt.
Cole came in, was Adjourn'd and Dispersed so that they cannot
all be gott together before Capt. Stow saies he will Sail, There-
fore we Desire our further and more ample Answere to ye. Lord-
ships by Cole, 'till his Return or another Opportunity, So wish-
ing ye. Lordships all Health and Happiness we begg Leave to
Subscribe our selves ye. Lordships. most humble Servants.
Jos: Blake, Ja: Moore, WM. Hawett, Ste: Bull./

Charles Town in Carolina Aprill ye. 23d.
May it Please ye. Lordships,

To ye. Lordships of ye. 20th. of December
1697 Sent by Capt. Cole, in ours by Capt. Stow (a Duplicate of
which is Enclosed) we Answered to, as much as ye. Shortness of ye.
Time & Number of ye. Dept's. then in Town would Admitt of.

As to Mrs. Nottle's Petition to your Lordships; Please to
be Informed, that there hath not been any thing specially done
here by ye. Councell relating to ye. Disposeall of her Land: It
became Escheated to ye. Lordships for Want of Pay. of Arrears
of Rent, or Chattells upon it upon which. Distress might have been
made for ye. same by Vertue of an Act of Assembly, a Copy of
which is Enclosed, and so of Course, (as all other Escheated Lands)
was Granted to ye. first Person willing to take up the same.

But ye. better to Enable us to give ye. Lordships a full Acc. of
ye. Matter, two of ye. Councell have Enquired of Mrs. Nottles
Attorneys here, which Orders they have at any time Receiv'd from
her about that Land when & why they Neglected to prevent ye. Escheat of it, to wch they, her Attorneys, say, Mr. Nottle did write to them about it, but neither before had, nor since hath Sent to them any thing to Pay ye. Arrears of Rent wth., and that they were not willing to Lay ye. Money out of ye. own Pockets, because, at that time ye. Land, if possibly they could have had it, was not worth the Rent to ym., nor after it is Charged wth. a year or two more Rent, will it be worth it to any Person wsoever: No Land wch. hath no Stock upon it, will Lease or Lett for anything here.

We have now no Assembly in being, but as soon as we shall have (wch. we Intend to Call so as to Sitt next Fall) we will Endeavour to gett ye. Indian Trade so Regulated, as it may be as well safe as beneficall to ye. Collony & the Inhabitants: in the mean Time we have no Reason to Expect any Mischeif from ye. Indian Trade, the Small-Pox hath Killed so many of them, that we have little Reason to Beleive they will be Capable of doing any Harm to us for several Years to Come, that Distemper haveing Swept off great Numbers of them 4 or 500 Miles Inland as well upon ye. Sea Cost as in our Neighbourhood, wch. must Needs lessen ye. Trade very much: it is amongst us now, God be thanked, neither so infectious nor Mortall as it was in cold Weather.

Those Acts of Assembly wch. our late Govern'r— Archdale, by yr. Lordsp— ample & gratious Powers & Condescensions, made here, have had their Intended & desired Effects, but the Want of your Lordsp— Approbation of ym. so long, doth begin to make some Persons, wch. upon yr. Basis have paid Considerable Sums of Money for Land &c uneasie & discourages others from Purchaseing & Settling. We hope yr. Lordships to remove ye. Occasion as soon as possibly you can. So wishing yr. Lordsp. long Life & Happiness, we Crave Leave to Subscribe our selves yr. Lordships most humble Servts.

Joseph Blake, Jos: Morton, James Moore, Wm— Hawett, Thomas Cary & John Morton/

Joseph Blake Esq'r. one of ye true & absolute Lords and Proprietors of ye Province of Carolina and Governo'r. of South Carolina, and the rest of the Lords Proprietors Deputies . . . . . . . . . .

To Henry Wigington Esq'r. Greeting

Wee ye. said Joseph Blake & Lords Proprieto'r. Deputies for ye. better & more Speedy Dispatching of Publick Business, Have
thought fitt to Comissionate & Impower you ye said Henry Wig- 
ington and wee Do hereby Comissionate & Impower you, so long 
you shall Continue Deputy Secretary or dureing our Pleasure to 
Administer Oaths for ye Proving of any Paper, writeing & Mat-
ters, which are to be recorded in ye Secretary's Office, And fur-
ter to Administer Oaths relating to all Publick, Instrumts. of 
Protest which are to be Attested and Manifested by ye Publick 
Notary. In Testimony whereof wee have hereunto Sett our 
hands & Seals ye Eleaventh day of February Anno Domini. 
1698/9 . . .

Joseph Blake
Ja: Moore
Robert Daniell
Edmd. Bellinger

Recorded, February ye fifteenth Anno Do. 1699 . . .

Thomas Amy Esq't. one of the true & absolute Lords & 
Propriets. of ye Province of Carolina/

To Edmund Bellinger Esqr. /
Whereas it is Appointed by ye Lords Proprietary of Carolina in 
ye fundamentall Constitutions & Rules of Government that 
each of ye Lords Proprietors shall name a Deputy, to be his Rep-
resentative in ye Gen'r Assembly & Councell of Carolina

I out of ye Trust & Confidence I have in ye Wisdome Pru-
dence & Loyalty of you the 3d Edmund Bellinger do Constitute 
& Appoint you ye 4d. Edmund Bellinger to be my Deputy in 
that Part of ye Province of Carolina that Lies South & West of 
Cape f'ear, with full Power & Authority to Act & Exercise all 
such Powers & Things as to a Lord Proprietary's Deputy doth 
properly Belong. Given under my Hand & Seal this Thirty 
first day of March One Thous'd. Six Hundred Ninety & Eight.

Tho: Amy (seale)

John Earl of Bath Palatine & ye rest of the true & 
absolute Lords & Proprietors. of ye Province of Carolina./

To Edmund Bellinger Esqr. /
Wee out of ye Trust & Confidence we have in ye Wisdome, 
Prudence, Integrity & Ability of ye 3d. Edmund Bellinger, Do 
hereby Constitute, Authorize & Appoint ye 4d. Edmund 
Bellinger Surveyor. Gen'r— of ye Part of ye Province of Caro-
olina that Lies South & West of Cape f'ear with full Power and
Authority to Act, Execute & Perform all things w'soever which belong to ye. Office of ye s'd. Survey'r Generall, together with all Profitt & Perquisitts belonging to ye. s'd. Office & we do hereby Revoke & make Null all former Comissions granted for ye. s'd. Office. Given under our Hands & ye. great Seal this 31st: day of March Anno 1698/


To John Ely Esq'

To all whome these Prests. shall Some Greeting

Know Yee that we do hereby dureing our pleasure, Constitute, Appoint, Authorize & Impower you ye. s'd. John Ely to be our Receiv'r. Generall of ye. Part of our Province of Carolina that Lyes South & West of Cape Fear, & allso to be on our Behalufs & to our Use Receiver of all our Moneys & Dues w'soever and of all our Rents in that part of our Province aforesd w'th. Power & Authority in our Names to Aske, Demand, Sue for, Levy, Require, Recover, Distrane for & Receive the s'd. Rents & Dues, and to give Acquittances & other discharges for us & in our Names for such Sums as you shall Receive by Virtue of these Prests. & to do & Act all other Thing & Things w'soever that we our selves might legally Do in Order to ye. Recovery of ye. s'd. Rents & Dues as well in Arrearre or that shall become due before our repealing or Vacateing this prest. Comission by some Writeing under the Hands of ye. Palatine and two or three more of ye. true and absolute Lords & Proprietors. & ye. great Seal of our Province published & Recorded in ye. Secret'y's Office there: And for what Rents or dues you shall Receive you are to be Accountable to us & to Dispose of ye. same as you shall be Directed by us. We do allso Constitute & Appoint you Escheator of ye. Part of our Province aforesd. and to do all those things that to the Office of an Escheator do belong. And we do hereby Revoke, Make null & void all former Comissions Granted
for ye. said Offices. Given under our Hands & ye. great Seal of
our Province this Twenty sixth day of July Anno Domi. 1698/
Bath Palatine, Bath for ye. Lord Carterett, Wm. Thornburgh
for St. John Colleton, Thomas Amy, Joseph Blake, Wm. Thorn-
burgh.

Mr. Thomas Miller haveing Meritted well of us, and Wee being
therefore willing to Shew him some Marke of our ffavour, have
thought fitt to Bestowe on him One Thousd.— Acres of Land
Rent free for wch. you are to Pass a Grant to him in ye. ffornm
we have Directed for Land sold for wch— this shall be your
Warrt. Given under our hands and Seals ye. fourth day of
March One Thousd. Six hundred Eighty and three
To ye. Governr & our Dep^es Craven Pals— — — — (seal)
of ye. part of our Province Bath for ye
that Lies South & West of Lord Carterett
Cape fFear P Colleton — — — — (seal)

Recorded Janu'r. 16th: 1698/9

Henry Wigington Dep^r Secret/r.

William Lord Craven one of ye. true & absolute
Lords & Proprietors of ye. Province of Carolina

To Robert Daniell Esq'.

Whereas it is Appointed by the Lords Proprietors of Carolina
in their fundamentall Constitutions and Rules of Governmr.
that each of ye. Lords Proprietors shall Name a Deputy to be his
Representative in ye. generall Assembly and Councell of Caro-
lina. I out of ye. Confidence I have in ye. Wisdome, Prudence &
Loyalty of you ye. said Robert Daniell Do Constitute & Appoint
you ye. s. Robert Daniell to be my Deputy in that Part of our
Province of Carolina wch. Lyes South and West of Cape fFear,
with full Power and Authority to Act and Exercise all such
Powers & Things as to a Propriètre. Dep'y. do's Belong Given
under my Hand and Seal the fourteenth day of January Anno
Dom: 1697/8

Craven (Seal)

Recorded Janu'r. ye. 17th. 1698/9/

William Thornburgh Esq'. one of ye. true & absolute
Lords & Proprietors of ye. Province of Carolina

To Robert Gibbes Esq'.

Whereas it is appointed by the Constitutions and Rules of
Governmr. of Carolina that each of ye. Lords Proprietors shall
Choose and Nominate a Deputy to be his Representative in yr. Councell and Assembly of Carolina: I out of yr. Trust and Confidence I have in yr. Wisdome, Prudence & Loyalty of you yr. s'd. Robert Gibbes Do hereby Constitute & Appoint you yr. s'd. Robert Gibbes to be my Deputy in that Part of our Province of Carolina that lies South & West of Cape Fear, w'th. full Power & Authority to do all those things yr. to a Propriets. Dep't. do properly belong Given under my Hand & Seal yr. Twentieth day of Octob'. Anno 1698.

Wm. Thornburgh (Seal)

Recorded Januv'. 17th: 1698/9/

Anthony Lord Ashly one of yr. true and absolute Lords & Propriets. of yr. Province of Carolina

To Henry Lé Noble Esqr.

Whereas it is Appointed by yr. Lords Propriets. of Carolina in yr. fundamentall Constitutions & Rules of Governm't. that each of yr. Lords Propriets. shall Name a Deputy to be his Representative in yr. generall Assembly & Councell of Carolina. I out of yr. Trust & Confidence I have in the Wisdome, Prudence & Loyalty of you yr. s'd. Henry Lé Noble do Constitute & Appoint you yr. s'd. Henry Lé Noble to be my Deputy in that Part of our Province of Carolina, that Lyes South & West of Cape Fear w'th. full Power & Authority to do & Execute all those things that to a Lords Propriets. Dep't. do's properly Belong Given under my Hand & Seal the 20th. day of May 1698./

Recorded Januv'. 17th. 1698/9/  A Ashly (seal)

Henry Wigington/

John Earl of Bath Palatine and the rest of yr. true and absolute Lords and Propriets of yr.

Province of Carolina./

To Thomas Cary Esqr. our Receivr. Gen'rl. or to yr. }
Receivr. Generall for yr. Time being of Carolina }

Whereas we have Constituted by our Comission bearing date yr. Twentieth day of May 1698 Edmund Bohun Esqr. to be cheif Justice or Judge of that Part of our Province of Carolina that Lyes South and West of Cape Fear, and for his Care and Trouble in Executing yr. s'd. Office have Allowed Him a Salary of Threescore pounds, 3/2 Anum to be paid him halfe Yearly out of yr. Publick Treasury of Carolina to Comence from yr. Time
of his Entrance on ye s'd. Office: We do Require you to Pay unto ye s'd. Edmund Bohun Esq'. ye s'd. Threescore pounds ℛ Anum. halfe yearly out of s'd. publike Treasury and for your discharge therein this shall be your Sufficient Warr'. Given under our Hands & Seals this 28th day of May 1698'/

Bath Palatine (seal)
A. Ashly — — — — — (seal)
Bath for Ld. Carterett (seal)
Craven — — — — — — (seal)
Jos: Blake (seal)
Wm. Thornburgh — — (seal)
for Sr. John Colleton
Tho: Amy — — — — — (seal)
Wm. Thornburgh — — (seal)

Recorded Janu'y 20th, 1698/9
Henry Wiginton D. S.

Whereas Wee have Sold unto Henry Augustus Chastaigner Esq'. Seigneur of Cramahè & Alexander Thezee Chastaigner Esq'. Seigneur de Lisle One Thousand Acres of Land for wch. we have Receiv'd ye. Sum of fifty Pounds. You are to Direct ye. Survey'. Gen'd. to Admeasure ye. same out for them in such Place as ye. s'd. Henry Augustus Chastainger & Alexand'r. Thezee Chastaigner shall Desire within ye: Limitts, and w'th. such Proportions of ffront to ye. Navigable Rivers or Creeks, as we have (by our Instructions for Setting out & Bounding of Land bearing Date in Septmb'. 1683) Appointed; And you are to Pass Grants for ye. s'd. One Thousand Acres of Land to ye. s'd. Henry Augustus Chastaigner and Alexander Thezee Chastaigner & their Heires for ever according to ye. fform we have Appointed for Land Sold. And you are also to Direct ye. Survey'. Gen'd. to Lay out two Thousand Acres of Land more in One Piece with ye. said one Thousand Acres, for wch. you are to Pass Grants according to ye. fform We have by ye. afores'd. Instructions appointed for Land whereon ye. Penny ℛ Acre Rent is reserved, And you are to Cause at ye. same Time ye. s'd. Henry Augustus Chastaigner and Alexander Thezee Chastaigner to Sign a Counterpart of the s'd.— Indenture or Deed of Conveyance for ye. Security of ye. Penny ℛ Acre Rent to us for ye. s'd. Two Thous'd. Acres of Land, and the s'd. One Thousand and two Thous'd. Acres are to be made a Mannor (if they shall so Desire) for wch. this our
Order, wch. you are to Record & file shall be your Warr. Given under our Hands & Seals this fourth day of September. Amo Dom: 1686

To James Colleton Esq. one of ye. Landgraves & Governr. of y'. Part of our Province of Carolina that lies South & West of Cape fear and to ye. Governr. for ye. Time being and our Deputies./

Craven Palatine— (seal)  
P Colleton (Seal)  
John Archdale (Seal)

Recorded february: Eight 1698/9  
Henry Wigington D S.


We Reposeing especiall Trust & Confidence in ye. Ability, Care, Prudence & Fidelitie of you ye. sd. Edmund Bohun Have Ordained, Constituted & Appointed, & by these Presrs. Do Ordain, Constitute & Appoint ye. ye. sd. Edmund Bohun by ye. Name & Stile of chief Justice or Judge of that Part of our Province of Carolina that lies South & West of Cape fear To Have, Hold & Determine all Pleas as well Civill as Criminall and those Relating to ye. Publick Revenues and all other Pleas wsoever arising & Happening within ye. ye. sd.— Part of our Province of Carolina. Giving & hereby Granting unto you ye. sd. Edmund Bohun full Power and Authority to do, Perform & Execute all Acts, Matters and Things whatsoever within ye. ye. sd. Part of our Province of Carolina wch. to ye. Office of a chief Justice doth in any wise belong or Appertane and in as large & ample manner to all Intents & Purposes as any Justice or Baron of any of ye. Courts of Westminster or any of ye. English Plantations in America may or ought to Perform & Execute To have & to hold ye. ye. sd. Office of chief Justice in ye. ye. sd. Part of our Province of Carolina, together wth. all ffees, Perquisites, Priviledges, Liberties, Imunities & Casualties belonging to ye. ye. sd. Office untill We ye. ye. sd. Grantees of this Commission shall upon a full Heareing of him ye. ye. sd. Edmund Bohun or some other Person Commissioned by him Adjudge him worthy to be
Deprived of this Office for any Misbehaviour or Injustice by him Comitted & no Longer: After wch. Judgmt. upon such Heareing of ye. s°. Edmund Bohun by us or the Majr. Part of us given this Comission shall be as if it never had been Granted. And We do hereby Require & Command all our Officers and all other Persons w'soever in any wise Concern'd to Take Notice of this our Grant & give all due Obedience to him ye. s°. Edmund Bohun in ye. Execution of ye. severall Powers herein Granted him as they will Answer ye. Contrary at ye. Perill. And we do hereby Revoke and make Null all former Comissions granted for ye. s°. Office. Given under our Hands & ye. great Seal of our Province this Twentieth day of May in ye. year of our Lord One Thousd. Six hundred Ninety & Eight.

Bath Paltine. A. Ashley, Craven, Bath for ye. L'd
Jos: Blake Carterett Wm: Thornburgh for Sr.
Jno— Colleton Thomas Amy, William
Thornburgh

Recorded ffebruary ye. Eighth 1698/9/
Henry Wigington D S.

Thomas Amy Esq. having well Merited of us, and in Consideration of ye. great Services he hath done in Contributeing to ye. well Setlem't. of our Province of Carolina Wee have thought fitt & do Require you to Order ye. Survey't. General to Admeasure out Twelve Thousd. Acres of Land for ye. s°. Thomas Amy for wch. you are to Pass Grants to ye. s°. Thomas Amy and his Heires for ever, Reserving ye. Quitt Rent of Ten Shill 3/9 Thousd. Acres p'y. Ann. And ye. wch. Twelve thousd— Acres we will shall be made in two Mannors if he shall Desire it so to be for wch. this shall be ye. Warr't. Given under our Hands & Seals this seventeenth day of October. 1694/

To John Archdale Esq. 
Govern't. of Carolina

Craven Paltine— — — (seal)
Bathe — — — — — (seal)
Wm. Thornburgh for
Sr. Jno— Colleton Barnt. (seal)

Recorded May ye. 18th: 1699
Henry Wigington D S./

John Archdale for
Thomas Archdale (seal)

To Nicholas Trott Esqrs.

Wee being Assured of ye Care, Prudence and Ability of you the sd. Nicholas Trott, Have Made Constituted, Authorized & Appointed, and by these Presrs— Do Make, Constitute, Authorize & Appoint you ye sd. Nicholas Trott to be (dureing our Pleasure) Attorney Genr. of that part of our Province of Carolina that lyes South & West of Cape Fear, therein to Act, Plead, Implead, Sue & Prosecute all & every Person & Persons wsoever for all Debts, fines, Americamrs. forfeitures, Escheats, Claims & Demands whatsoever wth. now is or may or shall be due or in Arrear to us upon any Accrs. whatsoever whether Rents, Revenues or otherwise howsoever and to Prosecute all matters criminall as well as Civill Giveng & hereby Granting unto you full Power & Authority in ye. Premises, therein to Deal Do, Execute & Perform in as large & ample Manner to all Intents & Purposes as to ye sd. Office of Attorney Genr— doth in any wise app'tane or belong And we do further by these Presrs. Constitute, Order & Appoint you ye said Nicholas Trott to be (dureing our Pleasure) Advocate Generall of ye sd. part of our Province of Carolina to Sue, Implead, & Prosecute in ye. high Court of Admiralty in ye. sd. part of our Province of Carolina in all matters as well Civill as Criminall, To Have Hold & Enjoy ye sd. Office of Att'ney Genr— and Advocate Genr. of ye sd. Part of our Province of Carolina & all Liberties, Priviledges, Perquisites, fees, and Proffits whatsoever thereunto Incident or belonging And we do hereby Revoke & make Null & void all former Commissions granted for ye sd. Offices Given under our Hands & the great Seal of our said Province this fifth day of fseb in ye. Year of our Lord One Thouisd. Six Hundred Ninety & Seaven./ Bathe Palatine, A: Ashley, Craven, Bathe for ye. Ld. Carterett Wm. Thornburgh for Sr. Jno— Colleton, Tho: Amy.

To Nicholas Trott Esq.

Wee out of ye Trust & Confidence we have and Repose in ye Care, Prudence & Ability Have Made Constituted & Appointed and by these Presst. Do Make Constitute & Appoint you the srd. Nicholas Trott to be (dureing our Pleasure) Navall Officer of that Part of our Province of Carolina that lyes South & West of Cape f Fear Hereby Requireing and Impowering you to Take Entries of all Ships or Vessells inward bound to or outward Bound from that part of our Provincs of Carolina and to See to ye due Performance of & effectuell Putting in Execution of ye severall Acts relateing to ye Plantation vizt. An Act made in ye Twelfth year of ye Reign of the late King Charles ye. Second Intitled an Act for the Increasing of Shipping and Navigation, an Act made in ye fifteenth year of ye Reign of his said late Majesty, Intitled an Act for ye Incouragemt of Trade, an Act made in ye two & Twentieth and three & Twentieth Years of his late Majestie's Reign Intitled an Act to Prevent ye Planting of Tobacco in England and for Regulateing ye Plantation Trade. An Act made in ye Twenty fifth Year of his late Majestie's Reign, Intitled an Act for ye Incouragemt. of the Greenland & Eastland Trade and for ye better Secureing the Plantation Trade: an Act made in ye Seaventh and Eighth Years of ye Reign of his present Majesty Intitled an Act for Preventing of frauds and Regulateing Abuses in ye Plantation Trade and all other Acts of Parliament now in force relateing to ye Plantation Trade Giveng & hereby Granting unto you (as much as in us Lyes and as fully & amply as wee can or may Grant) full Power in ye Premisses therein to do, Execute & Perform in as large & ample manner to all Intents & Purposes as to ye. sd. Office of Navall Officer in any of ye Kings Plantations doth in any wise Appertaine or belong To Have, Hold & Enjoy ye sd. Office of Navall Officer in ye. sd. part of our Province of Carolina, together with all Perquisites, fees, Profitts & Priviledges thereunto incident & Belonging And we do hereby Revoke & make null & void all former Comissions granted for ye sd. Office Given under our Hands & ye. great Seal of our sd. Province the fifth day of february.
in ye. Year of our Lord One thousd. Six Hundred Ninety & Seaven./
Bathe Palatine, A. Ashley (great Seal) Craven, Bathe for Ld.
Carterett Wm. Thornburgh for Sr. John Colleton Thomas Amy.

Gentlemen,

We doe hereby Acquante you That Mr. Nicholas Trott being
appointed a Navall Officer for the Performance of certane
Things in ye. Act for the Encouragemt. of Trade made in ye.
15th. year of the Reign of King Charles the Second &c hath here
given Security for his Majesties Use for ye. true & faithful
Performance of his Duty within ye. Province of Carolina And
is approved by us the Commrs. of ye. Custome in England being
in Persuance of a Clause in ye. late Act of Parliament made in the
7th. & 8th. Year of his Majestie's Reign Entituled an Act for Pre-
venting fraud & Regulateing Abuses in the Plantation Trade.

We rest

Yr. Loveing friends
Walter. Yonge
Sam: Clarke
Ben: Overton
Jo: Austen

Custom house Londn:
18th. March 1697./

For Peter Jacob Guerard Esqr:
Collector of his Mats Customs
& others whom these may Concern at Carolina/

Recorded May ye. 18th. 1699.
Henry Wigington D S.

Charles-Town on Ashly River in Carolina May ye. thirteenth
1699/
May it Please ye. Lordpps,

Yr. Lordpps Letter of ye. Tenth of Aprill 1698
Sent by Majr. Daniell, and ye. of ye. Sixteenth of Augst. 1698
Sent by Capt. Mann we have Receiv'd.

Yr. Lordpps—Constitutions sent by Majr. Daniell We Offered
to ye. Lower House for their Assent to, by a Bill of their House
to be Pass'd into a Law; they Liked them not, so modestly Laid
them aside, and Appointed a Committee to add to those or Draw
new ones, with their Address to ye. Lordpps— for ye. gratious
Acceptance &c which when done they Liked not, and have taken
a longer time to Consider of both.
The French here, ever since Mr. Archdale laid down the Government, have not been Differenced from ye. English in any manner of Usage or Concern publick or private, Except being of ye. Assembly here, wch. the Act for their Naturalization hath not given them, and their being Jurymen in Tryalls wch. Concern his Majestie's Revenue of his Customs &c wch— all Aliens by an Act made in England are made unqualified for, in all other Matters they have Enjoyed all the Privileges of English-men, and the English & they have a long Time lived together as if they were all of one Nation, the former Animosities being quite forgotten./

Mr. Secretory, by this Conveyance send ye. Lord— all the Acts in force here.

Wee thought it fittest that Maj. Daniell's Money for Value of his Rum condemned should be Repaid him out of the publick Treasury, into wch. all of it (Except ye. Prosecut's part) was paid, Wee therefore Proposed it to ye. lower House for their Concurrance with us for an Order to ye. Treasurer (for without that, none of the Publick Money can be Disposed of) to Repay it to him, but they unanimously Dissented; If ye. Lord— think ye it paid him in any other Way, Please to Order it so.

Foreseeing that if their should be Occasion to make Use of that Act for Restraining of Pyrates &c formerly Ratified by ye. Lord— the Validity of it would be Disputed for the People are generally of Opinion, That it was not duly Enacted; We sent that ye. Lord— Sent to us to the Lower House to be passed into a Law, wch. they would have done with a little but no materiall Alteration in respect of his Majestie's Service, But not without a Clause in ye. same Act to Declare ye. former Act of no Force, which, without ye. Lord— Leave Wee would not Accept of.

What ye. Country hath done for Mr. Marshall, a Person every way deserving ye. Character ye. Lord— give him, you will See by the Copy of an Act made here and Sent you by Mr. Secretory, with which he seems to be very well Satisfied.

Chief Justice Bohun's Learning, Integrity & Diligence in ye. Execution of ye. Laws of England in force here We have yet no Experience of; But of his Neglect of and Acting contrary to ye. Laws of this ye. Colony we are too Sensible.

Nicholas Trott Esq. arrived here ten Daies ago; We will
take Care that all ye. publik Officers shall observe such Methods as he shall Prescribe to them, for ye. better and more regular Keeping of their respective Records.

We have already Repaired and Widened our Look-out and have taken Care for it's Managemt. to ye. best Advantage

We have already by an Act of Assembly given Incouragemt. to ye. Pilotts to make frequent ye. Use of ye. South-Channell.

We are profoundly Sensible of and uneignedly thankfull for ye. Lordpp. Care to Promote ye. Trade as well as ye. Increasing ye. Number of ye. Inhabitants of this ye. Plantation.

Edward Randolph Esq'. his Majestie's Surveyr. Genctl, from New-Yorke came hither, where by ye. Govern'. all ye. Depties—and all other ye. Lordpp. publick Officers he was Received and Treated with all Civilities & Respects due to ye. Place he bears and ye. Trust his Majesty hath Reposed in him. After two or three Months Stay here, he Went on Board a Vessell bound for Bermuda; when the Master of that Vessel putt her under Sale for that Voyage, he Ask'd Mr. Randolph for his Permitt to go off; He told ye. Master he was ye. King's Officer and Wanted no Permitt for his Departure nor would he be Subject to ye. Colony Laws; The Master told him he had given Security in a Bond of One Thou'sd— Pounds not to Carry off any Person without the Governr. Permitt, And that without such Permitt he would not Carry him off: Mr. Randolph told him he would go on Shoar and immediately Discharge those Bonds for him; He Went to ye. Secretr. Office & Inquired of ye. Dep's Secretr. if any such Bonds were in ye. Office, and Desired him to let him See it, wch. as soon as he had in his Hands, he Canceled Tore in Pieces and Went away: This Wee thought fitt to Write to you, least he should Represent this thing at home otherwise than it was. He never Ask'd the Governr. or Secretr. for a Permitt, nor so much as Hinded that he Expected to go off without a Permitt, or without doing what ye. Act for that End made requires to be done, before a Permitt can be given to any Person.

Ye. Lordpp. Constituteing Esq'. Bohun Judge of so many of ye. highest Courts hath already given us some Trouble, and we foresee will give us much more; for he Believes & Saies he's not Accountable in any Court or Place or before any Authority whatsoever here for any thing he can do; which Opinion we Believe encourages him to Act contrary to our Laws as he hath already in severall Cases done, even where ye. Law hath laid a
severe Penalty upon him for so doing, and We have now an Information Exhibited ag"st. him for ye. Penalty of one Hundred Pounds; We will by this Conveyance give ye. Lords— a particular Acc" of all his Proceedings.

Wishing ye. Lord's Health & long Life
Wee are ye. Lord's— most humble & Obedient Servts. .

Jos: Blake
Jos: Morton
Robert Gibbes
James Moore
Edm'd. Bellinger
Henry Noble

Charles-Town on Ashly River in Carolina May the 13th—1699.
May it Please ye. Lord's—
We have Receiv'd ye. Lord's Comission for Impowering us to Sell Land, and to Inspect the Acc"ts. of ye. Late Receiv'd. Mr. Cary and Mr. Moore &c
Mr. Cary hath given his Acc"ts. to Mr. Ely and hath paid him the Ballance of them as they Stand; How good they are we cannot Judge, before we have made Inquiry of ye. particular Persons of ye. Sums of Money paid him, and to whom & how much every Person hath paid for ye. Land he Possesses or Holds, wch. to do will Require some time; the Govern"— hath allready taken Care to have this done as soon as Possible, which when done will make easie ye. Stateing of and Enquireing into Mr. Moor's Accounts.
We will Observe ye. Lord's— Instructions for the Sale of Land &c

Wishing ye. Lord's Health & long Life We are ye. Lord's— most obedient & humble Servts.—
Joseph Blake
Jos: Morton
Rob't. Daniell
Ja: Moore
Edm'd. Bellinger

William the Third
Greeting. We Reposeing Confidence in your Skill, Abilitie, Industry & fidelity to our Service Have Constituted & Appointed and by these Pres's. Do Constitute & Appoint you ye. s'd. Jonathan Amory to be Advocate in ye. Court of Admiralty of South Carolina, and We do hereby Committ to you full Power & Authority to Appear for us and our high Admirall or ye. Commission's. for the Executing the Office of our high Admirall for ye. Time being as Advocate in ye. s'd. Admiralty Court of South Carolina and to Move & Debate on behalfe of us & our said high Admirall of ye. s'd. Commission's. for Executing that Office for ye. time being, whatsoever may be found to be Requisite & Conduceing to any of ye. Rights, Perquisites, Profitts or Benefitts belonging to us or to ye. Office of our high Admirall and to Move for & Procure all manner of Process and all manner of Decrees for Seizure of Ships & Goods of whatsoever kind in any sort forfeited or belonging to us or to ye. Office of our high Admirall and Cognizable within ye. s'd. Court & to Cause Proceedings to be made thereupon & joyn up Issues & Produce or See Witnesses to be Produced as ye. Cases may Require and both to Act & Defend for us or our s'd. high Admirall or ye. s'd. Commission's. for Executing that Office for ye. time being, and to Sue for and Procure finall Decrees & Interlocutories & Sentences definitive & Executions hereof for ye. Advantage of us or our s'd. high Admirall or ye. s'd. Commission's. for Executing that Office for ye. Time being & Generally to do & Consent to all & every Act & Acts thing & things wch. may be requisite in ye. Premisses or touch or concern ye. same. Giveing and by these Pres's. Granting to you ye. s'd. Jonathan Amory all manner of Rights, Places & Privilegeds belonging to our Advocate in our Court afores'd. and our Will & Pleasure is that these our Letters Patents or Comission shall Continue in force onely during our Pleasure In Witness whereof we have Caused ye. great Seal of our high Court of Admiralty of England to be hereunto Affixed Given at London this six & Twentieth day of June in ye. year of our Lord 1697 and in ye. Ninth year of our Reign.

(Locus Sigilli
Cu: Admira'::)

Orlando Gee Reg'.

Recorded June ye. 27th. 1699

Henry Wigington D S
Joseph Blake Esq. one of ye true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of ye Province of Carolina & Governour Lieutenant General and Vice Admirell of ye part of ye Said Province ye Lyes South and West from Cape Fear and ye rest of ye Comissioners for appointing publick Officers &c. — — — — — — — — —

To ye honourable James Moore Esq.

Wee reposeing especial trust and Confidence in ye ability Care prudence and fidelity of you ye Said James Moore, By virtue of ye Power and authority to us derived Have ordained, Constituted & appointed and by these presents Do Ordain Constitute, and apoint you ye Said James Moore by ye Name and Style of Cheif Justice of ye Pleas or Judge of ye part of ye Province ye Lyes South & west of Cape fear, To have, hold, and determine all pleas as wel Civill as Crimincall and those relating to ye publick revenuues and all other pleas w't Soever arising and happing wthin ye Said part of ye Said Province of Carolina Givin'g and hereby granting unto you ye Said James Moore full power and authority to do perform and execute all Acts, matters and things whatsoever within ye Said part of ye Said Province which to ye Office of Cheif Justice of ye Pleas doth in any wise apertain or belong in as large and ample Manner to all intents and purposes as any Cheif Justice or Judge of any of his Majestys English plantations in America may lawfully do. To have and to hold ye Said Office of Cheif Justice of ye Pleas and Judge together w't all Fees, perquisites, Priviledges, Immunitys and Casualtyes belonging to ye Said Office untill ye Lords Proprietors or our Selves shall otherwise direct. And we do hereby Comand all Officers and all other persons whatsoever in any wise Concerned, to take notice of this Grant and give due Obedience to ye Said James Moore in ye Execution of ye Said Office,"—, —"—, —, —, —

Given under our hands and ye Publick Seal of ye Province this first — Day of December — Anno Domini 1699/700

Joseph: Blake Esq. one of ye true & absolute Lords and Proprietor of ye Province of Carolina Lieu'tenant Generall Vice Admirell and Governour of ye Part of ye Province of Carolina ye Lyes South and west of Cape fear

Know Yee yt I by and with yt Advice & Consent of my Counsell have Nominated, Constituted & appointed, And by these Presic., do Nominate, Constitute, & Appoint you yt Said Joseph Morton. James Moore Edm. Bellinger. Robert Daniel & Robt. Gibbs, or any 4 of you Provided Jos: Morton be one, Justices for holding of a Sessions of Oyer & Terminer & Gaol Delivery for yt Jurisdiction of yt Admiralty of South Carolina at yt house of Cap’t. William Smith in Charles town on Wednesday yt 7th day of February next, To enquire by yt Oath of Good & lawfull men, by whom yt Truth may be yt better known, of all and all manner of Pyracies Robberies & Murther’s homicides and Misdemeanours done & perpetrated upon yt Seas by whomsoever howsoever yt Same hath been done & perpetrated & to inspect all Indictm’s of yt. whatsoever relating, to yt Premises before you brought & to make Process thereupon against all & Singular Persons Indicted before & to hear & Determine all & Singular yt Pyracies, Robberies, Murthers, homicides & Misdemeanours & Indictm’s, afores’d. According to yt Laws & Statutes of England, & yt Customs of yt Admiralty, as in like Case hath & ought to be done or used & to Chastise and punish Persons offending as afores’d. And every of yt for Such their Offences by Death, fines, ransomes, Imprisonm’s: Amerciaments, forfeitures, or otherwise as ought & hath been used to be done in & by yt Admiralty Jurisdiction, Comanding you & Every of diligently to Intend yt Charge and Trust hereby reposed in You, and yt You make Inquiry upon yt Premises, and hear Determine, fullfill and Perform yt Same aforesaid doing therein yt which to Justice doth pertaine — — — — — — —
Given under my hand and yt Great Seal of yt Province at Charles Town this fifth day of January Anno Domini 1700: Annoque Reqni Gulielmi Tertij Regis & cetera undecimo,”—”— (sigill:)
Joseph Blake
( Pro: )

Charles Town on Ashly River
the Day of Anno Do: 1699.

May it Please Yr. Lordppa—,

Judge Bohun’s Opinion of yt fulness And unlimitedness of his uncontrollable Power (as he Calls it) hath given us a Great Deal of Trouble since his Arrival here nor hath it been less Chargeable to the Country, — — In a Short time after here he acquainted yt. Counsell yt he intended to call & hold a
Generall Session of Peace & Gaol Delivery we told him we thought there was no Occasion at this Time (we haveing y\textsuperscript{a} but one Prisoner in Goal, for Such a Chargeable Court as y\textsuperscript{t}, And delay'd him till we Saw we Could not put him of Longer without disobligeing him to Extremity y\textsuperscript{a} wee Comply'd with him, And he would have y\textsuperscript{t} Court sit at y\textsuperscript{c} Same time y\textsuperscript{c} Court of Pleas was to Sitt, Proposeing to do y\textsuperscript{e} business of both Courts in as Short time as of one, Att y\textsuperscript{c} Day appointed for y\textsuperscript{e} Session w\textsuperscript{h} was y\textsuperscript{e} Second Tuesday in May last, he Called & open'd both Courts, He Proteus like, Metamorphosed himself and Court in one & y\textsuperscript{c} Same Hour without Adjournmt: from Judge of y\textsuperscript{e} Pleas, into Judge of Goal Delivery And anon into Judge of y\textsuperscript{e} Kings bench, And thus he Spent three Days and a half without doing more y\textsuperscript{e} another might have done in two hours, he Kept y\textsuperscript{e} Jurors for y\textsuperscript{e} Court of Pleas undischarged 'three Day's And Did not try one Cause w\textsuperscript{h} y\textsuperscript{m}, tho formerly w\textsuperscript{n} they have try'd most Causes They used to be discharged in one Day & a half, The Jurors for y\textsuperscript{e} Court of Goal Delivery he kept on duty—three days & a half and try'd but one Crimmnall, In his Court of Kings bench which he held at y\textsuperscript{e} Same time w\textsuperscript{h} ye two former, he Comitted y\textsuperscript{e} Marshall of y\textsuperscript{e} Admiralty to Goal for not bringing before him in his Said Court on Tuesday, Two Persons w\textsuperscript{h} he took out of his Custody y\textsuperscript{e} Saturday before by his warr\textsuperscript{t} to y\textsuperscript{e} Provost Marshall — — — A Difference w\textsuperscript{h} arose between him & his attorneys of y\textsuperscript{e} Court of Pleas, about ffees and ready Money was y\textsuperscript{e} Occasion he did nothing in y\textsuperscript{t} Court and he declared y\textsuperscript{e} first day of y\textsuperscript{t} Court before Noon, y\textsuperscript{t} he would try noe Causes y\textsuperscript{t} Court, He knew there was butt one Crimmnall to try in y\textsuperscript{e} other Court Yet kept 94 Jurors, (for so many are necessary to attend both Courts) together w\textsuperscript{h} Plaintiffs, Defendants, Witnesses, and other Persons Concerned a Great number on duty y\textsuperscript{e} time aforesaid this unnecessary and very expensive Delay hath disobliged a Great number of People — — — — — — One Crowther Master of a Pink, after he had beat thirteen weeks upon y\textsuperscript{e} Coast of Virginia for y\textsuperscript{t} Port, Came into Ashly River, for Wood, Water & Provisions, a little time after his arrival here two of his Seamen left him, he Complained of y\textsuperscript{m} to Cap\textsuperscript{t} Bellinger, Deputy Judge of y\textsuperscript{e} Admiralty who by his warr\textsuperscript{t}, had y\textsuperscript{m} brought before him to whom they absolutely refused to go on board He according to an Act of Assembly Entituled for y\textsuperscript{t} Purpose made here Committed y\textsuperscript{m} to y\textsuperscript{e} Custody of y\textsuperscript{e}
Marshall of ye admiralty, by him to be kept. till ye Pink Sayled, and ye to be put on board wch was done Accordingly. Judge Bohun after ye Vessel was under Sail bound out of this Port by his warrant, directed to ye Provost marshal, & a precept to a Cap'n of one of ye Companies' in Charles Town to raise his Company to Assist his Marshall sent for ye two men and their Master on shoar ye two men he let go at Liberty ye Master he Committed to Goal, because ye Marshall of ye Admiralty, had not obeyed his writt of Habeas Corpus, The Master by this Means, to his, & Owners, Great Damage, made incapable to Proceed on his Voyage, Petitioned ye Councell for his Liberty, That his Seamen might be put on board, & for Damages, after ye Reading of ye Petition and before ye Councell enquired into ye Merritt of ye Matter, We Sent for Cheif Justice Bohun by him to be Informed of ye reasons for his So doing, he told us ye w't he had done was according to ye Habeas Corpus Act, we told him these two Men were Persons Convict & under Execution & therefore not within ye Compass of ye act & ye before ye Execution of his Writt of Habeas Corpus, he was by a Member of our Board told ye Same he told us ye w't he had done he would Justify by Law, we told him we did not then Send for him to Call him to Acc't for w't he had Done, But (if he Could) to give us better Reasons ye we Could take from his Process, for his so Doing, or Else ye we would Send ye Men on board again, we Could Observe nothing from his further Discourse upon ye whole Matter, but ye his so Doing was reason Enough for its being Done before ye debate of ye Matter was made an end of, we Came to understand ye ye Judge had by recognizance bound over these two Men (for whom before he had acted more like an advocate ye an Indifferent Judge) to ye next Gen'r. Sessions of ye Peace an uncertain Time, we asked him for w't Crime, upon whose Complaint, or Information he had bound these two Men to ye Sessions, he would make us no Answer, other ye ye he had done it, wee Enquired of ye Master if he had made any Complaint against his Men to ye Judge, he told us Noe wee Apprehended this was done by ye Judges advice w't ye Consent of ye Men to make us less Capable to Send them on board in fine we Ordre the Men to be putt of board and ye Judge at last advised ye to leave a Power behind ye to Sue ye Marshall of ye Admiralty for false Imprisonment. Some Say the Judge first medled in this Matter to Grieve ye Master because he did not first Complain to him against his Men
& ye he (as before) multiplied his Proceedings because he could not bear to have anything done by him to be Called in Question or Contradicted, and for ye Sakes of ye Fees, we have reason to believe ye last was a great Inducem. — — In his Court of Kings Bench he Called ye Marshall of ye Admiralty before him to make return of his writ of habeas Corpus, Which he was Comanded to bring ye bodys of ye Two Seamen aforesd. before him, on Tuesday ye Marshall made return ye bodys of ye Said Seamen were taken out of his Custody by his ye Judges Precept to ye Provost Marshall directed on ye Saturday before ye Said Tuesday, The Judge Said this was no return & therefore Committed him Prisoner to the Provost Marshall — — — — Among other his Multifarious Proceeding's in ye aforesd. Matter, ye Judge Sent a Certiorari to Landgrave Morton his Majesties Cheif Judge of ye Court of admiralty for so he is Constituted by his Majesties Speciall Comission, & to Edmund Bellinger Esq' Deputy Judge, ye Copys of ye Cheif Justices Certiorari, and their return to it we hereunto Send Your Lords— This hath made a Difference Between Your Lordships Cheif Justice and his Majesties Judge of admiralty, The Justice Says he will make ye Judge know he hath Power & will Supersede any business whatsoever shall be brought before him in ye Admiralty, to this ye Judge will not Submitt. Wee know Your Lordships have Power by your Charter to make Judges of ye Admiralty. Notwithstanding 'wch his Majesty is Pleased to Comissionate one here now if your Cheif Justice Supersede all business shall be brought before ye Kings Judge it will in Effect make his Majesty's Comission Void Whether this be a fit way & time for your Lordships to Claim ye Prerogative in ye Particular Matter your Lordships are better Judges ye we are, And we hope your Lordships will Give Instructions about it — — — — — — — — One Watkins a Merch of Bristoll Came here w'n after he had Stay'd Some time and was inclined to Go off, he Sold ye remainder of his Goods for Something less ye he retaild ye to John Hales an Inhabitant for money to be paid before he went off ye Said Hales refused or neglected to Pay him his Money as agreed w'ch ye Merch. Petitioned ye Cheif Justice for a Speciall Court, w'ch was Granted him, and a Tryall had in w'ch ye Def't: attorney, alledge ye Judge had made divers Errors, a Copy whereof wee herewith Send your Lordshippes and accordingly did address ye Governour for approbation to ye Judge till ye Said
Errors were arguid wee Endeavored to Persuade ye attorney to desist, by telling ye there was nothing but right done Tho in a wrong way, they told us ye if indirect meanes were Suffred, to be made use of to do Justice, they would be much more made use of to do Injustice they would not be Prevailed upon to desist, Thereupon ye Secretary was Ordered to Issue out Such Process as in ye Case is usual. The Secretary, before he did anything in ye matter Acquainted ye Judge of ye Importunity of ye Deftn. attorney and of ye Necessity— he was under to Comply with ye, the Judge was not against arguing ye Errors, but Said ye Process must Go from him, And he must and Would & ye none other in Carolina Could try his Errors. The Secretary told him it was not So in England, he Said he knew ye, but ye he by his Comission was Judge of all & every Individual Superior Court in wch ye Errors of ye Inferior Courts were arguable &c— The Secretary told him ye Governor was Satisfied he ought not be Judge of his Own Errors, And had ordered him to Issue out Process for a hearing in ye Palatines, Court, And desired his ye Judges advice in ye method of doing it. The Judge Seemed to be willing to advise, but whilst ye Secretary and he were discoursing of ye Matter, ye Judge made an Excuse to go out, Step'd into another Room & Signed an Execution in ye Particular matter, and ordered ye Marshall to execute in mann'.

Then Came again to ye Secretary & wth him Consulted of ye mann of ye Process not telling him of ye Execution being signed or Executed, however ye matter was brought to a hearing before ye Councell where ye Judge was Pres't, & arguid passionately for ye Plt. The Councell for ye reputation of ye Country & Justice Sake Ordered ye Merch't. Should have his Money, And left it to ye Judge to Proceed as he would have done if no Errors had been,— The Judge Ordered ye Matter so ye Notwithstanding, Execution was Executed upon ye Def't. Goods, ye Merch't wen of without his Money, nor did at last take Care to have it pd. Sooner yn it might have been recovered in ye Court of Course The Attorney for ye Def't, Adres'd ye Councell to know where they might bring an Information for ye Penalty of 100£. for non Observance of our Jury Act Against ye— Judge of & Above all Courts, after some time without Success Spent, to Disuade ye attorneys from their Purpose we told yn ye Palatines Court would hear and try all Causes, in wch any Officer of any Court without wch Officer ye Court Could not have a being, was Concerned,
and to Judge of appeals, The Deft. Hales hath filed an
Information in y^e Secretary's Office against y^e Judge with a
Copy of wch he hath been Served it will Come to a tryall
y^e 2nd Wednesday of August next, — — He hath done a great
many things Contrary to our laws made here, Sometimes he Say's
They are all nonsense, and y^t he will take no notice of y^m, Some-
times he Say's he acts Contrary to them Ignorantly, and it is (he
Say's) because he cannot See y^m — — Both houses of Parliam't.
have made an Order y^t y^e Clerk of y^e lower house, Shall have y^e
Benefitt of giveing Copy's of all acts of Assembly to every Person
w^ch hath Occasion for y^m att: 2s. 6d. for y^e Copy of each Act, this
being to Gratify him in part for his attendance on y^t house— The
Clerk of y^e Lower house being sometimes out of Town w^n y^e
Councell Sate So as y^t we Could not Come at y^e Acts w^n wee Had
occasion for y^m The Secretary moved for an Order to have y^e
Acts kep't in his Office to avoide y^t Inconvenience, An Order was
made Accordingly but w^t y^e Condition, That y^e Clerk Should
have y^e benefit of Giveing Copys as before, and y^t y^e Secretary
nor his Deputy Should Not give any Copy's— He hath told y^e
Councell he desired Copy's of all our acts in force. The Councell
told him it was y^e Clerk of y^e Lower house his Business to Give
him Copy's he paying for y^m, (his own Motto for So he Say's to
every one y^t Comes to him about Business) as Every one of y^m
Did If they had Occasion for y^m, he told us he would not pay for
y^m— — — The Secretary told him Several times y^t if he would,
himself, or Order his Clerk, or any Other Person to Copy y^m for
him, he would order his Deputy to lett y^m Do it, he doth not
accept of this offer but Say's y^e King in England gives all his
Magisterial Officers Copy's of all acts w^th out Paying for y^m— —
By Carrying on business, in unusual, Indirect and Unnecessary
Channells, he Generally Advances y^e Costs of Every Suit to
double (Some More) the fee they have been used to amount to &
takes Greater fees for Matters & Things w^ch used to be done y^n
are allowed by our Act of fees— a few Particulars we Instance
as follow — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — He demands and forces y^e Paymt. of five Shill's for Every action
entred in the Judges book tho y^e Same never Come to a Tryall
this fee was never demanded before He demands and takes one
Shill and Six Pence, for y^e Venire for every action w^ch is Entred
in y^e Judges book tho y^e Same go by Nihil Dicit or be made up
before it Come to y^e Jury never taken before, The Attorney
refuseing to Pay him ye two aforesaid. Fees together with ye reasons above mentioned, was ye only Cause why he would not try any Actions ye last Court of Pleas — — — — — — — — — —

He takes 7s. 6d for Allowing a writ of Error ye fee being limited by act to 5 Shill. After Judgmt obtained, in his Court of Pleas he refuses to Sign Executions or Tax Cost of Suit till Such time ye attorney records w't he will have him Record and pay him Six Shill & eight Pence for making up ye record a thing altogether needless And never before Practised — — — —

For ye Copy of ye record of his Court he exacts: 1l. 12s. 6d: wch before his Time Exceeded not: 7s. 6d: — — — — — — — — —

What he Enters Apertâ Curiâ for a Record in his Chamber Erases and Alters—wch Particularly he did in ye Case of Watkins & Hales aforesaid The Plt non suited himself in wch Case ye Deft. hath Costs allowed him, The attorney for ye Deft. Presented to ye Judge ye Bill of Costs by him to be taxed, one of wch Articles was ye Nonsuit as it was entred in Court. The Judge Said it was no Nonsuit but, a Discontinuance for wch. ye Plt. pays no Cost; the Attorney told him he saw it Entered a Nonsuit in his Booke, ye Judge went from him ye Attorney, to his Clarke, Erased out ye. Nonsuit & in ye. place thereof Entered a Discontinuance, And all this to Save his beloved Plantif ye Cost These Particulars have Ocurr'd without a Particular Scrutiny into his Gen'l: Proceedings wch we have reason to fear are all tinctured w'th such excesses We hope Your Lordships will take notice how mischievous such a Multiplied & unaccountable Power infected w't an excessive Love of Money may be to any Comonwealth- and how arbitrary that Governmt must needs be where any Great officer can pretend to be Judge of his own actions and no where accountable for his Proceedings in all other Matters

So wishing your Lordships all health and happiness we Crave leave to Subscribe our Selves,

Your Lordships most faithfull & humble Servants

Sep't ye 5th: 1699

May it Please Your Lordships

Wee have herewith Sent your Lordships Duplicate of our last to you Since wch time our Assembly have Sate & will not meddle anything in ye Matter of ye Constitutions but adjourned to ye 30th: of January, without doing anything more ye reviveing ye Acts ye lay'd ye Imposition on Skins &c— — — — — — —
The Dayly Continuance of ye Clamours of ye People for Judge Bohun's Exorbitancy Gives us Cause humbly to Intreat your Lordsps. would be pleased to let him know ye Some Court or other is Superior to him ye great Disatisfaction ye People are under by reason of his unlimited Commission you will See by ye Address from ye Commons also herewth Sent— — — — — —
May it Pleas your Lordps. to be Informed ye it hath been alwaies usual in this Governm't— for ye more ease of trading men, to Permitt special Courts, to be held because ye Stopp of Ships till ye Court of Course might be of great Detrim'. to ye owners, Merch', & Masters, & our Counsell books being burnt, a New Order was past to ye Purpose a Copy of wch is inclosed & as it had allwaies been here used, ye Person desiring, Petitioned ye Govern't., (ye Counsell not sitting) to Give his Order to ye Judge for it — — One Capt. fforster Petitioned for a Special Court—ye Govern't thought it reasonable & indorsed ye Petition as usual, & Sent it to Judge Bohun who would not Pay Obedience to it nor Call a Court, because he was not Petitioned himself Saying ye Courts should be w'n he Pleased not w'n ye Govern't ordred — — The Petition, w'h ye Indorsem', & the Attorneys Certificate of w'h he did in ye matter is inclosed.
How Capt. fforster's Owners, will take it w'n they Shall hear ye there Vessel was forced to ly here two months on Charges for ye recovery of £20. or £30 Pound wee know Not, but wee are sure it is ye way to discourage trade— The reason why the Counsell would have ye Power of appointing the hold Speciall Courts, or (they not Sitting) ye Govern't is, ye fees of Special Courts being Considerably higher ye Court of Course, they would not Give ye Judge opportunity on every frivolous occasion of holding ye for love of ye Fees wee hop Your Lordships will take this Matter into Your Serious Consideration for it makes your Governm't. here very ridiculous in ye Eyes of all Strager ye when they Shall Order a Court to be Called for ye Ease & releif Your Judge shall refuse to pay Obedience to it— And Praying for your Lordships health and Longlives, Crave leave to remain

Your Lordshipp Most humble Servants

Joseph: Blake
James: Moore
Edmund: Bellinger
Robert: Gibbs
Henry: Noble
Charles town in South Carolin—
May it Please Your Lordship's
Since ours of ye of Septber, 1699, to Your Lordships, We have Nothing New or Extraordinary to trouble you wt. Except ye Relation, of a Most Infectious, Pestilential & Mortal Distemper (ye Same wch hath alwaies been in one or more of his Majesties American Plantations for 8 or 9 Years last Past) which from Barbadoes or Providence was brought in amongs us into Charles Town about ye 28th or 29th of August last, and ye Decay of Trade and mutations— of your Lordsps— Publick Officers occasioned thereby—This Distemper from ye time of it's beginning aforesd, to ye first day of November, Killed in Charles Town at least 160 Persons Amongst whom were Mr Ely Your Lordshipp Receiver Gen— Mr Armory yr Lordships Receiver for ye Publick Treasury, Edwd, Rawlins Your Marshall & Edd. Bohun Esq' Your Cheif Justice &c. To Whose Room (till your Lordsps. Pleasure be made Known to us) we have thought fitt to Constitute James Moore Esq'. & by ye Death of ye Sd Justice, all those Desputes wch have arisen Between him & Yr Councell & between him & ye attorney's of his Court, (ye last of wch were ye Occasion of great delay of Justice) are removed, and by our Comission to ye Sd Moore we have taken Care to Prev't or Obviate ye like Deputies, In Mr Ely's Room we have appointed Edmund Bellinger, in ye Publick Receivers room is appointed George Logan Esq: In ye Marshalls room Cap' John Collins — —
Amongst a Great many other Good & Capittall Marchts. & housekeepers in Charles Town ye Reverend Mr Marshall our Minister was taken away by ye Said Distemp'r— wch hath Occasion'd us to adress our Selves to ye Lord Bishop of London for such another, we hope & begg your Lordships will be pleased to put his Lordsps. in mind of us and to Care yt such another, Learned, Sober, Pious, Moderate Prudent and Obligeing Minister may be Sent us— Besides those yt have dyed of this distemper in Charles Town: 10. or: 11: have dyed in ye Country all wch. got ye Distemper & were Infected in Charles Town went home to yr families & dyed & wch is Notable not one of all their families, Infected by ym— This so great a loss of Merchts. & Men of Estate hath putt a Great Stop to trade, wch we hope now all is healthy again will revive — —
We have receiv'd your Lordsps. Letter of ye: 27th: Septber: by Cap'. Stow to wch we will answer at large as also give your

9—H. C.
Lordspa. a further acct of all things, wch Shall be worth your Notice, wch Shall occur before yt Time by Capt fflavel who Intends to Saile for London in thirty daies Capt forster by whom we Send this being in haste to Sayle——

Wishing your Lordsps all health & happiness

Wee remain your Lordsps. most humble Servts.

Janu: y: 17: 1699/700

May it Pleas Your Lordship
That fatherlike Care wch your Lordship hath taken to fill all ye Churches in his Majesties Plantations in America, wth Pious, Learned and Orthodox Ministers as well as Your Lordsp's. application to us of yt Care, in a more Especial manner, my Sending to us so Eminently, good a Man, & our late Minister ye reverend Mr Marshall deceased Encourages us to Address your Lordship for such another, he by his regular, Sober & Devout life, gave no Advantage to ye Enemies of our Church to speak ill of it's, Minister, By his Sound Doctrine ye weak Sons of our Church he Confirm'd, by his Easie & as it were Natural use of ye Ceremonies of our Church took away all Occasions of Scandall at yp, By his Prudent & Obligeing way of liveing & Manner of Practice, he had Gained ye Esteem of all Persons, For these reasons it is yt we address your Lordsps. for such another, The Same Encouragemt. & Provision was made for Mr Marshall is settled by act of Parliamt. upon his Successor a Minister of ye Church of England wch is as followeth Vizt. 150 Pounds Yearly out of ye Publick Treasury, A Good Brick hous & Plantation two Negro Slaves, & a Stock of Cattle, besides a Considerable Benefit wch by ye Encouragemt of ye Governmt will accrue, By Christianing, Marriages & Burials — — — — —

Wee beg your Lordship Let ye Nature of our Address, Excuse ye trouble it Creates you, and our Presumption and yt Your Lordship will give Us leave to write our Selves, most reverend father Your Lordship most dutifull Sons & humble Servts—— — —

To ye right Honoble: and right reverend father in God Henry Lord Bishop of London

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March, the: 8th. Anno Do. 1699/700

May it Please your Honours.

In ours of ye: 17th. of January last wee acquainted your Lordships with ye receipt of yours of ye: 21. of September 1699, to which this is our Answer—

As to Judge Bohun wee gave ye Lordships a full & True acct. of the matter of fact and Left ye merritt of ye thing to yo: Judgm. and Directions to which wee Should readily have given due Obedience so farr as ye Judge would have Lett us, Butt he is dead which hath not more Effectually putt an End to that matter then your Lordships Comands (then which nothing can be more Obleiding to us) hath Done—

Our Governo: & his Majesties Officers take due Care that the Acts of Parliament for regulateing the Plantation Trade and for the Encourageing of Shipping & Navigation are well Observed, & no Vessels have been Seized of Late but have been Condemned & ye according to sd Laws,

Wee Suppose Landgrave Morton ye Judge of ye Admiralty & Mr Bellinger his Deputy will give your Lordships reasons for their Acceptance of ye Comission by which they now Act the Governo: is Pleased to tell us he hath Sent your Lordships a Copy of itt,

The Constitutions ye Comons would not Accept of nor pass ye Act against Pirates without a repealing Clause &ca. The reasons Alleadged are theirs not ours, Butt we Canot Observe no great Inclination in ye better Sort of People to Encourage Pirates,—

We are greived wee have Occasion (& humbly begg your Lordships Pardon for it) to trouble your Lordships with ye unacceptable Narrative of ye Misbehaviour of yo: Publick Officers by Mr Bellinger's narrative, his Articles of Charge against Mr Trott and ye Order of your Councell made thereupon all now Sent to you,

Your Lordships will See how Mr Trott hath behaved himself & what wee have done in which wee Submitt our Selves to your Lordships better Judgm. Your Lordships Country is very healthy & hath made more rice ye Last Cropp then we have Ships to Transport
Wishing your Lordships all health & happiness wee Crave leave to Subscribe our Selves——

Your Lordships most faithfull Humble Servants
Joseph Blake
James Moore
Edmund Bellinger
Henry Noble
Robert Daniell——

Joseph Blake Esq'. one of ye true & Absolute Lords & Proprietors of ye Province of Carolina, Governo'. Lieut Gener'l. & Vice Admirall of that part of ye said Province that lyes South & West from Cape Fear, And ye rest of ye Comission for Appointing Publick Officers &c. To Henry Wigington Esq'.

Wee being Assured of ye Care, Prudence & ability of you ye said Henry Wigington by Virtue of ye Power & authority to us derived, Have made Constituted, authorized & appointed & by these Presents Do make, Constiute Authorize & appoint you ye said Henry Wigington to be (dureing our Pleasure) Attorn Gener'l of that part of ye Province of Carolina that lyes South & West of Cape Fear therein to Act, Plead, Implead, Sue & Prosecute all & every Person & Persons whatsoever for all Debts, fines, Amerciams— forfeitures Escheats, Claims & demands whatsoever which now is or may or shall be due or in arrear to ye True & Absolute Lords & Proprietors of ye said Province upon any Acco't. whatsoever. whether rents, revenues or otherwise howsoever & to Prosecute all matters Criminall as well as Civill, Giving & hereby Granting unto you full Power & authority in ye Premises therein to Deal, Do, Execute & Perform in as large & ample manner to all Intents & Purposes as to ye said Office of Attorn Gener'l— doth in any wise Apertan or Belong, To have hold and Enjoy ye said Office of Attorn Gener'l— of ye said part of ye said Province of Carolina and all Liberties, Privileges Perquisites, fees & Profitts whatsoever thereunto Incident
or belonging, Given under our hands & ye Great Seal of ye said Province this first day of May Anno Dom: 1700.

Jos Morton
Joseph
Edm'd. Bellinger

Ja: Moore
Blake

Henry Noble

Dom: Mag:
Sigill: Carolina

June the 13th. 1700

May it Please your Lordships—

In February last run out of ye Havana, 7 or 8 men in Launch a Spanyard Cheif in this they took a Bigger Vessel & added to ye Number of their Men & so Continued Piratically takeing of Vessels till they had in a Short time taken 17. all or most English & encreased their Number of Men to about 44 or 45 which were English, Portuguese, Blacks Indians & Most of all French — — — — — — — — — — — — —

These with two Vessels which were bound from Jaimaca to London & which they took in ye Gulf Came upon our Coast in Aprill last where ye Pirates quarrelling amongst themselves turned ashore all ye English Pirates Amongst them which were Nine & one Seaman belonging to one of ye English Vessels taken in ye Gulf These Men Came ashoar at Sewee Bay & from thence to
Charles Town by Land, Pretending they were taken by Pirates & turned adrift at Sea out of Sight of Land in a Small Boat without Armes & with but very little Provision & water — — — It happened y't at y's Same time these men Came to Charles Town wee had three Masters of Vessels which had been taken by them, whereof as soon as wee were Informed wee Caused y's Men to be Apprehended & after Examination Comitted them to Goal & for y's Tryal of them Appointed a Sessions of Oyer & Terminder & Goal Delivery for the Jurisdiction of y's Admiralty on Wednesday y's. 5th. day of instant June, Seaven of these men together with two of y's Pirates w'ch took Cap't Rhett in y's Providence frigate & which had for y't fact lain in Goal here about 6. Moneths which for want of Evidence against them wee Could not Try before Cap't Rhett came in, were Condemned & Executed yesterday all but one by Name John Colson which Seeming to be very Penitent as well as least Culpable, we have thought fitt to reprieve till your Lordships pleasure therein be Signified to us which re begg y Lord's to do by y's first Opportunity, . . . . This Man Executed y's rest — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — The two Pirates which took Cap't Rhett had two Evidences against them to prove y's Piracie (i. e) Cap't Rhett & Cap't Anthony Mathews a Master of a Vessel taken by them and their Prisoner on board them when they took Cap't Rhett The rest have four, Some three y's least two Evidences against them to Prove their being in armes & assisting to y's takeing Some of five Some of four y's least three Vessels, Edward randolph Esqr. Sate in Court y's whole Tryal of these Pirates, after y's Evidence was Summ'd up to y's Jury & that ready to go out he in favour of four of y's Criminals produced a Deposition which he had taken in Providence which was to this Purpose y's master of y's Vessel from whom four of these Pirates were taken made Oath that these men (i e.) four of them by name were taken from him by force, this being a Considerable time before y's Pyracies Comitted for w'ch they were Arraigned wee thought fitt not to give them to y's Jury however wee let y's Jury know what they were, These men had particular Certificates to y's Same purpose from their Masters.

Wee thought fitt to give your Lordships a particular Acco't. of this, doubting Mr Randolph might make a misrepresentation of itt at home, For wee See his humour is to quarrel at every thing that done as well in y's Kings Govermt. as Proprietaries & that he
had rather no Govermt. Should do any thing well than he want an Occasion to Complain of them at home.

The Grand Jury Acquitted two of ye nine Pirates— These men when they came in told us that their fellows intended to fitt their Vessel in one of our harbours & a day or two after were Seen three Vessels at an Anchor at Sewee Bay. Then wee made all ye hast possible to fitt out two Sloopes with a hundred men to take them whilst wee were about this Cap't Rhett in a Ships Boat Came from ye Northward Close along shoar who told us there were no Vessels to ye Northward, this put a Stopp to our Progress two daies after this wee heard of ye Pirates being in North Edisto then wee fitted out our Sloops & Sent them thither but they Came there to Late Some of our own People by giving ye Pirates Notice of this Preparation Caused him to go to Sea before our Sloops gott thither this Expedition Costs the Publick near, a hundred Pound but we hope ye report of so Sudden & so well done a thing will discourage Pirates from lying upon our Coast.

Skeech from Bristol Came in about five weeks Since on board of whom was ye Smallpox & a Malignant feaver of which, Ten or Eleaven dyed at Sea & two or three here, But God be thanked these distempers have not Infected us Wee are very healthy

Joseph Blake
Rob't Daniel
James Moore
Hen: Noble
Edm'd. Bellinger

Carolina, May, 17th.— 1700—

May it Please yo' Lordships—
The Death & Departure out of this Province of some & the Negligence of others of ye Members of ye house of Comons Elected to Convene on ye thirteenth of September, 1698, made ye Appearo's. in ye Said house ye 2, or 3, last Time of their Convention so few that little or no Publick business was or Could be done by them, for which reason wee hopinge to have more diligent Persons Elected in ye Stead of ye Negligent as well as ye roomes of ye Dead & Absent filled up, thought fitt to dissolve that Assembly, which wee did on ye. 31. day of January last & at ye Same time Issued out Writts for ye Election of another Assembly to meet on ye. 20. March last—
Because ye Dissolution of ye Assembly gave us a Chance for Per-
sons more Industrious & better inclined to attend ye doing of Publck business & is no more Charge or trouble to ye People then ye Election of one member wee thought it better to dissolve it then to give writts for Election to fill up ye Places of ye dead or Absent

On ye twentieth of said March wee mett ye house of Comons who (after they had Chose Mr Nicholas Trott Speaker) presented to us three Bills, one for Securing ye Provincial Library in Charles Town, One to Appoint a Publck receiver, & one for ye better regulateing the Proceedings & fees of ye Admiralty, In which last Bill they wholy took away ye Admiralty Jurisdiction so far as it may or ought to have any relation to ye Acts of Trade & Navigation, & Limited all matters & disputes arising by Said Acts, to be triable only in ye Court of Exchequer which wee Conceived Contrary to ye Practice of England all his Majesties Plantations & all Proprietarys in America & to ye Sence of said Acts And in Effect by Obliding ye Informers of matters of Fact done Contrary to Said Acts to give unreasonable Securities & to pay Extravagant Damages made ye Said Acts unpractiseable even in their own Court of Exchequer for all which reasons we in yo Lordships Names told them we Could not pass such a Bill before we had yo Lordships Advice & Comands for so doing with which not Satisfied they once or twice a Day unpresidentedly Impor-tuned us to pass Said Bill till we to avoid further such authorita-tivelike Importunities rejected ye Said Bill. —

Wee had Some difference with them about ye manner of appointing a Publck receiver they not being Contented to Admitt for our Approbation of him as all former Assemblies have done, To Accomodate ye differences arising between ye two houses out of these Acts a Conference of both houses was at their Instance granted by us in which Conference they told us wee were no house & from & after that time in all their Messages to us stiled us Lords Proprieto. Deputies & took no Notice of us as an upper House Contrary to ye usage of all former Parliaments & of their own house before this Time — After Some Time Spent & Pains taken to no Purpose to perswade them to make Laws with us as all other former Parliam’t: had Done, And you in Such Capacities as Lordships in your rules of Goverm’t. had Directed from which (we told them) we could not recede they to Oblidge us to pass such Acts & in Such Capacities as they had a mind to & distinguished us by, Sent us a Message to
Lett us know that they would not take into their Consideration ye Bill for Naturalizeing ye Vadauis unless wee would ratify two Bills, (viz't) one for Appointing Capt Thomas Smith Publick receiver & one for ye Securing ye Provincial Library. These devices not haveing Influence enough upon us to recede from your Lordships rules of Governm't. they then Sent us a Message to lett us know that if wee would ratify ye Said two Acts then they would take into their Considerations ye Lordships Constituions———"———"

To this Message yo'r. Lordships will See our Answer in our Journal herewth Sent you

Lett it Please yo'r. Lordships to understand that ye reason they so much Pressed ye ratifying these two Acts proceeded not from ye necessity of haveing them but to make a Session, By which they Intended to remove ye Publick receiver put in by us which in Case of ye Death of ye former receiver who by an Act of Assembly were Impowered to Nominate who so Nominated was to Continue till ye next Session of Parliam't. & that ye Major part of them frequently declared after they had put in another receiver they would Adjourn themselves to July next and do no other Business And all this heat against ye Pres't. receiver was not Occasioned by any fault or inability in him but rise purely because he was put in by us for they Acknowledged they could not find any Error in his Acco'ts:

After all these Essays, to out ye receiver to make way for their owne favourite, who must not Come in neither but without our Consent and Approbation, M' Speaker was Pleased to Inform ye house that ye rejection of any one Act made a Session as much as ye ratifying one, And that he would by Law Convince us thereof in ye next Conference of both Houses, — — — In said Conference he read to us out of Shepheard's Epitome of ye Comon & Statute Lawes under ye Title of Parliam'ts (folio, 10) Justice Huttons Opinion to that Purpose, which in ye Same Chapter is Contradicted by said Hutton, Lord Cook, & two or three other as great Lawyers, as Soon as they perceived we had discerned this false Pleading, the house would not be prevailed on by M' Speaker to Justify any longer in this Topick, nor to vote as M' Speaker would have had them that ye Pres't. receiver was no receiver & that whoever paid any Money to him as Such should be deemed breaker of ye Priviledges of Parliam'ts. — Ene-mies to ye Country,"———","———"
After Mr. Speaker was thus Disapointed wee mett with nothing from them but Affronts breaches of ye Priviledges of our house & Encroachment upon yo'. Lordships prerogatives by Limitting us to a Day to pass their Bills to an hour to Answer their Messages, and denying us to be a house as Constituted by yo'. Lordships rules of Governm'. Amongst other things Mr. Speaker proposed to ye house to make a Comittee of Greivances with Power to represent them to yo'. Lordships without Shewing them to their own house or to us which Comittee Consisted of five of their Members or any three of said five to which Mr. Speaker was Ordered to be Assistant, three of these five were Mr. Speakers particular Admirers & followers, And his End in haveing such a Power given to this Comittee was as wee are Informed) to have himself Commended to yo'. Lordships & yo'. deputies reflected on for Suspending him, Wee know nott butt Mr. Speaker may Persuade these men that Notwithstanding ye dissolution of ye Assembly they are Still a Comittee & shall send them to send yo'. Lordships some such things, After we had Notice of this unpresidented Power of this Comittee wee gave them time enough before ye dissolution to have perfected this Thing if their Design had been like Mr. Speakers Malice,

Wee have reason to beleive Mr. Speaker proposed itt & drew up ye house of Comons that bold & unreasonable Act for ye better regulateing ye Proceedings & fees of ye Admiralty to make ye Judge of ye Admiralty & his Deputy uneasie or onely Titular Judges, & that he proposed all ye other new things (for by him they were proposed) in ye house to make us all uneasie because of his Suspension,

Cap. Jn. Breholt Comander of ye Carlisle Frigate a Ship of very great force both of men & Guns from ye Coast of Cuba Came into Ashley river in November last & was Informed against by his men for Comitting of Divers Pyracies & Hostilities upon ye Subjects of his most Catholck Majesty ye King of Spaine for which in a Special Court of Oyer & Terminer & Goal Delivery for ye Admiralty Jurisdiction he was brought upon his Tryall, It was Clearly proved to ye Grand Jury that he had boarded Several Vessels, Chased Some on Shoare had taken & made use of Several things from on board them And as Often as he Espied a Saile he told his men that there was a prize he hoped loaden with Money &c., Notwithstanding which ye Grand Jury found ye Bill against him Ignoramus, as Soon as he was Cleared he
hastened ye fitting his Ship for Sea which as Soon as he had
done he fell down ye river below our fort & Guns, and then made
it his business to make it known everywhere that he was bound
to ye redd Seas encouraging all Sorts of men to Come on board
him, Several Persons in Debt more than they were able or willing
to pay went on board him Several Prisoners assisted (as we
have reason to beleive) by Breholts men Escaped out of Goal &
gone on board him, Upon which ye Governo. Sent to him to
demand ye said Prisoners & all other Persons on board him for
which he had not his Permitt to take them on board he refused
to return any of them to take them from him by force wee foresee
Could not be done without a great deale of Bloodshed, wherefore
wee thought fitt to take ye Advice of ye house of Comons (they
being then Sitting) about that matter they (Influenced by Mr
Speaker) Breholts perticular freind who also Influenced ye
Grand Jury to find ye Bill against him Ignoramus, By a Mes-
sage lett us know that they were well Informed by Severall Mem-
bers of their house that Breholt was ready to Send on Shoar as
many of ye aforesd. sons as ye Governo. would require Not-
withstanding which Breholt would not Send one Man a Shoar
and wee verily beleive he is upon a pratetical Design gone to ye
redd Seas

Wee have Presumed (for which wee begg yo. Lordships pard-
don) on yo. patience in ye length of this letter to Obviate Such
Misrepresentation of things as wee beleive will be made to yo.
Lordships about our Transaction with & dissolution of ye late
Assembly & begg leave to Subscribe our Selves yo. Lordship
most Obedient & humble Servants—

Robert Daniel    Joseph Blake
Edm. Bellinger    Jos: Morton
Henry Noble      Ja Moore

May ye, 17, A D. 1700—

May it Please yo. Lordships—

Yo. of ye. 16. of December 1699 by Cap't Man wee have
received Wee humbly & with Submission offer to yo. Lordships,
That wee fear ye Altering of ye forms of Grants, Settled by an
Act. Entitled an Act to Ascertain ye Prices of Lands, & ye forms
of Conveyances ratified ye Sixteenth of March 1695/6 still in
force (which ye Proviso for Escheat yo. Lordship have Ordered
us to put into all Grants will be) will make ye People very
uneasie & give them Cause to beleive your Lordspp. take no Notice of any Acts made here or but of Such parts of them as you like best of ye forms of Grants for purchased land is butt to Continue 2 years & 10 Months by said Act, ye forms of Grants for Land held at. 1st. ye year ye acre quit rent is to Continue 10 years 10 months wee humbly Advise that it will be best to lett ye forms of Grants for Lands Purchased att 40s. ye 100 Acres continue as they are dureing ye time aforesd. If any Great Inconvenience may be foreseen in it wee Conceive that ye limiting of such Grants to a Moderate quantity of Land may Obviate that, And that ye Proviso yo' Lordships orders for ye Escheat of Land unsettled for ye Space of four years after Patented may be best done by an Act of Assembly, which wee doubt nott but ye Comons will willingly Do it being so reasonable, & so much for their good by Encourageing new Comers to Settle among us, for these reasons wee Presume to deferr ye Putting yo'. Lordships Comands to us relating to that Matter in Execution till we have yo' Lordship further Order about it, few or no Grants for Land not already laid out will be ready for our passing before Wee may have yo'. Lordships Orders & wee presume yo'. Lordships do not Intend these Orders shall Extend to land already run out, Wee herewith Send yo' Lordships Mr. Bellingers yo'. Lordships pres' receiver his Acco's. — And are yo' Lordships most Obedient & humble Serv's——

Joseph Blake
Joseph Morton
James Moore
Robert Daniell
Edmund Bellinger
Henry Noble

Johannes Comes Bath Palatinus Carolineæ reliquiqi ejusdem Provinciæ Proprietores Salutem, Cum Serenissimus Princeps Carolus Secundus Nuper Dei Gratia Magnæ Britanniae, franciæ & hiberniæ rex fidei Defensor, ex Speciali suo favore Dedit et Concessit nobis una cum Provincia Carolineæ potestatem Gradus, Status Titulorumq Dignitatem & honorum Ibidem Constituendi & Erigendi Virosqi bene meritos ad eosdem Gradus Evehendi, ijsqi Titulis cohonestand ordandiqi, Cumqi regiminis forma a Nobis Stabilia et in perpetuum a Nobis et Successoribus Nostris Observanda Constitutum Sit ut Certus Sit Langravarum et Cas-
siquorum Numerus Qui Sint Perpetui et hereditary Nobiles Pro-
ceresq Provincia nostræ Caroline, Cumq Eximius Vir Ed-
mundus Bellinger Magna sua Prudentia & Industria magno erit
adjumento Nobis, Virum de Nobis tam bene Meritum remun-
erare Volentes, Langravum Constituimus Sciatis Igitur quod nos
ut Monumentum, Æsterum Gratiaæ Nosære et Illius Meritorum
Dictum Edmundum Bellinger ad Statum, Gradum, Stilum, Titulum &
honorem Langravi EreXimus Pæfuimus et Cre-
civimus Ipsumqi Edmundum Bellinger Landgravum Tenore
Presentium Erigimus Prefacimus et Creamus Eidemq Edmundo
Bellinger nomen Statum Gradum Stilum Dignitatem Titulum et
honorem cum quadruginta Octo Mille Ingeris terre alisq. Privi-
legeis eidem Dignitati pertinentibus et in Æternum Imposuimus
Dedimus et Pæbuimus et per Presentes pro Nobis hæredibus et
Successoribus nostris Impoisseibus & Pæbemus habendum et
Tenedum, eodem Nomen Statum Gradum Stilum Dignitatem et
honorem Landgravi una Cum Prædictis Terris Singuliusq. Juri-
bus Præeminentijs Privilegijs & Immunitatibus Eidem Dignitati
Pertinentibus Praefato Edmundo Bellinger et hæredibus Suis
Secundum Tenorem fundamentalium Nostratul Constitutionum
in perpetuum Volentes ac per præsentes Concedentes pro Nobis
hæredibus et Successoribus nostris quod Prædictus Edmundus Bel-
linger et heredes sui Prædicti nomen Statum Gradum Stilum
Dignitatem Titulum et honorem Landgravi Successivè Gerant et
habeant Terrasq. prædictas possideant et eorum Quilibet gerat
habeat et Possidet et per nomen Langravi Vocentur & nuncu-
pentur et Eorum quilibet Vocetur & Nuncupetur Quodq idem
Edmundus Bellinger & heredes sui Prædicti Successive Langravi
in Omnibus teneatur et ut Landgravi trunctentur et reputentur Et
eorum quilibet teneat, tractetur & reputetur habeantq teneant
et possideant et eorum quilibet habeat Teneat et possideat præ-
dictas Terras, Solventes in perpetuum pro quilibet Tractu terræ
centum Jugera Continente duodecim Denarios bonæ et legalis
Monetæ Angliæ Anuauim nobis et hæredibus Nostris quæ
Solutio Inchoanda & Sub finem Biennij post ejus Illius Occupa-
tionem, Nec Non Dictus Edmundus Bellinger et heredes sui præ-
dicti Gaudent et Utantur etorum quilibet Gaudeat et Utatur
per nomen Langravi Omnibus & Singulis Juribus Privilegijs
Præeminentijs et Immunitatibus Statui Landgravi in Omnibus
rite et Jure pertinentibus, In Cujus rei Testimonium has Litteras
Nostras Sub magno Sigillo Nostra Carolinæ fieri fecimus
Patentes Datum per manus Nostras Septimo die May Anno Oræ
Christianæ Milesimo Sexcentesimo Nonagesimo Octavo............
Bath Palatine A Ashley
Craven, Bath for ( Magno ) Wm Thornburgh for }
Ld= Carterett ( Sigillo ) S Jnº Colleton }
( Carolinæ ) Joseph Blake,
Tho Amy
Wm Thornburgh

Recorded Octobr. yº, first Anno Dom: 1700
Henry Wigington, Dºy Secredºy

James Moore Esqº. Governoº. of all that part of yº Province of Carolina that lyes South and West of Cape Fear, And yº rest of yº Lords Proprietoºs. Deputies.——

To Henry Wigington Esqº. Greeting×

Wee yº said James Moore and Lords Proprietoºs. Deputies for yº better & more Speedy dispatching of Publick Business Have thought fitt to Comissionate & Impower you yº said Henry Wigington, and wee Do hereby Comissionate & Impower you so long as you shall Continue Deputy Secretary or dureing our Pleasure, to Administer Oaths for yº Proving of any Papers Writeings & Matters, which are to be recorded in yº Secretarys Office. And further to Administer Oaths relating to all Publick Instrumºs— of Protest which are to be Attested & Manifested by you yº said Henry Wigington In Testimony whereof wee have hereunto Sett our hands & Seals this twelfth day of Septembe— Anno Dº. 1700—

James Moore Esqº. Governoº. of that part of yº Province of Carolina that lyes South & West of Cape Fear, And yº rest of yº True & Absolute Lords & Proprietors Deputies.................................

To Henry Wigington—— — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Wee reposeing Special Trust & Confidence in yº ability, Care Prudence & fidelity of you yº said Henry Wigington by Virtue of yº Power & authority to us derived Have Ordained, Constituted and Appointed and by these Presents Do Ordain Constitute & appoint you yº said Henry Wigington, Notary & Tabellion Publick of that part of yº said Province of Carolina that lyes South & West of Cape Fear Giveing & by these Presents
Granting unto you ye said Henry Wigington full Power & authority to do, Perform & Execute all Acts Matters & things whatsoever within ye said part of ye said Province which to ye Office of a Notary & Tabellion Publick doth in any wise aper- tain & belong in as large & ample manner to all Intents & Pur- poses as any Notary & Tabellion Publick of any of his Majesties English Plantations in America may Lawfully Do, To have & to hold ye said Office of Notary & Tabellion Publick together with all fees, Perquisites, Priviledges & Immunities whatsoever belonging to ye said Office dureing ye Lords Proprieto’s. or our Pleasure, Given under our hands & ye great Seale of ye Province at Charles Town ye thirteenth day of September Anno D. 1700/

Ja: Moore
Robertt Daniell
Edm. Bellinger
Robt. Gibbes

Charles Towne October ye first, 1700

May it Please yo’ Lordships/

On Saturday ye Seaventh of September last dyed ye hono’ble: Proprieto’s. Joseph Blake our late Governo’. The day after his Interm. which was on Tuesday following wee ye Lordships Deputies mett to Chuse a Governo’ to Continue so, till ye Lordships please to give us one of ye own Nomination as by ye Article of yo’ Lordships Instructions & rules of Gov- ernm’t. to Coll Phillip Ludwell we are Impowred.

A Copy of our Proceedings relateing to that Matter as Entered in ye Councill Book wee herewith Send yo’. Lordships.

On Tuesday ye third of September last we had a great Storm of wind & rain which hath done a Great deal of damage to ye Planters as well Trade Most of ye Vessels in ye harbour were driven ashoar or Sunk & five wrecked, a Scotch Frigatt called ye rising Sun Mounted with 60 guns about 220 men belonging to her which from Caledonia when it was Surrendred to ye Spanyards went to Jamaica & from Jamaica bound to Europe in ye Gulf lost all her Masts Came & lay before our Barr of Ashley river designing to lighten so as that she might Come into our harbour to refitt was in ye Same Storm at Anchor broke all to Peices & 97 men with ye Comander Cap’t James Gibson then aboard her all Lost, Another of ye Scotch Vessells about 400 tunn from
Jamaica bound to Europe disabled in ye Gulf putt into our Harbour & is here sold to be break up—

Wee have Issued forth yo'. writts for Election of Members for a Genl—Assembly on ye Eighth day of Inst October, to meet on ye 30th of ye Same wee hope wee shall have them better tempered then ye last,— — —

Two Indians, Slaves to two of ye Inhabitants of this Colony, proposed to a Small nation of Indians living near them & within ye body of this Settlemen t, to make warr upon us telling them there was a great many Nations of Indians had already Agreed & Confederated to make warr upon & Cutt off all ye white men, This Nation of Indians Imediately discovered ye Same to a Planter who Improdently before he Informed yo' Governo'r of it Came to Charles Town & there reported it in such a frightfull manner as his fear had Suggested it to him, not leaving room for any doubt of ye Truth thereof This made such an Impression upon ye People in Gener—. That Sever—. out of ye Country removed their families into Town & ye people in Town thought themselves as little Safe as those in ye Country Wee took all ye Care possible to Enquire into ye Matter & find no reason to beleive there is anything in it ye people are now easie again, & wee have Ordered ye 2 Slaves ye first proposers of this warr to be Transported — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Att ye last Court of Pleas Mr Nicholas Trott in Arrest of Judgm'. to an Action brought against M'r Rhett as Administ— to M'r Jonathan Amory late Publick receiv'. for mony belonging to ye Publick Treasury pleaded that ye late Govern'r, was nott Govern'r. And did Publickly in Open Court Affront & Abuse the Judge of ye Court for which ye Judge Silenced him from Pleading any more in his Court, And for ye Pleading afores'. ye Govern'r & Councill Comitted him to Goal till he gave Security for his Good Behaviour to keep his Majesties Peace And to appear at ye next Gener—. Sessions of ye Peace—

The Storm abovementioned hath Carried away all ye Timber Piles w'th Sett before our fort to break off ye force of ye waves from it And hath so undermined one Corner of it that it is Sunk
& broken away from ye rest of ye Wall Yo' Lordships Colony
(God be thanked) is Generally healthy—
Wee Wish yo' Lordships Prosperity

wee remain Yo' Lordshipps
most humble Servants

Hen. Noble, 
Ja: Moore
Rob. Gibbes, 
Ed. Bellinger
Robert Daniell

≈ Cap't Averitt

John Earle of Bath Palatine and the rest of ye true
& Absolute Lords & Proprieto's. of ye Province of
Carolina — — — — — — — — — — —

To Joseph Blake Esqr. Governo'r of Carolina
James Moore Secretary, Landgrave Joseph
Morton, Major robert Daniell, Cap't. Edmund
Bellinger & John Ely Esqr.

Wee do hereby Impower you ye said Joseph Blake Esqr. Governo'r. James Moore Secretary, Landgr'. Joseph Morton, Major robert Daniell, Cap't. Edmund Bellinger & John Ely Esqr. forth-
with to take & Inspect ye Acco's.— of Thomas Cary Esqr'. our late receiver Generall.— from ye time of our late Governo'r. John Archdale Esqr' his putting him in possession of ye said Office as also ye Acco's. of James Moore Esqr'. from ye time he was possest of that Office, & after you have Audited & Approved ye Same to Attest each particular Acco's in this form following . . . . . . . . .

Wee whose Names are underwritten
have Carefully Examined ye above
Acco's.— and approve ye Same
Witness our hands
this day of

The Severall.— Acco's. are to be Attested by ye Governo'r & two more of you, & in case of ye Governo'r's. Death or Absence of any three of you which shall be a rule for the future for ye Auditing & passing ye Acco's— of ye receiv' Generall. for ye time being—

And in Case ye said Thomas Cary & James Moore late receivers Generall. neglect or refuse to give in their Acco's. to you or any three of you as aforesaid. You are hereby Impowered to Appoint ye Attorney Generall. to Compell them by due Course of Law.

And for what Mony shall be received for ye Ballance of ye above'd. Acco's. or for any of our dues whatsoever that shall hereafter come into ye receiv'. Generall. hands the said receiver
Genernl. with ye Advice & Consent of any three of you shall be hereby Impowered to make use of what part thereof shall be thought Convenient & fitt for carrying on such a Trade as to hire or build Sloops or Vessells, & send both to North Carolina & ye Bahama Islands such Goods or Merchandize as you shall think will be necessary for their use & our Advantage under ye Managemt. of such persons as you shall approve of in Order to Prosecute ye Instructions wee have given to our pres't. receiv'. Genernl. Wee do also hereby Impower you to grant & Sell land according to ye Limitation and Instructions wee gave to John Archdale Esqr whom Governo'r. of Carolina.........................

And Whereas Edmund Bohun Esqr. is now Sent over to you with our Comission of Cheif Justice of South Carolina with fuller Power & Authority then has heretofore been granted to any person in that or ye like Station so that (he Standing Single) his death or departure may bring great Inconvenience to our said Colony, You are hereby Impowered in Case of his Death or departure as aforesd. to appoint some other person under our great Seale to Supply that place till such time as wee shall think fitt to appoint another, or approve of ye person you have so Nominated And in ye mean time you are to give him ye said Edmund Bohun all due Encouragemt. in ye Managemt. of his said Office & to Admitt him to all Debates in ye Councill (but without any Vote) to ye end he may be fully Instructed so to Transact all Affairs in his Office as may best promote our Service & peace & wellfare of ye People of Carolina...

In all ye Cases aforesd. ye Governo'r & two more of you & in ye absence of ye Governo'r. any three of you shall be a Quroum to Execute ye Powers granted you as aforesd. Given under our hands & Seals this 16th. day of August 1698.

Bathe Palatine (Seal)
For S' Jno' Colleton Wm' Thornburgh O
Bathe for Ld Carterett O
Tho Amy O
Wm' Thornburgh O

Charles Town on Ashley river in Carolina
November ye 26. 1700.........................

May it Please yo' Lordships
With this which goes by Cap't Pines wee Send a Copy of our last which went by Cap't Averitt . . .
The Parliaments, met on ye 30th. day of October & on ye 16th. of November made a Session in which were Enacted ye following laws Viz:——

An Act to Enable Elizabeth Courtis to Sell land &c. 
An Act to Confirm a Decree in Chancery Enabling Mrs Mary Want to make Sale of a town lott in Charles Town.---------
An Act to make Sullivants Island remarkable to Marinrs. .
An Act to Secure ye Provincial Library at Charles Town in Carolina....
An Act to lay an Imposition on Liquors....——
An Act to raise ye Curr't Coyn of this Province.........——
An Act to prevent ye Seas further Encroacht. upon ye wharf at Charles town....

In ye last Sufficient Care is taken to finish our fort & to Mount all our great guns & to Secure & Enlarge ye wharf before Charles Town (which is now almost all gone) from ye Seas further Advance upon it.——

The Comons have appointed a Committee of their house to wait upon ye Govern't. to Advise about ye best way of regulateing ye Indian Trade & to prepare a Bill for ye Same against our next meeting which will be on ye first tuesday in february next....

They have appointed a Committee to Joyn with us to draw an Address to your Lordships to take some Care that ye French may be removed from ye great river Mecha Sipi.

The house of Comons at ye beginning of ye last Session presented a Publick receiver to us for our Approbation, laid Aside their Unreasonable Bill for regulateing or rather makeing unpracticable ye Court of Admiralty & own'd us a House The three main heads they differed with us about ye last Convention. So that wee have reason to Expect nothing from this Parliaments, but ye Intendm't. of ye Publick good and a good Agree'mt. of both houses ..............................................................

The honble: Maurice Ashley Esq' haveing appointed no Deputy Wee have nominated Henry Noble Esq'. his Deputy till he Shall be pleased to Nominate one under his hand and Seale, Mr Noble was ye Lord Ashleys Deputy....——

Mr Secretary by ye next Conveyance will Send yo' Lordships Copy's of all these Acts & of all those yo' Lordships have not already....

Two of yo' Lordships Comissionrs. for ye Sale of land being dead makes it difficult for a Quorum of them to meet as often as Occasion requires to Sign Grants—
If yo' Lordships Please to Add to that Number yo' Secretary & such other of yo' Deputies as you shall think fitt, It will render the Execution of that Commission more Esie.  

Wee are yo' Lordships most humble Servts:\—

Ja: Moore
John Wick
Edm'd Bellinger
Henry Noble

Charles Town on Ashley river March. 1st, 1700/

May it please yo' Lordships—

On ye Fourth day of February last ye Assembly mett at Charles Town & Adjourn'd on this present first day of March dureing which Sessions these Sever'd Acts were made & ratified Viz.'

An Act for ye better regulateing ye proceedings of ye Court of Admiralty—

An Act for ye better prevention of horses being brought &c—into this province—

An Act for ye better Settling of Pilotage—

An Act for ye Promoteing ye Currency of heavy money—

An Additional Act for laying an Imposition on liquors—

An Act to Prevent Prisoners from makeing Escapes & to Appoint Sessions &c—

An Act for Prevention of runaways deserting this Governm—

The Copy of them wee will Order to be Sent yo' Lordships by ye next Opportunity & then write more at large. Wee have Seen an Abstract of an Act of Parliam', lately made in England for ye Tryall of Pyrates which wee desire yo' Lordships would be pleased to Send us by ye First Conveyance that wee may proceed accordingly. The Country is at this time very healthy. Wee can Add nothing further at present ye Ship by which this Comes being under Saile, So wishing yo' Lordships health & prosperity Wee remane yo' Lordships

Most humble Servts—

Ja: Moore
Jos: Morton
Robert Gibbes
John Wick
Edmund Bellinger
Henry Noble
May it please your Lordships—
Landgrave John Wyc Esq. yr. Lordships Secretary will give
yr. Lordships Copyes of all yr. Acts of Parliam. made last Session
Dureing this Session (i.e.) about yr. twentieth of February last
from Canada Came into this yr. Lordships Colony four french
men who applied themselves to yr. Govrn. what they Came for
& how they were disposed of yr. Lordships will See by yr. Order
of Councell & yr. Advice of yr. house of Comons relating to them
herewith Sent yr. Lordships, yr. Lordships Secretary (haveing
been severall. daies with them) can Satisfie yr. Lordships in every
particular relating to them, & why wee thought it best to lett
them return back yr. same way they Came—

On Wednesday yr. 18. day of March last began a Generall. Ses-
son of yr. peace Oyer & Terminer & Goal delivery at which
were Sentenced to Death three men & one Woman all guilty of
yr. same fact one man is executed yr. other two reprieved yr.
Woman yr. worst of all after Sentence pleaded she was with
Child, & by yr. Verdict of twelve women was found & return'd so
one man was burn'd in the hand one man & one woman whipt—

On Wednesday yr. Sixteenth of April Inst. begun a Generall.
Sessions of Oyer & Terminer & Goal delivery for yr. Admiralty
Jurisdiction at which was Condemn'd one man of that Crew that
took Capt. Rhett he will be executed on Wednesday next Yr.
Secretary will let yr. Lordships know yr. Crimes for which yr.
men were Condemned & yr. reason why wee reprieved some of
them

April 21, 1701,

Wee are yr. Lordships most
humble, Obedient & Faithfull Serva—
Ja: Moore
John Wick
Robert Gibbes
Henry Noble

May it please yr. Lordships
Since yr. Death of yr. late Governr. Propr. Blake who
had Coll Cary's Accs: Wee have not been able to gett them in
Order to end that matter Notwithstanding Wee have Sent for
John Earle of Bath Palatine & ye rest of ye Province of Carolina

( Mag. Sig ) True & absolute Lords & Proprietors of ye

To the honorable Landg. Edmund Bellinger Esq. our receiv'd,

Wee do hereby Authorize & Impower you to Issue out Warrs. under yo' hand & Seale to such Person or Persons as are or shall be appointed for that end to make distress for & levy ye arrears of rent which now are or hereafter shall become due to us for lands by us to any Persons Given & Granted or for which by any other pretence whatsoever are helden or Claimed for which rent ought to be paid, And you are to take care that ye said Warrs. & process thereon be done & made according to ye Directions of an Act of Parliament, entitled an Act to Ascertain ye Prices of land, ye form of Conveyances & ye manner of recovering of rents for lands & ye prices of ye Several Commodities ye same may be paid in Witness at Charles Town ye twelfth day of July Anno 1701/

Ja: Moore
Jos: Morton
Rob: Gibbes
Henry Noble

At the Councill Chamber Whitehall
the 31st. day of July 1701/

Their Excellencies the Lords Justices—

Ld Arch Bp: of Canterbury  Mr Secretary Vernon
Lord Keeper— Duke of Somersett
Earle of Oxford  Lord Chamberlain
Earle of Ranelagh  Lord Godolphin
Lord President  Mr Secr'ty. Hedges
Lord Steward  Mr Chancellor of ye Exchequer.
M' Vice Chamberlain  Sr Henry Goodrick
Upon reading this Day at ye board a report from ye honble: Lords of ye Privy Council, appointed a Comittee for hearing of Appeals from the Plantations, Dated ye 29th. of May last past in ye words following Viz t—

The Lords of ye Comittee haying in pursuance of his Majesties Order in Council of ye 22nd. of this month, Considered ye Petition & Appeal of Benjamin Nicoll, John Cross, Patrick Walsh & Giles Been of London Merchants. Owners & freighters of ye Cole & Been Gally & her Cargo from a Sentence of ye Court of Admiralty in Carolina given ye third day of January 1699, whereby the said Gally & her Cargo were Condemned on pretence of not having a Register or Certificate in form, according to a late Act of Parliament, made in ye 7th & 8th years of his Majesties reigne, Entituled An Act for preventing frauds & regulateing abuses in ye Plantation Trade, and having heard the Parties Concerned in ye said Appeal, by their Council Learned, Their Lordships agree humbly to report their Opinion, that ye said Sentence given in ye Court of Admiralty in Carolina ye 3rd day of January 1699 for Condemning ye said Cole & Been Gally & her Cargo be reversed by their Excellencies the Lords Justices in Councill, and all Issues thereupon Declared Null & void.

Their Excellencies ye Lords Justices in Councill are pleased to Approve of the said report & to Order that ye Sentence of ye Condemnation given in ye Court of Admiralty in Carolina the third day of January 1699 against ye said Cole & Been Gally & her Cargo be, & ye said Sentence is hereby reversed & Sett aside & all Issues thereupon Declared Null & void— Whereof ye Governor & Councill of Carolina & all others whom it may Concern are to take Notice & to govern themselves herein accordingly.

John Povey

Read in ye Councill & recorded ye Eighth day of January Anno 1701

Edward Moseley Cler. Conc.

May it please yo'r. Lordships/

The Parliam t which wee Called to meet and Sitt on ye thirteenth day of October 1700, and which by Prorogation and Adjournment was Continued to ye Eighth day of January 1701. did then Contrary to the Orders and Advice of yo'r. Lordships Councill, adjourn it Self to the first Wednesday in September following which was but about Ten daies before ye time ye Parliam t.
was to be Dissolved by ye Biennial Act, This their Adjournm't. in such manner wee Conceived to be against yo'r Lordships prerogative as well as a great Argum't. that they did not incline to meet again to do business, and if they had, they had not left time enough to do it in Wee therefore after haveing taken all possible methods for securing yo'r. Lordships prerogative did Dissolve that parliam't. by Proclamation and in ye Same did call another to meet & Sitt on ye first day of Aprill last which did so and after haveing recommended to their Consideration ye things wee thought necessary for ye Safety of yo'r. Collony ye' house fell into violent heats about Elections & neglected ye' business wee Called them for, wee thought fitt as ye' best means to Cool those heats to prorogue ye' Parliam't. to ye' thirteenth day of this month, which then mett. and fell into heats about Elections again, So that by ye' Contrivance of some of their members twelve of ye' members Chosen for Berkly County and two of ye' members for Colleton County as wee are informed were objected against as nott duly elected or qualified, the debate of this putt ye' house in ye' same ferment as before, The two Contending parties are so equall that wee have little hopes this will be ended in little time, to allay these heats again and to give ye' members of the house time to reflect of what danger ye' preferrence of these to Careing for the publick Safety may be wee have again prorogued the Parliam't. to ye' third day of next June/

Haveing formerly written yo'r. Lordships of ye' Suspending Mr. Nicholas Trott from his Offices and not haveing reced. yo'r. Lordships pleasure Concerning and haveing reced an Adress from ye' house of Commons to restore him to his offices wee have out of respect to ye' Commons restored him accordingly/
The first time ye' Parliam't. mett & Sate after ye' Certain advice of ye' Death of ye' late King James, Sr. Nath Johnson Came into ye' Upper house of Parliam't. and after haveing taken ye' Oath of Allegiance to King William & ye' other Oaths by Law required took his place as one of ye' Cassiques of Carolina & hath ever since Constantly attended ye' house/

Wee have no mounted all our Great Guns in Charles Town wee have finished att each end of ye' two great Streets a Batterie and have now Gott ye' Order of both houses for pileing them and ye'
Great Batterie to defend them from ye Force of Storms Yor.
Lordships Colony is very healthy & Flourishes in Trade
Wee Edm$. Bellinger Ja: Moore
Alex$. Parris Rob Daniell
Geo: Dearsley Rob Gibbes
Henry Noble

Duplicate Sr

Whitehall ye. 7th. May, 1702/
The Queen having been pleased to Constitute me one of her principall Secretaries of State It is necessary I should Inform you of it, that for ye future you may direct to me such Letters as relate to her Majesties Service, and I Desire you from time to time to acquaint me with such things as Occurr in yo$ parts/

And I am Comanded to acquaint you that her Majestie has declared Warr against France and Spain as you will See by ye Enclosed Declaration, and to Signify her Majesties pleasure to you, that you Cause it to be proclaimed in the places under yo$. Governm$. that her Subjects haveing this Notice may take Care to prevent any Mischiefs, which otherwise they might Suffer from ye Enemy, and do their duty in their Severall Stations to Annoy ye Subjects of France and Spain/ I must also acquaint you that the Emperor and ye States Generall of ye united prov-inces have also declared Warr against France and Spain—

I am Your humble Servt.

Lords Prop$ Carolina/
Nottingham,
For ye r$, hono$. ye Lords Prop$ of her Majesties Province of Carolina and of her Majesties Colony of ye Bahama Islands in America

Carolina

Entred November ye. 26. 1702/
Edw: Moseley. C. Con.

Sr$, St. James's May 8th. 1702/
Wee have just now received her Majesties Comands Signified to us by ye Earl of Nottingham her principall Secretary of State for declareing Warr against France & Spaine—

Wee do therefore Order & Direct you to declare Warr accord-ingly against France and Spaine, and that you do yo$ Duties in yo$. Severall Stations, to Annoy ye Subjects of France & Spain and to preserve & defend our Collony from ye Enemy—
Wherein wee Can be Serviceable to you pray send word & all necessary Care Shall be taken for your Security. Wee hope before this you have received our Orders for the Proclaiming the Queen. Wee are Yo\textsuperscript{r}. most Affectionate & Loving friends

\textit{J Granville Palatine}  
Craven
\textit{J. Granville for Ld. Carterett}  
M. Ashley
\textit{Jo. Colleton}

To James Moore Esqr. Govr. and to our Deputies in Council  
att Charles Towne in Carolina America

\textit{Entred Nov. 26. 1702}  
Edw: Moseley C. Con

\textit{Sr. Carolina from ye Councill Board att Charles Towne}  
\textit{Novr. 26. 1702/}

Haveing reced. a packett from ye hono\textsuperscript{r}. Sr. Nath\textsuperscript{l}. Johnson directed to yo\textsuperscript{r}. Excellency, Wee thought fitt (notwithstanding ye\textsuperscript{c} Imbargoe on so Extraordinary Occasion as ours is) to lett Cap\textsuperscript{t}. Smith depart with it for ye\textsuperscript{c} Speedy Conveyance of it to yo\textsuperscript{r}. Excellency haveing good reason to beleive that alwaies but more Especially at this time her Majesties affairs & dispatches to her Gov\textsuperscript{r}. in America are of great Importance, Wee Cannot doubt but yo\textsuperscript{r}. Excellencys Zeal for her Majesties Service will amongst others give ours ye\textsuperscript{c} like furtherance, Yo\textsuperscript{r}. Excellency will understand that our Govern\textsuperscript{r}. is Master of ye\textsuperscript{c} Town of St. Augustine, and wee hope by this of ye\textsuperscript{c} Castle also, If so & wee should En\textsuperscript{d}eavour to keep it till her Majesty should send a Garrison thither Some reinforcem\textsuperscript{t}. from yo\textsuperscript{r}. Excellency would be very Season\textsuperscript{b}. & wee doubt not well accepted of by her Majesty as a Loyall & good Service, neither have wee any reason to doubt yo\textsuperscript{r}. Excellency's desire of an Opportunity to Show yo\textsuperscript{r}. Constant readiness Wee are yo\textsuperscript{r}. Excellencys humble Servt.

Edmd Bellinger, Alex\textsuperscript{t}. Parris. Henry Noble, Robt. Gibbes  
To his Excellency Benjamin Bennett Go\textsuperscript{r}. of Bermuda

John Earle of Bathe Palatine and the rest of the True and absolute Lords and Proprietors of the Province of Carolina/  
To John Wick Esqr\textsuperscript{r}.

Wee being well assured of the Wisdome Prudence and Incertainty of you the Said John Wich have thought fitt and doe by these Presents & dureing our Pleasure Constitute and Apoint.
you the Said John Wick Secretary and Register of that part of our Province of Carolina that lieth South & west of Cape Fear hereby Authorising you and Giving you full power to be present at all meetings of the Palatine Court and Grand Councill and Also to Keep an Exact Register of all their Acts & Orders and Alsoe to Receive from the Surveyor Generall all Certificates of Land by him layd out and Surveyed according to ye warrants Issued out by the Person or Persons Wee have Impowered or Shall hereafter Impower to grant Such Warrants and to draw up Such Lease or Leases Conveyance or Assurance of land as by Our Instructions is or Shall hereafter be directed which being Signed and Sealed by the person or persons wee have or Shall Hereafter Impower So to doe You Shall Carefully Inroll the Same with power to doe and performe all other Acts and things that have been Usually done in that part of our Province Afore-said by the former Secretarys and Registers & to Take all Such fees and prequisites as to the Office of a Secretary & Registor do belong and Wee doe hereby Repale Revoake and make null and Void all former Commissions for the Said Office Given under our hands and the Great Seale of our Province this in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seaven hundred

Bathe Palatine
Craven
Bathe for the Lord Carteret
Mr Ashley

Instructions for John Wick Esq:=
Register and Secretary of Carolina/
You are to take into your Custody all those Records that have been usd— to be kept by the Secretarys there You are also to See if the Severall Instructions from ye Lords Proprietors to the Severall Governours here been Recorded And if they are not You are forthwith to Record them as alsoe all their publique Letters to their Governours or Government All which things are to be Entered in a Book kept for that Use only And You are likewise to Copy in the Said Book all Instructions Letters and Orders that Shall hereafter come from ye lords Proprietors to the Governour or Government there And alsoe to Note downe in ye sd Booke ye time when ye Letter or Order was Read in the Palatines Court or Generall Assembly.
You are alsoe in a Booke for that Use provided Exactly to Register All Orders or Judgments of the Councill or Palatines Court and in Another Booke All Acts and Votes of ye Generall Assembly of all which you are to Send Copyes to Us Sign'd by your Self by every Ship that Comes to England or by way of Barbados or Virginia and to Send Duplicates thereof.

You are in a Booke for that Use provided to keep exact Register of all Warrants Issued out to the Surveyor Generall for ye Admeasuring out of land to Any person that comes there to plant and the Surveyor Generalls Retorne you are to Enter against ye Said Warrent And in the Warrant to the Surveyor Generall you are to Incert ye Names of the persons Imported into Carolina for which Said Land is Granted Copyes of which and of the Surveyor Generalls Retorne you are constantly to Send to us that Wee may See now our Land is disposed of.

You are to put our Seal for that Use provided to Such Grants of Land as are past According to our Instructions for granting of land and not otherwise.

You are every Three Months to give Us an Accompt of what Ships Arrives in Carolina and from whence ye day of there Arrivall and Departure how many persons came in Each Ship how Many of them are Servants to whom those who are Servants belong And you are with ye Entry of Every Ship to Register ye Names of ye Passengers taking Notice who are free and who are Servants and to whom ye Servants belong of which you are to Send Us Copyes when you Send Us the Accompts of ye Ships that Arrive & depart And you are also to give Us Accompt what Number of persons and ye Names of those that leave ye Province and in What Ships.

You are not to make out a Warrant for land to any for persons Impowered untill you have Shewed them ye forme of ye Indenture by which wee grant land and let them know ye termes on which they are to hold it from us and taken their promise to Signe and Seale the Counterpart And if any Shall Scruple to Signe ye Counterpart & you are to make Out no warrant to them Untill they Shall Engage to Signe the Counterpart of the Indenture Aforesaid.

In all warrants for land for persons Imported you to to Incert ye Names of the persons for which it is become due & in what Ship each person was Imported Copyes of all which Warrants you are to Send Us every Three Months/
When you make out warrants for land to Any one for Persons Imported you are to marke ye Names of those in ye Register of persons Imported for whom it is granted with a Cross that it may Appear land is already granted for them and thereby ye Granting land twice for ye Same persons be Avoyded/

And our Will is that for your paines therein and better Sopport in the discharge of your Office and for your Attending ye Counsell a Salary of forty pounds ± annum be paid you half yearly out of the publique Treasury of Carolina by our Treasurer for ye time being to Comence from ye time of your Entrance on your Sd Office Given under our hands and Seals this 26th day of July — — 1700

Bathe Palatine O Craven
Bathe for ye Lord Carteret M Ashley

After Our very hearty Comendations It haveing pleased Almighty God to take to his Mercy out of this troublesome life Our late Soveraign Lord King William the Third of most blessed memory and thereupon her Royal Matie. Quean Anne being here Proclaimed Wee have thought fitt to Signify the Same unto you with Directions that you cause her most Sacred Majesty to be proclaimed within her Maties Province of Carolina according to ye forme here Inclosed with the Solemnitys and Ceremonys requisite on the like Occasions and Wee doe further Transmitt unto you her Maties most gracious Proclamation Signifying Her Maties pleasure that all men being in Office of Government at the Decease of the late King Shall so Continue as dureing his Late Majestys life which wee doe in like manner Will and Require you to cause to be Proclaimed As soone as may be in the Cheif Place or Places within your Government and So not doubting of your Ready Complyance herein Wee bid you very heartily farewel from ye Counciull Chamber at St James’s the 11th day of March 1701/

Yor. Lordspp’s. very Loveing ffriends—
N. Wrighters/ Somersett P/
Manchester Burlington
Scarborough H. Boyle Ja Vernon
Scarborough John Povey

Lords pp’s of Carolina/
Wee here inclosed Send you a letter we have Received from the lords of her Majesties Councill for ye Proclaiming the Princess Anne of Denmarke Queen of England Scotland France and Ireland and the Dominions thereunto belonging which you are to Take Care to See performe & be Done in Carolina with all Convenient Speed & with all Usuall and due Solemnity/

Wee are likewise Upon this Occasion to Give you Assurance of her Majesties Especiall Care and Protection not at all Doubting but you will Endeavor to render your Selves Deserving of her Royal Favor by Doeing all things on your parts that are Necessary for your Security and Defence in the present Conjunction.

And you are not to Faile of Giveing us an Account of the Performance of what is herein Injoyned you by the first Oppertunity Wee rest

Your Affectioned Friends
J G Palatine
Craven
J Granville for ye lord Carteret
M Ashley
Jo: Colleton


To James Moore Esq—

To all to whom these p'sents Shall come Greeting Know yee that wee doe hereby dureing our pleasure, appoint, Constitute, authorize & impower you the Said James Moore To be receiver Genelall of ye part of our province of Carolina that lies South and west of Cape Fear and also to be on our behalfe & to our use Receiver of all our moneys & dues whatsoever and of all our rents in ye, part of our province aforesaid with full power and authority in our names to ask Demand Sue for Levy Require Recover Distraint for & Receive the Said Rents and dues and to give acquittances and other discharges for us & in our names for Such Sumes as yu. Shall receive by vertue of these p'sents, and to doe and act all other thing and Things whatsoever that we our Selves might Legally doe in order to the recovery of ye Sd. rents & Dues as well in arrear or ye. Shall become Due before our
Repealing or Vacating this p'sent Com\textsuperscript{on}: by Some writing 
under y\textsuperscript{e} hand of y\textsuperscript{e} Palatine & Two or three more of y\textsuperscript{e} Lords 
Prop\textsuperscript{rs}— and y\textsuperscript{e} great Seal of our province Published and 
recorded in y\textsuperscript{e} Secretarys office there and for what rent & dues 
you Shall receive y\textsuperscript{u} are to be Accountable to us, and dispose of 
the Same as y\textsuperscript{u}. Shall be directed by us And wee doe hereby 
revoke and make null & void all former Com\textsuperscript{ons}— Granted for 
y\textsuperscript{e} S\textsuperscript{d}. office Given under our hands and the great Seal of our 
province This Eighteenth day of June Anno Dom: 1702 
J Granville Palatine. Craven, J Granville for Lord Carteret. 
J Colleton  
(Seal) 
Entred this 3\textsuperscript{d}. of \textit{f\textsuperscript{e}b\textsuperscript{e}r} 1702/3  J Barnwell C: C:

The Right Hon\textsuperscript{ble}— John Granville Esq\textsuperscript{r}. One of her Maj\textsuperscript{ysts}— 
most Hon\textsuperscript{ble}— Privy Counsell Palatine y\textsuperscript{e} Right Hon\textsuperscript{ble}— Wm— 
Lord Craven the Right Hon\textsuperscript{ble}— Jn\textsuperscript{o} Lord Carterett The Hon\textsuperscript{ble}— 
Maurice Ashly Esq\textsuperscript{r}. S\textsuperscript{r}. Jn\textsuperscript{o}. Colleton Barn\textsuperscript{t}. and y\textsuperscript{e} rest of 
the true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of Carolina in America. 
To Job Howes Esq\textsuperscript{r}.—

Wee out of y\textsuperscript{e} trust & Confidence wee have in y\textsuperscript{e} wisdome 
Prudence and Ability of y\textsuperscript{u}. the S\textsuperscript{d}. Job Howes Doe hereby Con- 
stitute, authorize & appoint y\textsuperscript{u}. the S\textsuperscript{d}. Job Howes to be Surveyor 
Gen\textsuperscript{al} of y\textsuperscript{t}. part of our province of Carolina that lyes South 
and west of Cape \textit{f\textsuperscript{e}x\textsuperscript{a}r} and therein to doe Execute & \textit{f\textsuperscript{d}orm}e all 
things whatsoever which belongs to the S\textsuperscript{d}. office of Surveyor 
Generall together with all \textit{f\textsuperscript{d}quivisits & Pfof\textsuperscript{t}fits} belonging to y\textsuperscript{e} S\textsuperscript{d}. 
office and we doe hereby make null & voyd all former Com\textsuperscript{ons}— 
granted for the S\textsuperscript{d}. office. Given under our hands & the Great 
Seale of our S\textsuperscript{d}.— Province this Eighteenth day of June Anno 
Dom 1702. — — — — 
J: Granville—Palatine—Craven J Granville for Lord Carterett 
J Colleton 
Entered 3\textsuperscript{d}. \textit{f\textsuperscript{e}b\textsuperscript{e}r}— 1702/3  J: Barnwell C: C:

The Right hon\textsuperscript{ble} John Granville Esq\textsuperscript{r}: One of her 
Majesties most hon\textsuperscript{ble}. privy Counsell Palatine, Guar- 
dian to the Right Hon\textsuperscript{ble}— John Lord Carterett One 
of the true and absolute Lords prop\textsuperscript{rs}— of the province 
of Carolina 
To Thomas Broughton Esq\textsuperscript{r}.

Whereas it is appointed by y\textsuperscript{e} Lords prop\textsuperscript{rs}. of Carolina in their fundamentall constitutions and rules
of Governm't. That each of the Lords prop're. Shall name a deputy to be his representative in the generall Assembly and Councill of Carolina I out of y' trust & confidence I have in y' prudence wisdom & loyality of you y' S'd. Thomas Broughton to be a Deputy for the S'd Jn°. Lord Carterett dureing my pleasure In y' part of our province of Carolina that lies South & west of Cape Fear w'th. full power to act & exercise all Such powers & authorities as to a Lords prop're. Deputy doth belong And I hereby make null & void all former Comissions for y' S'd. Deputiship Given under my hand and Seal this Eighteenth day of June 1702 Entered y' 4th. of J Granville for Lord Carteret O March 1702/3

Jn°: Barnwell Cler. Conc

The Right Honble— Jn°. Granville Esq'. One of her Majesties most honble— Privy Councill, Palatine the Right Honble. Wm.— Lord Craven The Right Honble— Jn°. Lord Carteret The Hon'ble Maurice Ashly Esq'. Sr. Jn° Colleton Bar'. and the rest of the true and absolute Lords & prop're. of the province of Carolina in America

To our trusty and Well beloved
Sr. Nathaniel Johnson Knight
Governour of South and North Carolina

Wee the Said true and absolute Lord & prop're. of the province aforesaid Reposeing Special trust and Confidence In the Courage loyalty & prudence of y' Sr. Nathaniel Johnson Doe hereby Constitute & appoint y' Dureing our pleasure Governour of our whole province of Carolina & y' are to doe & execute all things in due maner & forme y'. Shall belong to Your Comand or y' trust wee have reposed in y' according to the Severall powers Granted y' by this pre'sent Comission Wee do hereby farther Impower Constitute & Appoint y' our S'd— Governour to be Admirall Captain Generall & Comander in Chief of all the forces raised or to be raised both by Sea & land within our Said province & over them to appoint a Lieutenant Generall or Lieutenant generalls vice admirall or Vice-Admiralls both in South & North Carolina and we doe hereby farther Impower y' upon all occasions dureing yo'. abode in america to Constitute a Deputy or Deputy Governours both in
South & North Carolina dureing Yo. pleasure and to Constitute & appoint all & S lar offices in and for the Governm. of our Sd. Province dureing yo. pleasure & ye pleasure of us the Lords Proprietors Wee doe hereby Impower ye. in case of yo. departure att any time from Carolina to England to appoint & Constitute a Deputy Governour or Deputy Governours both in South & North Carolina wth. Such powers as you Shall think necessary Provided ye Same be agreeable to & doe not exceed those by us granted to yo. Self Wee do further give ye. full power & authority wth. ye advice & Consent of any three or more of our deputies to grant & Sell Land in ffe reserving twelve pence for one hundred acres ²/₃ annum as an acknowledgm. and to Settle ye. quit rents by pattents or Indentures and by Such a Method as ye. our Govern. wth. any three or more of our Deputies Shall think fitt Soe as when money Canot be had a treu value may be Settled in ye best of Such Comodities as ye Country is Capable of Produceing Wee doe farther Impower ye. to Escheat Land & afterwards to lett it for rent or Sell ye. Same and we doe hereby farther Impower ye. our Said Govern. by & wth. ye advice & Consent of our Council & Generall assembly of our Province or any part thereof wherein there is a district Govern. toalter any former Lawes ye. Shall be thought fitt to be Changed, And to enact all Such reasonable Lawes & Statutes for ye better Governm. of our Sd. Province as you wth. ye advice & Consent of our Generall assembly Shall think Expedient Provided ye Sd. Lawes be not Contrary to ye powers granted to us in our Charter from ye Crowne and as Near as Possibly agreeable to ye ffundementall Constitutions Excepting in what relates to Jurys wherein we have already Given directions and we doe hereby repeale & make void all other Comissions Given by us to former Govern—of our Sd. Province Given under our hands & ye. Great Seal of our province this Eighteenth day of June Ano. Dni 1702

J Granville Palatine.—Craven—J Granville for Lord Carterett

(Seal) J Colleton

Att the Court att St. James the 2d. day of July 1702./ Present

The Queens most Excellent Majesty in Councill

Upon reading this day att the board, a Representation from the Lords Com. of trade & Plantations, Setting forth ye. they are given to understand by a letter from the Lords prop. of Carolina

11—H. C.
y't they had appointed S't. Nathaniel Johnson to be Governr. of that province for wch. ye Sd. Lords prop'rs. humbly desire her Maj'ties— Approbation according to an act of Parliam't. in y't behalfe & ye Sd. Lords Com'rs. humbly offering to her Maj'y. y't they find ye Character of S't. Nathaniel Johnson to be Such as to deserve her Maj'ties— approbation in Case he doe qualify himself as ye law requires her Maj'y. in Councill is thereupon pleased to declare her allowance & royall approbation of ye Sd. S't— Nathaniel Johnson to be Govern'r. of ye province of Carolina according to ye Nomination & approbation of ye Sd. Lords Prop'rs. Provided nevertheless y't ye Sd. S't. Nathaniel Johnson do qualify himself for y't trust in Such manner as ye law requires as is proposed by ye Sd. representation and y't he do give good & Sufficient Security y't he Shall duly observe ye acts of trade & obey Such Instructions as Shall be Sent to him from her Maj'y. or any acting under her Maj'ties— authority and ye Sd. Lords Com'rs. of trade & plantations are to take Care y't. good & Sufficient Security be given by the Said S't. Nathaniel Johnson accordingly/

Entered March 5th: 1702/3

John Povey

39 Jn'o. Barnwell C. C.


To Nicholas Trott Esqr.

Wee Reposeing Especiall trust and Confidence in the Ability Care prudence & fidelity of ye Sd. Nicholas Trott Have ordain'd Constituted & appointed & by these p'sence Do ordain Constitute & Appoint ye Sd. Nicholas Trott by ye Sd. name & Stile of Chief Justice or Judge of ye part of our province of Carolina that lyes South and west of Cape Fear To have hold & Determine all pleas As well Civill as Criminall & those relatinge to the publikc revenues & all other pleas whatsoever arising & happening wth.in the Sd. part of our province of Carolina Giveing & hereby granting unto ye Sd. Nicholas Trott full power & Authority to do 39form & execute all acts Matters & things whatsoever wth.—in ye Sd. part of our province of Carolina wth. to ye office of a Chief Justice doth in any wise apertain or belong
& in as larg & ample maner to all Intents & purposes as any Justice or Barron of any of ye Courts of Westminster or any of ye English plantations in America or as any Justice of Assize or Comissioners of Oyer & Terminer & Goale Delivery in ye Kingdom of England or in America may or ought to form & Execute To have and to hold the Said office of Chief Justice in ye Sd. part of our province of Carolina Together with all feees, quastitts, priviledges liberties Imunities & Causalties belonging to ye Sd. office Dureing our pleasure And we doe hereby require & Comand all our officers & all other Sons whatsoever in any wise Concerned to take notice of this our Grant and give all Due obedience to ye Sd. Nicholas Trott in ye execution of ye Several powers herein granted you as they will answer the Contrary att their Perrill, And we doe hereby revoke & make null all former Comissions Granted for ye Sd. office Witnesse Sr. Nathaniel Johnson Knight our Governour & our Deputies And Given under the Great Seal of ye Province of Carolina this fifth day of March In the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and two/

Ja: Moore ( mag ) N Johnson
Jos: Morton ( Sigill ) Robt. Daniel
Tho: Broughton ( Carol ) Henry Noble

read in Council and Entered March 5th. 1702/3

Jn. Barnwell C: C:

Johannes Comes Bathe Palatinus Carolinæ reliquique ejusdem Provincæ Proprietores Salutem, Cum Serenissimus Princeps Carolus Secundus nuper Dei Gratia magnæ Britanniae Francicæ et hiberinæ Rex fidei Defensor exspeciali suo favore Dedit et concessit nobis unacum Provincia Carolina Potestatem Gradus Status Titulorumq Dignitatum et honorum Ibidem constitueendi et erigi virosq benemeritos ad eosdem Gradus evendhi jisq Titulis cohoestandi Ornandiq Cumq regiminis forma a nobis Stabilita et in perpetuum a nobis et successoribus nostris observanda Constitutum sit ut certus sit Landgravorum et Cassiquorum numerus qui sint perpetui et Hereditary nobilis Proceresq Province nostro Carolina Cumq eximius vir Robertuo Daniel magna sua prudentia et industria magno erit adjumento nobis virum Do nobis tambene meritum remunerare volentes Landgravum constituius Scialis igitur quod nos ut monumentum AOternum gratiae nostre ett illius meritorum dictum Robertum
Daniel ad statum Gradum stilum dignitatem titulum et honoremLandravi Ereximus præficus et creavimus Ipsumq RobertumDaniel Landgravintenore præsentium Erigimus præficus etCreamus Eidemq Roberto Daniel nomen Statum Gradum StilumDignitatem titulum et honorem cum quadraginta Octo MilleIngeris terræ Alijsq priviledgijs eadem dignitati pertinentibus etin æternum Imposuimus Dedimus et præbuimus et per presentespro nobis Hæredibus et Successoribus nostris Damus Imponimuset præbemus Habendum et tenendum eodem nomen statum Gradum Stilum dignitatem et honorem Landgravium cum prædictis terris Singulisq Juribus præeminentijs privilegijs et immunitati-bus eadem dignitati pertinentibus præfato Robert Daniel×××× et hæredibus suis secundum tenorem fundamentalium nostrarumconstitutionum in perpetum Volentes atper presentes concedentspro nobis hæredibus et successoribus nostris quod prædictus Robertus Daniel et hæredes sui prædicti nomen statum Gradum Stilum dignitatem titulum et honorem Langravi successive gerrant and habeant tarrasq prædictas possideant et eorum quilibetgerat habeat et possideat et per nomen Landgravi vocenturet nuncupenter et eorum quilibet vocetur et nuncupetur quodq.Idem Robertus Daniel et hæredes sui prædicti successive Land-gravi in omnibus teneantur et ut Landgravi tracentur et repute-tetur et eorum quilibet teneatur tracetur et reputetur habe-antq teneant et possideant et eorum quilibet habeat teneat etpossideat prædictas terras Solventes inperpetuum pro quilibet tractue terræ Centum jugera continent Duodecem denariosbonæ et Legalis moneta Angliæ annuamim nobis et hæredibusnostris que solutio Juchcaanda est sub finem bienny post ejus etillius Occupationem Nec nondictus Robertus Daniel et hæredes sui prædicti Gaudeant et utanter et eorum quilibet gaudeat et utater nomen Landgravi omnibus et singulis Juribus privilegijspræeminentijs et immunitatibus statui Landgravi in omnibus rite et Jure pertinentibus Incujus rei Testimonium has literasnostras submagno sigillo nostro Caroline fieri fecimus DatumManus uras duodecimo Die Augustie anno ætæ Christianæ Mil-lessimo Sextentesimo Nonagessimo Octavo:/

Bath (magnno) Palatine Craven M Ashley
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(Dominor)
(Caroli)
Tho: Amy Bath for Ld Carteret, Wm— Thornborough
Wm Thornborough for Sr. Jnº. Colleton
Recorded 17th, June 1703
¶ Jnº. Barnwell Cer Conc.

Instructions For Job Howes Esq our Surveyor
General of South Carolina

Wee herewith Send you a Comission to be our Surveyor Generall
of that part of our Province of Carolina That Lyes South & west
of Cape Feare wch— Comission you are to show to Sr. Nathaniel
Johnson our Governº, & Councell & Record yº same

Our Governour is to Cause to be Delivered to you all such Publick
Papers Books, Scheams, Records and Instructions for Setting
out Land that used to be kept by the Respective and Successive
surveyors Generall or their Deputies all which you are to
take to yoº. Charge & yº Rules therein Carefully to Observe
Wee Require That you Give not Possession of Land by you or
your Deputies Surveyed to any Person nor to Suffer them to have
a plott thereof or any Certificate of yoº. survey, nor are you to
make any Record thereof untill they have first signed yº Counterpte
of yº Indenture for the Grant thereof But yº Plott of yº
Land by you surveyed and yº Certificates are by yourselfe to be
given to our Secretary for yº Enabling him to make out yº
Grants & which Plott & Certificate are by him to be kept & not
given to yº party for whome yº Land is Run out untill yº party
Concerned hath Signed yº Counterpart of yº Conveyance according
to yº forme by us Directed in our former powers or Rules for
Granting Lands—

You are alsoe to make Due Entryes and keep a true Record of
all Lands that you shall sett out.

You are as soon as you can Conveniently Gett it Ready To
transmitt to us Particular accompts of the Lands Taken up
number of acres Quitt Rents and Rents Reserved for Land Sold
& see to Continue to Doe of all Lands hereafter Taken up and to
mention where houses are built upon yº same Given under our
hands & seals this Eighteenth Day of June Anno Dni 1702/

Record May 1st— 1703

J Granvill O
Craven O

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J Granvill for Ld Carteret O
M Ashley O
J Colleton O
Instructions for James Moore Esq., our Receiver Generall of South Carolina.
Wee herewith Send you a Comission to be Receiver Generall of all that Part of our Province of Carolina that lies south and west of Cape Feare to Receive to our use all Dues Rents Fines and forfeiture that of Right belong to us which Commission you are to Shew to the Governr. & Councill & Record the same You are to Informe yo. selfe by all means you Can what Times have Been Sett upon any Person for misdemeanours in any of our Courts and to receive ye same to our use and in Case of Deniall of Payment to use all Lawfull meanes for the Recovery of ye same

You are to take into your Possession our share of wrecks Ambergreen and all such other things as of right belong to us

Whatsoever you shall Receive in Goods and merchandize that are proper and fitt for this markett you are to send them to us by ye first ship Bound for London

You are to use all possible Diligence to Informe your selfe of all Lands that have been Granted to any Person what ever in that part of our Province in which you are to observe these Particulars Vizt/

How much Land each person Dos possess by what Rent each Person Dos hold whither by Twelve pence 2/3 Cent or peny 2/3 acre what any Person is in arreare and if above twelve months To order our attorney Generall to Sumonce them & on failure of Complyance to proceed × × × to Prosecute them for the Recovery of ye same all which you are to forme into a Regular Rent Roll & Regularly to enter into ye roll Book all land that Shall hereafter be Granted & to Transmitt a Copy thereof to us once every year. × × × × ×

You are out of our moneys Dues & Rents you shall Receive as aforesd. to pay to ye Governr. for ye time being two hundred pounds to ye Chief Justice for ye time being sixty pounds To the security for ye time being forty pounds to ye attorney Generall for ye time being Forty pounds by Even Quarterly payments beginning from ye time of their Entrance upon their respective offices the rest of what you receive you are to dispose of as you shall from time to time be Directed By us

you are to take yo. selfe after ye Rate of Tenn 2/3 Cent of all moneys Goods and merchandizes of ours you shall receive Dispose off according to our order — — — — — — — — — —
you are to present your accounts to ye Govern'r, and two of our Trustees once every three months and oftener if required to be approved off by them according to ye forme Prescribed in our order to ye Govern'r, & Trustees and allways to Transmitt them to us by ye next ship.

In all ye foregoing matters And what ever is of Consequence you are to take the Direction and advise of ye Govern'r, & two att Least of the trustees & in ye absence or death of ye Govern'r. of the three trustees Given under our hands & seales this Eighteenth day of June Anno Dni. 1702.

Recorded ye first of May 1703

John Granville O
Craven O
J. Barnwell C: C: J Granville for Lord Carteret O
J Colleton O

To our Trusty and well beloved
Sires: nathaniel Johnson Kn: our Govern'r, James Moore Esq'. our Receiver Generall nicholas Trott Esq'. our attorney genrall & Job Hows Esq'. our Surveyor Genrall.

The Rt. Honble— John Granwell Esq' one of her majesty's
most Honble— william Lord Craven ye R'. Honble— John
Lord Carteret ye Honble— maurice ashley Esq' s'. John
Colleton Barronet and the rest of ye true & absolute Lords &
Proprietors of Carolina in America.

Wee The true and absolute Lords and Proprietors of ye Province aforesaid. Doe hereby appoint Authorize & Impower you ye s'd. s'. nathaniel Johnson our Governr. James moore. nicholas trot & Job Hows for us & in our names. Pursuant to the powers Rules Quantity Limitts & bounds hereunto Directed by our rules and Instructions for Granting of Land, and by Such forme of Deed or deed in that Case provided and thereunto annexed and on record in our s'd. Province To grant & Sell & Convey Lands in fee to such Person or persons as shall Transport themselves or others into our s'd. Province of Carolina und such Limitations Provises & Instructions as we have allready Given you our s'd Govern'r & beareing Even Date with these presents And wee Doe hereby Further appoint authorize & Impower you our said Govern'r. & ye s'd. James moore nicholas Trott & Job hows forthwith to take & Inspect & Accoounts of thomas Cary asquire late Receiver Genrall from ye time of our late Govern'r John Archdale Esq' his putting
him in possession of ye sd office as also ye accoompts of James moore Esqr from ye time he was possest of that office as also ye accoompts of James Eli as also of Edmund Bellinger our Late Receiver Genral from ye time he was possest of ye sd office and after you have audited and approved the same to attest each Particular accompt in this forme following Wee whose names are under written have Carefully Examined ye above accoompts & approve ye Same witness our hands this day of And such money as shall be received for ye Balance of ye aforesd acompts you are to transmitt to us by such seppareate ships and in such Respective proportions as you our said Governr. with ye advice & Consent of any two more of you shall think fitt, In all ye Cases aforesd. any three of you shall be a Quorum to execute all and singular ye Powers hereby Granted you as aforesaid Given under our hands & seales this Eighteenth day of June anno Dni 1702

J Granvill O
Craven O
Jno. Barnwell C: C: J Granvill for Ld Carterett O
J Colleton O

Instructions For Sir Nathaniel Johnson Knight our Governour of South and North Carolina × × × × ×

Wee herewith send you a Commission to be our Governr. in Chief of South and north Carolina and to Record the same with those Instructions

In ye Governr. of our affairs in our said Province Committed to your Care you are to follow such Rules as we have Given in our Fundamentall Constitutions Temporary Lawes and Instructions To our former Governour and Entred upon Record in our said Province and to be Guided by the same or see many articles thereof as shall in your Judgment seeme moste fitt to be Putt in Practice. × ×

You are with the assistance of the Grand Councill To Inspect into all our Constitutions and what of them you shall Thinke most Expedient for the Better Establishm. of our Governm. for the Good & wellfare of our People you are to Present to ye Generall assembly for their Concurrence & we will & ordaine That what shall be by you & our Grand Councill & assembly Soe agreed on you Cause to be Transmitted to us That the same may be Considered of & ratified under the hands & Seales of us ye Palatine our selfe and three or moore of us ye Lords Proprietrs. our selves
before they are Published and Putt in Execution as Lawes in Carolina.    ×    ×    ×    ×    ×    √

Any Law Past before it hath been Ratified under the Hand & scale of us the Palatine our selfe and three or more of us ye Lords prop'rs. our selves under our hands & seales & by our order Published in the Generall assembly of the Landgraves and Cassiques & Delegates for the Countrye shall Cease to be a Law whenever we the Palatine & three of more of us ye Lords Prop'rs. signifye our Discent to it under our hands & Seales.

you are to Take all Imaginable Care to see ye acts of Trad & navigation Duey to be observed.    ×    ×    ×    ×    ×    √

You are with our Trustees to use your Endeavour for ye selling of Land But to Reserve a Quit Rent of Twelve Pence a year for one hundred acres & soe Proportionably your Price for the same neare the settellments not to be under Twenty Pounds a Thousand acres & at Two hundred miles Distance or near the mountains Ten Pounds for a Thousand acres & not under, and allso To Grant Land at a Penny an acre yearly Quit Rent and that all Future Grants Containe a Provision to make the Land Escheate unless a settlement be made within the space of Four yeares and That not above Five hundred acres be Lett to any one Person with out a warrant under our hands & seales But for the Lands in Albemarle County    ×    × you are to sell ye same at such Rates    ×    × and Prices as by our Instructions to our Late Governour John Archdale Esq'.

You are to Cancell all our Blank Deputations for Landgraves and Cassiques

you are to take Great Care That the Indians be not abused and that all means may be used to Civilize them and that you Endeavour your utmost to Create a Firme Friendship with them & to bring them over to your part for yo'. better Protection & defence against ye Enemy the neighbouring French and spayyds against whom ye are to Protect our sd Province and we assure you of our utmost Assistance for yo'. security.

Haveing Received Letters of Complaints from ye Commission's of Trade & plantations w'th. an Inclosed oppinion of Councill at Law against an act Past in Carolina ye first of March 1700/1 for ye Better Regulateing ye Proceedings of the Court of Admiralty in Carolina & ye Fees of ye same, as Tending to ye Incouragem't. of unlawfull Trade Injurious to ye officers of ye admiralty there & differing from ye manner of Practice in ye hight Court of Ad-
mirsality here in England The Copy of wch. Bill Transmitted us Came not to our hands or wee have not ye same by us Therefore Wee direct you wth. our Grand Assembly to Inspect into ye same & make all ye necessary & due alterations therein & send us ye same for our Determination.

You are to Transmitt to us as soon as you Can conveniently Get it hansomely Transcribed a full and Exact account of our yearly Rents what they amount to in ye whole & ye particular men from whome Due & what from each man also what has been Received by whome & how applyed & what Land to whome and for what Sold Given under our hands & seales this Eighteenth day of Jue Anno Dni: 1702.

Recorded May ye first 1703 J Granvill O

Jn. Barnwell C: C: Craven O

J Granvill for Ld Carteret

J Colleton O

Nicholas Trott Esq. of London one of the true & absolute Lords & Proprietors of ye Province of Carolina

To Nicholas Trott Esq. of Carolinæ

Whereas it is Appointed by the Instructions & rules of Government of the Province of Carolina that each of ye Lords Proprietors of the said Province Shall & nominate a Deputy to be his Representative in the Generall Assembly & Counciill of the Province of Carolina I out of the Trust & Confidence I have in the wisdomme Prudence and Loyalty of you the said Nicholas Trott Doe Hereby Constitute and Appoint you to be my Deputy dureing Pleasure of that part of our Province of Carolina that lyes south & West of Cape Fear with full power and Authority to doe & Exercise all such powers & things as doe properly belong to a Lord Proprietors Deputy Given under my hand & Seale this second day of novembr. — — 1702/

read in Counciill & recorded ye

Nicholas Trott O

1703

Jn. Barnwell C. C:

To the Honoble— Sr. Nathaniel Johnson Kn. Governour And to our Deputies and Counciill att Charlestown in Carolina/

Gentlemen/

Your Severall letters wee receiv'd and upon ye. Instances therein together wth. the late adress of ye house of Comons for a
Supply of Stores of war & a frigate for ye Service of our province, we are Interceeding wth. her Majy. in Yr. behalfe & hope yu. Shall in due time receive ye good effects thereof And yu. may be also assured yt. nothing in our Power for yt. Support Shall be Omitted—

Wee are well, Satisfied in Yor. proceedings in ye Settling of our accounts And our Intent was yt. ye Comyn. to our Govr. wth. Mr Moore & others therein particularly named Should take place of all others for granting of land

Wee would also, in Pursuance to ye 7th. Article in our Instructions for ye Governm't, that all our Blank Deputations for Landgravcs & Cassiques be taken up and Cancelled

What yu. write concerning Mr Ash, we think So Reasonable, that yu. may Depend upon it, we Shall not give any Credit to his accusations 'till yu. have had an opportunity of Giveing Yor. answers thereunto

Wee Should be glad to hear our Constitutions were Confirmed amongst you And Shall be ready to Joyn wth. yu. In all acts for ye good of our Collony We Rest

Gentlemen
Yo'. Most Affectionate ffrinds
Granville Palatine
J Colleton. Craven. M Ashly
Granville. for Ld. Carterett

From our board att St. James 16 Nob'.
1703 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —


To Edward Willimott Esq'r.

We being well assured of ye wisdom prudence & Integrity of yu. ye Sd. Edwd. Willimott have thought fitt & do by these p's. sents dureing our pleasure Constitute & appoint yu. ye Sd. Edward Willimott Secretary for yt. q't of our province of Carolina yt. is Scituated South & West of Cape ffear.—Hereby authorizeing yu. & giveing yu. full power to be p's. sent att all meetings of
the Palatines Court & Grand Councill and also to take & keep an Exact Register of all their acts & orders and also to receive from ye Surveyor Gen'all all Certificats of land by him laid out & Survey'd according to ye war"es. Issued by ye person or ⚽️ sons, we have Impowered or Shall hereafter Impower to grant Such Warrants, and to draw up Such lease or leases Conveyances & assurances of land as by our Instructions is or hereafter Shall be directed wch. being Signed & Sealed by ye ⚽️ ⚽️ ⚽️ sons or ⚽️ ⚽️ sons we have or Shall hereafter Impower So to do You Shall carefully Inroll ye Same and doe & ⚽️ ⚽️ ⚽️ form all other acts & things ye. have been usually done by ye ⚽️ former Secretary in that part of our province aforesd. with full power licence & authority to take & receive Such Salaries fees & Perquisites as have heretofore been taken by any ⚽️ ⚽️ ⚽️ ⚽️ of our sd. province Given under our hands and ye ⚽️ great Seal of our Said Province of Carolina this nineteenth day of August 1703./


(great Seal)

Instructions for Edward Willimott Esq'. Secretary of ye part of Carolina that is Scituated South & west of Cape Phair.

1st. You are when ye. arrive in Carolina to take into yo. Custody all those records that have been used to be kept by ye ⚽️ Secretarys there and more particularly the Severall fundamentall Constitutions, and you are also to See if ye Severall Instructions from ye Lords Prop'rs. to ye ⚽️ respective Governours have been recorded And if they are not, You are to record them forthwith and also all their letters to their Governour or Government all wch. things are to be Entered in a book kept for ye. use only and ye. are likewise to Copy in ye ⚽️ Sd. book all Instructions letters & orders ye. Shall hereafter come from ye Lords prop'rs. to ye Govern'. or Governm'. there, And also in ye ⚽️ Sd. book note down ye time when ye ⚽️ Sd. letter or order was read in ye ⚽️ Palatines Court Councill or Parliament.

2dly. You are also in a book for ye. use provided Exactly to Register all orders or Judgments of ye ⚽️ grand Councill or Palatines Court & in another book all acts & votes of Parliam'. of wch. ye. are to Send Copies to us Signed by ye'. Selfe by every Ship ye. comes directly to England or by way of Barbados
3dly....You are in a book for ye use provided to keep an exact register of all warrants Issued to ye Surveyor Gen'all for ye ad-measureing out of land to any Posson that comes there to plant and ye Surveyrs. Gen'alls generalls retourn you are to Enter against ye Said war. and in ye war. to ye Survv. Generall you are to Insert ye names of ye Persons Imported into Carolina for wch. ye Sd. land is granted Copies of wch. & ye Survv. Gen'alls—Retourn you are constantly to Send to us ye. we may See how our land is disposed of.

4thly—You are to putt our Seal for ye use provided to such grants of land as are passed according to our Instructions for ye granting of land and not Otherwise.

5thly—You are Constantly to give us acc. of what Shipps arrive at Carolina and from whence, ye day of their Arrivall & Departure, how many Possons came in Each Ship, & how many She carries thence, & as near as ye can with what She is laden.

6thly—You are to Inform us how our Rules for ye granting Setting out and bounding of land are observed by ye Govern'. & Survv. Gen'all & you Yo'. Self are to See ye no greater quantity of land are granted to any Posson then our Instructions direct.

7thly—You are as soon as possible to send us an acc. of all ye land Granted in Carolina, to whom, & ye date of ye grants, & also what is run out & to whom, & ye grants not passed, wch. you are to require of the Survv. Gen'all.

And therewithall to send us a Rent Roll of the Yearly Value reserved to us upon Such respective Grants.

And once every year to make up and Send us a Compleat State of our Province of Carolina Given under our hands & Seals this nineteenth day of August 1703

Granville Palatine (Seal) Craven (Seal) Granville— for Lord Carterett (Seal)

M: Ashly (Seal) John Colleton (Seal)

Whereas we have Given & granted our Com' to Edward Willimott Esq' to be our Secretary of that part of our province of Carolina as is Scituated South & west of Cape Fear, wee doe hereby require you to pay unto ye Said Edward Willimott out of ye moneys you Shall receive for us his Salary of forty pounds £ annum half yearly as itt shall become due, As also to James Griffiths Secretary to us at our board his Sallary of forty pounds £ an Comenceing from ye 10th. of Jan'y. 1701/2 and for Soe
doing this Shall be Yo'. Sufficient warrant Given under our hands & Seal this nineteenth day of August 1708/

Granville Palatine (Seal)
To James Moore Esq'. Granville for Lord Carterett (Seal)
our Receiv'. Gen'.all Craven (Seal)
of South Carolina, M: Ashly— (Seal)
And to our Receiver J. Colleton (Seal)
Generall for ye time being


Granville Palatine Craven Granville for Ld. Carterett M: Ashley (great Seal) J: Colleton

Gentlemen/

Mr. Ash haveing Exhibited before us Severall accusations and Complaints against you, Wee Inclosed Transmitt you Coppies of the Same and Require you to Dispatch your Answers to the particular Charges therein by the first Conveniency we are Gentlemen

Your very Loveing friends

Granville Palatine

Craven

Granville for Ld. Carterett

M: Ashly J: Colleton

To Sr. Nathaniel Johnson Govr.
James Moore Esq. &c.
at Carolina.

Read in Counciell & Entered

ye 28th— day of August Ano. 1704

Jn° Barnwell D: S:
St. James's 20th. March 1703/4

Gentlemen/

Wee Send ye. here Inclosed a letter from ye R't. Honble—
ye Earle of Nottingham her Majesties Principall Secretary of
State Relating to ye manner in wch. her Majesties Subjects in
America are to behave themselves wth. regard to ye Spaniards in
those parts. Wee likewise Send ye. her Majesties letter Relating
to ye Officers of ye. Admiralty & prizes. You are therefore to
take all ye due care ye. her Maj:— pleasure thereby Signified
be punctually Shformed. And ye. are forthwth. give ye necessary
directions upon ye. Same to all those persons whom itt may con-
cern through our Province of Carolina— We are

Gentlemen Yr. very Loveing friends

We desire ye. to dispatch ye Enclosed Packet to our Govr.
of ye Bahama's by ye 1st. Conveniency
To ye Honble— Sr. Nathaniel
Johnson Kn. our Governr. & to
ye Rest of our Councill in
Carolina in America—

Granville Palatine
Craven
Granville for Ld. Carterett
M: Ashley J Colleton
Read in Councill ye 28th.
Augs & Jn. Barnwell D: S:

Anne R

Right trusty & well beloved we Greet ye. well, Whereas Com-
plaints have been made to us of abuses in ye Courts of Admiralty
in ye Plantations & of Irregularities in ye disposition of ye pro-
ceed of Prizes brought into our S'd. Plantations by our Shipps of
war, Privateers, or others wth. letters of mark, for Prevention
whereof, We Strictly Charge & Require ye— & all ye sons what-
soever whom it may Concern wth. in our province of Carolina &
ye Bahama Islands, to be aiding & assisting in ye Recovery of
our dues; as also our High Admirals due in Case of Prizes
according to our Declaration, for ye Encouragemt of our Ships
of War & Privateers herewth. Sent ye. and otherwise in Maint-
aining ye Rights of ye. Admiralty, & in ye Support of ye. officers,
& Court of Admiralty appointed or to be Appointed by our High
Admiral wth.in our S'd. Province of Carolina & ye. Bahama
Islands Soe we bid ye. farewell Given att our Court att St.
James's ye Second day of March 1703/4 In ye Second year of our
Reign

By her Majesties Command
Nottingham
To our Rt. trusty & well beloved ye Lords Prop. of our Province of Carolina & of Our Colony of ye Bahama Islands in America.

Read in Councill & Recorded ye 28th. Augt. 1704

Jn. Barnwell Depy. Sec'y.

Gentlemen/ May 26th. 1704

Wee transmitt you a Copy of ye Earl of Nottinghams letter (Sent ye. in our last Packet) Relateing to ye trade wth. ye Spaniards in America, wth. a Copy also of an Additional Instruction wch. her Majestie has been pleased to Sign for all Privateers to be Observed by them in ye Same Maner as they are to observe ye Printed Instructions wch. they Received from ye Admiralty here upon takeing out their Comns— in ye twelth article of wch. there is mention made of other Instructions and ye. are to take all Oppertunities to give Notice to Such Privateers as are in America or Shall Resort to any of our Ports of our Province of Carolina of this adition and to give them Authentick Copys thereof to be by them observed, and ye. are likewise to take care ye. if any Prizes be brought in by any Privateers that Nothing be done Contrary to her Majesties Intentions We Rest Gentlemen

To ye Honble— Sr. Nath. Johnson Kn. Governr. & ye rest of our Councill in Carolina

Your very Loveing friends

Granville Palatine Craven

Granville for Ld. Carterett

M: Ashly J: Colleton

Read in Councill & Recorded ye 2d Xiber 1704

Jn. Barnwell D: S:

Copy of ye Earle of Nottinghams Letter to ye Lords Prop. of Carolina about trade wth. the Spaniards

The States Generall of ye United Provinces haveing represented to ye Queen ye Advantages & Conveniences of ye trade wth. Spain in ye West Indies her Maj. upon Consideration of ye Reasons alleaged by ye. has thought fitt to approve of their proposall & to Contine ye trade & Commerce wth ye Spaniards in those pts

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during ye warr in all Comodities Excepting Stors of war & amunitions & Such Comodities as are prohibited by Law to be Caryed from her Maj'v. plantations directly to any forreign Country And her Maj'v. has Comanded me to Signifie her pleasure to y'. y'. y'. Admitt & Suffer her Subjects freely & Openly to Cary to any place or territory under y' Dominion of Spain in America all Such Mr.chandize & Comodities as might have been Caried thither before y' Warr: Provided there be not among them any Stores or amunitions of war wch. y'. must be very Carefull to hender, and y'. are likewise to Admitt her Maj'v. Subjects to bring from y' Spanish Dominions in America Any Merchandize or goods of those Arts, and y' Dutch haveing promised to Enjoyn their privaters in those parts not to disturb her Majesties Subjects in this trade, You must in like Maner Require all y' Privaters Under Yo' Jurisdiction not to Molest any of y' Dutch in their trade to and from y' Spanish Dominions Except only in Case of their Carrying Stores & Amunition of Warr, But as y' Reasons Induceing her Maj'v & y' States Generall to this Resolution are peculiar to y' Spanish trade and respect only y' Spanish Nation, Her Majestie would have you take as much Care as is possible that y' ffrench may receive no benefitt by this Indulgence./

Read in Council & Recorded Xbr 1704

Jn Barnwell Dep. Sec'v.

An Additionall Instruction for Such Merch& others who Shall have Comns— or letters of Marq or Comns— for Private men of warr Ag's. ffrence & Spain their Vassals & Subjects, or other Inhabiting wth.in any of their Countries territories or Dominions by Virtue of our Com'm. granted under y' greate Scale of England and bearing date y'

Given att

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Sigilli)

our Court att St: James's y' 25 day of May 1704 in y' third Year of our Reign.

Whereas wee in Conjunction wth. our allies y' States Generall of y' United Provinces are willing to Encourage ours & their Subjects in their Intercourse & Correspondence wth: Such of y' Spanish Nation in y' West Indies as Shall be Inclined to acknowledge y' title & Soveraingty of Charles y' third King of Spain wth. whom wee are in ffriendship & Alliance; And to y'
Intent yt. Such Mutuall Intercourse & Correspondence may be beneficial as well to our Subjects & allies as to ye Spaniards in America We have therefore thought fitt, and doe hereby direct yt. from & after ye first day of June 1704 No Injury, Violence, Spoile or Molestation whatsoever Shall be done or Committed by any of our Shipps of war, Privateers or Marchant Ships haveing letters of Marq or by any of our Governrs. or by or under their Command, or Authority, or any other officers of, in, or belonging to any of our Islands Colonies or Plantations belonging to ye Spaniards in America, or Agst. Any of our Subjects or ye Subjects of ye States Generall or any of them, their Shipps vessels or goods yt. Shall be found Coming to, or going from any Port or Place in ye Spanish West Indies being for ye proper acct. & resq of our Subjects or ye Subjects of ye Sd. States Gen'ly respectively anything contained in our declaration of war Agst. Spain, or any Comrs. or Com'rs—to any of our men of war or Privateers or Mr'chat Shipps or any Instructions to our men of war or Privateers, or to any of our Govrs. or other Officers in ye West Indies or any other Instructions or Orders whatsoever to ye Contrary hereof in any wayes notwithstanding Provided yt. no Goods whatsoever belonging to ye Inhabitants of France or its Vassals, or any others inhabiting within ye Dominions & territories of yt. Crown, Nor any Contraband Goods Stores or other Provisions of War be Commanded to be Carried to any Spanish Plantacon in any Ship whatsoever, but yt. they may be, & are hereby declared to be Lyable to Seizure & confiscation as before ye giving this Instruction. Provided also yt. this Instruction be Soe understood, as yt. it may, & Shall Still be Lawfull for any of our men of war Privateers or Merchant Ships haveing letters of Marq to attack take & possess themselves of any Spanish Ship, Vessell, or Gallion either on ye Main Sea, or in fresh waters, or in any port, Bay, Creek or Harbour in America, as well as else where, & to Seize & bring any Such Ship vesell or Gallion, & all treasure Goods & Mr'tschandize wch. may be found on board Such Ship vesell or Gallion, according to ye Intent & Meaning of our former Instructions, and we doe hereby Charge & Comand all ye Comanders, & other officers of our men of war, & of Privateers or Marchant Ships haveing Letters of Marq yt. they Severally take due Notice of this our Royall pleasure, as an Additionall
Instruction & Conform themselves hereunto Accordingly A: R: 
By ye Lords Prop's. Comands 
a true Copy
Ja: Griffiths.

Read in Council & Recorded
ye 10ber 1704

me Jno. Barnwell Dep: Sec'y.

The R't. Honble—John Lord Granvill one of ye Lords of her 
Majesties Most Honble—Privy Councill Palatine The R't. 
Honble—William Lord Craven the R't. Honble—John Lord Car 
terett, the Honble—Maurice Ashly Esq'r S't. John Colleton Barn't. 
and the rest of the true & absolute Lords Prop's. of ye province of 
Carolina in America To all to whom these p'sents Shall Come 
Greeting Whereas by former letters Patents under ye great Seal 
of ye S't. province of Carolina the then Palatine and Lords prop's. of ye S't. Province for ye Considerations therein Men 
tioned Constituted & Created James Colleton Esq'r, one of ye 
Nobility of ye S't. Province by the Stile Name & title of Land 
grave and for ye due & better Support & Maintenance of ye S't. 
honor & dignity by ye Same letters Pattents granted unto the S't. 
James Colleton and his heirs forty Eight thousand acres of land 
in ye S't. Province to be taken up by the S't. James Colleton his 
heirs and assigns under ye yearly rent of one Peny for Every 
acre as by ye S't. Letters Pattents Relation being thereunto had 
may more fully appear By virtue & in pursuance of w'th. grant 
the S't. James Colleton hath taken up twelve thousand acres of 
land &t of ye S't. 48000 acres w'ch. are Erected into & now known 
by ye name of ye Barony of Watbool and Whereas we ye S't. Palat 
ine & Lords Prop's. as a fuller Mark of our favour and Indul 
gence towards ye Landgraves & Nobility of our S't. Province & 
for their Greater Encouragem't. have thought fitt & Condescended 
to abate Part of ye Yearly rents & Payments formerly Reserved 
Upon Grants of lands to them made Now know yee t', we ye S't. 
Palatine & Lords prop's. for divers valuable Causes & Consider 
ations we thereunto moveing Have Granted Ratified & Con 
Firmed and by these p'sents for us our heires & Successors doe 
grant ratify and Confirm unto ye S't. James Colleton & his heirs 
the S't. Honour title & dignity of Landgrave w'th. all and Sin 
gular ye powers Privilegges & Phemences thereunto belonging 
according to ye Tenour of ye fundamentall Constitutions of our
Sd. Province And all ye. parcell or District of Land in Carolina aforesd. now Called or known by ye name of ye Barony of Wattboo Containing twelve thousand acres being part of ye Sd. 48000 acres Granted by the Sd. former Letters Patents & 36000 acres more of land in Carolina aforesd. Residue of ye Sd. 48000 acres wth. all & Singular ye Rights members & Appurtenances to ye Sd. Barony or District of land and other ye Lands aforesd. or any of them belonging or in any wise Appertaining Except & all ways reserved out of these p'sents All Mines & Meneralls and Quarries of Gems & p'cious Stones To have and to hold all & Sler ye Sd. p'misses wth. their & Every of their Rights Members & appurtenances (Except as before Excepted) unto ye Sd. James Colleton his heirs & assigns for Ever. To the only use and behoof of ye Sd. James Colleton his heirs & assigns for ever Yielding & rendring yearly & every year on ye twenty ninth day of September unto us our heirs & Successors Lords Proprs. of ye Sd. Province for ye Sd. parcell or District of Land containing twelve thousand acres and now Called the Barrny of Wattboo ye Rent or Sum of Six Pounds of Lawfull Money of England being after ye Rate of one Shilling for every hundred acres of ye Sd. twelve thousand acres, And yielding and Rending to us our heirs & Successors one Shilling of like Money for every hundred Acres Residue of the Sd. 48000 acres wth. Shall hereafter be taken up by ye Sd. James Colleton his heirs and assigns to be paid Yearly and every year on ye 29th. day of September after ye Same Shall be taken up In lieu & full Satisfaction of all rents Reserved by ye Sd. former Letters Pattents, for all or any of ye Sd. forty Eight thousand Acres And we ye Sd. Palatine and Lords Proprs. for us our heirs & Successors Doe hereby Remise Release & for ever quitt Claim unto ye Sd. James Colleton his heirs & Assigns all Rents by ye Sd. former letters Patents Reserved or Payable for or in Respect of all or any of ye. Pr. misses Other then the Rent of one Shilling hereby reserved for every hundred acres of ye Sd. Lands already taken up or to be hereafter taken up Provided ye. he ye Sd. James Colleton his heirs or assigns Doe & Shall on or before ye first day Jan'y: wth. Shall be in the year of our Lord 1705 Make & Execute to and for our use & uses a Sufficient & Lawfull deed of Covenants to our Trustees att Carolina for Granting of Lands According to our fform of Deed in our Sd. Province in Such Case Peculiarly for our Landgraves and in
Especiall maner provided for ye true and Just Payment of ye Sd. yearly Rent herein Mentioned and Reserved according to ye true intent & Meaning of these pr.sents unto us ye Sd. Palatine and Lords Proprs. our heires & Successors otherwise these P.sents to be void and of None effect any thing herein before Contained to ye Contrary in any wise Notwithstanding—

Given under our hands and ye Great Seal of our Province this first day of January One thousand Seven hundred and three. Granville Palatine. Craven Granville for Lord Carteret—M: Ashley J Colleton

Recorded ye 10th. fFebry. 1704

[Jn. Barnwell D. S:

By my Lords Palatine and Lords Proprs: special Comands
Ja: Griffiths


To the Honble— Sr. Nathaniel Johnson Kn. Governour
James Moore Nicholas Trott and Job Howes Esqrs. our trustees for Granting of lands in our Province of Carolina — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Whereas wee ye Palatine and Lords Proprs. as a Mark of our favour & Indulgence towards ye Honble— James Colleton one of ye Landgraves of our Sd. Province of Carolina By letters Pattents under ye great Seal of our Sd. Province Bareing Date ye Day next before ye Day of ye Date of these pr.sents, Have thought fitt to Reduce ye Rent for forty Eight thousand acres of lands by former letters Pattents granted unto ye Sd. James Colleton in our said Province to one Shilling for every one hundred acres thereof We doe hereby therefore Direct & require you our Sd. trustees att ye Request Coste & Charges of ye Sd. James Colleton his heirs & Assigns to Prepare a Deed of Covenants according to ye form of Deed in our Sd. Province in Such Case Peculiarly for our Landgraves & in Espetiall maner provided to be Executed by him ye Said James Colleton his heirs & Assigns, for his and their true & Just Payment of ye Yearly Rent of Six pounds to us or for our use for ye Barony of Wattoo Containing twelve thousand acres being Such part of the Said forty Eight thousand acres as hath been taken up by the Sd: James Colleton
The Said Rent to be made payable on the 29th. day of September Yearly And to Comence from ye first day of this Instant January. And for ye wth. this Shall be Yor Sufficient warrant Given under our hands & Seals this Second day of Jan'y— 1703/4
Granville Palatine  O
Craven  O
Granville for Ld. Carterett  O
M Ashly  O
J Colleton  O

Wee ye R't. Honble— John Lord Granville Palatine and ye rest of ye true & absolute Lords prop's. of Carolina in America doe hereby Acknowledge to have had & receaved of ye honble—James Colleton one of ye Landgraves of ye Sd. province by ye hands of Richard Bate Esq't. the Sum of one hundred pounds of Lawfull Mony of England as a fine & Consideration for reduceing ye Rent for forty Eight thousand acres of lands Granted unto him in our Said province of Carolina to One Shilling for every hundred acres thereof. and also ye further Sum of one hundred pounds of like money in full Satisfaction & discharge of all Rents & arrears of rents Incurred & grown due unto us from ye Sd. James Colleton from ye first day of January 1696. to ye first day of this Instant January And wee doe hereby for our Selves our heirs & Successors Acquitt Release & discharge the Sd. James Colleton his heirs Executors Admr's. & assigns and every of them of & from the Severall Sums of one hundred pounds and One hundred pounds and every part thereof and of and from all arrearages of Rent as aforesd. And we ye Sd. Palatine & Lords prop's. for our Selves our heirs & Successors doe hereby promiss & Engage, that if any Sum or Sums of Money have been paid Or Shall be paid by any Agent of ye Sd. James Colleton in Carolina to our Receiver there, or to our use for ye Rent due between ye days above mentioned ye Same Money Shall be repaid to ye Sd. James Colleton his Executors or Admr's. or to his or their Agent or Order under his or their hand & Seal Given under our hands & Seals ye Second day of Jan'y. one thousand Seven hundred & three
Granville Palatine  O
Recorded ye 10th. feb'y. 1704/
Craven  O
Granville for Ld. Carterett  O
Jno Barnwell D: S:
M Ashly  (Seal)
P Colleton  (Seal)
By my Lords Palatine & Lords
Prop's: Special Comands
Ja: Griffiths

The R. Hon—John Lord Granville Palatine And
y Rest of y true & absolute Lord Prop's. of the
Province of Carolina
To the Hon—James Moore Esq. Receiver Gen'all
of our Said Province or to our Receiver for y time being.

Whereas the Hon—James Colleton one of y Landgraves
of our Sd. Province hath made us full Satisfaction & paym't of all
Rents And Arrearages of Rent Incurred & Grown due from y first day of Jany. 1696 to y first day of this Instant Jan'y. for all his lands & Estate in Carolina Wee doe therefore hereby Com-
and order and Direct you our Receiver Generall of our Rents in
our Sd. Province to Repay to y Said James Colleton his Execs—
or Adm's—or to his or their Agent or Order All Such Moneys
as y Agent of y Sd. James Colleton hath already paid or Shall
hereafter pay for Rent of y Sd. Lands belonging to y Said
James Colleton in Carolina Incurred & grown due between y first day of Jan'y. one thousand Six hundred Ninety Six and y first of this Instant Jan'y as aforesaid Given under our hands
and Seals this Second day of Jan'y. One thousand Seven hundred
& three

Granville Palatine (Seal)

Craven (Seal)

Granville for Lord Carterett (Seal)

M Ashley (Seal)

J Colleton (Seal)

By my Lords Palatine &
Lords Prop's special Comands
Ja: Griffiths

George Boyle Attorney to Landgrave John Colleton now of
the Island of Barbados Esq': Doe hereby Confess to have received
of John Ashby Esq': Receiver Generall to the true & Absolute
Lords & Proprietors of the Province of Carolina the full Sume
of one Hundred & Twenty pounds Current Moneys of this
Province pursuant to the within order being soe much Money
paid James Moore Esq': Late Receiver General to y'ir Lordships
for the rent of Wattboo Barrony between the Years 1696 and 1703, I say receed on behalfe of the said Landgrave Colleton this Twentieth Day of November 1707/

Geo: Boyle

Recor'd in ye Secreta'y: office

Wittness

January the 20: 1707/8

John Barnwell.

Before me Peter Jacob Gerard Esq' Appear'd Mr. John Barnwell ye' Subscribing evidence who on his oath Doth Declare that he did See & was Personally p'sent & Saw the above named George Boyle Signe & as his act & Deed deliver the above Said receipt for the use therein mentioned

Taken & Sworne before me this 20th day of January 1707/8

Peter J Guerard

The Rt: Honble —William Lord Craven one of the true and Absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of Carolina.

To Edward Willmott Esq'.

Whereas It is Appointed by the Lords Prop's. of Carolina in their fundamental Constitutions and Rules of Government that each of the Lords Prop's. Shall name a Deputy to be his representative in the Generall Assembly and Councill of Carolina, I out of the trust and Confidence I have in the Prudence Wisdom and Loyalty of you the Said Edward Willmott Doe hereby Constiute & appoint you ye' Sd. Edward Willmott to be my Deputy Dureing my pleasure in that part of our Province of Carolina that lies South & west of Cape Fear with full power to act & Exercise all Such powers and Authorities as to a Lords Prop's:— Deputy Doe belong And I hereby make void all former Comissions for the Sd. Deputiship Given under my hand and Seale this thirtyeth day of August 1704

By his Lordships Commands

Craven (Seal)

James Griffiths

Read in Council & Recorded ye' 22d: of March 1704

Jn° Barnwell Dep'y — Sec'y—

Gentlemen/

Wee herewith transmitt to you both Yo' acts Ratified and Confirmed by us, But wee Require that you act thereon in all things with that Due Care and Moderation as that noe grounds may be had for Complaints against you.

For your prudent management in obtaining the act for the fortifying of Charlestown together with ye' progress you have
made in ye ffortifications (a Rough Draught whereof Cap't Cole has laid before us) we Returme you our thanks, and shall by our next Letters Send ye. an account of what Ship and Stores wee Shall have Obtained of her Majestie for you.

Wee are likewise much Satisfied with the wise Conduct and Courage of Coll Moore in his late Expeditions, the Success of Whose Arms has Gained a Reputation to our Province, And we Return our thanks to So brave a Patriot; And wee desire that he prepare and Send us Such Instructions Relateing to the Publick offices as mention'd in his Letter of ye 12th. of April 1704. And transmitt the Same to us to be returned to you under our hands and Seales.

The number of Cassaques Patents that you Cancelld was Right, for they were but Eight, But there were Six Landgraves Patents whereof Madam Blake haveing delivered up but five (Maj'r. Daniells Patent Included) She is Answerable for ye Sixth Landgraves Patent and you are to Demand the Same of her. Wee Shall be Glad to hear from you By all Such due Conveniences as Shall offer, In the mean time wee Rest

Gentlemen

Yo'. very Affectionate friends

from our Board att St. James's  

Granville Palatine


Craven

for The Honble— Sr. Nathaniel  

Granville for Ld. Carterett

Johnson Kn'b. Govern'r. and to our  

J Colleton

Councill att Carolina —

Read in Councill & Recorded ye 22d. March 1704

.connections: Barnwell Dep't: Sec'y.


To Nicholas Trott Esq'r:

Wee Reposeing Especiall Trust & Confidence in the Ability Care prudence & fidelity of You the Sr. Nicholas Trott Have ordained Constituted & appointed & by these presents Do ordaine Constitute & appoint you the said Nicholas Trott By the name & Stile of Cheife Justice or Judge of that Part of our Province
of Carolina that Lies South & West of Cape Feare To have Hold & Determine all Pleas as well Civill as Criminall & those Relating to the publik Revenues And all other Pleas Whatsoever Arising & happening within the sd: part of our Province of Carolina Giveing & hereby granting unto you the sd: Nicholas Trott full power & Authority to Do Perform & execute all acts Matters & things whatsoever within the said Part of our province which to the office of a Cheife Justice Doth in any wise belong or appertaine & in as Large & Ample Manner to all Intents and purposes as any Justice or Baron of any of the Courts of Westminster or any of the English Plantations in America or any Justices of Assizes or Commissioners of Oyer & Terminer & Goale Delivery in the Kingdom of England or in America May or Ought to performe & Execute To Have and to hold the sd: office of Cheife Justice in the sd. part of our province of Carolina together with: all ffees perquisites Privileges Liberties Immunities and Casualties belonging to the sd: office untill wee the sd: Grantees of this Commission Shall upon a full hereing of You the Nicholas Trott or some other person Commissioned by You Adjudged You worthy to be Deprived of this office for any Misdemeanour or Unjustice by You Committed & no Longer Granted and wee doe hereby require & Command all our officers and all other persons whatsoever in any wise Concerned to take notice of this answere the Contrary att their perill And Wee Doe hereby Revoake & make Null all former Commissions Granted for the sd: Office Given at St: James's under our hands and the great Seale of our Province this Eight Day of March 1706/7 Granville Palatine O Recorded the Craven ... O 12th: Day of July Granville for Lord Carterett O 1707 J Colleton O By Command of his Excellency the Lord Per George Evans Deputy Sect'y, Palatine & Lords proprietors James Griffiths Landgrave of port Royale Sect'y. His Excellency John Lord Granville One of the Lords of Her Majesties Most Honble: Privy Council Palatine The Right Honble: William Lord Craven The Right Honble: John Lord Carteret The Honble: Maurice Ashley Esq: St: John Colleton.
Bar: John Archdale Esq: and the Rest of The True & Absolute Lords Proprietors of Carolina
To Nicholas Trott Esq:

Wee being well assured of the wisdome Prudence Integrity and Ability of You the said Nicholas Trott Have thought fitt and Do by these Presents Dureing our Pleasure Constitute & Appoint You the said Nicholas Trott Secretary & Register of that Part of our Province of Carolina that is Scituate South & West of Cape fare hereby Authorizing you & Giveing you full power to be p'sent at all Meetings of the Palatines Court & Grand Counsell And also to Take & Keep an Exact Register of all their acts & orders and also to Receive from the Surveyor Generall all Certificates of Lands by him Laid out & Surveyed according to the warrants Issued by the person or persons we have Impowered or hereafter Shall Impower to grant Such warrants, and to prepare Such Lease or Leases Conveyance & assurances of Land As by our Instructions is or hereafter shall be Directed w: being Signed & Sealed by Such persons we have or hereafter Shall Commissione So to Doe You Shall Carefully Inrolle the same & do & performe all other acts & things as heretofore have been Usually Done or Ought to have been Done by any former Secretary & Register in that Part of our Province aforesaid with full power Licence & Authority to Take & receive Such Salleries fees and perquisites as to the s:d: Offices belong Given at S: Jameses Under our hands & the great Seal of or: province this Eight day of March 1706/7

Granvill Palatine O Recorr'd the 14th: of July 1707/
Craven O

Granville for Lord Carterett O ṭ George Evans.
J Colleton O =Dep’y”, Secret’y,

By Command of his Excellency the Lord Palatine & Lord propriety James Griffiths Landgrave of port Royall Secret’y:

Sr Nathaniel Johnson & Gentlemen.

Wee Do heartily Congratulate with You on Your Great & Happy Success against The french & Spaniards & for your Eminent Courage & Conduck in the Denfence & Preservation of our province And the Defeat of the Enemy Wee Return you our thanks and assure You That wee Shall always Retaine a Just Sence of your Merit And will take all Opportunities to Reward Your Signall Services.
Wee Cannot forbear to Express our Satisfaction at Your Pious Purposes & Earnest Care in Promoting the Publick Worship of God Which Indeed is ye Surest way to Obtaine the Almighty's Protection & Blessing on our Country o': Ratification of the Act of Repeale Wee herewith Transmitt to you and hope by the Next Opportunity Wee shall be able to Send you o': Ratification of the Church act

As to the Request of the Gentlemen of the french Church Wee Grant the Same to them And wee Desire You To See ye the Donnadieu be given them for the Purposes they Desired the same. Wee are Very Sorrey for the Loss of Corll: Moore Mr.: Hows & Other Worthy Persons of our province by the Late Distemper which wee hope is now wholly abated & herewith Enclosed wee Transmitt to you our Commissions for the Respective offices that became Vacant And wee Leave it to you to settle & take the Security for us from the Receiver Generall as You shall think fitt

Wee have so many Complaints made to Us from North Carolina agst. Corll: Cary who haveing Neglected to Transmitt to Us any Copyes of the Public Journales. & Acts of Assembly or any of the Least Account of the State and Condition of our Province & of our Revenues there Wee have therefore thought fitt to Remove him from the place of Deputy Governour And thereupon have Directed our President & Councill there To act till Such time as wee shall send over a fitt person to be as Deputy Govern': of that Part of our province In the absence of Sr: Nathaniell Johnson

The Purpose of the Instrument we sent over by Mr: Warr Since Deceas'd Superscribd Not to be opened till the Decease of Sr: Nathaniell Johnson, being now Ceas'd Wee Direct you to Chancell the Same

Wee hope you have already Secured Corll: Moores Effects Soe ye they may be Liable to ye payment of what appears to be Due to Us.

Wee Desire You to Consider of the best Expedient for the Securing the payment of our Quit Rents & other Revenues of our Province for the future as also of the Easiest & best Method for Collecting them and accordingly to precure Us an Act of Assembly for the Same Wee are in Duely Expectation of hearing from you & mean time heartily Wish you all health Safety & Happiness Wee are.
To George Evans Esq:
Wee The said Palatine and Lords Proprietors of the Province aforesaid: Being well assured of the Care prudence and ability of you the said Geo: Evans Have made Constituted and Appointed And by these presents Doe make Constitute & appoint You the sd: George Evans to be (During our pleasure) Attorney Generall of that part of o: province of Carolina That Lies South & West of Cape Fear therein to act Plead Implead Sue & prosecute all & every person & Persons whatsoever for all Debts fines amer- ciaments forfeitures Escheates Claimes and Demands whatsoever which now is may or Shall be due and in Arreare to us upon any account whatsoever whither Rents Revenues or otherwise howsoever And to Prosecute all Matters Criminall as well as Civill Giving & hereby granting Unto you full power and author- ity in the premises therein to Deale Doe Execute & performe in as Large and Ample Manner to all Intents & purposes as to the said Office of Attorney Generall Doth in any way Appertaine & belong To have hold & Enjoy the said office of Attorney Generall of the said part of our province of Carolina and all Liberties Priviledges perquisites Gallery fees & profits WHATSOEVER there- unto Insident or belonging And wee Doe hereby make Null & Void all former Commissions Granted for the said office of Attorney Generall

Given at St: James's Under our Hands & the Great Seale of our Province of Carolina this Eight day of March 1706/7.

Granvill Palatine  O
Craven  O

Recorded July 18th: 1707.
Granville for Lord Carterett 0

Jno: Colleton. 0  George Evans Dep't. Regr:

By Command of his Excellency the
Lord Palatine and Lords proprietors
James Griffiths Landgrave of Port
Royale Sec'y.—

His Excellency John Lord Granville One of the Lords of her Majties: most Honourable Privy Councill Palatine The Right Hon'ble: William Lord Craven The Right Hon'ble: John Lord Carteret The Hon'ble: Maurice Ashley Esq': S': John Colleton Barr': John Archdale Esq': And the Rest of the true and absolute Lords proprietors: of the Province of Carolina
To John Ashby Esq':

To all to whom These Presents shall Come Greeting Know Ye That Wee Doe hereby During our pleasure Appoint Constitute Authorize & Impower You the s'd: John Ashby To be Recev'r Generall of That part of our Province of Carolina That Lies South and West of Cape Fear And also to be on our behalf & to our Use Receiver of all Monies & Dues w'soever & of all our Rents in that part of our province afores'd: with full power & Authority in our Names to ask Demand Sue for Levy Require Recover Distraine for & Receive the s'd: Rents and Dues and to give acquittances & other Discharges for us & in our Names for such Summs as you shall Receive by Vertue of these p'sents and to Doe and act all other thing & things whatsoever That wee our Selves might Legally Doe in order to the Recovery of the s'd: Rents & Dues as well in Arreare or that shall become Due before our Repealing or Vacating this present Commission by Some Writing Under the hand of the Palatine and Two or three more of the Lords Proprietors and the Great Seale of our Province Published & Recorded in the Secretaries Office in our Said Province And for what Rents & Dues You shall Receive You are to be Accountable to us & Dispose of the same as you Shall be Directed by us And wee Doe hereby Make Null & Void all former Commissions Granted for the s'd: office Given at S't: James's Under our hands and the Great Seale of our Province this Eight Day of March 1706/7.

Granville Palatine 0 Recorded the 21st: of July 1706/7.

Craven — — 0

Granville for Lord Carterett 0 George Evans,, Dep'ty Secret'y

J Colleton — — 0
By his Excellency's The Lord Palatine
and Lords Proprietors Command James
Griffiths Landgrave of Port Royale
Secretary

His Excellency John Lord Granville Palatine The Right Honourable William Lord Craven The Right Honble: John Lord Carteret The Honble: Maurice Ashley Esq': S': John Colleton Barron: John Archdale Esq: And the Rest of the true & absolute Lords Proprietors of Carolina To all to whom it may Concerne Send Greeting Whereas The Following Act Entitled An Act to Repeal the Severall Acts within mentioned was Read three times & Ratified & past in the open Assembly at South Carolina the Thirtieth Day of November One Thousand Seaven Hundred & Six and Signed and Sealed By the Honble: S: Nathaniele Johnson Kn: as Govern: Tho: Broughton Nicholas Trott & Henry Noble Esq:a: as our Deputies Viz: Be it Enacted by his Excellency John Lord Granville Palatine and the Rest of the true & absolute Lord proprietors of This province By and with the Advice and Consent of y: Rest of the Members of the Generall Assembly now mett at Charles Towne for the Southwest part of this province And by the Authority of the same That one Act of Assembly of this province Entitled An Act for the more Effectuall Preservation of the Govern: of this province By Requiring All Persons That Shall hereafter be Chosen Members of the Commons house of Assembly & Sitt in the same To take the oaths and Subscribe the Declaration appointed by this Act to Conforme to the Religious worship in this province according to the Church of England And to Receive the Sacrament of the Lords Supper according to the Rights & Usage of y: said Church Ratified in oppen Assembly the Six Day of may Anno Domn 1704 And one other Act of Assembly of this province Entitled an Act to Settle a Maintenance on a Minister of the Church of England in Charles Towne Ratified in open Assembly the Eight day of October one Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Eight And one other act of assembly of this province Entitled An Act for the Establishment of Religious worship in this province according to the Church of England & for the Erecting of Churches for the Publick worship of God and also for the Maintenance of Ministers & the building Convenient Houses for them Ratified in open assembly the fourth day of November One
Thousand Seaven Hundred & four And one other act of Assembly of this province Entituled an Additional Act to an act Entituled an act for the Publick Worship of God and also for the Maintenance of Ministers & the Building Convenient houses for ther Ratified in open assembly the the Seaventeenth of ffbruary 1704/5 and also one other act of Assembly of this province Entituled an Act to Erect ye french Settlement on Santee into a parish Ratified in open assembly the Ninth Day of April Anno Domi one Thousand Seaven Hundred & six From Henceforth be Repealed And it is hereby Enacted And Declared That all & Singular the said acts of assembly above Mentioned and Every Branch Claues & Article or Sentence Contained in the Same Be from henceforth Repealed annulled Revoked & for ever made Void any thing in the said Acts to the Contrary in any wise whatsoever notwithstanding Wee the said palatine and Lord proprietors aforesaid Doe hereby finally Enact & Declare That all & Singular the said acts of assembly The one Entituled as aforesd: An Act for the More Effectuall preservation of the Government of this province By requireing All persons that shall hereafter be Chosen Members of the Common House of assembly & sitt in ye Same to take the Oaths & Subscribe the Declaration appointed by this act & to Conforme to the Religious Worship in this province according to the Church of England And to Receive the Sacrement of the Lords Supper according to the Rites & usage of the said Church Ratified in open assembly the Six Day of May 1704 And one other Act Entituled an Act to Settle a Maintenance on a Minister of the Church of England in Charles Towne Ratified in open assembly the Eight day of October 1698 and one other act Entituled an act for the Establishment of Religious worship in this province According to the Church of England and for the Erecting of Churches for the publick Worship of God & also for the Maintenance of Ministers & the building Convenient Houses for them Ratified in open Assembly The fourth day of November one Thousand Seaven Hundred & Four And one other Act Entituled An Additional Act to an Act Entituled An Act for the Establishment of Religious worship in this province According to the Church of England & for the Erecting of Churches for the Publick worship of God & also for the Maintenance of Ministers and the building Convenient houses ffor them Ratified in open assembly the seventeenth of ffbruary 1704/5 And also one other act of assembly
Entitled an Act to Erect the french Settlement on Santee into a
Parish Ratified in open assembly the Ninth Day of April Anno
Domi 1706 From henceforth be Repealed And it is hereby finally
Enacted & Declared That all & every Clause, Article Matter &
thing whatsoever Contained in the same be from henceforth
Repealed Annulled Revoked & for ever made Void. And further
Also Wee The s: lords proprietors aforesaid Doe hereby approve of, Finally Enact Ratifie & Confirme this present
act Entitled as aforesaid an act to Repeal the Several Acts
within Mentioned And the said act is hereby finally Enacted
Ratified & Confirmed. Given at st: James's Under our hands
and the Great Seale of our Province this Seaven and Twentieth
Day of ffebruary Anno Domi 1706/7.

Granville Palatine — — — — O
Craven — — — — — — — — O Recorded July 22d: 1707
Granvill for the Lord Carteret O  tàn George Evans
  M: Ashley— — — — — — O Dep:** Secret:**
  J Colleton— — — — — — O
Jo Archdalz— — — — — — O
M: Ashley for Joseph Blake—O

By Command of his Excellency The Lord Palatine and
Lord proprietors James Griffiths Landgrave of Port
Royale Secret:**:

His Excellency John Lord Granvill One of the Lords of her
Majesties most Honourable Privy Councill Palatine The Right
Honourable William Lord Craven The Right Honourable John
Lord Carteret The Honorable Maurice Ashley Esq: & John
Colleton Barronet John Archdale Esq: & the Rest of the true &
Absolute Lord Proprietors of Carolina//
To Thomas Broughton Esq:

Wee The Palatine & Lords Proprietors of the province aforesaid
Out of the Trust & Confidence Wee have in the Wisdome Pru-
dence & Ability of You the said Thomas Broughton Do hereby
Constitute Authorize & appoint You the said Thomas Broughton
To be Surveyor Generall of That part of our province of Caro-
lina That Lies South & West of Cape Fear And therein to Doe
Execute & performe all things whatsoever which belong to the
said Office of Surveyor Generall together with all perquisites &
profitts to the said office Belonging./ Given at st: James's Under
our hands & the Great Seale of our Said Province this Eight day
of March 1706/7.
Granville Palatine — — — O
Craven — — — — — — O
Granville for Lord Palatine O
J Colleton — — — — — — O
By Command of his Excellency The Lord Palatine
& Lords proprietors James Griffiths Landgrave of
Port Royale
Recorded July the 24th: 1707

George Evans
Depty: Secret'y—

John Lord Granville Palatine & the Rest of the Lords proprietors
of Carolina—

Instructions for Thomas Broughton Esq: Surveyor
Generall of our Province of South Carolina//
Wee Herewith Send you a Commission to be our Surveyor Gen-
erall of y' part of our Province of Carolina as Lies South & West
of Cape Fear And you are to Record the same together with
these Instructions.
Our Governor is to Cause to be Delivered to You all Such Pub-
llick Papers Books Schéams Records & Instructions for Setting
out Land That Used to be Kept by the Respective & Successive
Surveyor Generall or their Deputies all which You are to take
to Your Charge And the Rules therein Carefully to observe Wee
Require That you give not Possession of Land by you or Yours
Deputies Surveyed to any person nor to Suffer them to have a
Platt thereof or any Certificate of your Survey nor are you to
make any Record thereof Untill they have first Signed the Coun-
terpart of the Indenture for the Grant thereof But the Platts of
the Land by You Surveyed & the Certificats are by Your Selfe to
be Given to our Secretary for the Enabling him to make out the
Grants And which Platt & Certificates are by him to be Kept &
not given to the party for whom the Land is Run out untill the
party Concerned hath signed the Counterpart of the Conveyance
according to the form by Us Directed in our Former Power or
Rule for Granting of Land
Having sometime Since as a Mark of our Favour Constituted
m: Griffiths Secretary at our Board a Landgrave of our Province
You are to admeasure out his Barronies to him without Fee.//
You are to make Due Entries & keep a true Record of all Lands
That you shall sett out You are as Soon as you Can Conveniently Gett it ready To Transmitt to us particular Accounts or Map of The Lands Taken up in w: Parish & w: County with the Number of Acres Quitt Rents & rents Reserv’d for Land Sold And so to Continue to Doe of all Lands hereafter Taken up & to Mention where houses are Built upon the Same Given at S:\ James’s Under our hands & Seales this Eight Day of March 1706/7://

By Command of his Excellency
The Lord Palatine & Lords Granville Palatine
propietors James Griffiths Craven — — — — O
Landgrave of Port Royale Granville for Lord Carteret O
Secy:
  J Colleton — — — — O

Recorded in the office July the 24th: 1707

George Evans
Dep'y. Secret'y.

John Lord Granville Palatine And the rest of the true and Absolute Lords proprietors of Carolina. Instructions for John Ashby Esq'r. o' Receiver Gen'l: of South Carolina.

Wee herewith Transmitt to You a Commission to be receiver Generall of that Part of our Province of Carolina That Lies South & West of Cape feare To Receive to our Use all Dues & rents fines & forfeitures That of Right belonging to us which Commission & also these Instructions You are to gett registered in the Secretaries Office in our Sd: province

You are to Informe Yo' Selfe by all Means You Can w: fines have been Sett upon any Person for Misdemeanours in any of our Courts & to receive the same to our Use & in Case of Deniall of payment To Use all Lawfull means for the recovery of the Same.

You are to take into yo' possession one share of Wrecks amber grease & all Such other things as of Right belongs to us.

You are to use all possible Diligence to Informe Yo': Selfe of all Lands that have been Granted to any person Whatsoever in that part of our province in which you are to observe those particular Viz' How much Land each person does possess in w: parish & in w: County By w: Rent whether by Twelve pence ?? 100 Acres or penny ?? acre what any p'son is in Arrears & if above Twelve Months To order our Attorney Generall to Summon them & on Failure of Complyance to proceed to prosecute them for the Recovery of the Same
All which You are Regularly to forme into a Regular Rent Roll & Regularly to Enter into Yo\textsuperscript{r} Roll book and in Like Manner all Lands that shall hereafter be Granted & to Transmitt a Coppye thereof to us Once every Year You are out of our Monies dues & rents You Shall Receive as aforesaid To pay to ye\textsuperscript{e} respective Officers for the time being & hereunder Mentiond their Respective Yearly Salleries w\textsuperscript{th}:out any pretence whatsoever by even quarterly payments Beginning from the time of their Entrance upon their Respective Offices Viz.

To the Govern\textsuperscript{r}: for the time being 200\textpounds
To the Cheife Justice for the time being 60\textpounds
To the Attorney Generall for the time being 40\textpounds
To the Secretary at our Province for the time being 40\textpounds
And to Landgrave Griffiths Secretary of our Board so much as amounts to 40\textpounds in England & in Like Manner for all Such Arrears as are due to him.

The rest of what you receive You are to Dispose of as You shall from time to time be Directed by us. You are to yo\textsuperscript{r}: Selfe after the rate of Tenn 2\textperth of all Monies Goods & Merchandizes of ours You shall Receive & Dispose of According to our order You are to Receive from the Executo\textsuperscript{re}: of Coll: Moore Late receiver Generall Deceased as also from all other p\textsuperscript{sons} whatsoever ye\textsuperscript{e} have reed any of o\textsuperscript{r} rents or Revenues all Such monies as are due to us.

In Yo\textsuperscript{r}: acc\textsuperscript{t}: you are to keep ye\textsuperscript{e} severall Articles of Purchas Money apart by themselves together w\textsuperscript{th}: an Acc\textsuperscript{t}: of the Date of the Month & in what Year the Land was Sold
The Severall Articles of Monies receiv\textsuperscript{d} for the rents of Lands You are likewise to keep Separate & Apart by them Selves in Yo\textsuperscript{r}: Rent Roll & to Distinguish how much of the same was due at Midsummer 1705 & how much Monies was receiv\textsuperscript{d} as Due after that Midsummer only. And this you must distinguish in all Yo\textsuperscript{r}: Accounts
You are to Present Yo\textsuperscript{r}: Account to the Govern\textsuperscript{r} & three of our Commissioners for Auditing ye\textsuperscript{e} Same on every three Months & oftner if required To be Examined & Approved of by them According to the forme prescribed in our Commission to the Govern\textsuperscript{r}: & Trustees of the Eighteenth of June 1702 And at such the Times of their passing Yo\textsuperscript{r}: Accounts The Money that shall
remaine due to us You are to produce at the board before them And the said Money we doe Direct shall be put up in Baggs & Tyed up & Sealed under the Respective Commissioners Seals And that the said Moneys So Sealed up in baggs Be in the p'sents of or said Commissioners put up in a Strong Chest for that Use particularly to be provided wth: Six Different Locks to ye Same & but of one Key to each Lock which Six keys are to be kept by Yo: Selfe & the rest of the Commissioners Viz: One key only by each p'son That thereby our said Moneys may be Immediatly ready to Answere all Such orders as we shall Give about the Same or Bills that wee may Draw thereon.

You are always to Transmitt Yo: Accounts to us So approved by our Commissioners by the next Respective Shipps wth: an Account also of our Cash in Bank In all the Foregoing Matters & whatsoever is of Consequence You are to take the Direction & Advice of the Governr: & three of the said Commissioners & in the absence or Death of the said Governr: of four of the said Commissioners Given at St: James's Under our hands & Seales this Eight day of March 1706/7.

Granville Palatine
Craven
Granville for Lord Carteret
J Colleton.

By his Excellency's the Lord Palatine & Rest of the Lords proprietors Command
James Griffiths Landgrave of port Royle:
Sec'y.

Recorded Octobr: 27th 1707

Geo: Evans
Dep't. Sec'y.

His Excellency John Lord Granville Palatine the Rt: Honble: William Lord Craven the Rt: Honble: John Lord Carteret the Honble: Maurice Ashly Esq: Sr: John Colleton Barronet John Archdal Esq: & the rest of the true and Absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of Carolina to our Governr: & Depties: in our St: Province of Carolina & to all Whome it may Concern Send Greeting Whereas the Honble: John Wick Esq: now resident from her Majestie of Great Brittain at Hambourg and Some time Since Secret'ry of our St: Province of Carolina was by Let-
ters pattents under ye great Seal of our Sd: Province bea-
ing date the fourth day of March One Thousand Six hundred
Ninety & Nine Created a Landgrave of our Sd: Province & by
the Sd: Letters Pattents forty Eight Thousand Acres of Land
Ware granted to the Sd: John Wick & his heirs for Ever And
Whereas one Edward Willimot Lately Deceased in our Sd.
Province Returning from Hambourg to England was by ye: Sd:
John Wick Recomended to us to Succeed him in ye: Sd: Office
of Secretary of our Sd: Province to wch: Office ye Sd: Edward
Willimot at ye request of the Sd: Wick was accordingly
admitted And Whereas he ye: Sd: Edward Willimot haweing by
Som Indirect means & wthout ye: pryaty of the Sd: John Wick
got into his hands the Sd: pattent granted to the Sd: John Wick
for ye: Landgraveshipp & Lands aforesaid He the Sd Edward
Willimot in great abuse of the Kindness & Recomendation
of him made unto us by the Sd: John Wick Intending great
wrong & prejudice to the Sd: John Wick & to put a most Notorious
Abuse & Imposition upon us the Sd: Pallatine & Lords Proprietors
most falsy & fraudulently did Sugest & Pretend that the Sd
John Wick had Conseted & agreed to Surrender & deliver up his
Sd: pattent in order that a New Grant thereof might be obtained
from us the Sd: Pallatine & Lords Proprietors unto the Sd:
Edward Willimott for him & in his own proper name & Right &
the Sd: Edward Willimot in prosecution of his Sd: Wicked
designes did deliver & give up unto us ye: Sd: Pallatine & Lords
Proprietors ye: Sd: pattent granted as aforesaid to the Sd: John
Wick & besought us to grant a new pattent to himself & in his
own name & right in Lieu of ye: Sd: Pattent of the Sd: John
Wick for the Landgraveshipp & Lands aforesaid then delivered &
given up unto us by him the Sd Edward Willimot as aforesaid
Whereupon Wee haveing no Suspition or Mistrust of the No-
torious fraud and Cozenage that was designed and Caried on by
the Sd: Edward Willimot against the Sd John Wick who was
then & is Still Resident & in her Majesties Service at Hambourg
did order A Pattent to be granted according to ye: prayer of the
Sd: Edward Willimot who Wee are informed did afterwards
Cary ye: Same into our Sd: Province of Carolina and Whereas it
doth most Manifestly appear unto us that the Said John Wick
did never agree or consent to Surrender or deliver up his Sd:
pattent for the Landgraveshipp & Lands aforesaid but that the
Same was delivered up Unto us by the Sd: Edward Willimot
without the privity or knowledge of the S\textdegree: John Wick merely to Cheat & deceive him the S\textdegree: John Wick out of his S\textdegree: Patent and rights thereby granted which Cheating and fraudulent Proceedings of the S\textdegree: Edward Willimott are Contrary to all Equity and Justice And Whereas the Said Patent granted to the S\textdegree: John Wick was never Legally Surrendered unto us And the Same doth yet remaine Uncancelled and Intire under the great Seal of our Province as when it was first granted And Whereas the S\textdegree: John Wick upon detection of the most notorious Fraud of the S\textdegree: Edward Willimot dad pray to be Relived in the premisses against y\textdegree: S\textdegree: Edward Willimot And that he y\textdegree: S\textdegree: John Wick might be maintained in his Right and title to the Said Landgraveship and forty Eight Thousand acres of Land to him granted us aforesaid which wee Holding and adjudgeing to be Just & Equitable as allsoe that the Said Edward Willimot (Who is Since Dec\textdegree:) Should be brought to Condigne Punishment for his S\textdegree: Cheat Fraudulent practices & Imposition Wee therefore the S\textdegree: Pallatine & Lords Proprietors aforesaid haveing Examined & taken the premises into our Meture & Serious Consideration for Remedy thereof Doe Adjudge Order & Decree that the S\textdegree: Patent Granted as aforesaid to the S\textdegree: John Wick & his Heirs for A Landgraveship and forty Eight Thousand acres of Land in our Province of Carolina Be Good & Valid And that the Same is & doth remaine in full force & Virtue to all Intents & purposes WHATSOEVER according to the Tenour Thereof & that the S\textdegree: John Wick & his Heirs Successively Shall and may have hold and Enjoy y\textdegree Name Stile title Dignity and Honour of one of the Landgraves of our S\textdegree: Province of Carolina and all the pheeminencies Rights & Previleges to the S\textdegree: Honour belonging togeather with the S\textdegree: forty Eight Thousand acres of Land according to the true intent & Meaning of the S\textdegree. Letters Pattents Any Act or thing done by the Said Edward Willimott or any other person or persons to the Contrary thereof in any wise Notwithstanding & Wee doe hereby further adjudge & decree the S\textdegree. Letters Pattents obtained by the Said Edward Willimot by Notorious fraud & Circumvention as aforesaid to be Null & Void & of none Effect as if the Same had Never been Made ore Granted And Wee do Strictly Charg & require our Governr & dep\textdegree:s: in our S\textdegree: Province of Carolina to ask demand & take the S\textdegree. Letters Pattents Soe fraudulently Obtained by the S\textdegree: Edward Willimot from Such person or sons as hath or have the Same
And the Sd: Letters Pattents at their Council Board in our Sd Province to Cancill & destroy & also to obliterate Strike out & Eraze all & Every Entry order & direction Whatsoever Made Registered Entrd or Written in any of the Records Books or Publick Entryes of our Sd. Province for upon or Concerning the Sd. Letters Pattents So fraudulently Obtained by the Sd: Edward Willimot as aforesaid & all & every our Commissioners for ye time being for Sale of our Land of our Sd. Province are hereby Injoyed and required not to grant any of our Sd: Lands to any person or persons Whatsoever under Colour or pretence of any right or title Claime or derived from or under the Sd Edward Willimot by virtue of the Sd: Letters pattents as aforesd: And our Governr & our Deputies are to Cause this our order & decree to be Registered & Entered on the Records of our Sd: Province & to See that the Same be fully & duly observed Given under our Hands & the great Seal of our said Province this first day of Sep: One Thousand Seaven hundred & Seaven.

Granville Palatine
Craven
Granville for Ld Carteret
J Colleton

By his Excellency ye: Ld Pallatine & Lords Prop"s
Commands James Griffiths Landgrave of Portroyall
Secretary

The Honble: Sr: John Colleton Barrt: one of the true & absolute Lords Proprietors of Carolina

To the Honble: Thomas Broughton Esq:

Whereas it is appointed by the Lords Proprietors of Carolina in their fundamentall Constitutions & rule of Government that Each of the Lords Proprietors Shall name a Depy: to be his representative in the Genl: Assembly & Councill of Carolina I out of the trust & Confidence I have in the Wisdom Prudence & Loyalty of you the S= Thomas Broughton Do hereby Constitute & appoint you the Sd= Thomas Broughton to be my Depy: during my Pleasure in that part of our Sd. Province of Carolina as Lies South West of Cape Fear With full power to act & Exercize all Such Powers & Authorities as to a Lord Proprietors Depy: do belong and I hereby revoke & make Null & void all former Deputations by me granted for the Sd. Depyship Given und: my Hand & Seal this Twentieth day of October 1707

By Command James Griffiths
J Colleton (Seal)
Landgrave of Portroyall Secretv.
Whereas by the antient & fundamental Constitutions each of the the Lord Proprietors: of Carolina has power in his Absence from thence to Comissionate & appoint his deputy, in the respective Governments: within the 3d Province Wherefore I John Archdale Esq: out of the assurance I have of the Integrity prudence & Loyalty of you Richard Berisford Esq: do Constitute & appoint you the 3d: Richard Berisford my Deputy: in the Government: of South Carolina to Act for me & my person to represent as a Deputy: in that Government: in all Cases whatsoever that Shall happen within the 3d: Government: this power to Continue during pleasure Given under my Hand & Seal this 18th day of October 1707
Recorded in the Secret: Office
the Second day of December 1708

Whereas by ye: Antient & fundamentall Constitutions each of the Lords Proprietors: of Carolina has power in his absence from thence to Comissionate & appoint his Deputy: in the respective Governments: within the 3d Province Wherefore I Nicholas Trott Esq: out of the assurance I have of the Integrity prudence & Loyalty of you Thomas Smith Esq: one of ye: Landg: of Carolina do Constitute & appoint you ye: 3d: Thomas Smith Esq: my deputy in ye, Government: of South Carolina to Act for me & my person to represent as a Deputy: in that Government: in all Cases whatsoever that Shall happen within the 3d: Government: this power to Continue during pleasure given under my Hand & Seal this Second day of October 1707
Recorded in the Secret: Office the
Second day of December 1708

Whereas by the Antient and fundamentall Constitutions Each of the Lords Proprietors: of Carolina has power in his absence from thence to Impower & appoint his Deputy: in the respective Governments: within the 3d Province South Carolina Wherefore I Maurice Ashley Esq: out of the assurance I have of the Integrity prudence & Loyalty of you Cap: George Smith do Constitute & Appoint you the 3d: George Smith my deputy in the Government: of South Carolina to Act for me & my person to represent as a Deputy: in that Government: in all Cases whatsoever that Shall happen within the 3d: Government: this power to Continue during
pleasure Given under my Hand & Seal this 30th: day of Sep:\ Anno: 1707/
Recorded in the Secret'vs: Office M Ashley (Seal)
the Second day of Decem 1708

Whitehall May ye 7th 1707.

My Lords

Her Majesty having been graciously pleased by her Commission under ye great Seal of England to Authorize and Con-stitute us, together with: Mr: Stepney, her Commissioners for pro-moting ye trade of this kingdom and for inspecting and improving her Plantations in America and elsewhere wee have thought fitt to acquaint ye Lordships that it is her Majesties Pleasure and Express Command ye: ye Govern'rs: of all her foreign Plantations, do from time to time give unto us frequent & full information of ye State & Condition of their respective Goverments and Plan-tations as well with regard to ye Administration of ye Govern'rs: & Justice in those places as in relation to ye Commerce thereof, And more particularly that ye Said Governours transmit unto us Yearly Accounts of their Said Administration by way of Journal, Which ye Ld:Ship's will therefore please to Direct that Such acc'ns: be Sent us accordingly in relation to her Majesties Province of Carolina.

Particularly we desire to be informed what number of inhabi-tants there are within that whole Province What of freemen, & what of Servants White & Black?

To what degree are those Numbers increased or decreased within five years last past?

What is ye whole number of ye Militia of that Province?

What Commodities are Exported from ye Province to England?

What trade is there Either by Exportation or importation with any other place? and from whence is that Province now furnish'd with Suppleys (particularly of any Manufactures) that is wont to be furnished withal from England?

How and in what particulars is ye trade of that Province increased or decay'd of late years? & what hath been ye reason of Such increase or decay?

What are ye present methods used to prevent Illegal trade and what further methods are thought adviseable for That purpose? What number of Ships or other Vessells are there belonging to ye Province; and wt. number of Sea faring men.
What number & w't. Sorte of those Vessells have been built there? What manufactures are Settled in y'. Province of any Sort whatsoever.
To all which Enquiries wee also further desire may be added what ever else ye Governour of Carolina may in his owne prudence think Conductive to their Majesties Service to the Interest of England and to ye advantage of that particular Province.
An Act having been past ye Last Sessions of Parliament for a perfect and Entire Union of ye two Kingdoms of England and Scotland, We Send ye L'd: Ships one of ye Said Acts, That it may be published in ye most Solemn manner in the Province of Carolina, And that ye: may take notice that Scotchmen are thereby to be looked upon for ye future as Englishmen to all Intents & purposes whatsoever. We are

My Lords
Your Lordships
most humble Servants

Recorded in ye Secretry: Office
this Day of Aprill 1709

Stamford
Darmouth
Herbert
Ph: Meadows
J Pulteney
R. Monckoooy

Sr—Nathaniell Johnson and Gentlemen
The Great and Pious worke which yu. have gone through wth: Unwearied and Steddy Zeale, for ye honour & Worship of almighty God, Wee have also finally perfected on our part; and our ratification of that act for ye Errecting of ye Churches, together wth: duplicates of All ye dispatches Wee forwarded to You by Capt': fflavell, You will also herewth: enclosed receive; and likewise Shall Send yu: Our patent restoring John Wick Esq': to his Landgraveship in our Province, and we direct ye to take up, and Cancell ye Late m'r Willimotts Patent and to Send ye Same So Cancelled to us by ye next Conveniency, The Said Willimotts most notorious Cheat about m'r: Wicks Patent being Manifestly Detected.

We have received ye enclosed letter from ye Commissionw: of trade desiring an account of ye State and Condition of our Province, which we desire yu. to draw up with all Convenient Speed that we may lay ye Same before them, And of which we do not doubt but yu. will be able to give a Very good account Inclosed we
Send ye, ye act for an Union of ye two kingdoms of England & Scotland, that it may be published through Our Province of Carolina.

Wee have thought fitt in Case of ye decease of Sr. Nath: Johnson (to whom wee wish long life & health) to provide for ye good Governr: of our Province, And herewth: transmitt to ye. our order (that when ye. Case Should happen) To ye: our Deputies to Choose a Governr: of our Province out of ye: Own number, And we assure ye: wee Shall not be wanting at any Opportunities to give all due marks of our favour to ye: Wee are Sr. James's 10th:

Gentlemen

Sep't: 1707

Your most Affectionate friends

Postscript

What monies Shall remaine due to us (the Charges of ye: Governrment deducted) wee desire y: to Send us by Capt: Cole

Recorded in ye Secret'ts:

Office this Day of Aprill

1709

By His Excellency John Lord Granville Palatine and ye: rest of ye: true and absolute Lords Prop'ts: of The Province of Carolina.

To Our Deputies for ye: time being att our Province of South Carolina. Wee the Palatine and Lords Proprietors: of ye: province Aforesaid For ye: due Care preservation and happy Government of our Said Province of Carolina Have thought fitt in Case of ye: decease of ye: Honble: Sr: Nathaniel Johnson Knight Governour or upon ye: decease of any future Governr: of our Said Province And in Case there be no Commission at Carolina Under our hands and ye: great Seale of our Said Province Constituting and Authorizing a Person there to take upon him the Immediate Governrment of our Said Province That then and in Such case And we do hereby Authorize direct & Appoint Our Deputies for ye: time being at our Province aforesaid upon ye: decease of Such Governour aforesaid To meet with: all conven'able: Speed, And at their board to proceed & make Choice of one of themselves to take upon him ye: Immediate Governrment of Our Said Province and Such person of our Said Deputies as shall so by ye: Majority
of Votes be Chosen Governour of our Said Province Wee do hereby direct to take upon him the Administration of ye Gov-
erment of our Said Province, Giving and hereby granting to Such Deputy Soe Chosen Governour as aforesaid full power and Authority to doe use Exercise and Enjoy all Such powers and Authorities And to doe Execute and Performe all Such things and things whatsoever As a Governour of our Said Province may Lawfully doe, Untill we ye Said Palatine and Lords Proprs: aforesaid Shall by Letters Patents Under our hands and the Great Seale of our Said Province Either further Confireme and Establish Such Deputy So Chosen Governour to be and continue Governour of our s Provinces or Otherwise Constitute & appoint Some other Son Governour of our s. Province of Carolina As to us Shall Seem meet. And Wee doe hereby revoke Repeal and make null and Void all former Orders Instructions and Rules whatsoever made or Appointed or Contained In Certaine Instructions to Philip Ludwell Late Governour of our Said Province Deceased Or made or appointed In the Time of his Governement of our Province aforesd: Relateing to ye Premisses aforesaid As if Such Clause Article Matter or thing in ye Said Instructions had never been made. Given at St: James's Under our hands and Seals this Tenth day of July 1707—

To Our Deputies at ye time being in our Province of Carolina

By his Excellency ye Lord (S) Granville\} Palatine
Palatine And L\{s. Proprieters Craven (s)
Commands James Griffiths (s) Granville for L\d: Carteret
Landgrave of Port Royall J Colleton (S)
Sec'y/ Recorded in ye Secretsr: Office
this Day of Aprill
\# me

Sr— Nath\: Johnson
and Gentlemen

Wee herewth: Enclosed Transmitt to ye: a letter directed To your Selves and the assembly which wth: our most hearty Com-
mandations Wee desire You will lay ye Same before them The which amongst other things Will acquaint you of the decease of the Lord Granville Our late Palatine, And that he is Succeeded in the Palatineship by his Excellency The Lord Craven

Wee are in daily Expectation of Your Letters and Publick Acts forwarded to Us by Capt: ffavell and wee Shall be ready to
Joyne wth: you in all Such good Laws as may be Consistent with Our honour and Perogatives And Conductive to ye wellfare of the Province And Generall good of ye People.

Wee have Considered ye Case of William Smith, Hatter Lying under Sentence of Death in our Province and on your representation and intercession in his Behalfe And having Considered his Case Wee have resolved to give him his pardon Which wee Shall forward to ye by ye first Opportunity.

The Reverend Mr. Johnston averyworthy Divine of the Church of England having Sailed to You by Capt: Cole, Wee hope That According To my Lord Bishop of Londons recommendation You have chosen him ye Minister for Charles Town And wee Desire you to Shew him all Favour and Respect upon all Occasions, And wee doubt not but our province will be Very happy in So good a Man Wee are

Gentlemen

Craven house 2d. March 1707/8

Recorded in the Secretys: Office

this Day of Aprill 1709

S—Nathaniel Johnson and Gentlemen

Wee are Sorry this must bring ye ye Melancholy Account of ye Decease of Our Bros. Proprietors: and Palatine the Lord Granville, who dyd on the third of December last And is Succeeded in his Proprietorship by his Grace ye Duke of Beaufort.

You are to pass all ye acts for ye future in ye name of his Excellency William Ld: Craven Whom wee have Unanimously Chosen our Palatine And wee Earnestly recomend to you To provide all Such good Laws and Indulgences as may Tend to ye Wellfare and Honour of our Province. The Encouragement of Strangers to Come and Settle with ye: And ye Liberties Peace and Prosperity of your Selves and Your Posterities And wee
Assure you That on our part Wee have no Other Aime Then To render You a Most Flourishing and Happy People Wee Rest Gentlemen

Craven house 24. March 1707/8
To our Governour Deputies and Assembly at Charles Towne in S. Carolina

Your most affectionate Friends
Craven Palatine Beaufort G. Carteret
For my Son LA. Carteret M: Ashley

Recorded in ye Secretys. Office this Day of Aprill 1709

J Colleton

Wote me
T Hepworth
D S

Whitehall Aprill the 15th: 1708—

Sr—

Sometime since, the Queen was pleased to refer to Us a Petition relating to ye trade to Africa. Upon which wee heard what the Royall African Company & ye Seperate Traders had to offer & having otherwise informed our Selves in ye best manner we could of ye present State of that Trade, We laid ye Same before her Majesty. The Consideration of ye trade came afterwards into the House of Commons, and a Copy of our report was laid before the House, but ye Session being then too far Spent to Enter upon a Matter of So great Weight, and other buisiness intervening, no progress was made therein hower it being absolutely necessary that a Trade So beneficial to ye Kingdom, Should be Carried on with the greatest Advantage, there is no Doubt, but ye Consideration thereof will Come early before ye Parliament at their next meeting and as ye well Supplying of ye Plantations & Colonies with Sufficient Numbers of Negroes at reasonable Prices, is in our oppinion, ye Chief point to be considered in Regard to ye trade & as hitherto wee have not been able to know how they have been Supplyed by ye Company or by Separate Traders, otherwise than according to ye respective Accounts given by them, which for ye most part are founded upon Calculations made from their Exports, on one Side and ye other, and do differ so very much that no Certaine Judgment can be made upon those Accounts.

Wherefore that wee may be able at the next meeting of the Par-
liament, to lay before both houses when required, an exact &
Authentick State of that trade, particularly in regard to the
Severall Plantations & Colonies, We do hereby desire you, that
upon ye receipt hereof you do informe your Selfe from ye proper
Officers, or otherwise in ye best manner ye. Can, what numbers of
Negroes have been Yearly imported directly from Africa into
Carolina Since ye 24th. of June 1698 to ye 25th. of Decr. 1707 &
at what rate $2 head they have been sold each year one with
another, distinguishing ye number that have been imported on
account of ye Royall African Company, and those which have
been imported by Seperate Traders, as likewise ye rates at which
such Negroes have been Sold by ye Company and by Seperate
traders Wee must recommend it to your Care, to be as exact &
diligent herein as possibly you can, and wth: the first Oppertu-
nity, to transmitt to us such accounts as aforesaid, that they may
arrive here in due time as also duplicate by ye first Conveyance

And that we may be ye better able to make a true Judgment
of ye Present Settlement of that trade, we must further recom-
mand it to you to Conferr wth: Some of ye principall Planters &
Inhabitants within your Government touching that matter & to
let us know, how ye Negro trade was Carried on, and ye Province
of Carolina Supplied with Negroes, till ye year 1698. When that
Trade was Laid open by Act of Parliament, how it has been Car-
rried on and Negroes Supplied Since ye time, or in what manner
they think the Said Trade may best be managed for ye Benefit
of the Plantations.

Wee further desire you will inform us What number of
Ships if any, are employed from Carolina to ye Coast of Africa
in ye Negroe Trade, and how many Separate Traders are Con-
cerned therein.

Lastly, Whatever accounts ye: Shall from time to time Send
us, touching these matters of ye Negro Trade, We desire that ye
Same may be distinct and not intermixed with other Matters.
And for ye time to Come, ye. do transmitt to us ye like half
yearly accounts of Negroes, by whom imported And at what
rates Sold; the first of Such Subsequent Accs: to begin from

14—H. C.
Christmass 1707. to which time those now demanded are to be
given. So we bid you heartily farewell
PS
Your very Loving Friends
Wee Expect ye best account
you can give us, with that Ex-
pedition wh. the Shortness of
time requires.

Recorded in ye Secr.:
Office this Day of
Aprill 1709

T Hepworth

His Excellency William Lord Craven Pallatine the most Noble
Henry Duke of Beaufort the R. Honoble: John Lord Carteret
Maurice Ashly Esqr:— S— John Colleton Barronet John Dan-
son Esqr: and the rest of the true and absolute Lords Proprietors
of Carolina To Henry Wigington Esqr: send Greeting Wee
being well Assured of the Wisdom Prudence & Intregity of you
the Said Henry Wigington Have thought fit and doe by These
presents During Our pleasure Constitute and appoint You the
Said Henry Wigington Secretary of that part of Our Province
of Carolina That is Scituated South & West of Cape Fear hereby
Authorizing You and giving You full Power to be present at all
Meetings of the Palatines Court and Grand Councill and also to
take and keep an Exact Register of all their Acts and Orders &
also to Receive from the Surveyor Generall all Certificates of
Lands by him laid out & Surveyed According to the Warrants
Issued by the Person or Persons Wee have Impowered or Shall
hereafter Impower to Grants Such Warrants And to prepare
Such Lease or Leases Conveyance and Assurances of Land as by
Our Instructions is or hereafter Shall be Directed which being
Signed and Sealed by Such Person or Persons we have or here-
after Shall Commissionate So to doe You Shall carefully Inrole
the Same and doe and performe all other Acts and things as
heretofore have been usually done or ought to have been done by
any former Secretary whatsoever in that part of our Province
aforesaid with full Power Licence and Authority to take and
receive Such Sallaries Fees and Perquisites as to the Said Office
belong; Given at Craven House under our hands and the Great
Seale of our Province this Eleventh Day of December one Thousand Seaven hundred & Eight × ×

Craven  Palatine
Beaufort ( Locus ) Craven for the
J: Colleton ( Magni Sigilli ) Lord Carteret
J Danson ( Carolineæ ) M: Ashley

M: Ashly for Joseph Blake

Recorded In the Sec'y's Office this 19th: day
of Augst: 1709/

T me T Hepworth D Sec'y

Instructions to Henry Wigington Esqr. Secretary of South Carolina. × × × × ×

You are to take into Your Custody All Those Records that have been used to be kept by our Secretarys And the Severall Instructions and Powers for Granting of Land together also with all our Commissioners Instructions and publick Letters that heretofore have or hereafter Shall be Sent by Us to Be Entered in a Book for that purpose particularly kept and also to Note downe the time when the Said Letter or Order was Read at the Councill Board or Parliament; × × ×

You are alsoe in a Book for that Use Provided Exactly to Register all Warrants Issued out to the Surveyor Generall for the admeasuring out of Land to any Person and the Surveyor Generalls Returne You are to Enter Against the Said Warrant and in the Warrant to the Surveyor Generall you are to Incert the names of Such Persons to whome the Said Land is Granted Copies of wch: you are to Send Us Duely that Wee may See how Our Said Land is disposed of.

When any Patents under our hands and the Great Seal of our Province are Produced to You; You are to prepare Conveyances for the Lands therein Mentioned pursuant To the Tenour of our Said Originall Patents for the Same × ×

You are to Take Care that our Rules for the Granting Setting out and Bounding of Land be observed & that no Greater quantity of Land be Granted to any Persons then our Instructions Direct or Shall hereafter Specially Direct. × × × × ×

You are as Soone as possible to Send Us an Account of all the Grants made for Lands in Carolina The Dates of the Same What Number of Acres to whome what Rent & in what County &
Parish And You are to make a Rent Roll of all Lands as Shall from time to time be Granted from ye: time of Your Entring upon Office and to Send Us Copies of the Same by all due Conveniencies. × × × ×

You are also to Keep a Distinct Register of all Orders of Judgments of the Governour & Councill & in another Book all Acts Votes Journalls of Parliament of all wch. you are to Send Copies to Us Signed by Your Selfe by the first Ships that Shall be coming for England. × × ×

Lastly You are once in every year to make up a List of the Civill and Millitary Officers in Our Province with the State also of the Same And You are to Transact all and Singular other thing & things whatsoever as to the Said Office does belong and has heretofore been Used to be done or ought to have been Done Given at Craven House Under our hands and Seals this Eleventh Day of December 1708: /

Craven Palatine (×)  Beaufort (×)  M: Ashley (×)
J Colleton (×)      J Danson (×)

Recorded In the Sec'y's Office this 19th day of Augst 1709

Æ me    T Hepworth D Sec'y

Whereas Sr. John Colleton Barronett one of the True and Absolute Lords Proprietors of our Province of Carolina Is by Warr: held and Possessed of a Certaine Plantation or Tract of Land Commonly Called or Knowne by the Name of the Mulberry Containing by Estimation Four Thousand four hundred Twenty and Three Acres of Land and Lying upon the Westerne Branch of the T of Cooper River Wee the Palatine and Lords proprietors of the Province Aforesaid Doe by these presents think fitt to Acquitt Discharge and Release and Accordingly by these presents have Acquitted Discharged and Released the Said Sr.—John Colleton his heirs Executors Administrs: and assignes of and from All Rent and Arreares of Rents whatsoever Due to Us to the Date of These Presents for the Said four Thousand four hundred Twenty & Three Acres aforesaid And Wee hereby Injoyne and require Our Govern'r: and Commissioners for Sale of Land for the time being That Upon any Persons Produceing before them an Assignement or Conveyance under the hand & Seal of Sr. John Colleton of his Right & Title to the Said four Thousand four hundred Twenty & Three Acres to Such Persons
Whereas John Dillon, 1st of the True and Absolute Lords Proprietors of Carolina, by War laid and subdued of a Plantation or Tract of Land Containing in its Extent in Thousands Four hundred Twenty and Three Acres of Land lying upon the Western Branch of the T

of Water, and the Town and Haldorf of the Province, Hereby by these presents thinke to Acquitt, Discharge and Release and Evermore by these presents have Acquitted, Discharged and Restored to him Dilton, his executors, assigns and from All and Every of their Executors, Assigns and whatsoever Debt to the Date of this instrument shall be due and to the use of the in the true and honest manner and for the time being. And for the time being the said. Upon application

by the hands of John Gifford of the Revign, the sameto the said Four thousand Four hundred Twenty and Three Acres of Land lying upon the Western Branch of the T

of Water, and the Town and Haldorf of the Province, Hereby by these presents thinke to Acquitt, Discharge and Release and Evermore by these presents have Acquitted, Discharged and Restored to him Dilton, his executors, assigns and from All and Every of their Executors, Assigns and whatsoever Debt to the Date of this instrument shall be due and to the use of the in the true and honest manner and for the time being. And for the time being the said.
and his heirs That our Said Governour & Comissionrs Aforesd. Doe forthwith Grant a Patent in Fee of the Said four Thousand four hundred Twenty & Three Acres to Such the Assignee of the Said St. John Colleton Such Said Assignee Yielding & paying for ye Said Land to Our Use After ye Rate of Twenty Pounds a Thousand Acres Purchase Money & Tenn Shillings Yearly Acknowledgement the Same to Commence from ye time of Such Patent Given at Craven House under our hands & Seals this Eleventh Day of Decemb'—one Thousand Seven hundred & Eight.  

Recorded this 30th: day of Augst:  

J: Colleton (×) Craven Pallatine (Seal) Beaufort (×)  

J: Danson (×) M: Ashley (×)

Henry Duke of Beaufort one of the True and absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of Carolina X  

To Fortescue Tuberville Esq':

Whereas it is Agreed by the Lords Proprietors of Carolina According to the power granted to them by their Charter bearing Date the 30th: day of June in ye 17th: Year of the Reign of King Charles ye 2d: That each of the Lords proprietors Should name a Deputy to be his Representative in the General Assembly and Council of Carolina I out of the Trust & Confidence I have in the prudence, Wisdom & Loyality of You the Said Fortescue Tubervill do hereby Constitute and Appoint You the Said Fortescue Tubervill to be my Deputy during my Pleasure in that part of Our province of Carolina, that lies South and West of Cape Feare with full Power to Act and Exercise all Such powers and Authorities as to a Lord Proprietors. Deputy do belong, and which are Consonant to Our Said Charter and the Laws there passed and Confirmed by Us, Given under my Hand and Seal this 17th: Day of March anno Dom: 1708/9: × × Beaufort (seal)

His Excellency William Lord Craven Pallatine the most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort, The Right Honourable John Lord Carteret, The Honble: Maurice Ashley Esq': S't. John Colleton Baronet, John Danson Esq': And the Rest of the true and Absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of Carolina × × To Fortescue Tuberville Esq': For as much as it appears to Us
by Complaints and otherwise that Severall Unlawfull and Indirect means and Devises are dayly put in Practice in Our Province of Carolina to the great Prejudice of Titles and Estates and to the Disherison of many of the Inhabitants under Our Care for want of a Due and Lawfull Power for the Probate of Wills and Testaments and for the Granting Letters of Administration of the Estate of Persons Intestate for the better Settling therefore of the Inheritance by Wills, and for Preventing Such Frauds and Violences in time to come. Wee being Well Assur'd of your Knowledge & Ability have thought fitt to Authorize, Commission and Appoint You the Said Fortescue Turberville, And We do by these Presents Authorize Commission and Appoint You the Said Fortescue Turberville, To take the Probate of all Wills and Testaments in Due form of Law in that part of our Province that Lies South and West of Cape Feare, and Also to Grant Letters of Administration of the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of Such Persons as Shall Dye Intestate to the Widdow, or next of Kin by Legall Right that Such Persons So Administring may in all points Represent the Person of the Intestate as Lawfully as any Executor can the Person of his Testator Testamentarily. And We Do hereby Give & Grant to You the Said Fortescue Tuberville full Power Authority, & Jurisdiction to Judge Decide and Determine all Maters and Controversies Relating thereunto, and to Register, or to Enter upon Record all Such Wills and Testaments as Shall be Proved before You, And all Such Letters of Administration as Shall be Granted by You, and to take Such Fees, Perquisites and Profitts for the Same as to You by Legall Rights can in any wise belong or Appertaine Saving Always to Our Govern't: of Carolina Such Fees and Perquisites as have been usually Received by Former Governours. Given at Craven House under our Hands and the Great Seal of our Province of Carolina This Sixteenth day of May Anno Dom: 1709:

Craven (Locus) Pallatine
Beaufort (Magni Sigilly) Craven for ye L4:
M: Ashley: (Carolina) Carterett
J: Danson.

J: Colleton
M: Ashley for
Joseph Blake

Recorded ye 5th: day of September

29 me.
His Excellency Wm: Lord Craven Palatine The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort The Right Honourable John Lord Carteret Maurice Ashley Esqr. Sr. John Colleton Barronett John Danson Esqr. And the Rest of the True and Absolute Lords Proprietors of Carolina. To William Saunders Esqr. Send Greeting Wee being well assured of the Care, Prudence and Ability of you the Said William Saunders have made Constituted, Authorized and Appointed, And by these Presents Doe Make Constitute Authorize and appoint you the Said William Saunders to be (dureing Our Pleasure) Attorney Generall of that Part of our Province of Carolina that lies South and West of Cape Feare therein to Act, Plead, Implead, Sue and Prosecute all and every Person & Persons whatsoever, for all Debts, Fines, Amerciaments, Forfeitures, Escheats Claims and Demands whatsoever which now is or may or Shall be Due and in Arrears to Us upon any Account whatsoever whither Rents, Revenues or otherwise howsoever, And to Prosecute all Matters Criminall as well as Civill Giving and hereby Granting unto You full Power and Authority in the Premises therein to Deal Doe Execute and Performe in as large and Ample manner to all Intents and Purposes as to the Said office of Attorney Generall doth in any way Appertaine & bellong, And wee Do further by these Presents Constitute Order and appoint You the said William Saunders to be (during our Pleasure) Advocate Generall of the Said part of Our Province of Carolina To Sue Implead and Prosecute in the High Court of Admiralty in the Said Part of our Province of Carolina in all Matters as well Civill as Criminall To have hold and enjoy The Said Office of Attorney General and Advocate General of the Said part of our province of Carolina, And all Liberties, Privilidges Perquisites, Fees and Profitts whatsoever thereunto Incident or belonging, And Wee do hereby Revoke and Make Null & Void all Former Commissions Granted for the Said Offices. Given at Craven House under our Hands and the Great Seal of our Province of Carolina, This Eleventh Day of December 1708:  

Craven  ( Locus )  Palatine
Beaufort  ( Magni Sigilli )  M: Ashley
J: Colleton  ( Carolina )  J: Danson

Recorded in ye Secretarys office this 5th: day of September anno Dom 1709:  

# Me
His Excellency Wm Lord Craven Palatine The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort, The Right Honourable Joh Lord Carterett, Maurice Ashley Esq'': S'': John Colleton Barronett John Danson Esq'. and the Rest of the True and Absolute Lords Proprietors of Carolina. To Nathaniel Sale Esq': Send Greet- ing. To all to whome These presents Shall come Know yee That Wee doe hereby dureing our Pleasure Appoint Constitute Authorize and Impower You the Said Nathaniell Sale To be Receiver Generall of that part of our Province of Carolina That lies South and West of Cape Feare and also to be on our behalfe And to Our Use Receiver of all our Monies and Dues whatsoever and of all our Rents in that part of our Province aforesaid with full Power & Authority in our Names to Aske Demand Sue for Leavie Require Recover Distrain for and Receive the Said Rents & Dues and to Give Acquittances and other Discharges for Us and In our Names for Such Summes as you Shall Receive by Virtue of these presents and to Doe and Act all other thing & things whatsoever That Wee our Selves might Legally doe in order to the Recovery of the Said Rents and Dues as well in Arrear or that Shall become due before our Repealing or Vocateing this present Commission by Some Writing under the hand of the Palatine and Three more of the Lords Prop'rs. & the Great Seal of Our Province Published and Recorded in the Secretarys office There And for what Rents and Dues You Shall Receive You are to be Acconptable to us And dispose of the Same as You Shall be Directed by Us And We Doe hereby Make Null and Void all former Commissions Granted for the Said office, Given at Craven House under Our hands and the Great Seale of our Province of Carolina This Eleventh Day of December one Thousand Seven hundred and Eight × × ×

Craven (Locus ) Palatine
Beaufort (Magni Sigilli ) M: Ashley
J: Colleton (Carolina ) J: Danson

Recorded in the Secretarys office this 5th day of Septemb'. 1709

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Instructions for Nathaniel Sale Esq', our Receiver Generall of South Carolina We herewith Deliver to You a Commission to be Receiver Generall of that part of our Province of Carolina That lies South and West of Cape Fear
1 To Receive to our use all Dues and Rents Fines and Forfeitures That of Right belong to Us wch: Commission as also these Instructions You are to Get Registered in the Secretary's office in our Said Province.

2 You are to Informe Your Selfe by all means you can what Fines have been Sett upon any Persons for Misdemeanors in any of our Courts & to Receive the Same to our use and in Case of the Deniall of Payment to Use all Lawfull means for the Recovery of the Same.

3 You are to take into your Possession our Share of Wrecks Ambergrease and all Such other things as of Right belong, to, us

4 You are to use all posible Diligence to Informe your Selfe of all Lands That have been Granted to any Person whatsoever in That part of our Province in which you are to Observe those particulars viz. How much Land each Person Does possess in what Parish & in what County By what Rent, Whither by Twelve pence ² ² 100 Acres or Penny ² ∙ Acre, what any Person is in Arrears and if Above Twelve Months to order our Attorney Generall to Summons them & on Failure of Compliance proceed to Prosecute them for Recovery of the Same. ×

5 All which you are Regularly to Forme into a Regular Rent Rolle and Regularly to Enter into your Roll Booke & in like manner all Lands that Shall hereafter be Granted And to Transmitt a Copy thereof to Us once every Year.

6 You are out of our money's Dues and Rents You Shall Receive as Aforesaid To pay to the Respective Officers for the time being as hereunder mentioned their Respective yearly Salaries without any pretence whatsoever by Even Quarterly Payments Begining from the time of their Entrance upon their Respective offices viz:—

To the Govern'r: for ye: time being Two hundred pounds yearly × ×
To the Cheife Justice for the time being Sixty pounds Yearly. ×
To the Secretary for the time being Forty pounds yearly ××
To the Attorney Generall for the time being Forty pounds Yearly ×

And To Richard Shelton Secretary at our board So much as Amount to 40£: Sterling × × × ×

7 The Rest that You Receive you are to Dispose of as you Shall from time to time be Directed by Us.
8 = You are to take to your Selfe after the Rate of 10 % Cent of all Monies Goods & Merchandizes of ours You Shall Receive & Dispose of According to our Order ×

9 = In Your Accounts you are to Keep the Severall Articles of Purchase Money apart by themselves together wth an Account of the Date of the Month and what year the Land was Sold. × ×

10 = The Severall Articles of Monies Received for the Rent of Lands You are likewise to Keep Seperate and apart by themselves in Your Rent Rolle and to Distinguish how much of the Same was Due at Midsummer 1705. and how much money was Received as Due After that Midsummer only And this you must Distinguish in all your Accounts × × ×

11 = You are to Present Your Accompts to The Governour and Three of our Commissioners for Auditing the Same once every Three Months and oftner if Required to be Examined and Approved by them According to the Forme usuall And at Such the Times of their passing Your Accounts The Monie that Shall Remaine Due to Us Shall be Continued in your Custody. That thereby our said monys may be Always ready to Answer all Such Orders as We Shall give about the Same × × ×

12 = You are Also to Enquire what forfeiture Estates there are of Fellons, or of Persons dying Intestate, and leaving no Heirs & of right Escheat to us and take the Same into Your Possession × × ×

13 = You are Always to Transmitt Your Accounts to us So Approved by our Commissioners by the next Respective Ships with an Account also of our Cash in Banke × ×

14 = In all the Aforegoing matters and whatever is of Conse-
quence You are to take the Direction and Advice of the Govern'. & Two at least of the Commissioners, Given at Craven House under Our hands and Seals this Eleventh Day of December 1708:

15 = You are before Your Entry into Your Said office to take the Oaths Appointed by Act of Parliament instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy & the Test, and the Oath of Fidelity to the Lords proprietors, and the Oath for the Due Execution of Your Place and Trust.

Craven Palatine (Seal)
Beaufort (×)

Recorded in the Secretary's office this 12th day of Septem-
ber anno Dom: 1709: me
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M: Ashley (×)
J: Colleton (×)
J: Danson (×)
His Excellency William Lord Craven Palatine The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort y': R'. Honoble: John Lord Carterett Maurice Ashley Esq': S'r—. John Colleton Barronett John Danson Esq': And the Rest of the True & Absolute Lords Prop'r: of Carolina, To Edward Hynre Esq': Send Greeting Wee out of the Trust and Confidence We have & Repose in Your Care, Prudence and Ability have made Constituted & Appointed And by these presents doe make Constitute and Appoint You the Said Edward Heirne to be Navall Officer of that part of our Province of Carolina that lyes South and West of Cape Feare Hereby Requiring & Impowering you to take Entries of all Shipps or Vessells Inward bound to or Outward bound from that part of our Said Province of Carolina To have & to hold the Said office of Navall officer (dureing our Pleasure) together with all Fees Perquisitts and profitts to the Said office Appertaining And wee Doe hereby Revoke and Make Null & void any former Commission by Us Given for the Said office Given at Craven House under our hands and the great Seal of our Province of Carolina This Eleventh Day of December one Thousand Seven hundred and Eight./

Craven (Locus ) Palatine
Beaufort (Magni Sigilli ) M: Ashley
J: Colleton (Carolinæ ) J: Danson

Custom House
London 21: March 1708/9:
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Record in the Secretary's office this 14th: day of September 1709:/

I am

The Right Honoble: William Lord Craven Palatine The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort & the rest of y':—Lords Prop'r: of the Province of Carolina./
To Colonel Edwd.— Tynte Govern'r. of our Said Province or to our Govern'r. for y':— time being./

Whereas Colonel Thomas Colleton did heretofore Purchase a Barrony together with Several Thousand Acres of Land Adjacent to Cooper River within our Province Aforesaid which Said Barony and Lands are by mean Descents Legally vested in
Mr.—Peter Colleton And whereas the Sd.— Peter Colleton is inclined to dispose of the Said Baroney & Land to Several purchasers who are Desirous that ye.— Said Land may be Divided into Severall Parceils Accordingly. We therefore being willing to comply with: all Such Reasonable desires & Requests as Shall be made to us & that tend to the Satisfaction of ye:— Inhabitants of our Province Aforesaid do hereby Authorize & direct You our Said Governr. (the old Patent for the said Barony & Lands being first Delivered up into Your hands to be Cancell'd) to Cause Such Grants to be Prepared & passed whereby the Several & Respective Purchasers Reserving the Quitt Rents to Us & our Heirs According to ye:— Custom of our Province Aforesaid & for So Doing this Shall be Your Sufficient Warrant Given under our hands & Seals this 14th: day of aprill 1709
Craven Palatine (Seal) J: Colleton (Seal)
Beaufort (x) J: Danson (x)
M Ashley (x)

Recorded in the Secretary's office this 24th: day of Septemb': 1709

T Hepworth D Sec'y

South Carolina Septemb': 1st: 1709:

May it please Your Lordpps.

This day we your Lordships Governr and Council had a Petition preferred to us by Mr.— John Galliard a Gent: of Santee, Setting forth that he has been for Severall years a quiet & Peaceable Inhabitant here, but being of Late frequently Trespass'd upon by Troublesome Neighbours one Stephen La Roux & Lewis La Roux who being as often by him forwarn'd from Such Continued Trespasses, was at last Pursued & threatened by the Said Galliard but not a blow Struck nor further Damage done this La Roux presented at ye.— Grand Sessions in October Last & Mr.— Galliard was indicted & found guilty of a Trespass & Assault & Your Lordspps: Chief Justice Sett a fine of 20£: upon him to your Lordpps use Mr.— Galliard being a French Gentleman & not at all understanding the Course of Proceedings in our Courts of Judicature, did not at ye.— Sessions bring down, any Evidence in his Justification, wth: he allidges he then could have done (if he had known it had been Necessary) & proved himself ye.— person injured. The Case Appearing to us to be hard upon Mr.— Galliard, and La Roux an unease Neighbour, &
Seeing wee can find no Power we have from ye. — Lordspps to Remitt Fines have thought it reasonable to Suspend any further Proceedings agst. Mr. — Galliard for his Said fine, till your Lordpps: Shall be Pleased to Signify your Pleasure to us, whether ye. — Said Fine Shall be Levied upon ye. Said Gailliard or remitted him by your Lordpps wanted Goodness & Generosity; So wishing Your Lordspps all Health & Happiness. We Remaine

Yo'. Lordpps.

Recorded in the Secretary's office this 24th: Septembr: 1709

Humble Servts: Geo. Smith

Most Obedient

N Johnson:

South Carolina

The Rt. Honorable Sr. Nathaniel Johnson knig. — Govern'r. — of South and North Carolina And the Rest of the Lords Proprieters Deputyes whose Names are here Under written —

To The Hon'rble. Robt. Gibbes, Esqr.:

Whereas Nich's — Trott Esqr. the Pres't: Cheife Justice of the Province of South Carolina is now Bound on a Voyage from this Province to London And Whereas it is Necessary in Order to Prevent Delay of Publick Justice that Sum fitt person be appointed to officiate in the Said office of Cheife Justice Now know Yee that we Reposing Espetiall Trust and Confidence in ye. ability Care Prudence & fidelity of you ye. Said Robt. Gibbes Have Ordained Constituted and appointed and by these Presents do Ordained Constituted and appoint you ye. Said Robt. Gibbes by the Name and Stile of Cheife Justice of ye. Please or Judge of that part of the Province of Carolina that Layes South & West of Cape Fear To Have Hold and Deterrnue all Please as well Civill and these relating to the Publick Revenues and all other Please whatsoever arising & happening within ye. Said part of ye. Said Province of Carolina Giving and hereby Granting unto you the Said Robt. Gibbes full Power & Authority to doe perform and Execute all acts Matters & things whatsoever within ye. Said part of ye. Said Province wch. to ye. office of Cheife Justice of the Please doth in any wise Appertaine or Belong in as Large and Ample Manner to all Intents & Purposes as any Cheife Justice or Judge of her Majesty's English Plantations in America may Lawfully doe To Have and to Hold ye. — Said office of Cheife Justice of the Please and Judge together with all
fee's Perquisites Priviledges Immunities & Casualties Belonging to the Said Office from the day next after the Departure of the Said Nich's: Trott from this Province until he the said Nich's: Trott Shall againe arrive in the Said Province Unless we the Granteese or Sum other Superiour Power Shall otherwise Direct.

And we do hereby Commend all Officers and all other Person's whatsoever On any wise Concerned to make Notice of this Grant and give due Obedience to you ye: Said Rob't: Gibbs in the Execution of the Said Office During your Continuance in the Same

Given Under our hands and the Publick Seale of the Province this Third day of October In ye. Yeare of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Eight.

N Johnson
Geo Smith
Tho Broughton
Richard Beresford

South, Carolina.


To Colonel Edward Tynte Our Govern'r. or to our Govern'r. for ye. time being of ye. part of our Province of Carolina ye. lies South & West of Cape Feare.

Whereas Land grave Edward Juckes has fully Satisfied Us of his Intentions & Designs to carry over with him and import into our Said Province a considerable number of Planters Handicrafts Artificers & other Persons at his own Proper Cost and Charges & we being Desirous to give all Due Encouragements to all sons who Shall any ways Promote ye. Intrest & good of our Province aforesd.—Do hereby require & Command you to Cause to be ameasur'd & Set out to ye. Said Edward Juckes & his Heirs 2000 acres of Land according to ye. Rules Customs and Usages of our Province Aforesd. & you are to give Directions ye. Usual grants for ye. Same may be passed to him and his Heirs accordingly reserving ye. Quitt Rent of two Shillings Yearly to us our Heirs & Assignes for Ever & for So Doing this Shall be Your Sufficient Warr'd. Given under our hands
& Seals at Craven House this 19th. day of April Anno:
Dom: 1709.

Craven Palatine (Seal) J Colleton (Seal)
Beaufort (×) J Danson (×)
M: Ashley (×)

Recorded in ye Secretarv's Office this 26th. day of
Jan'y. 1709:

H Wigington Secretary

Gulielmus Dominus Baro de Craven Carolinæ Palatinus
religuiq ejusdem Provinciæ proprietary Omnibus Officiarijs
Ministris liberisq hominibus quibuscumq intra eandem Pro-
vinciam Salutem Cum serenissimus Carolus secundus nuper
Anglie rex qui id unum in animo habuit, id unum semper Stude-
bat, omnia summâ oper moliri quæ in bonum publicum cederent;
ex singulari Favore suo et Gratia et pro consuetu & nativâ illâ
sua Honitate Nobis dedit et concessit unà cum provincia Caro-
linæ, potestatem Status, Gradus, Titulos, Dignitates & Honores
ibidem constituendi: percupidi nos met ad Pientissimi regis
Exemplum componendi, hujusq Vestigia adamussim insistendi,
et cumanimis nostris serio reputantes, nihil prius in exequandâ
justâ illâ potestate a nobis fieri, nulla majora incrementa Res
publicæ not ita pridem institutæ excogitari posse [secundum
religiosissimum Supremi Huminis Caltum] quam Homines optimè
de Republicâ, et bonis omnibus meritos ad dictos Gradus & Hon-
ores evehere Titulisq cohonestare, quorum Virtus Domi Belliq
clarè enitescit, Quumq in suumo honore apud omnes Gentes habiti
fuere, qui Actium Bellicarum scientissimi aios etiam in eisdem
disciplinis eradire, eosq pariter in omni Patriæ discrimine, sive
intestino, sive ab externis, ad eam fortiter et strinue tuendum suo
exemplo excitare possunt Scias igitur quod nos uti justum
ipsius promeritorum pretium Edvardum Juckes at Statum,
Gradum, Stylum, Dignitatem, Titulum et Honorem Landgravii
Provinciæ Norœ Carolinæ ereximus preæcimus & creavimus
ipsumq Edvardum Juckes Landgravum Tenore presentium eri-
gimus preæcimus et creamus, Virum fortem et impigrum omniq
disciplinâ militari exercitatissimum, Concilio aequè ac manu
promptum: quibus Virtutibus etiam par accedit Modestia
Morumq innocentia: Qui viginti plus numis ætatis sue annis
Militiæ exactis, algorem, æustum, inedium, vigilias, labores et
pericula omnia summâ animi constantiæ consueta habuit, qui in
profligandis patriæ hostibus non modicam sibi Armorum glo-
riam conquisivit; post enim multa alia facinora in Hibernia
alibiq præclarè gesta, cruentissimo isti prætio Hookstadiensit
interfuit et feliciter meruit. Eademq Edvardo Juckes Nomen,
Statum, Gradum, Stylum Titulum Dignitatem et Honorem Land-
gravi imposimus, dedimus et praebimus Et per præsentes pro
nobis Hæredibus et Successoribus Nostris imponimus, damus et
praebemus Habendum et Tenendum eadem Nomen Statum
Gradum Stylum Dignitatem Titulum et Honorem Landravi una
cum singulis Juribus præeminentijs privilegijs et immunitatibus
ad eandem dignitatem pertinentibus eidem Edvardo Juckes• et
Hæredibus suis in perpetuum Volentes ac per præsentes Con-
cedentes pro Nobis Successoribus Nostris quod prædictus Edvardus
Juckes et Hæredes sui prædicti Nomen Statum Gradum
Stylum Dignitatem Titulum et /Honorem Landgravi succes-
sive garent, habeant et possideant et eorum quilibet habeat gerat
et possideat et per nomen Landgravi vocentur et nuncupentur
et orum quilibet vocetur et nuncupetur Quodq idem Edwardus
Juckes et Hæredes sui prædicti successivè Landgravi in omnibus
teneantur et reputentur et eorum quilibet tractetur et reputetur,
necon gaudeant et utantur et eorum quilibet quadeat et utatur
omnibus et singulis juribus, privilegijs, præeminentijs et imunita-
tibus ad Statum Landravi in omnibus rité et jure pertinientibus
In cuius rei Testimonium has Literas Nostras sub magno sigillo
nostro Carolinæ sieri fecimus Patentes Datas per manus nostras
decimo quarto die Aprilis Anno Oræ Christianæ 1709.
J Colleton (     Locus     ) Craven Palatine
John Danson ( magni Sigilli ) Beaufort
M Ashley for Joseph Blake Craven for ye Lord Carterett
Maurice Ashley

His Excellency William Lord Craven Palatine The most Noble
Henry Duke of Beaufort, The Right Honoble: John Lord Car-
teret the Honoble: Maurice Ashley Esq'. Sr.— John Collèton
Baronet, John Danson Esq'. & the Rest of the True & absolute
Lords Proprietors: of the Province of Carolina To Our Trusty
and well beloved Coll: Edward Tynte Govern't. of South & North
Carolina Send Greeting Wee the Said true and absolute Lords
Proprietors of the Province afore Said Reposing Special Trust
and Confidence in the Courage, Loyalty and Prudence of you
Our Said Governour Do hereby Constitute and appoint you the
Said Coll: Edward Tynte dureing Our Pleasure Govern'.: of our whole Province of South & North Carolina and you are to Do & Execute all things in due manner that Shall belong to your command or the Trust We have Reposed in you According to y'. Several Powers and Directions Granted and Appointed you by this present Commission and Our Instructions have by Such further Powers and Instructions as shall at any time hereafter be granted & appointed you under our Hands and Seals According to Such reasonable Laws and Statutes as Already have been Ratified and Confirmed by Us or hereafter Shall be made & agreed upon by you with the Advice & Consent of Our Deputies and Assemblies of Our Said Province or any part thereof wherein there is a Distinct Govern'. and We Do hereby further Impower constitute & appoint you our Said Govern'. To be Admiral Captain General & Commander in Chief of all the Forces Raised or to be Raised both by Sea and Land within Our Said Province and Over them to Appoint a Lieutenant General or Lieutenant Generals: Vice Admiral or Vice Admiralls both in South & North Carolina And over Such Forces Aforesaid to Appoint all Officers whatsoever and them to amove and Remove at your Will & Pleasure and to Cause the Said Forces to be Exercised in Arms as often as you Shall See fitt And We hereby Give you full Power and Authority to Appoint Governours & Lieutenants & Other Officers as well of our Town and Citadell of Charles Town as of all Other Castles, Forts & all other Places Fortifyed or to be fortifyed within Our Said Province and to Do all Other things as to a Captain General or Command' in Chief doth belong. And We Do hereby further Authorize and Impower you by and with the Advice & Consent of any four of Our Deputies and General Assembly to Repeal or alter any Laws w'soever in Our Said Province as Shall be thought fitt to be changed & to Enact all Such reasonable Law's & Statutes for the better Govern' of our Said Province as you with the Advice & Consent of any four of Our Deputies & the General Assembly Shall think fitt and Expedient Provided Such Laws be not Repugnant to the Laws of England Nor Invading of any the Perrogatives Royall Granted to us by Our Charter & We Do hereby Authorize & Impower you in Case of your Departure from thence to Appoint a Deputy Govern' & Governours in South or North Carolina with Such Powers as you Shall think Necessary Provided the Same to be agreeable

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to & Do not Exceed those by us Granted to your Self, & to con-
stitute & Appoint all and Singular Officer & officers in & for
the Goverm'. of Our Said Province Dureing Your Pleasure &
the Pleasure of us the Lords Propriet'rs. and We Do further
give you full Power and Authority with the Advice and Consent
of any four or more of Our Deputies to Grant & Sell Our Lands
in Fee both in South & North Carolina after the Rate of Twenty
Pounds for every One Thousand Acres and wth. the yearly Quit
Rent or Acknowledgment for ever to us & Our Heirs of Ten
Shill Payable for Such One Thousand acres & also to Sett &
Lett our Lands not Exceeding Six hundred & forty Acres to any
One &son in that part of Our Province called South Carolina
Reserving Only One penny yearly for each Acre & in north
Carolina Reserving only One half penny for Each Acre to us
and our Heirs for ever and We hereby Impower you to
Escheat Lands & afterwards to Lett it for Rent or Sell the Same
for our use, Lastly We Do hereby Revoke Repeal and make
void all former Commissions Whatsoever by Us Given to any
former Governour or President of Our Sd.— Province of Caro-
lina or any part thereof Given under Our Hands and the Great
Seal of our Province at Craven House this Ninth day of Decem-
ber One Thouand Seven hundr'd and Eight

Craven Palatine ( Locus ) Lord Carteret
Beaufort ( Magni Sigilli ) M Ashley
J Colleton

M Ashley for Jos:
Blake

Read In Councill and Proclaimed in Granvills Bastion Saturday
ye 26th: of Novemb' 1709 — and Recorded In the Sec'yrs. Office
this 8th: day of June Ano Domi 1710

p'r. Henry Wigington
Secr'ry

South Carolina

The Honble: Edward Tynte Esqr. Governour Admiral Capta:
General and Commander In Chief of the whole Province of
South & North Carolina Confirmed By Her Majesty In Council
the Day of

To the Honble: Edward Juckes Esqr.: Deputy Governr: of
North Carolina.
In Especial confidence of your prudence and good Conduct by Virtue of a Power to me Given under the Hands And Seal of the Province of Carolina Dated at Craven House the Tenth day of December 1708 By his Excellency William Lord Craven Palatine The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort The Rt. Hon'ble: John Lord Carteret the Hon'ble: Maurice Ashley Esq': S't.— John Colleton Barr': John Danson Esq': And the rest of the True & absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of Carolina I Do hereby constitute and appoint you the Said Edward Jucks Esq'. Dureing my Pleasure to be Deputy Govern'r: of the Province of North Carolina and you are to Do & Execute all things in Due manner that Shall belong to your Command or the trust Reposed in you According to the Several Powers and Directions Granted & appointed you by this present Commission & my Instructions & by Such further Powers and Instructions as Shall at any time hereafter be Granted & appointed you under my hand & Seal according to Such Reasonable Laws and Statutes as already have been Rati- fied & confirmed by the Lords Proprietors: or hereafter Shall be made & agreed upon by you with the Advice & Consent of the Deputyes & Generals Assembly's of the Said Province & I Do hereby further Impower Constitute & Appoint you my Said Deputy Govern'r: to be Lieut. Generals & vice Admiral of all the Forces Raised or to be raised both by Sea & Land with in the S't.— Province of North Carolina & Over Such Forces aforesaid to appoint all officers whatsoever & them to Amove & Remove at your Will & Pleasure & to Cause the Said Forces to be Exercised in Arm's as often as you Shall See fitt and I hereby give you full power & Authority to appoint Deputy Govern'rs, Lieuts. and other Officers of all Castles Forts & all Other places fortified or to be fortified with in the Said Province & to Do all things as to a Lieut. General or vice Admiral doth belong And I Do hereby Authorize & Impower You by & with the advice & Consent of any four of the Deputyes & General Assembly's to Repeal or Alter any Lawes whatsoever in the Said Province as Shall be thought fitt to be Changed And to Enact all Such reasonable Lawes & Statutes for the better Government of the Said Province as you with the Advice & Consent of any four of the Deputyes & General Assembly's Shall think fitt & Ex- pedient Provided Such Lawes be not Repugnant to the Lawes of England nor Invadeing of the Prerogatives Royal Granted to
the Said Lords Proprietors, by their Charter and to Constitue and 
appoint all & Singular Officer and Officers in & for the Governm't. 
of the Said Province & I do further give you full Power & 
Authority with the Advice & Consent of any Three or more of 
the Deputyes to Sell Lands in fee for & at ye: yearly Rent & 
paymt. of one penny per Acre in the Said Province called North 
Carolina & also to grant & Sell Lands in fee at ten pounds per 
every Thousand Acres & w't. an yearly Quitt Rent or Acknowl-
edgment for ever of five Shill & so in proportion of any greater 
or Smaller Quantity of Land & I doe hereby Impower you to 
Escheat Land & Afterwards to Lett it for Rent or Sell ye: Same 
for ye:— Use of the Said Lords Proprietors: Given under my hand 
& Seal this Day of 1710—

William Lord Craven Pallatine Henry Duke of Beaufort, 
John Lord Carteret, Maurice Ashley Esq'r., Sir, John Colleton 
Baronet, John Danson Esq'r., & the Rest of the True & Absolute 
Lords Prop'r's of the Province of Carolina, To the Hon'ble, 
Charles Craven Esq'r., Greeting. 
We The Lords Prop'r's, of the Province Aforesaid Reposing Spe-
cial Trust & Confidence in the Integrity Prudence & Conduct of 
you the Said Charles Craven Do by these Presents Constitute & 
appoint you the said Charles Craven Dureing Our Pleasure to 
be Secretary of that part of Our Province of Carolina that lies 
South & west of Cape Fare,—Hereby authorizing you & Giving 
you full Power & authority to be & to be sent at all meetings of the 
Govern'r., & Councill & of the Assemblyes & to keep an Exact 
Register of all their Acts Proceedings & Orders & also to Receive 
from the Survey'r., Generall all Certificates of Land by him Sett 
out and Surveyed According to the Warr'r., to him Direct'd, 
and to Draw up all Such Leases Conveyances or Assurance of 
Land as you Shall from time to time by us or by the Govern'r., 
with the Consent of four or more of ye', Deputies be Directed, 
& when they are Legally Sign'd & Executed You Shall Carefully 
Enroll the Same & Do & form All Other Acts Usually Done 
by the former Secretaries of ye part of the Province Aforesaid & 
We Do hereby further Impower you to Receive all Perquisites, 
Fees & Advantages whatsoever to the Said Office of Secretary 
belonging or in any waies appertaining, and We do hereby 
Repeal, make null & Void all former Commissions for the Said 
office. Given at Craven House under our hands & the Great
Seal of our Province of Carolina this Third Day of September
Anno: Dom: One Thousand Seven hundred and Nine.
Craven Palatine Craven fo the Lord
Beaufort ( Locus ) Carteret
J Colleton ( magni Sigilli ) M Ashley
J Danson
M Ashley for Jos: Blake

Recorded in ye Secretarys office this 31st., day of August 1710/

Instructions for the Honble: Charles Craven Esq'. Secretary
of that part of Our Province of Carolina that lies South & West
of Cape feare.
You are to take into your Custody all these Records that have
been Usually kept by the Secretary of that part of Our Province/

You are also to See if the Publick Instructions for ye,, Govern-
ern, Sent to Us by Our Governern, have be Recorded, & if you
find they are not Recorded you are forthwith to Record the
Same together wth,, oor Warrs,, & Instructions for Granting Land
& all other our Publick Instructions, or Letters that Shall here-
after be Sent by us, all wch, you are to Enter into a Book for that
Purpose Particularly kept & you are also to Note when ye.. Said
Orders & Instructions were Read in Councill & Recorded There.|

You are also in another Book for that Use provided Exactly
to Register all Orders or Judgement, of the Governern,, & Councill,
& in another Book all Acts & Votes of Parliment,, of all wch,,
you are to Send Copies to us Sign'd by your Self by Every Ship
that Comes to England, or by way of Barbados or Virginia & to
Send Duplicates thereof.|

You are also in another Book to keep an Exact Register of
all Warrs. Issued Out to the Surveyor Generall for the Ad-
measuring or Setting Out of Land to any Person that Comes
there to Plant, and the Surveyor Generalls Return you are to
Enter agst. the Said Warr's, & in Warr's of the Surveyor Gen-
erall. you are to insert the Names of the ?sons Imported into
that part of Our Province Aforesaid for wch. the Said Land is
Granted & in wth. County the Same Land is Scituated & wth.
Number of acres Copies of which & of the Surveyor Generall.
Return You are Constantly to Send us That We may See how
Our Land is Disposed of—/—

You are to Transmit to us Yearly fairly Transcript'd a full &
Exact Account of all Our Rents what they may amount to in the
whole  your annum & what is in arrear for the Same the Perticular Men from whom Due, & what from Each man also what has been Receiv’d, by whom, & how apply’d, & w’t. Land, in what County to whom & for what Sold.]

And for other Matters Relating to your Said office of Secretary that are not herein provided for you are to follow Such orders & Directions as have at any time been Given any former Secretary and wch. the Govern’t. & Councill or any four of them Shall think fitt.]

You are before your Entry into your Said Office to take the Oaths Appointed by act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of Allegiance & Supremacy and the Test and the oath of Fidelity to the Lords Proprietors. and the oath for the Due Execution of your Office & Trust. Given at Craven House under Our Hands & Seal This Third Day of September 1709./

Recorded in the Secretarys Office this 31st. Day of August 1710/

Craven Palatine (Seal)
M Ashley (x)
J Colleton (x)
Beaufort (x)
Craven for the Lord Carteret (x)
J Danson (x)

Carolina Ss/
read in Council Aug’st ye 18th: 1710/

William Lord Craven Palatin
Henry Duke of Beaufort and y’ Rest of the True and absolute Lords Prop’rs of the Province of Carolina in America—

Mr.— Sale

We have received yours of ye 15th. of October last & as to what you write Concerning ye Charges of ye Sessions wee will take a little time to Consider of it, & in ye mean time we order you to pay no money but Such as you have Directions to pay in your Commission and Instructions which you Received at this Board from Us. We Do Remember your Request to Us for ye Registers office of Deeds & Conveyances but we Can give no answer to that, till wee have heard from Our Govern’t. Mr.— Tynte who was to inform Us of ye Nature of ye Office and if ye Executing thereof by you or any other Person would not interfere with ye Power & authority already Granted by us to ye Secretary of our Province
Mr. Blake as Guardian to her Son has a Right to an Eight part of ye Profits of a Proprietor Ship but ye matter must be adjusted at our Board here & ye Incident Charges belonging therunto must be DeDucted & whatever Shall appear to be Due to her in ye Right of her Son when a Dividend Shall be made Shall be Returned or paid—to her according to her Order but in the meantime We think it reasonable for her to Pay her Quit— Rents and Purchase Money as other Persons Do

To Mr. Sale

We lately gave an Order to Permit the Lands belonging to Coll Thomas Colleton's Barony to be Divided, but whether those Lands were ever Purch'd or not will appear by ye Records of ye Province & if there are no Records to Testify ye Same they must Pay a Penny an acre till they are Purchased

We think it advisable for you to give Publick notice yt all Persons who have already obtained Grants for Lands if they Do not within Six months after Such Publick notice take up ye Lands So Granted it may be Lawfull for any other Person to Take up and Purchase ye Same

The Officers Sallaries & w't. payments You are Directed to make by your Comission & Instructions are to be paid— out of our Quit Rents but al Moneys which you Shall Receive for ye Purchase of Lands & w't Shall Remain of our Quit—Rents after those Payments made you are hereby Ordered to Consigne to Us and to Send them for London by ye first opportunity every Quarter of a Year in Rice or money

We rest

Your affectionate Friends
Craven Palatin
Beaufort
M. Ashley
J Colleton
J Danson

Carolina Ss
read in Council Augt ye 18th. 1710/

William Lord Craven Palatin
The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort and ye Rest of ye True and absolute Lords Proprietors of ye Province of Carolina in America
To Colonel Edward Tynte Our Govern'r or to Our Deputy Governor: for ye Time being, & to Coll: Tho: Broughton Our Surveyor General of ye Part of our Province that Lyes South & west of Cape Feare

We being Informed ye Severall poor Palatines being forced from their Native Country by ye Severity of ye wars their are Endeavouring to Transport themselves or procure themselves to be Transported into our Province of Carolina and we being fully Satisfied that nothing Can more promote ye Generall Good of our Province than ye increasing ye number of ye inhabitants whereby ye Land may be the better manur'd and ye Product thereof increased We have therefore thought fitt to give our Charitable assistance to these Poor Palatines and Do hereby authorize Require & Command you to admeasure and Set Out or Cause to be admeasured & Set Out to all Such of ye Poor Palatines ye Shall Land in ye Part of Our Province, immediately upon their Arrival to each of them men, women and Children One Hundred acres of Land per Head free from any Quit-Rent for ye Space of ten years to be accounted from their Severall and Respective arrivalls in ye Sd.— province but ye after ye Sd. ten years Shall be Expired they are to pay one penny yearly for each acre to us our heirs and Assignes according to ye usages & Customs of our aforeSd.— Province and you are to give Directions that ye usual Grants for ye Sd.— Lands be passed to Such Palatines & their Heirs accordingly and for So doing this Shall be your Sufficient Warrant Given under Our hands and Seals this 29th: Day of October Anno Domini 1709/

Craven Palatin (Seal)
Beaufort (Seal)
M Ashley (Seal)
J Colleton. (Seal)
J Danson (Seal)

William Lord Craven Palatine The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort and ye Rest of ye True & absolute Lords Proprietors of ye Province of Carolina in America:
To Colonel Edward Tynte Our Governor Or to our Deputy Gov't for ye Time being of ye Part of our Province of Carolina ye Lyes South & west of Cape fare

Whereas it Does manifestly appear That Great abuses and wrongs have been Done against Our Selves & to ye Prejudice of our Said Colony by makeing Exorbitant & Illegal Grants of the Lands in our Said Province far Exceeding & Contrary to Our Commission & Instructions to Our Govern'r & officers in Our Said Province we being Resolved to Remedy ye Same Do Order & agree ye from hence forth no Lands Shall be Sold by any of our agents to any Person whatsoever Except by our Immediate Order but if any Person Shall be Desirous to buy Land in our Province You are to inform them ye if they or their agents Shall apply them Selves to our Board they Shall have warrants for Such Lands as shall be agreed for. Given at Craven House under our hands and Seals this 23d Day of March Anno Domini 1709/10.

Craven Palatine (Seal)
Beaufort (Seal)
Craven for L Carteret (Seal)
M Ashley (Seal)
J Colleton (Seal)
J Danson (Seal)

Carolina Ss
read in Council aug't
ye 18th 1710

William Lord Craven Palatine
Henry Duke of Beaufort & ye
Rest of ye true & absolute
Lords Prop're of the Province
of Carolina In America:

To Coll Edward Tynte our Governor Or to our Deputy Govern'r for ye Time being of ye Part of our Province of Carolina ye Lyes north & and East of Cape fare

Whereas it Dose manifestly appear That Great abuses & Wrongs have been Done against our Selves & to ye Prejudice of our Said Colony by making Exorbitant & Ellegall Grants of ye Lands in our Said Province far Exceeding & Contrary to our Commission & Instructions to our Govern'r and officers in our S't.— Province. Wee being Resolved to Remedy ye Same for ye future Do order and agree ye from hence forth no Lands Shall
be be Sold by any of our agents to any Person whatsoever Except by our immediate order But if any Persons Shall be Desireous to buy Land in our Province you are to inform them if they or their agents Shall apply themselves to our board they Shall have warrns for Such Lands as they Shall be agreed for Given at Craven House this Fifth Day of January anno Domini 1709/10

Craven Palatin (Seal)
Beaufort (Seal)
M: Ashley (Seal)
J Colleton (Seal)
J Danson (Seal)

Carolina Ss
read in Council Augt ye 18th 1710/

Colonel Tynte
We hope by this Time you have Entred upon your Government of our Province of Carolina We therefore Send this to you and Earnestly require your Endeavours to Reconcile the minds of the Inhabitants to each other ye name of Parties if any yet Remaines amongst them may be utterly Extinguished for we Can no ways Doubt but the Unanimous Concurrence with our Labours for their prosperity will most effectually render Carolina as flourishing a Colony as any in America

We think it adviseable for you to Detain Colonel Gibbeses Commission for Chief Justice in your Custody till further Order from us, Mr Trotts Commission not being Enter'd as it ought to have been by our former Secretary We were not apprized of ye manner of it: we Did Consent when you were here ye Mr Sale our Receiver General Should act as Mr Hynes Deputy naval officer Do you appoint him to afficiate in ye post accordingly but then Mr Sale Trading as a merchant Care must be Taken ye all vessels or goods wherein Mr Sale or his partners are any ways Concern'd do pay all Such Duties as are required by ye Laws of Trade & navigations we are

Your Friend & Servts—

Craven: House
Febry the 9th 1709/10

Craven Palatin
Beaufort
Crrteret
M Ashley
J Colleton
William Lord Craven Palatine the Moste Noble
Henry Duke of Beaufort and the Rest of ye True
and Absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of
Carolina in America
To our Receiver Gen'le: for the time being of that
parte of our Province of Carolina that lies South
and West of Cape Fear

We being inform'd that att the time of the death of our late
Receiver Gen'le: there were Effects of ours in his hands of a Con-
siderable Value which he intended to have returned to us Accord-
ing to the directions to him formerly by us Given, These are
therefore to Command & require you forthwith to send Over his
Acc's: and Remmitt ye Ballance thereof in Rice &c: by two of the
Next ships ye shall Come for England after the Receipt hereof
and you are hereby further Order'd to pay no money to any
persons whatsoever [Except ye usuall and allowed Salleries of
our officers of that parte of our Province as they are motion'd
in our late Receiver Gen'ls Commission & Instructions unless you
have an Express Warr't: for the payment thereof under our
hands & Seales

P: S:

You are Required not to make any payment to the person
in present posession of the late Govern'r: since ye death of the
late Govern'r: unless you have further Orders from us
Given att Craven house this Seventh day of decemb'r: Anno
Recorded June 18th: 1711 Domi. 1710

T. H. Dy Sec'y—

Received by the hands of Mr Sam'l: Wragg this 6th: day of march
1710/1

William Lord Craven Palatine and the Rest of the
True & absoute Lords and Proprietors of the Province of
Carolina
To Coll Edward Tynt our Govern'r, or to our Gov-
ern'r for the time being of that parte of our Province
of Carolina that lies South and West of Cape Fear—

Wereas Landgrave Abel Ketleby hath Purchas'd five
Thousand Acres of Land of us and paid to us One hundred
pounds Purchase mony for the same and we do therefore hereby require and Command you to Cause to be admeasur'd and Set out for the use of the said Landgrave Abele Ketleby and his heires five Thousand Acres of Land according to the useages Rules and Customs of our Province aforesaid & you are to give directions that Grants for the same may be passed to Him & his heires Accordingly reserving the Quitt rent of Tenn shillings for every Thousand Acres to be paid yearly to us our heires and Assignes for Ever. and for so doing this shall be y'. Sufficient Warrs: Given att Craven house under our hands and Seales this 9th: day of June Anno Domi 1709

Craven Palatine (Seal)
Beaufort— (Seal)
M: Ashly— (Seal)
J Colleton— (Seal)
J Danson (Seal)

His Excellency William Lord Craven Pallatine. The most noble Henry Duke of Beaufort Maurice Ashley Esq Sr. John Colleton Baronet John Danson Esq And the Rest of the True and Absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of Carolina To Charles Hart Esq
Greeting Wee the Lords Prop's. aforesaid Reposing Speciall Trust and Confidence in the Integrity Prudence & Conduct of you the Said Charles Hart Do by these presents Constitute & appoint you The said Charles Hart During our pleasure to be Secretary of that part of our province of Carolina that Lies South and West of Cape Fair hereby authorizing you and Givig you full power and authority to be present at all meetings of the Governour & Council and of the assembly and to keep an Exact Register of all their acts Proceedings and orders, and also to Receive from the Surveyor General all Certificates of Land by him set out and surveyed according to the Warrs. to him Directed and Draw up all Such Leases, Conveyances or assurances of Land as y'. Shall from Time to time by our order be Directed, and when they are Legally Signed and Executed you Shall Carefully Enroll the same, and Do and Perform all other acts usually Done by the former secrataries of that part of our Province aforesaid, and Wee Do hereby further Implore you to Receive all Perquisites Fees, and advantages whatsoever to the said office of Secretary belonging or In any wise appertaining
And Wee Do hereby Repeale make Null & Void all former Com-
missions for the said office. Given at Craven House under our
hands and the Great Seale of our Province of Carolina this third
day of January anno Domini 1710=x=x=x=x

Henry Duke of Beaufort x one of the True and absolute Lords
Proprietors of the Province of Carolina
To Charles Hart Esq.

Whereas it is agreed by the Lords proprietors of Carolina
according to the power Granted to them by their Charter bear-
ing Date ye 30th. Day of June in the 7th. Year of the Reign of
King Charles the second, that Each of the Lords prop. should
name a Deputy to be his Representative In the Generall assembly
and Council of Carolina. I out of the Trust and Confidence I
have In the prudence Wisdom and Loyalty of You the said
Charles Hart Do hereby Constitute and appoint You the said
Charles Hart to be my Deputy During my pleasure In that part
of our province of Carolina That lies south and west of Cape
Feare with full power To act an Exercise all Such Powers and
uthorities as to a Lord Prop. Deputy do belong And which are
Consonant to our Said Charter and the Laws there passed and
Confirmed by us. Given undx my hand and seale this 31st. Day of
January anno Domini 1710=x=x

Beaufort (Seal)

Instructions for Charles Hart Esq. Secretary of that Part of
our province of Carolina That lies south and West of Cape
Feare.
You are To Take In your Custody All those Records that have
been usually kept by the secretaries of that part of our Province
You are also to See if the Publick Instructions for the Goverment
Sent by us To our Gov. have been Recorded & If You find They
are not Recorded you are forthwith to Record the same Together
with our Warrs. and Instructions for Granting Land, and all
other our Publick Instructions or Letters that shall hereafter be
Sent by us all which you are To Enter into a Book for that
purpose particularly kept & you are also To Note when the said
orders and Instructions were Read in Councill and Recorded
there. x x x x x x x x x x
You are also In another Book for that use provided Exactly to
Register all orders Judgements of The Governour and Councill and In another Book all Acts and Votes of Parliament of all which you are to send Copies to us Signed by Your Self by Every ship that Comes to England or by way of Barbadoes or Virginia and to send Duplicates thereof.
You are also in another Book to keep an Exact Register of all Warrants Issued out To the surveyor Generall for the admeasuring or setting out of Land To any Person that Comes there to Plant and the surveyor Generalls Return, you are To Enter against the said Warrants and in the Warrant of the surveyor Generall You are to Insert the names of the persons Imported Into that part of our Province aforesaid for which the said Land is Granted and in What County the same Land is Scituated, and what number of acres Copies of which and of the surveyor Generals Return you are Constantly to Send us, that wee may see how our Land is Disposed of
You are To Transmitt to us yearly fairly Transcribed a full and True account of all our Rents what they may amount to in The Whole and What is in arrear for the same the perticular Men from whom Due and What from Each Man, also what has Been Received, by whom and How applied and what Land and In What County, to whom and for what Sold × × × × ×
And for all other matters relating to Your said office of Secretary that are not herein Provided for You are to follow such orders and Directions as have at any Time been Given any former secretary, And which the Governour and Council or any Four of them Shall Think fitt. × × × × × × × × × × You are before Your Entry into Your Said office to take the oaths apoynted by act of Parliament Instead of the oath of allegiance and Supremacy, and the oaths of Fidelity To The Lords prop'ta. and the oath for the Due Execution of Your office and Trust Given at Craven house under our hands & seals this Tenth Day of January anno Dom. 1710—11. × × × × × × × Craven, Palatin O Beaufort O M Ashly O J. Colleton O Dan-son O

His Excellency William Lord Craven Pallatine, The Most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort John Lord Carteret the Hon.ble Maurice Ashley Esq John Colleton Baronet John Danson Esq. And the Rest of the True And absolute Lords Proprietors of the province of carolina To Colonel William Rhett & To all To whom these
Presents shall Come Greeting, Know Ye, That wee Do hereby During our pleasure appoint Constitute authorize & Impower You the said Colonel William Rhett to be Receiver General of that part of our Province of Carolina That lies South and West of Cape Feare, and also to be on our behalf and to our use Receiver of all our Monies Dues and Demands Whatsoever and of all our Rents In that part of our Province aforesaid with full power and authority in our names To ask Demand Sue for Levy Require Recover Distrain for & Receive the said Rents, Dues and Demands and To Give acquitances & other Discharges for us and In our names for such summes as you shall Receive by Virtue of these Presents and To Do and act all other thing and Things Whatsoever That wee our selves might Legally Do in order to the Recovery of the said Rents & Dues as Well already in arears or that Shall hereafter become Due before our Repealing or Vacating This Presents Commissions by some Writting under the hand of the palatine and three more of the Lords propria. and the Great Seale of our Province Published and Recorded in the secretaries office, there, and for what Rents and Dues you shall Receive You are to be accountable to us & Dispose of the Same as You shall be Directed by us and Wee Do hereby Revoke make null and Void all former Commissions Granted for the said office, Given at Craven House Under our hands & the Great Seale of our province this Eighteenth Day of January anno Domini 1710—11 × × × × × × × × × × × × Craven Palatin Beaufort Carteret (broad seal) M Ashley J Coleton Danson

Recorded Augst 1st: 1711  ♂ T. Hepworth Dy Secry—

Instructions for Colonel William Rhett our Receiver Genll. of South Carolina

We herewith Deliver To you a Commission to be Receiver General of that part of our Province That lies South & West of Cape feare To Receive To our use all Dues & Rents, Fines and forfeitures that of Right belong to us, which Commission as also these Instructions You are to get Registered In the Secretaries office in our s4. Province × ×

You are to Inform Yourself by all means You Can What Fines have been set upon any Persons for Misdamemors In any of our Courts, &, to Receive the same to our use and In Case of Denial
of Payment, to use all Lawfull means for the Recovery of the same × × ×
You are to Take into your possession our share of Wrecks ambergrease and all such other Things as of Right belong to us
You are To use all possible Diligence To Inform Yourself of all Lands That have been Granted to any Person whatsoever In that part of our province In which you are To observe these Particulars Viz: How Much Land Each person Does possess, in What Parish, and in What County, by what Rent whither by 12 pence ¹/² hundred acres, or Penny ¹/² acre what any Person To in arear, and if above 12 Months To order our attorney General to summons Them and on failure of Compliance proceed to prosecute them for Recovery of the same all which you are Regularly to Enter into your Rolle Book; and like manner all Lands that Shall hereafter be Granted and to Transmitt a Copy thereof to us once a year × × × × × × × × ×
You are out of our Monies Dues and Rents You Shall Receive as aforesaid To pay to the Respective officers for The Time being as hereafter mentioned their Respective Yearly Salaries without any pretence whatsoever by Even Quarterly Payments beginning from ye Time of their Entrance upon their Respective office. Viz To the Governour for the Time being Two hundred pounds yearly To The Chief Justice for ye Time being sixty pounds yearly To the secretary for the Time being Fourty Pounds yearly To the attorney Genll. for the Time being Fourty pound yearly And to Richard Shelton Esq. secretary at our Board so much as amounts To Forty Pounds sterling Yearly × × × × ×
The Rest That you Receive
You are To Dispose as you Shall from Time to Time be Directed by us × × ×
You are To take to Your self after the Rate of 10 ¹/² Cent of all monies Goods and merchandizes of ours you shall Receive and Dispose of according to our order × × × × ×
In your accounts You are to Keep the several articles of Purchase Money a part by themselves Together with an account of the Date of the month, and in what Year the Land was Sold × × The several articles of monies Received for the Rent of Lands, You Are likewise to keep separeate and apart by themselves In your Rent Rolle, and To distinguish how much of the Same was Due at midsummer 1705 and how much mony was Received as Due after That midsummer only, and This you must distinguish
in all your accounts X X X X X X X X
You are to present your accounts to your Gov't. and Three of our Commissioners for Auditing the same once Every Three months & oftener if Required to be Examined and approved by them according To the form usual and at the Times of their passing. Your accounts the money that shall Remain due to us shall be Continued In Your Custody that thereby our monies may be always Ready to answer all such orders as we shall give about the same
You are also to Enquire what forfeited Estates there are of Fel-lons, or of Persons Dying Intestate and Leaving no Heires and of Right Escheat to us, and take the same into your possessions. You are always to transmit your accounts to us so approved By our Commissioners by the next respective ships with an account also of our Cash in Bank X X X X X X X X X X
In all the foregoing matters, and Whatsoever is of Consequence. You are to take the Directions and advice of the Governour & Two at Least of the Commissioners X X X X X X
You are before your Entry Into your Said office to take the oath appoynted by act of Parliament Instead of the Oaths of allegiance and supremacy, and the Test and the oath of Fidelity to The Lords Proprietors, and the oath for the Due Execution of your Place and Trust, Given at Craven House under our hands & Seals this Seventeenth Day of January anno Domini 1701/11 X X X X X X X X X
Recorded. AugSt 1st: 1711 Craven Palatin O
T. Hepworth Dv Sec'y— Beaufort O
William Lord Craven Palatin The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort, and the Rest of the True and absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of Carolina—
To the Hon'bkle. Charles Craven Esq'r. our Governour and to Colonel Thomas Broughton Our Surveyor Generall of our Province of South Carolina.
Whereas Richard Hughes hath Purchased Five Thousand Acres of Land of us, and Paid to us one Hundred Pounds Pur-

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chase Money for the Same, we Doe therefore hereBy Require & Comand you to Cause to be admeasured & Set out for The use of the Said Rich'd. Hughes and his Heirs 5000 Acres of Land Acording to the Usages Rules and Customs of our Province aforesaid, And you are to Give Directions that Grants for the Same may be passed To him and his Heirs accordingly Reserving the Quit Rent of Ten Shillings for Every 1000 Acres to be paid Yearly to us our Heirs & Assigns for Ever and for so Doing this Shall be your Sufficient Warrant—

Given at Craven house under our hands & Seales this Twelfth Day of February Anno Dom: 1710/11

Recorded Craven Palatin (seal) M: Ashley— (seal)
October the Beaufort— (seal) J Colleton— (seal)
2d: 1711— Carteret— (seal) J Danson (seal)

T Hepworth
Dr. Sec'y.—

His Excellency William Lord Craven Palatin, The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort, The right Honorable John lord Carteret, the Honorable Maurice Ashley Esq't. Sr. John Colleton Barn't. John Danson Esq't.—and the rest of the true and absolute Lords Prop'ts. of the Province of Carolina to our Trusty and well beloved Charles Craven Esq't. Govern'r. of that part of our Province of Carolina that lies South and west of Cape feare we the said true and absolute lords Prop'ts. of the Province aforesaid Reposing Special trust and Confidence in the Courage Loyalty and prudence of you=y=e=Said Charles Craven, Do hereby Constitute and appoint you y=e Said charles Craven to be (Dureing Our Pleasure) Govern'r. of that part of our province of Carolina that lies South & west of Cape feare and you are to do and execute all things in Due manner that Shall belong to your command and the trust we have reposed in you According to the Several powers & Directions Granted and appointed you by this present Commission and our Instructions and by Such further Power and Instructions as Shall at any time hereafter be Granted and appointed you under our hands and Seals, and we do hereby further Impower constitute and appoint you our S'd. Govern'r. to be Captain Generall, Admirall and Commander in Chiefe of all the forces Raised or to be raised both by Sea and land within that part of our Province aforesaid, & over them to appoint a
Lieutenant General or lieu't. Generals in y't Part of our Province aforesaid & over ye S'd. forces to appoint all officers w'soever and them to amove & remove at yo't. Will & Pleasure, and to Cause the said forces to be exercised in arms as often as you Shall see fit, and we do hereby Give you full Power and authority to appoint Governours & lieutenants and other officers as well of our Town and Citadel of Charles Town as of all other Castles, forsts, & all other places fortyfied or to be fortify'd w'thin that part of our s'd. pr'vince and to do all other things as to a Cap't. gener't. or Comander in Chief Doth belong, and we Do hereby Authorize and impower you in Case of yo't. Departure from thence to appoint a Deputy Govern't. and Governours in that Part of our province aforesaid with Such Powers as you shall think Necessary Provided the Same be agreeable to & do not Exceed those by us granted to your selfe, and to Constitute and appoint all and Singular officers and offices in and for ye Govrnmt. of ye Part of our said Province During yo't. Pleasure and the Pleasure of us the lords prop't:— Lastly we do hereby Revoake, Repeal and make void all former Commissions w'soever by us Given to any former Govern't. or president of our Said province of Carolina or any part thereof.— Given at Craven House under our hands & ye Great Seale of our Province of Carolina this fourteenth day of March Anno Dom: 1710-11

Recorded In the Secret't. Craven Palatin—
office March the 19— Beaufort— (ye brod seal)

1711/2 Carteret— — — — — — M Ashley— — — — — —

me— J Colleton— — — — — — J Danson— — — — — —

T Hepworth M: Ashley for Joseph Blake—

Dep't Sec'y—

Instructions for the Hon'ble: Charles Craven Esq'
Govern't. of South Carolina./

You are with our council to Consider how the trade of that Part of our province which is Committed to your care may be by ye most proper and Legal means promoted and advanced and how the several usefull and profitable Manufacturers already settled in that part of our said province may be further improved, and how and in what manner New and Profitable Manufactures may be introduced, and you are also to Consider of the best and most effectual means to Establish the fishery of
our s². p'vince, & w⁴. encouragem⁴. is proper for us to give to Increase the same./

You are from time to time to make representations touching yœ Premises to us as yœ nature of the Business shall require, which said Representations are to be in writing and to be Signed by You and the Major Part of the Council.—

You are to take care that all Acts of Assemblies that have been confirmed by us, or Our Predecessors be fairly wrote out and Transmitted to us by the first opportunity: and you are to Examine into, and weigh such Acts of the assemblies as Shall from time to time be sent or Transmitted hither for our approbation, and to set down & Represent as aforesaid the Usefulness or Mischief thereof to her Majesty's Imperial Crown of Great Britain, to our Province it selfe, or to our Jurisdiction and power Granted to us by the Royall Charter in case such law should be confirmed & established by us, and to Consider w⁴. matt⁴.— may be recommended as fit to be passed in yœ Assemblies there.—

You are to Enquire into and Transmit to us an Account of all Moneies that have been given for Publick Uses by the assemblies in our Province, and how the same are and have been Expended or laid out. and what persons Do, and how and by whom they are impowered to Receive the Same.—

You are by and with the advice and Consent of any four or more of our deput⁴: to Adjourn, Prorogue and Dissolve the Generall assemb: as often as you shall think requisite so to do—

And that there may be no Interruptions or delay in Matters of Prosecut⁴. & Execution of Justice in our Courts of Judicature w⁴th.in our s². p'vince by yœ Death or removal of any of our Officers employed therein, untill we can be advised thereof. (w⁴h. advice you are to Transmit to us= yœ= first Opportunity) you are to appoint others to succeed in their places, & you shall make choice of p'sons of known Loyalty experience, Diligence & fidelity to be Imployd for yœ purposes afores⁴. untill you shall have our approbation of them, or nominat⁴. of others from hence—./. — —

You are with the assistance of Coll: William Rhett Our present Receiver Generall, and Commissioners appointed for that purpose, to take and inspect the Accounts of John Ashby & nathaniel Sale Our late Receivers from yœ time of their being put in possession of yœ said office and after you have audited
& approved the same to attest ye Accounts According to ye form
Given to Preceding Governr's, & Such money as shall be receiv'd
for =ye= ballance of Such Accounts you are to take particular
care ye it be transm'tted to us, with wt Convenient speed You
can, According as Shall be Directed by Us—

You are to take great care that the Indians be not abused, and,
Justice be duly Administ'ed to them in our Coursts, & that you
Endeavour your Utmost to Create a firm Friendship with them,
and to bring them over to yo. part for your better Protection
and defence against =ye= enemy =ye= Neighbouring french &
Spaniards against whom you are to protect our said Province,
& we assure You of our utmost Assistance for your Security.—

You are to transmitt to us as soon as you can Conveniently
get it handsomely transcribed a full & exact account of Our
Yearly Rents; wt. they may amount to in the whole, & ye Parti-
cular men from whom due, & what from each Men also wt. has
been receiv'd, by whom, & how applied & wt. land, to whom, &
for what sold.—

You are to take Care that all Persons may be admitted to
Peruse ye Publick Record of our Province Provided they make
such perusal the Place where =ye= Same are constantly kept
and Pay the Customary and Usual Fees— — — — — — — —
You shall Immediately upon Receipt of these presents Issue
out your Warr's. to Eight such persons as to you shall seem
most proper Viz'. to four of ye inhabitants of Colleton County
& to four of ye inhabitants of Granville County to Sound the
river of Port Royall & to Examine which is ye fittest Place to
fix a town upon & Return the Same into the Notaries office which
Return you are to transmit to us as soon as you shall receive the
same—

Whereas it was agreed at our Board that =ye= office of Sur-
veyor Generall of South Carolina wou'd be better Executed
by =ye= severall Surveyors of =ye= Respective Counties you
are therefore to Direct Such Persons to be the severall Sur-
veyors of Each County as to you shall Seem most p'.per & ye
each of them shall make Such Returns of =ye= land they shall
Survey. & sett out, & =ye= Quit Rents reserved for =ye= Same into our Secret'y's. Office According to =ye= usuall Cus-
tome of our Province—

And Lastly we Do require you our said Governr. to Execute &
Perform all other things Necessary & Proper for Answering
our Intentions in the Pr:misses, & wch: shall or may tend to =y=e good Governm’t. of our Pr:vince aforesd. Given. under our Hands & seals att Craven House this 6th. Day of June Anno Domi: 1711/ — —

Craven (seal) Carteret (seal)
Beaufort (seal) M: Ashley (seal)
J Colleton (seal) J Danson (seal)

Recorded March ye 26 1712—

¶¶ T Hepworth Dep’t Sec’y.—

His Excellency William Lord Craven Palatine, The most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort, The Right Honoura’; John Lord Carterett, Maurice Ashley, Esq’; Sr. John Colleton Barn’t. John Danson Esq’; and =y=e rest of the true and absolute Lords Prop’t: of Carolina, to Arthur Middleton Esq’; send Greeting. Wee, out of =y=e trust & Confidence we have and Repose in yo’ Care prudence & ability have made constituted & appointed, & by these pr:sents do make constitute & appoint you =y=e said Arthur Middleton to be a Naval Officer of that part of our Province of Carolina that Lies South & west of Cape feare hereby Authorizing & impowering you to take Entries of all Ships and Vessells Inward bound to, or outward bound from that part of Our Province of Carolina aforesaid you are to hold the said office of Naval officer dureing our Pleasures & you are hereby Impowered to take such fees Perquisites & Profitts for =y=e Execution of your said office as to you by Legal right can in any wise belong or appertaine, We Do hereby Revoake make null and void all former Commissions by us granted for the said Office Given at Craven House under Our hands and the Great seal of our province of carolina This 13th. × × Day of June Anno Domini One thousand Seven hundred and Eleven./

Craven Palatine J Colleton
Beaufort— (the Broad Seal) J Danson
Carteret— M: Ashley
M: Ashley for Joseph Blake

Recorded March the twenty-Eighth 1712—

In the Secretarys Office ¶¶ Me

T Hepworth Dep’t Sec’y.—

Instructions to Arthur Middleton Esq’. Naval Officer of that part of our Province of Carolina that Lies South and west of Cape feare
You are to take Particular care of the Principall Laws relating to the Plantation Trade & to inform your selfe of each of them, Viz. The Act for incouraging & Increasing of shipping & Navigation made in the 12th. Year of y Reign of King Charles —y Second y Act for Preventing frauds & Regulating abuses in Custom's made in y 14th. Year of y said kings Reign the Act for Encouragemt. of Trade made in y 15th Year of y said kings Reign. the Act for regulating the Plantation Trade made in y 22 & 23 years of y said Kings Reign. the Act for the incouragemt. of y: East Land & Greenland Trades & better Secureing the P$\text{nation}$ Trade made in y 25th: of Said Kings Reign. and y Act for preventing frauds and Regulating abuses in Plantatn. Trade made in the 7th: & 8th. years of y Reign of His late Majest$\text{i}$ William the third: & you are to take a Solemn Oath upon your arrivall in our said Province of Carolina, that all the causes Matters & things containd in y before recited Acts of Parliam$\text{t}$, heretofore passed and now inforcel relating to Her Majestes. Colonies & Plantatn. be Punctually & bonafide observed According to the true intent & meaning thereof— You are upon your arrivall in our said province of Carolina to Acquaint our Govern$r$: & Councill there of these y Commission & Instructions and you are immediately to take y Oaths appointed by Act of Parliam$\text{t}$. instead of those of Allegiance & Supremacy, & the Test, & y Oath of fidelity to the Lords proprie$\text{t}$.—

our Will is, that You take Entries of all Ships or vessels Inward bound to, or Outward bound from our said Province of Carolina, that you take Account of their Lading their bottom (if British or no) w$\text{t}$. men Navigated w$\text{th}$.all, & all other Masters required of you by y Severall Acts of Parliam$\text{t}$. relating to trade and Navigation — — —

You are to Obey all Such Instructions and Directions as you shall at any time receive either from us, or from y Comm$\text{t}$: of her Majesties Customes in London, or from any other Person or Persons now Acting, or that Shall hereafter Act by her Majesties, Authority, pursuant to, or for the better putting in Execution the several Acts relating to Plantations— Lastly you are to transmit Accounts twice in the Year of the aforementioned Entries of Ships & vessels (a form whereof you will find Entred upon Record in our said province) to us the Lords Prop$\text{t}$., and a Duplicate by the same Conveyance to
=y\(^e\)= Commrs: of Her Majestys Customes in London for the
time being. you are to take especial Notice that all other Laws
and Statutes (tho. not Mentiond in these Your Instructions)
that any Way relate to trade & Navigation or concerns any of
her Majestys P\(^n\)tations in America must be Duly put in Execution
According to the best of Your power. Given under Our hands
& Seals at Craven House this 13\(^{th}\). \(\times\times\times\) Day of June An\(^o\) Dom:
1711.

Craven (seal)     M: Ashley (seal)
Beaufort (seal)    J Colleton (seal)
Carteret (seal)    J Danson (seal)

Recorded March the 28\(^{th}\) 1712 In the Secretary's
Office \(\&\) Me

T Hepworth D\(^v\) Sec\(^v\):

John Lord Carteret one of the True and Absolute
Lords Propriet\(^r\): of the Province of Carolina

To Arthur Middleton Esq\(^e\):—

Whereas it is agreed by the Lords prop\(^r\): of Carolina,
According to the power granted to them by their Charter bear-
ing Date =y\(^e\)= 30\(^{th}\): day of June in the 17\(^{th}\). Year of the Reign
of King Charles the second, that each of the Lords Proprietors
should name a Deputy to be his Representative in the generall
Assembly & Council of Carolina. I Out of the trust and Con-
fidence I have in the prudence, Wisdom and Loyalty of you the
said arthur Middleton, Do hereby constitute and appoint you
=y\(^e\)= said Arthur Middleton to be my Deputy Dureing my
Pleasure, in that part of our Province of Carolina that Lies
South & west of Cape feare with full Power and Authority to
Act and Exercise all Such powers and Authorities as to a Lord
Prop\(^r\). Deputy do belong, and which are Consonant to Our said
Charter and the Laws there passed and Confirmed by Us. Given
under my hand and seal this 6\(^{th}\). Day of June—Anno Domini:
1711.

Carteret (seal)

Sr: John Colleton Bar\(^e\). one of the true and Absolute
Lords Propriet\(^r\): of the Province of Carolina—.

Read in Councill this
29 Nov : 1709

To Collonel Thomas Broughton

Whereas it is agreed by y\(^e\) Lords Prop\(^r\): of Carolina
According to the Power Granted to them by their Charter bear-
ing Date the 30th. day of June in the 17th. Year of the reign of King Charles the 2d— That each of =y=c= Lords proprietors should name a Deputy to be his Representative in the general Assembly and Council of Carolina. I out of =y=c= trust & Confidence I have in =y=c= Prudence, wisdom and Loyalty of you the said Colonel Thomas Broughton Do hereby constitute and appoint you the said Colonel Thomas Broughton to be my Deputy Dureing my Pleasure in that part of Our Province of Carolina that Lies south & west of Cape Fear with full power to act and Exercise all Such Powers and Authorities as to a Lord Proprietors deputy Do belong, and which are Consonant to Our said Charter and the laws there passed and Confirmed by Us. Given under my hand and Seal This 14th. day of April Anno Domini 1709—

John Colleton (seal)

John Danson Esq: One of the true and Absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province

To Richard Berrisford Esq:—

Whereas it is Agreed by the Lords Proprietors of Carolina, According to the power granted to them by their Charter, Bearing Date the 30th: Day of June in the 17th. Year of the reign of King Charles the Second, that each of ye Lords Proprietors should name a Deputy to be his Representative in the general Assembly and Council of Carolina I out of the trust and Confidence I have in ye prudence Wisdome & Loyalty of ye Said Richard Berrisford, Do hereby constitute and appoint ye Said Richard Berrisford, to be my Deputy during my Pleasure, in that Part of our Province of Carolina that Lies South & west of Cape Fear with full power to Act and Exercise all Such powers & authorities as to a Lord proprietors Deputy do belong, & which are Consonant to our said Charter, and ye Laws there passed, and Confirmed by Us. Given under my hand & seal this 18th: Day of September Anno Dom: 1711

John Danson (seal)

Recorded March ye 19th 1712 In the Secretaries office §§ Me

T Hepworth Dv Secy:

Joseph Blake Esq'r., a minor one of the True & absolute Lords of the Province of Carolina—.

To Samuell Eveleigh Esq'r.

Whereas it is Agreed by the Lords Prop'r. of Carolina according to The power granted to them by their Charter bearing date the: 30: day of June in the: 17th: year of the Reign of King Charles ye.: 2d: that Each of The Lords Prop'r. should make a Deputy to be his Representative in ye. Generall Assembly & Councill of Carolina. I by vertue of being Guardian To the Said Joseph Blake minor as aforesaid & out of the Trust & Confidence I have in ye. Prudence Wisdom & Loyalty of you the Sd. Sam: Eveleigh Do hereby Constitute & appoint you the Said Sam: Eveleigh to be Deputy dureing my pleasure to the said Joseph Blake in that part of our Province of Carolina that Lies South & West of Cape fear wth. full Power to Act & Exercize all such Powers & authorities as to a Lord Prop'r. Deputy Do belong & wch are Consonant to our said Charter & ye. Laws past & Confirmed by us

Given under my hand & Seal this 28th: day of March 1712
Recorded ye: 1: day of Elizth: Blake (seale)
April 1712

me T: Hepworth

His Excellency William Lord Craven Palatin. The most noble Henry Duke of beaufort, John Lord Carteret, Maurice Ashley Esq': John Colleton Barn'. John Danson Esq', and the rest of the true & absolute Lords prop'r. of ye Province of Carolina to George Evans Esq'. we being well assured of ye Care Prudence & ability of you the said George Evans have made Constituted Authorized & appointed & by these presents do make constitute Authorize & appoint you the said George Evans to be during Our Pleasure Attorney Generall of ye part of our province of Carolina that lies South & west of Cape fear therein to Act, plead, implead, sue & prosecute all & every person or persons w'tsoever for all debts fines, amerciaments forfeitures, escheats, Claims & demands w'tsoever which now is may or shall be due and in arrear to us upon any Accompt w'tsoever whether Rents Revnu's or otherwise howsoever, and to prosecute all Matters Criminall as well as Civill, Giving and hereby Granting unto you full power and authority in ye. premisses therein to deal
do execute & perform in as large & ample manner to all intents & purposes as to ye said office of Attorney Generall doth in any way appertain & belong, & we do further by these presents Constitute order & appoint you ye said George Evans to be (dureing our pleasure) advocate Generall of ye. said part of our province of Carolina to sue, implead & prosecute in the High Court of admiralty in the said part of our province of Carolina in all Mattrs. as well Civill as Criminal, to have, hold & enjoy the said office of Attorney General & advocate General of ye said part of our province of Carolina, & all liberties Privilidges, perquisites, fees & profits wsoever thereunto Incident or belonging and we do hereby revoke & make null & void all former Commissions Granted for ye Sd. office Given at Craven House under our Hands & ye Great seal of our province of Carolina this 21st. day of february Ano. Domi: 1710/11 X X X X X
Craven Palatin— J Colleton
Beaufort— J Danson (ye broad seal)
Carteret— M: Ashley for
M: Ashley— Joseph Blake

Instructions for George Evans Esq': Attorney Generall of our province of Carolina that Lyes South and West of Cape feare—

We hereby Authorize, and give You free Access to all Records in the Scretary's Office of Carolina, and to all ye Records of Courts, & to all ye other Publick papers & Records wsoever, & in all Matters that shall Concern Us the Lords proprs., ye. you shall have Liberty by your selfe or your Clarkes to take Transcripts of ye same wth. out paying any fees or reward wsoever, & you shall have Liberty as aforesaid to take Copies of all ye Acts of Assemblys past or to be passed.—

Our Will is, that before any Acts of Assembly be Signed by the Governour ye. they be perused by you least Acts be passed repugnant to ye law's of england & ye. in case you do signify to ye Governour ye. remarks on ye said Acts wherein they are Contrary to ye law's of england, & notwth.standing ye. ye. assembly pass and ye gov't. Sign ye. sd. Acts you do Transmi Such yo'. Remarks to Us ye. Lords proprs. in England — —

You are to advise wth. our governour & Councill about a Bill for ye better securing our Quiet Rents, & for ye easiest & best methods for Collecting our sd. Rents & to prfer ye. sd. bill to ye first assembly ye. shall then after Sit.
You are to take Care of & Prosecute in all Matters relating to ye Pleas of ye Crown, in matters Criminal as treason, murder felony, & all matters Criminal w'tsoever together with all Prosecutions upon penal Laws, & all Seizures & forfeitures w'tsoever. You are also to see and prosecute all such Persons as our receiver generall shall signify to you to be Indepted to us, for arrears of Rent, or other our Revenues & that Refuse to pay the same, & you are to use all Lawfull means for ye Recovery of ye Same— And that you may be ye better Encouraged and enabled to Prosecute & attend ye business of your office, and for ye preventing Vexatious suits against you, our Will is, & all our Judges sheriffs & other officers in Carolina whom it doth or may concern are hereby obliged to take notice of ye same y't in ye time of ye sitting of ye General assembly of ye Council & of any other Court w'tsoever, & for 2 days before & after you ye. Sd. Attorney General shall be free from all Prosecutions & arrest either in yo't. son or Estate, & that upon no acc't. w'tsoever upon any arrest you be held to bail but y't. yo't. Signing an appearance upon ye. Writt or Warr't. shall be sufficient and that you do fully Enjoy all other rights & Priviledges belonging to ye. office of Attorney General as fully & as amply as any Attorney General in any of her Majesties Plant's: in America do or may Enjoy the same.— And our Will further is y't. for yo't. better support in ye Discharge of your office for yo't. Attending the Council & giving advice in all Publick Matters & Endeavouring to secure our Rights a Sallary of 40£. £3 Annum be paid you half yearly out of ye Publick Treasury of Carolina by our Treasurer for ye time being to Commence from ye time of yo't. Entrance on the said office.— . Lastly You are from time to time to Signify to us all Such Matters as you shall think may be for ye. advantage of us, and our province of Carolina. —— .

You are to transcribe and Transmit to Us all Such Acts as have passed in South Carolina, which are not in force, and for which Our receiver General is to pay you w't ye Govern't. and Deputies or any four of them shall think you Deserve for the same — — You are to follow such Orders & Directions as have at any time been given any former Attorney General which the Governour and Council or any four of them shall think fit.

You are before Your entry into your said office to take the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament Instead of ye Oaths of allegiance & Supremacy, and ye test & ye oath of fidelity to ye.
lords proprs. & ye oath for ye due Execution of your Place & trust,
Given at Craven House undr' our hands & seals this Twelfth day
of February Ano. Dom: 1710/11—
Craven Palatine (seal) M: Ashley (seal)
Beaufort (seal) J Colleton (seal)
Carteret— (seal) J Danson (seal)

Recorded April ye 23 1712 In ye Secretrs. office by me
T Hepworth Dep'ty Sec'y.

January ye 23 1710—

It Appearing to Us that Day from the papers & Narratives
Relateing to the Disputes between Colonel Broughton & Colonel
Gibbes that Colonel Gibbes was Guilty of Bribery & Consequent-
ly Not Duly Elected Governour of South Carolina it was
therefore Unanimously resolved that no Salary Shall be paid to
him the Said Colonel Gibbes as Governour of the Same and we
do Hereby direct That all Such Salary or Sums of Mony as
Should have been paid Or Were Payable to the Governour of
the Said Province From the time of the Death of Colonel Tynte
Our Late Govern'r To the Date of Mr. Cravens Our present Gov-
ernours Commission Be Paid to our Secretary Mr. Richd Shelton
or to his Attorneys Or Assigns & Wee do Hereby require our
Govern'r. Deputies, Chief Justice Secretary Receiv'r. Generall &
all other Officers of our Said Province to be aiding & assisting
herein Given at Craven House Under our Hands & the Great
Seale of our Province this: 13 day of March 1711/2

Beaufort Palatine J Colleton J Danson

M: Ashley (Seale) Carteret

Recorded Fullver Scipworth for Ld. Craven

ye 16 Day of
July 1712—

Sr: Fulwar Skipwith Barr. Guardian to the R't Honble: Will-

liam Lord Craven One of the Lords Proprs. of the Province of
Carolina in America./

To Charles Hart Esq:—

Whereas It is agreed by the Lords proprs: of the Province of
Carolina, According to the Power granted to them by their
Charter, Bearing date the 30th: day of June in the 17th year of
the Reign of King Charles the 2d.; that Each of the Lords Pro-
Prieters should name a Deputy, to be his Representative in the
assembly or Generall Council of Carolina; I as Guardian to the said William Lord Craven out of the Trust and Confidence I have in the Prudence, Wisdom and Loyalty, of You the said Charles Hart do Hereby Constitute and appoint you the said Charles Hart, to be the said Lord Craven’s Deputy During my Pleasure, in that Part of the Province of Carolina that Lies South and West of Cape fear, with full Power to Act & Exercise all such Authorities and duties, as to a Lord Prop’r. deputy do Belong, & which are Consonant to the said Charter & the Laws there Pass’d & Confirmed by the said Lords Prop’r. — —

Given under my hand and Seal this Ninth day of Feb’re An°. Dom.: 1712

Fulwar Skipwith— (seal)
Recorded July the 13th: 1713 In the Secretary’s Office — me
Thomas Hepworth Dep’ty Secty

His Grace the Duke of Beaufort Palatine John Lord Carteret and the rest of ye True & absolute Lords & prop’r. of Carolina In America
To Charles Craven Esqr our Govern’re. of South Carolina or to our Governour & Counci’ll of South Carolina for ye time being
It being represented to us Sometime Since ye very great Wrongs & Injuries Were done to us by ye illegall & Exorbitant Grants of Lands in our province of South Carolina Whereby we were Induced to Issue out our orders & Commands that no more Land Should be Sold in ye Coloney but Such as Should be Directed by our Speciall Warrants Signed at our Board in London yett ye Inhabitants of our Province haveing Earnestly applied themselves to us ye this our order migh In Some Measure be repealed & revoked and wee being willing to grant their Requests and to Give all due Encouragements to Such persons as Shall come to Settle themselves in ye Part of our Province Aforesd. — — Wee do Agree ye ye Sd. order Should be repealed and wee hereby Consent ye Warrants may be issued out of our Secretary’s office in South Carolina for ye Grants of Lands According to ye Accustomed Rules & usage of our Sd. Province provided ye Such Grants Shall nott Exceed 500 Acres of Land To any one Purchasor & ye Every 500 Acres Shall be rated proportionably to ye Value of 10£ Sterl: of ye Currant Money of Great brittaine & for Soe Doeing this Shall be A Sufficient Warrant Given at St. James’s this 21st Day of August 1713 Und’t. our hands & Seals
Memorandum.
The usual & Accustomed Cheif Rents Viz.: of 12 pence for Every hundred Acres of Land Which Shall be Sold must be Reserved to be Yearly paid by ye Purchasers to ye Lords Prop'rs. their heirs & Assignes for Ever — —

Beaufort Palatine (seal)
Carteret — — (seal)
J Colleton — (seal)
J Danson (seal)

Recorded February ye Eleventh 1713

Septem't. the 3rd 1713 Sr

The Publick business having called some of ye Lords Prop'rs out of ye Town, their Lordships Commanded me to Inform you ye at ye request of ye Gentlemen of your Province they had consented that their order prohibiting the Sale of Land Except Such as Should be Directed by Speciall Warrants Signed at their Board Should be revoked & their Lordships have Directed Warr'ts. as usall for ye Sale of Lands to be Issued out of ye Secretary's office with Such Conditions as are Expressed in their Warr't herewith Enclosed to which I refer you

Their Lordships further Commanded me herewith to Send you ye proclamation for Publishing ye Peace Concluded between her Majesty & ye French king upon ye Receipt whereof you are forthwith to Cause ye Same to be published In ye usual places of your Colony under their Lordships Government & you are to give notice to all Privateers & Commanders of Ships within your Province to Cease Hostilities with ye French Kings Subjects According to the Tenor of ye S'D Proclamation I am further Directed by their Lordships to Transmit to you a Copy of a Letter they received from ye Lords of Trade and Plantations wherein her Majesty is pleased to Command ye't none of her Subjects be Sent from any of her Majesty's plantations as Prisoners without Good Proof first made of their Crimes and that proof Transmitted along with Such Prisoners Their Lordships have been pleased to give Leave to Mr. Nicholas Trott their Cheif Justice in Your province to be Absent from ye S'D Province for So Long time as Some affairs which he has to Negotiate here in Great Britaine Shall require his personall attendance on ye Same & their Lordps. have Sent a Warrant to ye S'D. Mr. Trott for the Govern'r. & Councill to Constitute a proper person to be Judge
of the Common please & to Grant Comissions of oyer & terminer
to Some of ye Cheif Justices of ye peace in your province to
Determin all Criminall Causes Dureing Such his Leave of
Absence as you will See by ye aforesd Warr\'. When delivered
to you by Mr. Justice Trott as to ye Lett\' their Lords\'. received
from you & ye Councill relating to ye bounderies between South
& North Carolina their Lordships tooke ye Matter into ye. Con-
sideration but thought it a Matter of Such Consequence ye. it
required to be more Maturely Considered of & therefore Ad-
journed it for that time I Shall Tak Care to Lay it before their
Lordships at their Next meeting & Shall Endeavour all I can
to have a Determination of that Matter in your favour I am
S\' your obedient humble Serv\'
R Shelton
Recorded Feb\'y ye 12th. 1713

My Lords/ her Majesty is very much Surprised to find that
Several of her Subjects have been Lately Sent hither in Cus-
tody from Some of the plantations without any Evidence of
their Crimes which as it is A Practice very Injurious to ye Part-
cular persons who fall und\'. the Misfortune it is Like wise very
Derogatory to ye Hon\' of Her Majesties Governm\'. & therefore
we are Commanded to Signify her Majesties pleasure ye your
Lordships Give Directions to ye Govern\' y\' he doe not upon any
occasions Send any of her Majestys Subjects hither as Prisoners
without good proof first made of ye Crime & that Proof Trans-
mitted along with ye Prisoner we are my Lords

Your Lordships Most humble Servants
Whitehall Guilford
August ye 27th. 1712 Th: Meadows
Ri\'. Hon\'ble. Lords prop\'s of Arth. Moore
Carolina.
J Hynde Colton

Recorded February ye 12th. 1713

March ye 27th. 1713
Wee have herewith Sent you ye heads of an Act of Assembly
which wee think Proper to be passed for ye better Secureing our
Debts & Cheif Rents to us & for Confirming ye titles of ye In-
habitants to their plantations & Estates we have Complied with
ye proposals ye were Sent to us by our Cheif Justice for ye passing
Such a Law & have Advanced Yours & Some others Salaries and
have Consented to ye publick Buildings Which we think to be for ye honour and Advantage of our Government We being Informed of S't. Anthony Cravens Death are Aprehensive ye' Your Affairs upon ye Occasion may require your coming for England And in ye Case have Appointed Mr. Robert Johnston to Succeed you but wee Shall not Grant him any Comission till wee can receive further Advice from you

Wee bid you heartly farewell & are your Affectionate Friends

J Colleton  
J Danson  
Beaufort Palatine  
Carteret  
M Ashley

Hon'ble Charles Craven Esq'  

Rec'd Feb'y: ye 12th. 1713

Johannes Comes Bathe Palatinus Carolinæ Reliquisq  
Ejusdem Provinciæ Proprietores Salutem Cum Serenissimus  
Princeps Carolus Secundus nuper Dei Gratia Magnæ Britaniæ  
franciæ et Hiberniæ Rex, Fidei Defensor Ese Spenali Suo favore  
Dedit et comessit nobis una cum Provincia Carolinæ postetatem,  
Gradus, Status, Titulorumq dignitatem et honorum ibidem con-  
stituendi et Erigendi Virosq bene Meritos, ad Eosdem Gradus  
Evehendi eijsq titulis cohonestandi Ordemq cumq regiminis  
forma a Nobis Stabilita et in perpetuum a Nobis et Successoribus  
Nostris Observanda constitutum sit ut Certus Sit Langravorum  
et Cassiquorum numerus qui Sint perpetui et hereditarii  
Nobiles Proceresque Provinciæ Nostrae Carolinæ Cumque  
Eximius Vir Johannes Bayley Magna Sua Prudentia et  
Industria Magno Erit Adjumento Nobis Virum De nobis  
Tam bene Meritum Remunerare Volentes Landgravum Con-  
stituimus Sciasigitur quod nos ut Monumentum Æternum  
Gratiae Nostrae et Illius Meritorum Dictum Johannem Bayley  
ad Statum Gradum Stilum Titulum et honorem Landgravi  
Ereximus Praeﬁcimus et Creavemus ipsumq Johannem Bayley  
Landgravum Tenore Praesentium Ærigimus praefacimur et  
Creamus Eidemq Johanne Bayley Nomen Statum Gradum  
Stilum Dignitatem Titulum et honorem Cum quadraginta Octo  
Mille Ingeris terræ Aliisq Privilegiis eadem Dignitati perti-  
nentibus et In Æternum Imposuimus Dedimus et praemiumus  
et pr. presentes pro Nobis häredibus et Successoribus Nostris  
Damus Imponimus et præbemus habendum et Tenendum Eodem  
Nomen Statum Gradum Stilum Dignitatem et honorem Land-
gravi una Cum prædictis Terris Singulisq Juribus Præeminentijs Privilegiis et Immunitatibus Eidem Dignitati Pertinentibus Præfato Johanne Bayley et Heredibus Suis Secundum Tenorem fundamentalium Nostrarum Constitutionum in perpetuum Volentes ac per presentes Concedentes pro Nobis Heredibus et Successoribus nostris quod Prædictus Johannes Bayley et Hæredes Sui prædicti Nomen Statum Gradum Stilum Dignitatem Titulem et honorem Landgravi Successive Gerant et habeant Terras prædictas possideant et Eorum Quilibet gerat habeat et possideat et per Nomen Landgravi Vocentur et Nuncupentur et eorum quilibet Vocentur et Nuncupetur quod Idem Johannes Bayley et Hæredes Sui prædicti Successive Landgravi in Omnibus Teneantur et ut Landgravi Tractentur et Reputentur et Eorum quilibet Teneat Tractetur et Reputetur habeantq Teneant et Possideant et Eorum quilibet habeat Teneat et Possideat prædictas Terras Solventes In perpetuum proqualibet Tractu Terræ Centum Jugera Continentem Duodecem Denarios bovæ et Legalis Monetæ angliae Annuitam Nobis et hæredibus nostris qua Solutio incohanda est sub finem Biennii post ejus Illius Occupationem necon Dictus Johannes Bayley et Hæredes Sui prædicti gaudeant et utantur et eorum quilibet gaudeat et Utatur per nomen Landgravi Omnibus et Singulis Juribus privilegiis præeminentiis et Immunitatibus Statui Landgravi in Omnibus rite et Jure pertinentibus In Cujus rei Testimonium has Litteras Nostras Sub Magno Sigillo Nosto Caroline fieri fecimus Patentes Datum per Manus Nostras Decimo Sexto Die August Anno Ore Christianæ Milesiimo Sexcentesimo Nonagesimo Octavo

Bathe Palatine Bathe for the for Sr Jn Colleton Wm Thornburgh Lord Carterett

Thomas Amy Wm. Thornburgh
(Loco Sigillo)

Copia Vera Examind. 18th. Aprill 1713 ἥν Thomas Cooke Notius: Publicusre
London the 6th: March 1700.

Sr/

At Twenty one Days Sight please to pay this My first of Exchange to ye order of Messrs. Benjamin Burton & Francis Harrison One hundred Pounds Sterl. Value Mr. Edward Haswell

Your most humble Servant

Thomas Amy——

To John Bayley Esqr

Near Neanaugh

Ireland

Rec'd. the Contents in Account #7r 15th. May 1701 Ben:
Burton & Fran: Harrison
Copia Vera

His Grace the Duke of Beaufort Palatin John Lord Carterett and the rest of the true and absolute Lords Prop'r: of Carolina in America

To Charles Craven Esqr our Govern'r or to our Deputy Govern'r: and Councill for the time being of our Province of South Carolina——

Whereas Nicholas Trott Esqr the Chiefe Justice of our Province of South Carolina having affairs wch require his personal attendance here in Great Britain has applied to us for our leave and Lycence to be absent from our Province of South Carolina for so long time as he may be detained in the Negotiation of his Said affairs here. Wee are very willing to grant his request and to Continue his Commission dureing his leave of absence, Wee therefore hereby Signify our pleasure to you That you do by Commission under you hands and Seals Constitute and appoint Such person as Shall be Judged most proper to be Judge of the Court of Common Pleas till the arival again of the said Nicholas Trott into our Province aforesaid and wee do hereby further Command You to Grant under Your hands and Seals Special Commissions of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery directed to Some of the Justices of the Peace of our Said Province to hold the Several Sessions and to hear and determine all Criminal Causes herein dureing The absence of the said Nicholas Trott And wee do hereby Signify our further pleasure to you that the Sallary of Chiefe Justice be paid to the Said Nicholas Trotts order dureing his said absence by this our leave at
the usual Time which he used to receive the Same and for so Doing This Shall be Your Sufficient Warrp—
Given under our hands and Seals at St. James’s This 22d. Day of August 1713——

Beaufort Palatin
Carteret——
J Colleton
John Danson

(Sea)
(Sea)
(Sea)

South Carolina/

The R’honrble Charles Craven Esq’ Govrn’ Capt Gen’ll
Admirall and Command’t. In Cheif of South Carolina And y’st
Rest of y’st True & absolute Lords prop’rs. Deputies whose Names
are hereund't. Written—
To The Honrble Coll’ R’t: Daniell
Whereas The most noble Prince Henry Duke of Beaufort Palatin
& y’st Rest of the True & Absolute Lords & Prop’rs of y’st Said
Province have Granted unto Nicholus Trott Esq’. Cheif Justice
of y’st S’d. Province Leave and Lycense to Absent himself from y’st
Province of South Carolina afores’d. Dureing his Transacting &
Negotiating his Affairs In y’st Kingdome of Great Britaine And
Whereas y’st S’d. Palatin & The Rest of y’st Lords Prop’rs. Aforesaid
have und’r. their hands & Seals bearing Date y’st twenty Second
Day of August 1713 have for y’st Preventing y’st Delay of Publick
Justice Authorized & Impowered us y’st S’d. Govern’. & Deputies
Aforesaid To Constitute & Appoint Such Person as by us Shall
be Judged Most Proper to be Judge of y’st Court of Common
Please Dureing y’st Absence of y’st S’d. Nicholas Trott From y’st
Province Aforesaid

Wee Therefore y’st Govern’. & Deputies afores’d. reposeing
Especiall Trust & Confidence in y’st Ability Care Prudence and
Discretion of you y’st S’d. Robert Daniell Have ordained Constitu-
tuted & appointed And by these presents Do ordaine Constitute
& Appoint you y’st S’d Robert Daniell by y’st Name and Stile of
Judge of y’st Court of Common Pleas in That Part of y’st Province
y’r Lyeth South & West of Cape Fear To Have Hold & Determine
all Civill Pleas and Causes Arising or happening Within y’st S’d.
Part of y’st Province Afores’d. Giveing & hereby Granting unto
you y’st Said Robert Daniell Full Power & Authority to Doe
Execute & Performe all Matters Acts and things whatsoever
Within y’st Afores’d. Part of y’st S’d. Province which to y’st office of
Judge of ye Common Pleas Doth in any Wise belong or Appertaine in as Large & ample a Manner to all Intents & Purposes as any Judge of ye Common Please of her Majesties English Plantations in America May Lawfully Do And To Have & to hold the Said office of Judge of ye Common Pleas aforesd.

Together with all fees Prequisits and Priviledges with all other Immunities and Casualties whatsoever to Said office of Judge aforesd. Belonging or in any Wise Appertaining from ye Day Next after ye Departure of ye Said Nicholus Trott from this Province untill ye Sd. Nicholus Trott arrive againe in ye Province Aforesd. Unless wee ye Grantees or Some other Superiour Power Shall otherwise Direct And we Do hereby Command all officers and all other Persons whatsoever on any Wise Concerned to Take Notice of this Grant & Give Due obedience to you ye Said Robert Daniell In ye Execution of ye Said office Dureing your Continuance in ye Province

Given undr our hands and Seals this Second Day of June Anno Domini 1714

Recorded June ye 3d 1714

Charles Craven
Charles Hart (seal)
Ar Middleton (seal)
Ra (seal) Izard
Sam: (seal) Eveleigh
Richd (seal) Beresford

By Robt Quary Esq. Surveyor Genl. of her Majesties Customs for the Southern Survey on the Continent of America for the Island of Jamaica & all the Islands belonging to Providence &c.

Whereas, there have been Severall Vessells Loaden & great Quantities of Enumerated Commodities clandestinely, carried from the Sev'l. Rivers, Creeks, & Inlets, belonging to the Province of South Carolina, with due Entry in her Majesties Custom house giveing of Bonds, or Payment of the Queens Duty, as ye Law directs & to the Ruine of Trade in Generall, and. Whereas, no other way or meanes can Effectually prevent that & Sev'l: other Illegall Importations to this Province, but a very Extraordinary Quallified officer, with a good Sloop or Yacht, well Fitted & Mann'd Capable if Occasion required to Cruize on the Coast./
I Doe therefore by Virtue of the Sev\textsuperscript{ill}. Powers Granted to me by the hon\textsuperscript{ble}. the Commissioners of her Majesties Customes Directing me amongst Other Things that In Case of any Vacancy by the Death Suspension or want of any officer of the Customes or Otherwise to Depute, & Impower Some Fitt & able Person to Serve therein, Finding very great want & an absolute Necessity for a Generall Surveyor of her Majesties Customes for the Coasts, Bays, Rivers, Creek's & Inlets, in all the Sev\textsuperscript{ill}. Parts of the Province of South Carolina, I doe hereby depute & Impower you Col°: William Rhett, to Gen\textsuperscript{ill}. Surveyor of her Majesties Customes for the Coasts, Bays, Rivers, Creek's & Inlets in all the Severall parts of the Province, of South Carolina afores\textsuperscript{d}, and that you do Immediately Provide, Such a Vessell with a Sufficient Number of hands for that Service. In Consideration of the Charge thereof I Shall Propose & Recommend, to the hon\textsuperscript{ble}. Commission\textsuperscript{rs}. of her Majesties Customes an Allowance of One Hundred & Twenty Pounds Sterling \textsuperscript{\&} annum, to be Paid from the Date of this Warrant, with a Further allowance, of what more that hon\textsuperscript{ble}. Board, shall Think fitt and by Virtue of this Warrant you are Gen\textsuperscript{ill}. Surveyor of her Majesties\textsuperscript{1} Customes in the Province aforesaid, & all the Rates Duties and Impositions, arisings & growinge due to her Majesty in the said District, by Virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the Twenty fift yeare of King Charles the Second Entituled an act for the Incouragem\textsuperscript{t}. of the Eastland & Greenland Trade & for the Better Secureing the Plantation Trade Whereby you have Power to Enter Into any Ship, Bottom, boat or other Vessells, as also into any. Shopp, house Ware house, hostry, or other Place whatever, for any Goods Merchandizes or Wares Prohibited to be Imported or Exported, or whereof the Customes \& other duties have not been duly paid, and the same to Seize to her Majesties Use, and also to put in Execution all other Lawfull Powers & Authoritys for the better Manageing and Secureing the Said Duties In all things Proceeding as the Law Directs, Praying & requireing all and Every her Majesties officers Civill and Millitary, and all others whome it may Concerne to be aideing and assisting in all things as Becometh./ Given under my hand \& Seal of Office in Charles Towne this Eighth Day of August

\textsuperscript{1}This is the last word on page 327 of the manuscript volume. Page 328 contains the document that follows this, and the remainder of this document is recorded on page 329.
In the Tenth yeare of the Reigne of Our Sovereign Lady Anne, of Great Britaine France & Ireland Queene Anno. Domini. 1711./
Rob't. Quary

Sr John Colleton Barron', one of the True and absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of Carolina in America
To Nicholas Trott of South Carolina Esq' Greeting
Whereas it is agreed by the Lords Proprietors of Carolina according to the power granted To them by Their Charter bearing date the 30th day of June in ye 17th Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second that Each of the Lords Proprietors Should name a Deputy to be his representative in the Genl Assembly and Council of Carolina. I out of The Trust and Confidence I have in The Prudence Wisdom and Loyalty of you the Said Nicholas Trott do hereby Constitute and appoint You the Said Nicholas Trott to be my Deputy dureing my pleasure in that part of our Province of Carolina That Lyes South and West of Cape Fear with full power To act and Exercise all Such powers and Authorities as to a Lord Proprietors Deputy do belong and wch are Consonant to our Said Charter And the Laws here passed and Confirmed by us Given und'r: my hand and Seal this 27th day of July anno Dom 1711
J Colleton (seal)
Jan'y ye 3rd 1714 read in Council and Allowed—

Recorded the 4th of Jan'y 1714
me: Da Bourke
Depty Sec'y

Colo. Rhett./

Haveing given you a Power, to be Genl. Surveyor of So. Carolina I must referr you for Instructions, to the Generall Ones Lodged in the Custom House of this Port, but am obliged in a more Especiall manner to recommend to yo's Care & Diligence the Suppressing the Illegall Trade, So much carried on in this Government in respect, to the Exportation & Importation, So very Prejudicial to ye's: Queens Interest & Trade in generall; I will not Pretend to direct you, in ye's. Proper waies & meanes of Effecting this great and good Work, but referr all to yo's known Prudence & Conduct You Shall here from me by all Oppertunities & receive further Instructions. From. Your most affectionate Serv't.
August 9th. 1711/ Recorded the 11th: of Novm'. 1714

Robert Quary

Da'd Bourke
His Excellency John Lord Carteret his grace Henry Duke of Beaufort The R: Honble William Lord Craven The Honble Maurice Ashly Esq: S: John Colleton Barr: John Danson Esq: and the rest of the True and absolute Lords Prop: of The Province of Carolina in America To our Gov: or To our President of our Council and To our Council for The Time being of South Carolina in America Greeting Whereas Nicholas Trott Esq: was Constituted Chiefe Justice of all That part of our Province of Carolina that lies South and West of Cape Fear by a Commission under the several hands of The Then Lord Pallatine and the rest of the Lords Prop: of Carolina and under the great Seal of our Province bearing date the 8th day of March 1706/7 wth Said Commission is now of full force and the said Nicholas Trott by virtue thereof is at present Chief Justice of that part of our Said Province And Whereas we the said Lord Pallatine and Lords Prop: aforesaid do think it Very reasonable that our Said Chiefe Justice Should have The Sole nomination and appointm: of a Provost Marshall of the Courts of Assize or Gen: Sessions or Gaol Delivery and Common Pleas and all other Courts whatsoever held or to be held before our Said Chiefe Justice who is to Execute all Process Issueing out of our Said Courts distinctly from The Provost Marshall Gen:, belonging To our Govern: and Council Wherefor The Lord Pallatin and Lords Propriet: aforesaid Reposeing Special Trust and Confidence in The Said Nicholas Trott our Chiefe Justice as aforesaid have Authorised and Impowered and by these presents do Authorise and Impower him the Said Nicholas Trott our Chiefe Justice during his Continuance in The Said Office of Chiefe Justice To Constitute and Appoint Such person as he Shall Think Think fitting To be Provost Marshall of the Courts of Assize Gen: Sessions or Gaol Delivery and Common Pleas and all other Courts whatsoever held or to be held before our Said Chiefe Justice and To Execute by himself or his Lawfull Deputy or Deputies Substitute or Substitutes all Process Issueing out of our Said Courts or Signed by our Said Chief Justice and Such person So appointed by our Said Chiefe Justice to be provost Marshall as aforesaid he the Said Nicholas Trott may at any Time at his Will and Pleasure remove and to appoint another person in The Room of him so removed And our Will and pleasure further is that ye person So appointed by the Said Nicholas Trott our Chiefe Justice to be Provost Marshall of our Courts of Assize Gen:
sions or Gaol delivery and Common Pleas and all other Courts belonging To our Said Chiefe Justice within our Said Province of South Carolina Shall have ye Charge, care, Custody and keeping of the Gaol of the Said Part of our Said Province for all Criminals and Debtors and all other Prisoners whatsoever Excepting Those Committed by Order of the Court of Chancery or Admiralty of that part of our Said Province And our Will and pleasure further is that ye Jrson so appointed by our Chiefe Justice to be Provost Marshall of his Courts Shall have and receive all ye fees profits perquisites and Priviledges by Law or right belonging To the Provost Marshall that used to Execute ye process Issueing out of any of the Courts belonging to our Said Chief Justice.

Given at S' James's undr: our hands and the great Seal of our Province this 8th day of Sepr: Anno Dom 1714—

Carteret Palatin, Carteret for Beaufort  
Fulwar Skipwith
Maurice Ashley John Colleton, Jno: Danson  
for Lord Craven
Recorded the 5th Jan'y 1714/5  
Joseph Dard: Bourke Dep't Sec'y

His Excellency John Lord Carteret Palatin his Grace Henry Duke of Beaufort, the Rt Honble William Lord Craven, the Honble Maurice Ashley S' John Colleton Barrt: John Danson Esqr and The Rest of the True and absolute Lords Prop's of the Province of Carolina in America, To our Governr: or President of our Council and our Council for the Time being of our Province of South Carolina in America Whereas by our Publick and genl' Instructions given to You our Governr of our Province of South Carolina Amongst other Things Therein Contained, It is Ordered and directed that the Governour of our Said Province with The Advice and Consent of any four of our Deputies or Memb'r's: of our Council may pass and Ratify Laws Now Whereas wee are fully Satisfied of the ability and knowledge of Nicholas Trott Esqr our Chiefe Justice of our Province aforesaid in ye Laws Constitutions and Customs of our Said Province and that he has Executed that Implym't: for Several Years with Integrity and Capacity Wee therefore putting great Confidence in him do hereby direct require & Command that for ye future the Said Nicholas Trott dureing our Pleasure Shall be one of the Said four Deputies to pass ratify and Confirm our Said Laws and that no four of our Deputies Shall be reckoned a Quorum for passing Such Laws as aforesaid unless the Said Chiefe Justice is one and doth Ratify and Confirm ye Same—
Given at St James's under our hands and the great Seal of our Province this 8th day of Sep't Anno Dom 1714
Carteret Palatin, Carteret for Beaufort (+) Fulwar Skipwith for Lord Craven Maurice Ashley Jnr. Colleton John Danson
Recorded the 5th Jan'y: 1714/5

His Excellency John Lord Carteret Palatin his Grace Henry Duke of Beaufort the Rt Honble William Lord Craven The Honble: Maurice Ashley Esqr: St John Colleton Barrt. John Danson Esqr and the Rest of the True and absolute Lords Prop'ts of the Province of Carolina in America To our Gov'r or President of our Council and our Council for the Time being of our Province of South Carolina in America Greeting. Whereas by the Death of our Late Soveraign Lady Queen Anne of Blessed Memory The Imperial Crowns of Great Britain France and Ireland as also the Supream dominions and Soveraign Right of the Provinces of Carolina and all other her late Majesties Dominions in America are Solely and rightfully come to The high and Mighty Prince George Elector of of Brunswick Lunemburgh Wee therefore do Hereby Strictly Command and Require You our Govern'r or President of our Council and our Council for the Time being of our Province of South Carolina in America Together with the Militia and with Numb'r: of others The Plant'rs and Inhabitants of our Said Province of South Carolina That You do Immediately as Soon as these Presents Shall come to Your hands forthwith: proclaim that the high and Mighty Prince George Elector of Brunswick & Lunemburgh is now by the Death of our Late Soveraign of Happy Memory become our onely Lawfull and rightfull liege Lord George By the grace of God King of Great Brittain France and Ireland Defender of the faith Supreme Lord of our Said Province Carolina and all other her Late Majtess: Territories and Dominions in America Given at St James's This 8th day of Septem'r Anno Dom: 1714—Carteret Palatin, Carteret for Beaufort (+) Fulwar Skipwith for Lord Craven Maurice Ashley J Colleton John Danson
Recorded this 5th Jan'y 1714/15

\(\exists^3\) Da^d: Bourke Dep't Sec'y
Gent:

Wee are Informed that our Chiefe Justice had made a very Accurate Edition of the Laws of our Province. Our Ordrs: to you are that You cause the fairest Transcript of the Said Laws to be Laid before You and that our Chiefe Justice direct the making Two fair Transcripts of the Same one To be Sent to us and the other to remain in the hands of our Said Chiefe Justice for our use and that our Treasurer pay for the Sums wch our Chiefe Justice Shall Ord: the Clerks to be allowed not Exceeding four Score pounds—

Wee have heard Complsa from Several heads of an Act that you have passed Called Your Bank Act Wee recomend it to you to Consider of Some Expedient to p:vent the Mischiefs of that Act least upon further Comp: wee Should be forced to Repeal ye said Act it being very prejudicial to Trade So wee bid you heartily farewell and are your very Loving friends: Carteret Palatin Carteret for Beaufort, fulwar Skipweth for Lord Craven Maurice Ashley, J Colleton, John Danson

St James’s Sep 7th 1714

His Excellency John Lord Carteret Palatin and the rest of the True and Absolute Lords Proprs of the Province of Carolina in America

To Coll William Rhett our Receiv: Gen: of our Province of South Carolina

These are to Require and Command you to pay or cause to be paid out of our Monies in Your Hands Unto Nicholas Trott Esq: our Chiefe Justice of South Carolina The Sum of one hundred pounds £ Annum dureing his Continuance in the Said Office to be paid him quarterly being So much Allowed him by us as a yearly Sallary for his being Chiefe Justice of our Said Province The said Sallary of Chief Justice to Commence from the date hereof

And that you do also pay unto our Said Chiefe Justice at the Rate of Twenty five pounds £ Ann for his finding a Clerk of the Crown or Sessions and Common Pleas And that you do also pay for the Expenses at the Gen: Sessions to be held there in Each Year fifteen pounds Each And to the Ministers Appointed by the Chiefe Justice to preach ye Sessions Sermons Each five pounds and for Expenses’ at the Court of Common Pleas To be heald four Times Every Year fifty Shillings Each Court And
for Your So doing this Shall be Your Sufficient Warr' Given und'r. our hands and Seals this 8th day of Septem'r in the Year of our Lord 1714—

P. S. Carteret Pal: (×)
You are likewise to pay or Carteret for Beaufort (×)
cause to be pd: one hund'rd: ffulw' Skipwth for L'd.
Craven (×)
pounds for the Expence of ye
proclamation of the King
Maurice Ashley . (×)
J Colleton . (×)
John Danson . (×)

Maurice Ashley Esq' one of the True and absolute Lords Prop'rs of Carolina

to Joseph Boon Esq':
Whereas it is agreed by The Lords Prop'rs: of Carolina according to The power granted them by their Charter bearing Date the 30th of June in the Seventeenth Year of the reign of King Charles The Second that Each of the Lords Prop'rs: Should name a Dep't
To be his representative in the Gen'l Assembly and Council of Carolina I out of the Trust and Confidence I have in ye Prudence Wisdom and Loyalty of you the Said Joseph Boone Do hereby Constitute and Appoint You the Said Joseph Boone during my pleasure in that part of our Province of Carolina that lies South and West of Cape Sear with full power To act and Exercise all Such power & Authorities as To a Lord Prop'rs Deputy doth belong and wch are Consonant To our Said Charter and the Laws there passed and Confirmed by us Given under my hand and Seal this 5th of Nov' 1712—

M. Ashley (×)

Read and allowed in Councill
The 8th day of Feb'y 1714/5
Recorded this 16th day of Feb'y 1714/5
Da: Bourke Dep'ty Sec'y

The Heads of an Act for Securing ye Lords Proprietors Quit Rents and all Other their Dues and for confirming ye peoples Titles to their Lands &c
1st. That some persons be Appointed by The Assembly who Shall be attended by a Surveyor to go to Every Settlement & Plantation throughout the Province
2dly . . . That the same persons have power to survey ye Land of any Plantation whatsoever
3dly . . . That every person shall be obliged, to pay one penny 30 Acre for all the Land they are possess'd of unless they can show ye They hold their Land by some other or less Tenure.
4thly . . . That if upon examination it shall be found ye any person hold at one penny an Acre who was thought to hold by a purchase grant at twelve pence 30 100 Acres the Rent of which have been omitted to be paid so long as ye The arrear may come to more than the Land is worth that upon taking out a purchase Grant and paying one fifth part of his arrears to our Receiver his Title shall be confirmed to him for ever;
5thly . . . That upon such survey made of ye whole province and an exact Rent roll being made that the Lords may have their Rents for the future exactly paid. that all persons be obliged to come to Town and pay their Rents punctually on every first day of December ye in case any one elapse the time four months he shall forfeit the fourth part of the Rent he was to pay and ye Like forfeiture for four months more that he shall elapse the time of payment the 4th. forfeiture to be one halfe to ye Lords, and the other halfe to be devised between the Receiver Gen'ls; & ye attorney Gen'ls; ye Sues for ye same

The Lords Receiver Gen'ls: to have power in ye Name of ye Lords proper: either to seize for the said Rent and forfeiture or else in his own Name but for the use of the Lords to bring an Action of Debt not only for the rent but also for the forfeitures for every four months. Elapsed all in one action & ye said Receiver shall have liberty either to take out a common writ and arrest the person or else to take out a summons out of the Court of Common pleas which be left at ye Persons' dwelling house or usual place of abode shall be as sufficient to make him a party Court to answer ye 4th. Suit as if he had been arrested for ye same

6thly . . . — — That the persons who shall be appointed by act of Assembly shall be obliged gratis to make a return of each persons Land the number of Acres and the exact Butttings & boundings of the same into the Secretary's office & the same there to be but upon record in a distinct Book provided for that purpose & a duplicate to be kept in some other convenient place & a third book transmitted to ye Lords proprietors in England with Records, or attested copies from the same shall be given in
Evidence for ye Benefit of ye several & respective proprietors & Planters.

7thly. - - That All Arrears of rents & all Other Standing Debts being gotten in & the Same being added to what Shal be then remaining in ye hands of ye Lords proprie\(\text{r}\)s: Receiver General ye after deducting all Necessary Charges for ye making Such Survey of ye whole province and every particular persons Lands in ye same & making Exact Rent rolls & Recording ye Same as before directed that ye remaining Ballance Shall be disposed of as followeth

One Thousand Pounds Shall remain in ye hands of ye Lords receiver General fo the use of ye Lords proprie\(\text{r}\)s: And also the Sum of 700 Pounds for paying ye Publick Sallaries & all other Necessary Charges of the Government for ye ensuing year according to ye Scheme of ye Same hereunder Written — — —
And then the remaining part to be disposd' off

1st. - - For the building a Publick State House wth convenient Apartments for the Gov'r: & Council & the Court of Chancery to set in & others for ye Gen'l. assembly and also for the holding of Publick Courts of assizes & Goal delivery & the Courts of Common pleas It being a disgrace to the Country & even Scandalous ye most publick Courts of Judicature Should be held in a Tavern as they now are & also apartments for the Secrys: office & the office for the Clerk of ye Crown & Common pleas and Keeping ye Records of the Same

2dly. - - That a good & convenient House be built for ye Gov'r: & his Lawfull Successors Gov'ts: of this province who Shal be Obliged to live in ye Same.

3dly. That there Shall be a Publick House & prison built for the use of ye provost Marshal of this province but then ye Marshal be obliged to pay a reasonable rent for ye Same Yearly to ye Lords Receiver General for the use of the Lords proprie\(\text{r}\):

4th That in Case there Shall be any Sum remaining after the finishing of these buildings ye Same Shal be disposed of towards ye Building & endowing of A Publick School for ye use of this province

8 that ye Publick Salaries to be paid according to ye following Scheme Viz:\(\text{t}\):

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The attorney Generals — — 40 — — — — — 040

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the clerk of the Crown & Common please to be officiated by one
person Salary to be
the Lords Secretary in England his Salary being
40£ 40£: Annun to be Paid in Carolina with ye difference of money to make it Sterling is
— — — — — — — 60 —60
For Expences at ye Genl: Sessions to be held twice in
each year 10£ each — — — — — — — — — 20
For Expences at ye Court of Common Pleas to be held
four times Every Year 50£ each Court — — — —

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Allowing 75£ for extraordinary accidents which
Some times may happen — — — — — — — — 75

£700

9th. . . . That ye Lords proprietors do Give orders to theire
Receiver Genl: to Pay in Carolina for So many Paper Books well
bound in vellum & ruled as directed for ye keeping of Records
mentioned in ye above articles & also for putting all ye records of
ye Secretarys office for the future into an Exact method in distinct
books.

As also the records of ye proceedings of ye Publick Courts.
10th. . . . The Lords proprs: Revenues & dues being thus Settled
upon a Sure foundation & exact care being taken to Keep ye
Same regularly for the future by making additions every Year
to ye Rent Roll for all Lands newly granted by ye Lords according
to the method of the former rent Roll ye then Every Year
the Publick Receivers accrs: Shall be examined and Audited by
persons appointed by ye Lords proprietors ye out of the Ballance of
ye. s. accrs: there Shall remain a fund of one Thousand
pounds & the Sum of 700£ to defray the Charges Ordinary &
Extraordinary for ye Ensuing year & then the remaining part
Shal be Laid by for the use of ye Lords proprs: ye Same Sum
to geather with the accrs: to be Transmitted yearly to their
Lord's: in England or other wise to be disposed of as Shall Think fitting and Direct.

Sr: John Colleton one of the True & Absolute Lords proprietors of the Province of Carolina
To Hugh Butler Esq':

Whereas it is Agreed by The Lords proprietors: of Carolina According to the Power Granted to them by their Charter bearing date the 30th day of June in the 17th Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second yt Each of the Lords proprietors: Should Name A Deputy to be his Representative in the Gen': Assembly & Council of Carolina I out of ye Trust and Confidence I have in the prudence Wisdom & Loyalty of you the said Hugh Butler do hereby Constitute & appoint you ye said Hugh Butler to be my Deputy during my pleasure in yt part of our province of Carolina yt Lies South and West of Cape Fear where full power to act & Exercise all Such powers & authorities as to a Lords proprietors. Deputy do belong & which are Consonant to Our sd: Charter & ye Laws there pass'd & confirm'd by us. Given under my hand & Seal this 9th. day of April anno Domini 1714

J Colleton (X)

His Excellency the Most Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort Palatin the Rt Honble John Lord Carteret, the Rt Honble: William Lord Craven, the Honble Maurice Ashley Esq': Sr John Colleton Barrt John Danson, And the rest of the True and absolute Lords Proprietors of Carolina To Edward Brooke Esq Greeting Wee out of the Trust and Confidence we have and repose in your care prudence and ability, have made constituted and Appointed And by these Presents do make Constitute and Appoint You the said Edward Brooke to be Naval officer of that part of our Province of Carolina That lies South and West of Cape Fear hereby requiring and Impowering You to take Entries of all Ships and Vessels inward bound To or outward bound from that part of our said Province of Carolina To have and To hold the said office of Naval officer during our Pleasure Together with all fees Perquisites and Profitts to the said Office Appertaining And Wee do hereby revoke and Make Null and void any former Commission by us given for the said Office Given at Sr James's under
our hands and the Great Seal of our Province of Carolina This
5th day of May 1714

Beaufort Palatin
Carteret ———
ffulwar Skipwith for Lord
Craven
M: Ashley
John Danson

Recorded this 6th May 1715
ड़ Dad: Bourke

Carolina ss

To all to whom these presents shall Come I the hono**ble
Charles Craven Esq'. Govern'r & Ordinary of South Carolina
Send Greeting &c

Whereas John Rodolphus May late of Craven County Gen'.
died lately in this Province intestate, leaving his wife Mrs'. Eliza-
beth May his now Widow and relict to whom the Administra-
tion of all and singular the Goods and Chattels Rights and
Credits of the said deceas'd doth of right belong And whereas by
reason of the great distance the said Elizabeth May lives from
Charles Town, she is not able to Travel thither and because of the
great Sickness which now infests the said Town she is afraid
to venture to come down to enter into Bonds of Administration
of the goods &c of the s'd deceas'd as the Law directs & requires
in such Cases, and I the said Govern'r: being willing that no detri-
ment or damage might thereby accrue to the Estate of the said
deceased Know yee therefore that for the reasons afores'd, and
for divers other causes and considerations me at this time espe-
cially moveing Have as I by these presents Do Make ordain Con-
stitute and appoint Rene Ravenel of Berkly County Esq'. my
true lawful and undoubted Attorney in this behalfe Giveing and
by these prents Granting unto my said Attorney full power and
lawful Authority for me and in my name to take and receive of
the said Elizabeth May as her Act & Deed and as Administratrix
as afores'd, a certain writeing obligatory or Bond of Administra-
tion in the usual Form, hereunto annexed, with two sufficient
Securities to be bound with her in the said Bonds which my said
Attorney is to return into the Secretaries Office duly executed &
attested with all convenient speed in Order that Letters of
Administration may be made ready and granted to the Said
Elizabeth May as the Law requires & directs Ratifying what my

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said Attorney shall lawfully do by virtue of these Presents. In Witness whereof I the said Govern'r have hereunto sett my Hand & Seal this seventeenth day of March Anno Dom. 1712/.
Sealed & Deliver'd in
the Presence of/
T Hepworth Day Secr'y
Charles Craven (X)

South Carolina/

Know all Men by these presents That Wee Elizabeth may Widow, Henry noble & Peter St. Julien Are held & Firmly Bound unto ye Honble. Coll. Charles Craven Esqr. Govern'r. In the full & Just Sum of Two Thousand pounds Sterl's: to be paid To the Said Govern'r. or his Successors his or their Certain Attorneys Or Assigns to the which payment Well & Truely to be made we Bind us Every & Either of us our & Every & Either of our Heirs Executors & Administrators for the whole & In the whole Joyn'tly And Severall firmly by these presents Sealed with our Seales & Dated the 22th: Day of March—Anno Dom. 1711/12—
The Condition of this Obligation is Such that if the Above boun-
den Elizabeth May Widow —— Administratrix of all & Sin-
gular the goods & Chattels Rights & Credits of John Rodolphe May deceased Do make or Cause to be made a true & Faithfull
Inventory & apprais'mt. of all & Singular ye goods & Chattels
rights And Credits of the Said Deceas'd as far as she Shall have
Knowledge of Well & Truely & faithfully appraised by three
Sufficient freeholders upon There oaths & ye. Same under their
hands return into the Secretary's office within Ninety Dayes after
the date hereof & ye. Said Adminis't. do Well & Truly Satisfy
& pay all & Every ye. Said Dece'd Debts so far as The Estate
Shall amount unto & the Law binds her to the R't. Honble. ye.
Lords prop't. & all other persons w'tsoever as an administrat'.
ought to do And the Law binds & ye. the administrat'. do render
an acc't. of her adminis'traTorship when She Shall be thereunto
required by ye. R't. Honble. the Lords Prop't. their Gov'r. or Coun-
cil for the time being or to any §son or §sons Claiming Any
Right or Title thereunto (if Occasion be), and do in all other
Things According to ye. True intent & meaning of ye. Statute mad

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in the 22: & 23 year of the reign of our Late Sovereign Lord King Charles the Second of England &c. (Cap. 10) & the form of the Condition therein Contained as an administrator ought To do & well & Truly Save harmless the Lords prop®. their Gov®. & all other officers & ministers against alluous Whosoever by reason or means of the Said Elizabeth May widow — Being Admrs. as afores®. then this obligation to be Void or Else to remain In full force & Vertue — .

Sealed & Delivered
In the presence of
David Peyre
Charles Pasquereau

Elizabeth May
Henry Noble
Peter de St. Julien.¹

Soth Carolina Ss/

To all to whom these presents shall come I the hon®ble. Charles Craven Esq®. Govern®. General Admiral and Comander in chief of South. Carolina and Ordinary of y®. same Send Greeting &ac

Whereas Stephen °,— Mailhett Son of Peter Mailhett both deceased, died lately in this Province being an Infant and Grandson to Judith °,— Pettineau wife of John Pettineau of Berkly County Planter to wch. said Judith the Administration of all and singular the goods and Chattels Rights and Credits of the said Infant doth of right and as next of Kin belong and appertain And whereas by reason of the great distance the said John Pettineau & Judith,°— his said wife live from Charles. Town and the very great infirmities and constant Sickness said Judith Laboureth under she is not able to come to Charles Town without a manifest and apparent Hazard of her life and there to Enter into Bond of Administration of y®. goods &c. of y®. said infant Stephen Mailhett as the Law directs and requires in such cases, and I the said Govern®. being willing that no Detriment or damage might for want of granting Letters of Administration happen to the Estate of the said Stephen Mailhett Know Yee that for the reasons aforesaid and for divers other good causes and considerations me at this time especially moveing Have as I by these presents Do make ordain constitute and appoint Mr. John Harleston of the County afores®. my true lawful and undoubted Attorney and Agent in this behalfe Giving and by these presents Granting unto my said Attorney full power and

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lawful Authority for me and in my Name to take and receive of and from the said John Pettineau and Judith — — his wife as their Act and Deed as Administrat[ ] a certain writeing Obligatory or Bond of Administration in the usual Form as the same is here before written and hereunto annexed with one or more sufficient Securities to be bound with them in the said Bond which my said Attorney is to return into the Secretarie's Office duly Executed and Attested with all convenient Speed to the end that Letters of Administration may be made ready and granted to the said John Pettineau and Judith his wife In Witness whereof I the said Govern' have hereunto sett my hand & seal the fourteenth day of Novemb'. Anno Dom. 1713./
Sealed and delivered in
the presence of

T. Hepworth Dy Sec'y

Charles Craven

Carolina Ss
Know all men by these presents that We John Pettineau of Berkly County Planter and Judith × my wife grandmother of Stephen Malhett deceased and Nicholas Myrant × × × of the same County Planter are held and firmly bound unto the honorable Charles Craven Esq. Govern'r, &c. in the full and just Sum of two thousand pounds Curr's. money to be paid to the said Governour or his successors his or their certain Attorneys or Assignes to the which payment well and truly to be made we bind our selves and either of us joynly and severally our and every and either of our Heires Executors and Administrators for the whole and in the whole firmly by these presents Sealed with our seals and dated the Twenty forth — — — day of November in ye. year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirteen The Condition of the Obligation is such that if the above bound John Pettineau & × Judith × his wife Administrators of all and singular the goods and chattels rights and Credits of ye. said deceased Stephen ×× Malhett do make or cause to be made a true and faithful Inventory and appraisiment of all and singular the goods & chattels Rights and Credits of the said deceased as far as they shall have knowledge of well truly and faithfully appraised by three sufficient Freeholders upon their Oaths and the same under their hands return into the Secretarie's Office

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within Ninety daies after the date hereof and the said Administrat'rs do satisfy and pay all and every the said deceased's debts as far as the Estate shall amount unto and the Law binds them to the R't Honorable, the Lords Propriet'rs and all other persons whatsoever as Administrat'rs ought to do and the Law binds them and that the said Administrat'rs do render an account of their Administration when they shall be thereunto required by the R't Honorable, the Lords Propriet'rs their Govern'r & Council for the time being or to any person or persons claiming any Right or Title thereunto (if Occasion be) and do in all other things according to the true intent and meaning of the Statute made in the twenty second and twenty third years of the reign of our late Sovereign Lord King Charles the second of England &c. Chapter the tenth and the Form of the Condition therein contained as an Administrat'rs ought to do and well and truly save harmless the Lords Propriet'rs aforesaid their Govern'r and all other Officers and Ministers against all persons whatsoever by reason or means of the said John Pettineau and × Judith × his wife being Administra'trs as aforesaid Then this Obligation to be void and of none effect or else to remain in full force and Virtue

Sealed and Delivered

in ye presence of/ Jean Petineau O
Anthony Bonneau Judith Petineau O
James Nicholas Mayrant Nicholas Mayrant O

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