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of Governor Sir Edmund Andros
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Introduction

Background

The after-shocks of King Philip’s War in New England and Bacon’s Rebellion in Virginia were felt in New York throughout 1677 and 1678. Mohawk war parties continued to raid various New England Indian communities as they saw fit: the commissioners of the United Colonies and Governor Leverett of Massachusetts could only request that they spare those tribes friendly to New England. Bacon’s Rebellion had devolved into a war against the Susquehanna Indians, whose territory Virginia and Maryland wanted. The western Iroquois also had designs on the region, although their interest was more in subjugating the tribe than in occupying the territory. Both the Mohawk Indians and Governor Andros desired suzerainty over the Susquehanna, but except for an occasional foray by spirited young Mohawk warriors, both sat out the war and let others do the work, hoping to go in afterward and stake a claim. Lord Baltimore in 1677 sent negotiators to Albany to meet with the Mohawk sachems, and they successfully worked out a peace treaty, but that did not affect Mohawk plans to (more or less) peacefully acquire warriors to fill out the badly depleted ranks of their warriors.

Negotiations for the exchange of prisoners of war continued through the period. Mohawk, Seneca, Catskill, Canadian, and New England Indians had captives, both native American and European.

French soldiers and government officials stopped in Albany on their way to return rescued New Englanders to Boston: Andros suspected the escort of spying and ordered that strangers not be allowed to pass unaccompanied through the colony, although he encouraged his people to solicit any information they could from the sightseeing Frenchmen.

With the treaty of Nijmegen in the autumn of 1677 ending the war between France and the Netherlands, the English suspected that the French next intended to make war on them, and wild rumors were peddled around New York almost continuously. The return of the Sieur de La Salle to New France in 1678 inspired reports of five ships and two
thousand soldiers, although La Salle’s intentions were to go exploring around the Great Lakes and expand his trade for furs and buffalo hides. The mere existence of his outpost of Fort-Frontenac (Kingston, Ontario), established in 1675, was enough to set off further rumors of what the French out in Seneca country were up to.

While continuing to hold councils of friendship with various of the confederated Iroquois tribes, Andros did all he could to discourage their meeting with the French, and encouraged them to keep French Jesuits out of their villages. If war came with France he wanted to be sure he could rely on the Iroquois, and in particular the Mohawk. The like-minded governor of Massachusetts directed his negotiators to say nothing to the Indians if there were Jesuits present in the villages.

Andros, however, did not much trust the intentions of New England delegations to the Mohawk nation. He was furious when one group was allowed to pass into Mohawk country, although the man on the scene, commandant Silvester Salisbury at Fort Albany, had the wit to send along Amoud Viele the interpreter, not for the purpose of interpreting but to listen in on whatever was said. Massachusetts and Connecticut wanted the northern border of New England protected but were unsure how trustworthy their own Indians were for the job, and asked that the Mohawk protect Maine for them.

Disruptions caused by Abenakis and other survivors in Maine of King Philip’s failed enterprise caused fears among the people at Pemaquid. Less unnerving, but certainly worrisome, were the suspected intentions of Massachusetts, which had purchased Ferdinando Gorges’s claims to the place from his heirs. Andros decided both situations might be settled by showing the flag, and in June 1677 sent off a military troop led by deputy governor Anthony Brockholes, assisted by Andros’s brother-in-law Caesar Knapton (both men formerly on Andros’s staff in the dragoons), and the veteran provincial secretary Matthias Nicolls. Brockholes and Nicolls returned before October 5 (possibly as early as September 11) to their interrupted duties on Manhattan. Knapton stayed on at Pemaquid as commandant of Fort Charles, a pre-fabricated wooden redoubt erected over the summer. It was equipped with seven cannon and manned by fifty soldiers, enough to scare off any half-hearted adventuring by either Indians or Massachusetts.

In Nicolls’s absence little had been accomplished (or at least little was recorded) in New York. His son William served as clerk at one council meeting; there are also notes in the governor’s hand on a few documents (his handwriting being what it was, we must be grateful that not much of note happened during Nicolls’s short absence).
In August 1677 Andros went to Albany to meet with the Iroquois and discuss matters of mutual interest. That the Iroquois were treated with great deference might well be due to the numerical parity of their forces and New York's: Andros estimated the colony's militia strength at about 2,000 men; a traveller through Iroquois country that summer placed the number of warriors at about 2150 (300 Mohawk, 200 Oneida, 350 Onondaga, 300 Cayuga, and around 1,000 Seneca).*

By the end of the summer matters had quieted down enough that Andros felt he could leave the colony in the hands of his subordinates and return to England briefly to attend to both official and personal business. He left New York on November 16 for New Jersey, where he met with Governor Philip Carterett before sailing for England on the pink New York, captain Benjamin Blagg, master. With him went William Nicolls, whose father was sending him to London to advance his legal education. While in London Andros perhaps would have met a former acquaintance from his days in Dutch exile, Prince William of Orange, recently the bridegroom of the Duke of York's daughter Mary. One of the duke's advisors, obviously inspired with the gift of prophecy, warned the duke that the marriage would in time lead to real trouble.

Early in January Andros was rewarded with knighthood for his long devotion to the royalist cause. Henceforth he would be styled Sir Edmund Andros, Knight, Seigneur of Sausmarez.

On April 8 he met at Whitehall with the Committee for Trade and Plantations, which included the Earl of Craven, Andros's long time patron and the uncle of Lady Andros. The next day he met with the king in council. There were other meetings, and written questions submitted to him, to which he responded with reports on the state of the colony (for which see the Appendix).

The governor reported that his plans for improving the economic base of the colony continued apace. Wheat and fine quality flour were nearing equality to furs for export value, and many other products were being developed. The revenues of New York city and of the duke greatly improved after the passage of a law regulating the quality of flour exported from the colony, and the establishment of a weigh house at the new dock on the East River to guarantee that New York products were as advertised.

However, the sources of income for the developing plantation were insufficient for meeting the cost of government and garrison. The

revenue of the province for the first three years of Andros’s administra-
tion resulted in a total deficit of 1,100 pounds. But the duke was pleased
with Andros’s stewardship (his losses were less than those of previous
administrations), and the duke paid out of his own pocket to balance the
colony’s accounts.

It happened that during Andros’s visit, commissioners of Mas-
sachusetts were also present in London who charged that Albany had
supplied powder to King Philip’s Indians during the war in 1676, a tale
that had been retailed by an Albanian, William Loveridge, jr. Andros
presented the case for Albany’s innocence so convincingly that the king
absolved the colony of all charges.

Andros also had arrived armed with charges, complaining of the
encroachments upon the Duke’s territories by Massachusetts and Con-
necticut, their disinterest in mutual assistance, and their obstructing of
trade and navigation and in particular of hindering the opportunities for
New York planters to sell their produce. It was Andros’s opinion that the
multiplicity of colonies, each jealous of its prerogatives and unwilling
to cooperate with the others, was a real obstacle to peace and prosperity
in America. The governments had, in fact, dealt badly with the tribes
resident in New England, thereby inciting King Philip’s War; further,
they did not have the respect of the Mohawk sachems, the three “United
Colonies” complaining of the frivolous answers their agents Ely and
Waite received from Mohawk leaders at Albany. In a letter to Secretary
Blathwayt, Andros suggested that the colonies be united under the king,
a proposal which saw its fruition (albeit briefly) a decade later when
Andros himself was commissioned governor of the Dominion of New
England.

He was given more immediate authority. In order to have more
effective regulation of maritime affairs in the New World, the king
commissioned Andros as vice admiral, no longer just in New York but
throughout the American colonies, which could not have pleased New
England. With the commission came authority to establish a more
permanent court of admiralty than had previously existed. On his return
Andros in effect made the New York mayor’s court the court of admir-
alty, appointing the mayor as judge of the court, the aldermen as the
assistants, the city clerk as register, and the sheriff as marshal.

Andros sailed for New York on or shortly after June 7, accom-
ppanied by William Pinhome, James Graham, and John West, all of New
York, and the Rev. Charles Wolley, a recent Cambridge graduate who
would serve as the new chaplain for Fort James. After a nine week
voyage the ship reached port on August 7, and Andros stepped ashore the next day.

In his absence Brockholes had administered the colony competently while being very careful not to exceed the authority of his commission. He has been frequently criticized by modern historians for his cautiousness, particularly during his tenure from 1681 to 1683, but the brutal response in London in late 1678 to revelation of the “Popish plot” proves that these were times when small missteps by a Roman Catholic could result in charges of treason.

The Records

The records for 1677 and 1678 concern the usual variety of issues to be referred to the governor: settling of valuable estates, confirmation of land titles, insubordination in a militia company, abduction of a servant girl whose master opposed her marrying while under contract, the killing of a slave, orders for Quakers to stop disrupting Puritan church services, appointing of courts and commissions to deal with salvage from wrecks, orders about settling town boundaries, or dealing with fencing off of public roads by persons claiming prior title, commissioning of coroners’ inquests and courts of oyer and terminer to investigate infanticide, manslaughter, and various woundings, intentional or unintentional.

Reports, petitions, and cases on appeal from settlements throughout the colony, ranging from Pemaquid to Delaware, were received at the governor’s office. From Albany came records of hearings into the accidental shooting of an Indian woman, into a case of alleged entrapment, and into the ribald antics of some young blades at a wedding night shivaree. This last case seems to have particularly outraged the Albany magistrates, perhaps because the ringleader was William Loveridge, jr., who had earlier accused local merchants of selling powder to King Philip’s warriors.

One of the best moves Andros made was his appointment of Silvester Salisbury as commandant of Fort Albany, where he arrived probably in May of 1676, his second tour of duty at that post. With his Dutch wife he was able to fit into local society and to deal in a constructive way with the inhabitants. He also dealt with delegates from New France, Maryland, Massachusetts, and Connecticut, and with crisscrossing bands of Iroquois and Algonquin that passed through Albany. Salisbury kept up a steady correspondence with the governor
and deputy governor: his letters provide an informed outlook and much
important historical information on Iroquois activities and leadership.

Particular interest was taken by the government in all manner of
Indian affairs, and not only at Albany. A dying Indian was cared for by
settlers on Long Island. Indians from Long Island were forever dropping
into the fort to say hello, secretary Nicolls gravely recording the gist of
each such visit, as well as of weightier meetings. In land disputes between
native Americans and settlers, the government was especially careful to
treat the Indians’ rights correctly.

John Fenwick, an old soldier turned Quaker, purchased Lord
Berkeley’s share of New Jersey and started a colony of his own, his first
Quaker colonists arriving in 1677. Proclaiming himself governor, he
began doling out land patents without regard for existing titles. He was
ordered to cease and desist, and when he did not was brought in irons to
New York for trial. Christopher Billop, who had been sent to Delaware
to keep an eye on Fenwick, instead fell in with him and was recalled to
New York and cashiered. His commission as lieutenant of regulars was
given to Salisbury, while his post as civil authority on the Delaware went
to Peter Alricks.

Two factions at Nantucket, one oriented toward Boston, the other
toward New York, provided frequent problems. Letters to Andros from
the island are filled with accusations and venom, including the protest
by one official at being locked up by his adversaries in a pig shed.

Secretary Matthias Nicolls continued to wear several hats for the
government. His keeping the minutes of the courts of sessions at Jamaica
and Gravesend was due to his presidency of those courts. In the peculiar
financial accounting of the time he appears frequently in the records as
creditor and debtor, not in his own person as might at first appear, but as
secretary of the colony. Similarly the Long Island sheriffs were often
sued and were held liable to pay shire expenses out of their own pockets,
unless they could gain relief from the government; hence the various
accounts of sheriffs Coe and Willet in the records.

The records provide insights into the ordinary life of the colonist.
The records of the ferryman show the comings and goings of residents
between Long Island and Manhattan. Orders for surveys of numerous
pieces of property indicate that Staten Island was beginning to be
developed into something more than just a place for New York residents
to graze their horses in the summertime. Merchants correspond with their
suppliers to indicate which products are most and least salable.
Numerous private accounts also appear, mostly related to the business
dealing of John Shakerly. These accounts, covering several years, ac-
tually did not come into the government’s hands until after Shakerly’s death in 1679, at which time it fell to the government to try and straighten out the estate of this wide ranging merchant.

Two things that one notices in reading through the mass of material in this volume, attempting to draw some conclusions. One is the frequency of contact of New York with other colonies and with the home government, the concern with European politics and Indian affairs, showing the wider view that the colonists took of the times in which they lived. The other is the multitude of squabblings over innumerable petty issues. There seems to have been an uneasiness in the colonies about both European affairs and Indian relations, and which generated an uncertainty even about one’s place in local society.

For information on editorial practices, observations about the condition of the Andros Papers and the earlier career of Edmund Andros we direct the reader to the Introduction to the preceding book of Andros papers for 1674–76. Incidentally, in that volume we did not index the Introduction, which the editors at Syracuse University Press suggested would be useful to the reader, and which henceforth we are doing beginning with the present volume. We are particularly indebted to three works upon which we drew in preparing this introduction, and in interpreting the documents: the classic History of the State of New York by J. R. Brodhead, and two important recent works, 1676 by Stephen Saunders Webb, and The Duke’s Province by Robert C. Ritchie. These and other works consulted are described in full in the Bibliography.
### Abbreviations, Terms, and Editorial Method

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<td>A.B.</td>
<td>Anthony Brockholes.</td>
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<td>anker</td>
<td>Dutch measure: 10.128 gallons of wine; 9.812 gallons of brandy.</td>
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<td>ARS</td>
<td>Minutes of the Court of Albany, Rensselaerswyck, and Schenectady (van Laer, tr. and ed.). See Bibliography for full information.</td>
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<td>BGE</td>
<td>Books of General Entries (Christoph and Christoph, eds.). See Bibliography for full information.</td>
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<td>burgher</td>
<td>(Dutch). Town resident with the rights and privileges of the community.</td>
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<td>burn’t wine</td>
<td>a literal translation of (Dutch) brandewijn, brandy.</td>
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<td>C.</td>
<td>captain.</td>
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<td>canary</td>
<td>wine from the Canary Islands.</td>
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<td>carsey</td>
<td>kersey: a coarse, ribbed wollen cloth.</td>
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<td>commissary</td>
<td>magistrate. a mistranslation from (Dutch) commissaris.</td>
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<td>copia</td>
<td>(Latin) copy; copia vera: true copy.</td>
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<td>deal boards</td>
<td>pine planks.</td>
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<td>Dom.</td>
<td>(abbreviation, Dutch); Domine: minister of the Dutch Reformed Church.</td>
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duffel: blanket cloth, popular in the Indian trade.

EAS: Edmund Andros, seigneur of Sausmarez. Used by the governor for initialling documents.

ells: a cloth measure; 45 inches.

ERA: Early Records of the City and County of Albany (Pearson, tr.). See Bibliography for full information.

f: symbol for Dutch guilders (originally florins). In the seventeenth century 6 guilders were equal to an English pound sterling.

farm: a leasing of the office of excise farmer, with authority to license tapsters, brewers, and distillers, and to collect and retain excise taxes from them. The office was purchased annually at auction.

fathom: (of wampum): six feet of strung seawant.

G: English symbol for Dutch guilder. See f.

groundbrief: (Dutch) grondbrief: land patent.

Hollands: (short for Holland’s value). The price of goods according to the stable value of Dutch coin, rather than the inflationary seawant value. See seawant.

Juff.: (Abbreviation, Dutch); Juffrou: lady. Conventional title of courtesy for a woman.

kan: plural, kannen. Also spelled can. Dutch liquid measure: 1.266 quarts.

L s d: pounds, shillings, and pence

lapp: (Dutch) lap; a fragment, usually of cloth. In the beaver trade a piece less than a full pelt.

madeira: wine from the island of Madeira.
major, mayor | two words spelled interchangeably by both Dutch and English (both pronounced the same in Dutch).

M.N. | Matthias Nicolls.

mole | (of the harbor); a pier or breakwater. The Great Dock on the East River in New York City. Also spelled (incorrectly) mould.

morgen | Dutch land measure: 2.103 acres Rhineland measure; 2.069 Amsterdam measure.

Mr. | shipmaster, mister, and sometimes meester, for (Dutch) heelmeester (barber-surgeon).

NB | (Latin) nota bene; note well.

NYSHAR | *Annual Report of the New York State Historian.* See Bibliography for full information.

Orange | English and French spelling of (Dutch) *Oranje: Nieu Oranje* (New Orange), the name given to the city of New York during the Dutch reoccupation, 1673–74; *Fort Oranje:* Fort Orange, and by extension the adjacent city of Albany.

osnaburg | a coarse cloth made of flax and tow; English form of German Osnabrück, the city where it was first manufactured.

packt | (Dutch) *pacht*; lease, especially the annual lease of the excise office.

qt. | sometimes an abbreviation for quarter.

quod attestor | (Latin); bearing witness to that.

rate(s) | local tax(es).

s | symbol for (Dutch) *stuiver*, \( \frac{1}{20} \) of a guilder, or (English) shilling, \( \frac{1}{20} \) of a pound. A slash (/) is also used for the shilling.
sack  white wine from Spain or the Canary Islands.
sarge  serge cloth.
_schepel_  Dutch dry measure: 0.764 bushel wheat; 1.29 bushels salt.
_schout_  Dutch court officer with responsibilities for administration, law enforcement, criminal prosecution, and civil adjudication.
seawant  Known in New England as wampum; strings of beads made from clam shells by the Indians, used by the settlers as scrip in the absence of hard cash. It was usually worth less than the stated value, 16 guilders in seawant being equivalent to 5 guilders in coin.
_sic subscribitur_  (Latin); thus signed.
_Sr._  (before a name, French); seigneur: (literally) lord, master. Used by the Dutch as a conventional title of courtesy.
_ss_  (Latin), _scilicet_, it is permitted to know: to wit, namely.
_staff_  (plural, staves); emblems of office of constables.
_teste_  (Latin); witness. “Often used to indicate what immediately follows is named as authority for what precedes.” Webster’s Third New International Dictionary.
_vale_  (Latin); farewell.
_vide_  (Latin); see.
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cannot know whether earlier editors were working with the document prior to its being damaged, or simply guessing at missing words.
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[PEETITION OF ABIGAIL DARLING TO BE EXEMPTED FROM PUNISHMENT]

To the hononorable Court of Sessions now assembled

The petition of Abigaile Darling

In all humble manor sheweth that by the Disloyalty of her adulterous husband who left her to the wide world shee is become to be the most miserabl of woemen and upon the bended knee of her hart beggs pardon of God and this hononorable Court for her crime committed her deplorable Estate considered

Humbly hopes and prayes for mercy mixt with Judgment and that shee may bee freed from Corporall punishment or otherwise as this hononorable Court in their Grave judgments shall thinke meete and shee as in all Duty bound shall ev[er] pray etc.

Abygall darling

[ENDORSED:] Abigail Darlings Petition.

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[PEETITION OF RICHARD VALENTINE* TO BE EXEMPTED FROM PUNISHMENT]

To the Right Worshipfull Capt. Matthias Niccolls President and the Rest of the Worshipfull Court

The Humble petition of Richard Vallentine

Humbly Sheweth:

That wheras Your worships petitioner being a young man; and not understanding what they wear agoing about, went along with the multitude; insomuch that your Worships petitioner; doth Humbly Supplicate your worships would be pleased; that he your worships petitioner might not appeare; he rendring of himselfe very Sory; for the not understanding of what he went about. Desireing your worships to be pleased to take it into your wise Consideracion.

* Apparently his father, Richard Sr., made the petition.
and as he in duty is bound
Shall pray etc:

[ENDORSED:] Rich[ ] Valen[ ] Petition.
at the Court of the sessions
at Jamaica about his son, that
was one of the Ryoters amongst
the rest of the Hempsted men

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[PETITION OF EZEKIEL FOGG APPEALING A JUDGMENT]

To the Right Honorable Edmo. Andross
Esquire Governor in Cheife of all his
Royall highnesses Teritoryes in
America// Togeather with his
Honorable Counsell: And Genarall As­
sembly: now Sitting in the high Court
of Justis and Chansery in the City of

New Yoarke

The Petition of Ezekiell Fogg: a Close Prisonor//

Humbly: Sheweth: // Viztt//

That whareas your Suplycant had a Complaint read and heard befo[ ]
your honors yesterday: whare uppon your Honnors at that tyme sow
Reason to Confirme A Formar: Judgment against your Petitinor the
which hath Given his Adversary: Advantage to shew there, Regorus
proseedings against him: by Confineing your Suplycant a Close Prisonor
in the Common Geole for felons: with A mad man: Never the Less: Your
Suplycant Knowse: there is mercie, with God although finds none with
Sum men: with Grace your Petitinor hath Good Ground to hope and
beleeve: God hath Given to your honors And upon Just occation: will
Evedence the Same by Sympothizeing with your opressed: So as to
vouch safe Imediate Release: according as the nature of the thing and
matter may Require: etc: And therefore with Submission to your honors
your Suplycant Humbly Craves your honors Serious: perusuall and
Consideration: of these few following Queries// vizt

Imprimis That Whareas your Suplycants: Attomy: quoted Knowne Laws
of England before your honors that no person ought to be liable to Any
acction whare ther is a Judgment for the Same in force, (if your petitinor
mistakes not) which was your Suplycants Case proved: the Query then is weather that Law be Cognizable before your honnors in your Petitinors Case or nott: but if the merit of your Petitinors Case Lays more in Equitye then in common Law: then

2 = Secondly as this Honorable Court is a Court of Equity as well as Justis: and nothing is more Satisfactory to an injenewous mind: to occasio. Contentment under Sufferings then to be satisfied in him selfe in the Justnes and Equitablenes of proseedings against him: and therefore with submission is bold to Request your honors Solution: of the Equitablenes of the following Queries: if it may not be Counted: presumption by your suplycant as weather it bee a thing Equitable for a person to have a judgment against his Estate in one Collony where he is well knowne and his Estate and Effects are Responding and yet his person Kept a close prisoner: and hath not Effects to Answare: and all for one and the same debt: is that which is Queriable://

3 Weather it be a thing Equitable that Bills of Exo. in full Satisfaction of a Judgment or debt be Kept to make good the same: And never the Less: not only a Judgment in force in one Colony against the partyes Estate but the party himselfe Kept Close in a nother Colony: which is no Less then three Securityes for all one And the Same debt: which is the truth of your petitinors Case and therefore the Equitablenes thereof is Queriable;

4 Whare A person that is a stranger: and hath not Securitye but yet is willing to goe to the place from whence was the 1st Cause of action or Judgment and whare his Effects is also to Answore the same and espatialy when his one* intrest bespeakes his deputching† thether more then other nesesaryes forceing the Query then is in such a Case wether his one bond and ingagement is not sofitiently Equitable and not his to Lye in prison to his uter undoeing and Ruen is Queriable.

5 When a stranger is then opressed and kept a Close prisoner Lockt up with a mad man: (in a place more fit for Felons then sober Christians:) And that without any provition either of his one or from his Adversary: for either: Lodging Charg or food to sustayne nature suitable for such a prisoner that never was aquanted with hardships And yet is willing to

* own
† deputing?
make over all the Effects he hath in the said Collony: towards satisfaction of the said Judgment the Query then is weather such a one may not Crave and obtayne the benefit of the act of parliament that Ef Can sware they are not worth 5£ more then they are willing to assigne over to there Adversary shall not be detayned in dareine* beset(?) in Newengland is such Care taken that if the Adversary denyes to make provition and suply his presonor with nesesaryes dayly: that then the Keeper hath powre to set such at liberty: now this your Suplycant Adversary hath denied but on the Contrary saith and demanded that being kept without vituels he would live the shorter tyme and his Imprisonment wold b[ ] the shorter: the Question then is wether your Suplycant may not Creve the benefit of the act of parlement: or Newenglands liberty the ser-comstances [ ]nsidered is queriable

6. Thus may it please your honors your suplycant with submition shall [ ]eclare what tenders he hath made to his Adversaryes: and them also Leave to your honors weather they have ben Equitable or not as first provided they would [ ]ke good your honors ordor which was if the mistake not that sofitient security shold be given that your petitionor shold be indemnified fro. the Judgment of the Cou[ ] in boston and also all damages made good to your petitionor that he hath or shall sustayne for want of his bills of Exo. Retorned which lying is Denyed them: the which if they would performe then your suplycant tenders to Assigne over a Judgment he obtayned last mayrs Court against the Estate of Sam. moo Deceased for 126£ and give them a bond to make good to them the Remonder of the Judgment in 3 months which is all the Effects, your petitionor hath [ ] this Collony and more then a man hath Cannot be Expected and Secondly your petitionor hath also tendered senc he Canot Commit security that he shal[ ] for Newengland where his one intrest Leads him to be without nesesity of others to force him: that he would give in bond to be a free prsoner [ ]ardy till Cold get in a little effects of 30 or 40£ due to him for his last years servis that thereby he might be made Capiable to Cleare his Court Cases and those oblegations he hath to severall in yorke and then wold go by the first sloope for boston where hath no cause to be either affraid or As[ ]ed to see his freinds and face his enemies and that this might be performed your suplycant offers to Leave in his Custody his papers and bookes of accounts with [ ] wherein there is not so litle as a thousand pound starl. due to your petitionor besides deeds of an intrest in Carolynas of more value than [ ]

* Darien, Conn.
which is all the security he is of himselfe Capable off for its not to be Expected he Can Comand impossibilityes to Comand others to be bound for other they will or noe and then shold a gon to New England Cleare from any ingagements in yorke: which he ought in Justis and good conscenc so satisfied the which he Canot do whilst a prisoner but those tendors proves Abortives also which his Adversary by all which your honors may see your petitionors [ ]plored and opressed Condition and upon the perasuall of the whole if your Suplycants Queryes in your honors Aprehention are all of them Equitable and that his te[ ]ors to his Adversary are irratinall your suplycant shall submit therein and Looke at a devine Evedeinc therin in whose hands my tyms are and accor[ ]ingly desire to wait till my charg come.

but if on the other hand your honors upon a more deliberate [ ]sideration of the Respective queryes: doth bespeake Releefe to your petitionor and his tendors to his Adversary Ratinall then he doubts not your honors Imed[ ]t Care therein for his spedy inlargement that he may not like a beest be pened up which by his inlargement (may be servisable to his God King and Cuntry his due according to the tallant God hath Given him) and that either by your honors ordoring your suplycants Adversary to Except of sum of the tearmes afor[ ] or grant your petitionor the benefit of the 5£ act: or any other way that the opressed Estate of your Suplycant may be Releeved and his present [ ]rgent wrought by your honnors in what way your honors shall most thinke fitt and that wisdom may be your honors directory heerein your h[ ] suplycant shall Ever pray whist

Ezekiell Fogg

Mr. Ezekiell Fogg's petition. 1677
not allowed

[ENDORSED:] Ezekiell Fogg

[26:4]

[PETITION OF TIMOTHY GABRY FOR A TIME LIMIT ON HIS SECURITY BOND]

To the Right honorable Major Edmund Andros Esquire Seigneur of Sauz=Marez Governor Generall of all his Royall Highnesse's Territoryes in America And to the honorable Bench of Assizes now assembled.

The humble Petition of Timothee Gabry
In all Humble Manner

Sheweth your honors Peticioner, that at a Generall Court of Assizes held in October 1676. The said Court gave Judgment for your honors Peticioner against John Jannson Verryne for the summe of f7700 guilders Seawant; Whereupon your honors Peticioner was ordered to put in Security of double the value to Indemnifiey the said Verryne, as in and by said order appeares. Now Soe it is, May it pleas your honors that your Peticioner hath tendered his Security, who Semples only, that no time is Limitted how Long they must Stand bound;

In tender consideracion whereof —

Humbly prays that your honor and honorable Court please to take the premisses into your grave Consideracion; And that a Certaine time, by your honors may bee appointed; Otherwise your honors Peticioner feare he cannot procure Security, And thereby will bee rendred incapable of Receiving the benefit of the said order and decree; unless releif’d by your honor and honorable Court. Which will Ever oblige your Peticioner, as in duty bound —

To Pray etc.

[ENDORSED:] Timothy Gabryes peticion.
1677.
Past.

[26:5-7]

[NO CALENDAR ENTRIES OR DOCUMENTS APPEAR FOR THESE NUMBERS]

[26:8]

[ORDER FOR A SPECIAL COURT OF SESSIONS IN THE NORTH RIDING]

Edmund Andross Esq. Seigneur of Sausmarez, Lieutenant and Gov[ ] Generall under his Royall Highnesse Jam[ ] Duke of Yorke and Albany etc. of all hi[ ] Territoryes in America.
Whereas application hath been made unto mee by Samuel Blagge of this City Merchant for a Speciall Court [ ] Sessions to be had in the North Riding of Yorkshire upon Long Island to hear a certaine matter in Difference betw[ ] him and Samuel Edsall and Andrew Gibb of the City afor[ ] for the which an Attachment as I am informed hath been layd upon [ ] Goods and Effects of the said Samuel Ed[ ]all a[ ]d [ ] Gibb in that Riding, and security having bee[ ] here according to Law, These are therefore in his [ ] name to require you Capt. Thomas Willett high sh[ ] Mr. Richard Cornell, Mr. John Pell, Mr. W[ ] Lawrence, and Mr. Thomas Hicks, Justices of [ ] of the said North Riding to meet at the usuall p[ ] holding Courts at Jamaica, upon Wednesday [ ] 24th day of this Instant month in the foreno[ ] then and there to sitt as a Court of Sessions, to heare and determine the said Matter in diffe[ ]nc[ ] according to Law, For the doing whereof this [ ] bee your sufficient Warrant: Given under my [ ] and Sealed with the Seale of the Province [ ] New Yorke this 10th day of January in the 28th yeare of his Majesties Reigne Annoque Domini 1676.

past the Office

Matthias Nicolls Secr. E Andros. s.

ENDORSED:

1676 The Governors Speciall Warrant for an Extraordinary Court of Sessions upon Long Island.

Sam Blagge Plt.
Sam Edsall Andr. Gibb Defts.

[26:9]

[SUMMONS FOR SAMUEL EDSELL AND ANDREW GIBB]

Whereas Samuell Blagge of this City, hath procured a Commission from his Honor the Governor for the holding of a speciall Court of Sessions at Jamaica, on Wednesday the 24th instant in the forenoone, for the hearing and determining of a matter in difference betweene him the said Samuell Blagge and you Samuell Edsall and Andrew Gibb, for the which hee hath layd an Attachment on your Goods and Effects in the North Riding of Yorkshire upon Long Island.
These are in his Majesties name to require you to make your Appearance at the tyme and place appointed before the said speciall Court of Sessions then and there to make answer unto the suite of the said Samuell Blagge according to Law: Hereof you are not to fayle at your perills:

Dated in New Yorke this 10th day of January 1676.

By order of the Governor

Matthias: Nicolls Scrr.

[ENDORSED:] A warrant of Summons for Sam: Edsall and Andr: Gibb to appeare at the speciall Court of Sessions to bee held at Jamaica on Wed: Jan. 24th 1676.

[26:10] [REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE SALE AND CUTTING OF FIREWOOD]

At a speciall Court of Assizes held in New Yorke the 12th day of January in the 28th yeare of his Majesties Reigne Annoque Domini 1676.

Present

The Governor and Councell.
The Justices of the Peace of the severall Ridings.
the Mayor and Aldermen of this City.

Complaint being made of the great abuse practised by divers* who expose firewood to sale in the Government and particularly in this City, by reason of the inequality of the sticks for Length and bignesse, The same being taken into Consideration. It is Ordered, that after the first of May next no firewood be exposed to

* diverse persons
sale in the Government or brought to this City but by the Corde.

The length of each stick of wood to be four foot, the Cord four foot in height and eight foot in Length.

and fitt Corders to bee appointed.*

The former Orders prohibiting any part of fell’d timber or wood to remaine upon the Ground, to be duly and punctually observed and that whosoever shall fell or cutt any timber or Wood for any occasion what ever, and not carry away or burn the remaining part, the Constables of the severall Townes are hereby required to proceed against them in their own Courts for effecting the same, or to the Courts of Sessions, that so they may bee also fined as the Case may require.

By order of the Speciall Court of Assizes.

[ENDORSED:] Copie of Court order about the cording of wood.

Speciall Court of Assizes.
Jan 12. 1676.

[26:11–14]

[COURT PAPERS FROM THE TRIAL OF MAJOR JOHN FENWICK, ACCUSED OF GOVERNING WITHOUT AUTHORITY, ARE PUBLISHED IN RECORDS OF THE COURT OF ASSIZES FOR THE COLONY OF NEW YORK, 1665–1682.]

* This line was added by Governor Andros.
Appeared before me, Willem Bogardus, notary public residing in N. Yorke, appointed by the right honorable Lord Edmund Andros, governor general of N. York etc., and before the below-named witnesses, the honorable Marretje Loockermans, who declares to have sold for herself and her heirs and descendants, and Mr. John Shakerly, who acknowledges to have bought for himself and his heirs and descendants, a parcel of land situated within this city between the seller’s house and lot where she presently resides and the house and lot of Mr. Jacobus de Haert; being in width along the street twenty-eight board feet and in the rear thirty-five board feet, in length from the street to the back on the drainage ditch, and the width shall begin from the aforesaid Jacobus de Haert’s fence. For the purchase of this the buyer is obligated and committed to pay the seller or on her order the sum of twenty-five hundred guilders in zewant; to wit, in three installments: one equal third portion in cash with zewant as specie or merchantable winter wheat at six guilders per skipple; one equal third part on the first of this May with merchantable meal at the current price; and the last third part in the following month of July with good, whole beavers merchantable at twenty-[four] guilders a piece. All of which is to be delivered here in the city. The buyer shall be allowed to take possession and make use of the aforesaid lot immediately as unencumbered property; conveyance shall take place upon payment of the last installment; charges to be paid half and half by the parties, as also the notary’s fee, by which aforesaid conditions the sale is final. The parties promise to allow each other to enjoy the effects thereof totally and equitably under the bond of law. In testimony thereof these minutes have been signed in the protocol by the appearing parties, in addition to Mr. Johannes van Brugh, Cornelis van Borsum and Cornelis Dircksz as witnesses, and by me, notary, in N. Yorke the 18th of January 1676/7

As witness to the collation,

W. Bogardus,
notary public.
[26:16]

[AN ACCOUNT WITH JOHN SHAKERLY]

1672 Mr. John Shackerley Dr.

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<td>To 9 K Beere, 4 M. burnt brandy, 3 pts. burnt Madera, 1 m. brandy and 10 shott</td>
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* Probably from Dutch *instaan*, to pack, perhaps with the implication of pickling or preserving.
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* An unidentified symbol occurs before this number, indicating a denomination of coin.
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**NB:**

- [A NOTE IN DUTCH:] f200
- f801 19\(\frac{3}{4}\)

**[ENDORSED:]**

- To John Shackerly
- 20 Jan. 1676/7

- 1001.19.3
- 497. 1.3
- 504.18.0
[PETITION OF FRANCIS ROMBOUT, CHRISTOPHER HOOGLAND, AND GUILAEN VERPLANK FOR A CERTIFICATE TO SEEK SATISFACTION CONCERNING MERCHANDISE SEIZED AT BOSTON DURING THE WAR]

To the Right Honourable Edmund Andross Esqr., Governor Generall under his Royall Highnesse of all his T[ ] jories in America.

The humble Pe[ ]ion of Francis Romboot, Christopher Hoogland, and Guilaine Verplan[ ]k of this City Merchants.

Sheweth

That your peticioners whilst u[ ]er his Majesties Obedience, being then Inhabitants and Free Denizens of this place, [ ]d by their Correspondents some goods sent and consigned unto them from London [ ]ther, butt it so fell out, that in the Interim this Government being made Du[ ] the said goods were carried (in the English bottom wherein they we[ ]hip) to B[ ]ton, where their Government, understanding the said Goods did belong [ ] Petitioners then Residents here, caused the said Goods to be seized on and disposed of etc. [ ]s they thought good, and also reteyned (and still doe) your peticioners Letters papers cheques etc. thereby hindring your peticioners as much as in them lay from being any way able to make their just right appeare.

That your Peticioners sometime after your honors arrivall made their addresse unto your Honor for Releife in the Premisses, and received a very favourable Apostile, referring the Justice of their Case to the Governor and Generall Court at Boston, and afterwards your Honor was pleased to reinforce the same, b[ ]t your Peticioners could never obteyne from thence any the least answer, although your peticioners were at great charge in employing an Agent there who after tedious waiting and attendance returned ineffectually. Whereby (though the said Goods were ensured in England) they are like utterly to loose their Interest in them, Unlesse by your Honors favour they may be releived.

Your Petitioners do theref[ ] most humbly pray that since all Endeavours have hither[ ] proved ineffectuall to gaine an answer from Boston, how or wh[ ] their said Goods are condemned or confiscated. whereby they [ ]ht have recourse to their Ensurers, that your Honor would [ ]leased to graunt them some Certificate of the matter to be s[ ] London which your peticioners are in hopes may be a s[ ] and valid Testimony of the losse of their Goods
C[ ]e of a petition
[ ]he Governor
from Mr. Rombout etc.
Feb. 1st 1676.

[26:18a]

[CERTIFICATE OF BUSHWICK RESIDENTS THAT RYCK LEYDECKER OWNED LAND THERE. TRANSLATION]

We [ ] undersigned of Bossweyck herewith attest in the presence of the constable and overseers of Bosweyck that about the year 1660 Gouverneur Petrus Stuyvesant granted [ ]* Leydeker a certain parcel of land located in the jurisdiction of Bosweyck in the new allotments between the land of Jan Tellier and Jan van Leyden, its size according to the survey return. If required, we the undersigned will attest to the truth of it with our solemn oath and as acknowledgment of the truth we have signed this with our own hands at Bosweyck on the 30th of January 1676/7

as witnesses:

Pieter Janse Wit

This is the mark of

Gisbert Theunissen

signed with his own hand

Wouter Gijsbertsen

This is the mark of

Jan Cornelise

signed with his own hand

Acknowledged by me,
Michil Hainel, clerk

[26:18b]

[CERTIFICATE OF BUSHWYCK OFFICIALS THAT GERRIT LEYDECKER IS THE PROPRIETOR OF SOME LAND. TRANSLATION]

We, the constable and overseers in the village of Boschwyck, herewith declare and attest, at the request of Gerrit Leydecker, that the land according to the attached survey return belongs to him without marshland; and as Gerrit Leydecker has sold the same land, he is the

* A confirmatory patent was issued on February 6, 1676/7, to Gerrit Leydecker for property granted to his father Richard (Ryck) in 1660.
rightful and first owner for conveyance. Done at Boschwyk the 5th of February 1677.

Ian Jequ[et]?

Joost Kochut

Jaques Cossar*

[SUMMONSES FOR BAERTELT CLAESSZ, COERT STEVENSZ, AND CORNELIS COERSEN VROOM TO APPEAR AT THE WEST RIDING SESSIONS]

[26:19a]

These are in his Majesties name to require you Baertelt Claes, that you appeare at the next Court of Sessions to bee held at Gravesend for the West Riding of Yorkshire upon Long Island, beginning upon the 3d Tuesday in June next, then and there to answer the Complaint of Mrs. Maritie Jacobs Vervangher of this City widdow in an action of debt due upon bill for the summe of Three hundred Guilders sewant; Hereof you are not to fayle at your perill, dated in New Yorke this 7th day of Febr. 1676.

To Baerteld Claes of Flattbush alias Midwout.

[26:19b]

These are in his Majesties name to require you Coert Stevens, that you appeare at the next Court of Sessions to bee held at Gravesend, for the West Riding of Yorkshire upon Long Island, beginning upon the third Tuesday in June next, then and there to answer the Complaint of Mrs. Maritie Jacobs Vervangher in an Action of debt due upon promise for the summe of Three hundred twenty five Guilders sewant; Hereof you are not to fayle at your perill. Dated in New Yorke this 7th day of Febr. 1676.

* Cousseau?
To Coert Stevens
at Flattlands alias
Amesford.

[26:19c]

These are in his Majesties name to require you Cornelys Corsen Vroom that you appeare at the next Court of Sessions to bee held at Gravesend for the West Riding of Yorkshire upon Long Island beginning upon the third Tuesday in June next, then and there to answer the Complaint of Mrs. Maritie Jacobs Vervanger of this City widdow in an action of debt due upon bill, for the summe of three hundred five and twenty Guilders sewant, Hereof you are not to fayle at your perill, Dated in New Yorke this 7th day of Febr. 1676.

To Cornelys Coersen Vroom
at Breuckling.

[ENDORSED:] Warrants given out for
summons to Gravesend
Sessions. June 1676

That of Flattbush
onely served.

Kings County.*

[26:20]

[LETTER FROM JACOB ARCHER TO SECRETARY NICOLLS
CONCERNING A SUMMONS FROM THE MAYOR’S COURT]

Capt. Nicholes

Sir these are to give you to understand that this Day the Cunstable of Harlam Came to my Howse with the mayors wallrran to summans me to the mayors Co[ ] wich I thinke Strange that they shou[ ] come beyond the limits sir I desire you to Informe the governor the Co[ ] buisnes is aboute my boye and Hartm[ ] Hartman hath broke his Covenant and abused him much soe with my respe[ ] presented I intende

* Added after 1683.
to see you at the Cittey as soone as the Creke is open and tender my selfe at your servis to his power to Command not else at present in hast I re[   ]

Febby the 9 1677    Jno Arc[   ]

[ADDRESSED:]     for Captaine
Mathias Nichols
at his howse at
New Yorke thes
presente

[ENDORSED:]     John Archer
Feb. 9.1677.
about Dr. Hartman*
son, a warrant being
sent by the Mayor.

[26:21]

[EXECUTION ISSUED AGAINST THE PROPERTY OF ROBERT COE]

These are in his Majesties name to require you to levy upon the Goods and Chattells of Mr. Robert Coe of Jamaica, the summe of twenty three pounds, nineteene shillings and six pence, the same being for a debt in which hee was cast and Judgment past against him at the generall Court of Assizes anno 1675 at the suite of John Sharpe of this City together with his Attorneys Fees and allowed Interest from the time of the Judgment as also the incidentall charges of this Execucion, and that you make a due returne of the service hereof into the secretaryes office, whereof you are not to fayle at your perill: Dated in New Yorke this 13th day of Feb. 1676.

To Capt. Tho: Willet high M: N:†
Sheriffe of Yorkshire upon Long Isl. or his Deputy.

* Hartman Wessells?
† Matthias Nicolls
ENDORSED: Copie of Execucion against Mr. Robert Coe.
Feb. 13. 1676.
John Sharpe.

EXECUTION AGAINST THE PROPERTY OF NICOLAES BAYARD

These are in his Majesties name to require you to levy by Execucion, upon the Goods and Chattells of Mr. Nicho. Bayard of this City the summe of One hundred forty three Guilders and ten styvers Hollands money or value, together with the incidentall Charges of serving this Execucion, which said summe of one hundred forty three Guilders and ten styvers, hee was adjudged to pay at the last Generall Court of Assizes, in an action of Appeale brought there against him by Mr. Paulus Richards, and that you pay the same unto the said Paulus Richards or his Order, and also make due Returne of the service of this Execucion into the secr. office in the Fort, within the space of 15 dayes after the date hereof, and for soe doing this shall bee your warrant, Hereof you are not to fayle at your perill. Dated in N.Y. this 19th day of Feb. in the 30th yeare of his Majesties Raigne, Annoque Domini 1677.

Mr. Tho. Ashton Sheriffe of the City of N.Y. or his Dep.

ORDER TO SAMUEL LEETE TO DELIVER PAPERS RELATIVE TO A HOUSE SALE

Citty of New Yorke The Court of Reccord of the Citty aforesaid holden at the City hall within the said Citty the 5th day of February 1677 Before Stephanus van Cortlandt Mayor etc.

Capt. Nicolls @ Sam. Leette Court Order that the Deft. Deliver upp the Writeings Concerning the house he bought at the Vendue to the Pet.

Ex me per Sam Leete Clerk

ENDORSED: Copie of Execucion against Mr. Nicho. Bayard.
[26:23]

[PROCEEDINGS IN A SUIT OF NICHOLAS BLAKE AGAINST SAMUEL BLAGGE FOR SLANDER]

Citty of New York

The Court of Record of the Citty aforesaid holden at the Citty Hall within the said Citty the 20th day of feb: 1676 before Mr. Nicholas de Myer Major etc.

Nico: Blake against Samll: Blagg

Jury

Jno Inian

Wm. Pinhome

Tho: Coaker

Derrick Vancliff

Jno. Sharp

Wm. Merritt

Joseph Lawrence

Humph Davenport

James Mathews

Jur. Popher Hemlock

Geo: ShakeMaple and Garrett Van Tright

Jurors

Declaration read etc. fol. 157

Bignalls lettres and others 3d August 1676 to the plt and another of the 5th of August 76.

Mr. Lucies lettre read to Mr. Dellavall, Mr. Dellavalls lettre to Mr. Lucey etc.

Defendants plea etc.

Wilsons lettre to the defendant and Richardson 5th August 1676 read.

Lintotts lettre Idem date to the defendant Richardson.

Five affidavitts read in Court.

Jury find for the plt damage One Thousand pounds sterling and costs of Cort.

Court agreed with the Juries Verdict.

The Defendant moving for an appeale, Court grant the same, performing what[ ] the Lawes require in such cases.

Examined per me Sam: Leete

Clerk

[ENDORSED:]

judgment against Blagg

17 February 1676
[PETITION OF JAN HENDRICKSZ BRUYN AND SAMUEL SIMONSZ FOR RETURN OF THEIR GOODS FROM THE HOPEWELL]

To the Right Honorable Sir Edmund Andros Knight Seigneur of Saus marez Leiftenant and Governor Generall of all his Royall Highnesses Territoryes in America.

The Humble Peticion of John Hendricks Bryne and Sam: Symons both of this Citty Merchants.

Sheweth

That whereas your Peticioners have on board the Pinke Hopewell Francis Gibbons Master a certaine quantity of goods amounting to about 13 tunns, which was shiped to be Delivered att the Island of Berbadoes But the said Pinke haveing been att Sea and Endeavoured to Proceed on the said Voyage, hath proved Insufficient to performe the same and is returned againe into this Harbour and here the said goods are Detained from your Peticioners without any Care or Endeavour used by the said Master to performe his bills of Loading whereupon the 17th Instant your Peticioners Peticioned the Court of Mayor and Aldermen to have their goods delivered them etc. where (3 of the Aldermen being Concerned or freighters) noe order was made, Your Peticioners haveing a Vessell (which they hired Purposely to Carry the said Goods on Expectacion of their being delivered) lyeing upon Charge and if the said Goods cannot be spedily gott will not longer stay to take them in, which would much Damnifie your Peticioners, the Master haveing agreed to deliver them.

Your Peticioners Therefore humbly pray your honor to take some Order herein that your Peticioners may have their said Goods or that a Speciall Court may be forthwith appointed to heare and Determine the Matter in difference between your Peticioners and the said Master that they may know whether their said Goods may be Delivered, or not —

And they shall ever Pray etc.  

John henderick Bruyn  
Samuel Simonsen
A petition from John Hendricks de Bruyn and Samuell Simons Merchants about having their goods delivered from on board the Pinck the Hopewell. 1677.

[26:25]

[ROUGH DRAFT OF SEVERAL EXECUTIONS CONCERNING PROPERTY SOLD AT VENDUE AND NOT PAID FOR]

Mr. Leets house—
Hartsmen Wessels—Lott.
Richa. Man—Mr. Clarke and Mr. Minevielle
Mr. Blake. Execucion.

These are to give notice that the 3d Lott of Ground lying betweene Isaack Van Vlecks and Rutt the Turners up towards the Fortificacion on the North side of this City, sold for Eliz. the wid. of Do. Drisius and bought the 27th of January last 1676 at a publick Vendue by Hartman Wessells, but no[ ] paid for according to Condicion, is againe to bee expos[ ] to sale on Saturday next the 25th inst. at 5 a Clock afternoone at the house of Mr. Wm. Merritt. Dated in N.Y. the 24th day of Jan: 1676.

Crye out and sett up. M.N.

These are to give notice that the house and Lott of Ground lying at the Upper End of the Broadeway next to the Go: stables sold for Capt. Wm. Dyre and bought the 25th day of May 1676 by Mr. Sam. Leete at a publick Vendue, but not yet paid for according to Condicions is againe to bee exposed to sale on Saturday next the 26th inst at 5 a Clock afternoone at the house of Mr. Wm. Merritt: Dated in N.Y. the 24th day of Jan: 1677.

Cry out and set up. M.N.

These are in his Majesties name to require you to levy upon the Goods and Chattells of A: B: by Execucion the summe of [blank] for the Value thereof bought in Vendue on the [blank] day of [blank] last to bee paid in the space of [blank] in [blank] but not yet performed, and that you make retume of the Execucion of this Precept by the next Court to bee

* The endorsement is on a separate paper.
held in this city of the which you are not to fayle at your perill. Given etc.

These are in his Majesties name to require you to levy by Execucion upon the Goods and Chattells of Mr. Nicholas Blake the summe of twenty eight pounds foure shillings and two pence the balance of his account due for severall parcells of Goods by him bought in Vendue Apr. 7th last to bee paid in 3 mo. in beavers as also so much more as will make good the losse that may happen by the Resale of three pieces of broad cloath bought of him in Vendue the 24th day of Dec. last and in default of Goods that you take the person of the said Nicholas Blake into your Custody, and him safely to keepe untill hee shall make satisfaction for the summe aforesmencioned, together with the Charges of this Execucion, for the doeing whereoff this shall bee your warrant: Hereof you are not to fayle at your perill. Given under my hand in N.Y. this 24 day of Jan. 1677.

[ ] Mr. Tho: Ashton Sheriffe
[ ] this City or his deputy.

Sign’d by the Mayor and delivered to the shereffe.

[ENDORSED:] Jan. 24 1677

[26:26a]

[SURVEY RETURN OF BUSHWYCK OFFICIALS FOR GERRIT LEYDECKER'S LAND. TRANSLATION]

We, the undersigned, constable and overseers of the village of Boswycke on Lange Eylant, at the request of Gerrit Leydecker, attest and declare as the complete truth that the piece of land, located in the aforesaid village, between the land of Jan Willemsz and Jan Hendricksz, and according to the measurement of the certified surveyor Mr. Corteljau, is in width six rods and six rod feet, in length fifteen and a half rods; together with one and a half lots of land located in the new allotments: one being No. 7 and the other, the half of No. 8, and in size according to the aforesaid survey, to wit: in width thirty-six rods, in length three hundred rods, the dividing line on both sides west by south, in size fourteen morgens and one hundred-fifty rods, which belongs to the aforesaid Gerrit Leydecker in complete ownership. As testimony of the truth this was signed by us in Boswycke the 21st of February 1676/7

[Ian Jequett]
Jacques Cossar
Joost Kockut
[ENDORSED:]

[ ]uary 21st 1676
Certificate of the Con-
[s]table and Overseers of
[B]oswyck, about Gerrit
[L]eydeckers land

Feb. 21 1676/7.
past.

[26:26b]

[ORDER OF THE COURT AT NANTUCKET THAT PETER FOLGER POST BAIL BOND FOR APPEARANCE AT THE ASSIZES]

At a Court of a Jurment held in the towne of Sherburne 14th feburary 1676

Petter foulger Inditted for Contempt of his Maigesties Athorryty In not appearing be fore the Court according to Sumons Served on hem and being Aprehended by Speasiall warrant being broft to the Court to Answer for his Contentious Carage And being demanded why he did so act gave no Answer: Tho the Court waited on hem a while and urged hem to speak  The sentance of the Court is to kemite the Cause to the Court of asize at New Yorck as the law derects and to give twenty pound band for his appearance and to abide the order of Court and to stand Comitted til bond be given

By the Court William Worth
Cle.

A true Copyy

[26:27]

[ PETITION OF SAMUEL BLAGGE APPEALING A JUDGMENT]

To the Right Honorable Edmond Andross Esquire Senr. of Sauz Marez, Lieutenant and Governor Generall of all his Royall Highnesses Territories in America. etc.

The Peticion of Samuell Blagge
Humbly sheweth

That your Honors Peticioner was sued by Nicolas Blake att The last Mayors Court for Two Thousand pounds upon an Action of defamacion, where your Honors Peticioner was Cast in One Thousand pounds Sterl. etc. from which hard sentence he hath made his Appeale To the next Court of Assizes.

Therefore humbly prays your Honor To grant your Peticioner his saide Appeale, he performeing what The Law in such a Case requires.

And your Peticioner shall ever pray etc.

Alowed acording to Lowe*

E Andros s

[ENDORSED:]

Mr. Samuell Blaggs
Appeale allowed.
March 1st 1676.

Apr. 3. 1677.
Assur Levy came with Mr. Blagge to bee his security.

[26:28]

[PETITION OF HUNTINGTON CONCERNING TRESPASS BY QUAKERS AND INDIANS, AND CONSOLIDATION OF TAXES]

To the Right Honorable Edmond Andross Esquire Governor

The humble peticion of the Inhabitants of Huntington upon Long Island

Your petitioners humbly desire your honor That your honor will be pleased that some Care may be taken that the Quakers may not be suffered to Come into our Meeting house in tyme of Gods Worship to disturbe us as they frequently doe Also that your honor will please to order That the Country rate and Ministers rate may be made both in one And Alsoe that your Honor will please to order That the Indians may not

* This line and the signature are in pencil in the governor's handwriting.
plante in our Meadowes which wee have bought of them and paid for which is very much to our Damage And your Petitioners shall Ever pray etc.  

Samuel Titus Constable

[ENDORSED:] Huntington Petition

The Law to bee attended.

The Indyans to bee sent for by the Constable—for 1677.

Past.

[26:29]

[PETITION OF JOHN ROBINSON TO BE PARDONED FOR TREASONOUS STATEMENTS]

To the Right Honorable Major Edmund Andross Esquire governor in cheafe of all his Royall Highnes his Territoryes in Amirrica.

The Humble Petition of John Robinson

In all Humble Maner Sheweth.

Thatt your peticioner haith bin soe unadvised and Rash, as to speake words Misbecomeing of him, and whereby your Honer may bee Justly Offended he your peticioner nott being able to prove the same to bee trew, which he In pashon and through Ignorance spooke and Nott out of any Ill Intent to your Honer or Government for which his unadvised and Rash Speakeing Your peticioner Is trewly sorrowfull.

There for Most Humly prays that your Honer out of your abundaut goodnes which your peticioner have had Large Experience of; will be pleased to pardon and accept of your peticioner Humble Submishon he Lying att your Honer feett and shall as he Is in all Duty bound to pray for your Honers prosperity etc.
[TESTIMONY OF JOHN ROBINSON]

John Robinson declares before the Governor at the Custome house, That being at Roade Island hee spake with John Clarke Master of the ship Unity, who told him, that hee came from Amsterdam thither with his loading and that part thereof was put on board litle Johns Sloope for this Place; hee saith farther that hee saw some of the bills of loading from Amsterdam and had some of them in his Custody.

Hee saith afterwards that the ship touched at Plymouth before shee put in at Roade Island: Hee is ordred to find security by noone to answer at the next Court of Mayor and Aldermen.

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Robinsons Examinacion.

[PETITION OF THE HEIRS OF BALTHAZAR DE HAERT TO HAVE THEIR BONDS VOIDED AND THE ESTATE DIVIDED EQUALLY]

To his Excellency Sir Edmd. Andros Knightt etc. Governor Generall under his Royall Highness James duke of Yorke etc. of all his territories in America.

The Petition of Peter de LaNoy attumy of Jan Hendrickse bruyn for the Estate of Mathias De Haert deceased and of Jacobus De Haert.

Sheweth humbly; That Danll: De heart was made administrator in his brothers Balth. De haerts estate, for which these petitioners where bound as Securitys, but being not willing to remain So Still, by reason of his uncapassity in booke Keeping, difficulty to render accounts, and vast charge and Expence brought in, Thy humbly request to your Excellency

1. That [ ] bond of Security may be made void [ ]is administration, under our Security hereby may bee [ ]ded,

2. That his Excellency may please to grant an order for an equall division of the Said estate, all the heires being willing to the Same, each of them giving in Security for the Legates in said estate to Complete the will of the deceased.
[ENDORSED:]

[a Noy and Jaco]
[le Haert, about administration of Danll: De haert.]

Copies and orders of Council.

[26:32a]

[ORDER OF THE NANTUCKET COURT FOR THE DELIVERY OF COURT RECORDS HELD BY PETER FOLGER]

10:12:76:

Tis the order of the Court that the Constable be sent to Peter Foulger for the Court book and all the records of that nature and this is to empower the Constable herein and to bring them to the Court forthwith, and Peter Foulger is hereby required to deliver them.

per me Tho: Macy Mag:

[26:32b]

[RETURN OF SURVEY OF LANDS RECOVERED FROM HUNTINGTON BY RICHARD SMITH, SR., AS LAID OUT BY THOMAS WEEKES, WITH RELATED TESTIMONY OF RICHARD WOODHULL]

[675.]

[eeke am order the Constable and Overseers of Hunt- ont over possession of Nessaquack land to d Smyth senior in obedience to the sentence If the High Court of the said Tho: Weeks Case considdred the certificate of Joseph Whitm and Tho: Hein- dicks evidence upon oath doe agree that the boundes thereof must be the westerst part of Joseph Whitmores Hollow, and the west side of the leading hollow, to the fresh pond Unshemamuk, and the west side of the pond at high watermark, and doe by vertue of my order give possession thereof to the said Smyth to him and his heir or assignes to have and to hold for ever with all the benefits and priveleges there to belonging and do agree in wether sesonable to stak and mark out the boundes accordingly.
test William Lee his marke Thomas Wickes

hannah Bearsly near Ceear[

Tho: Weeks delivered possession of the premises by Fourth of turf and twigg before the day and date as aforesaid

Henry Tayler

William Lee his mark

[ON THE BACK IN ANOTHER HAND:]

ere as I was apoyntet to state the bounds bordere[ ] Huntington and Mr Richard Smith of Neesaquack which was in Contreversey in the absence of the high sherif in case it was not otherwise agreed upon by the said parties but finding that it was otherwise agreed as it appeeres on the backside of this paper I seek cause to desist and doe conferme what is don[ ] as witnes my hand

Richard wodhull

Setauk the 10 March 1676/7

The four necks at the south side ling west of Conecticut I doe not know that Setauk or Huntinton have any pretence unto them as witness my hand

Richard wodhull

Setauk March the 20—1676/7

that within and these two of the backsieds enturd upon the booke of Records of setauke

per me John Tooker
Recorder

[26:32c]*

The bounds of the land recovered from Huntington by Richard Smith senior and layd out by Thomas Weekes in obedience to the order of the

* The document is in Secretary Nicolls's handwriting.
Court of Assizes, hee being employed by the Const. of Huntington to give possession of the same is declared to bee as followeth, vizt:

From the wester=most part of Joseph Whitmans hollow, and the west side of the leading hollow, to the fresh pond Unshememuck, and the west=side of that pond at high water marke; (to the River Eastward) as is supposed)

This is attested by Thomas Weekes under his hand — Sept. 24. 1675.

William Lee (his Marke)
Hanah Bearsley
Possession given by Turfe
and twigge before

Henry Tayler
Willm. Lee

The Agreement of the possession was confirmed by Mr. Richard Woodhull who had order to see the same done if not agreed on before.

Mar. 10. 1676/7.

Some other Certificate from him about the 4 Necks at the South, not to belong to Huntington or Seatalcott.

Mar. 20 Ibid.

[ENDORSED:] To bee recorded for
Mr. Smith
of Nesaquake.
[MINUTE OF A MEETING WITH TWO MASSAPEQUA INDIANS]

The Go. and Councell March 13 1676:

The Mashpeag Sachems son came to the Go: with one Indyan more.

Mr. Stephanus Cortland and Tho: the baker Interpreters.

Hee was demanded if his father or hee, or the Rocking Sachem, had beene ever at Stratford lately, or any from thence with them: Hee saith Not any have beene over, or are come.

Hee saith that about three weekes agoe, a Pequid Indyan was with them at Rockway his name is Neanguamy.

The Rockway Sachems name is Mounguamy.

Hee saith his father will bee here in 12, or 14 dayes, and other sachems with him.

An order to bee sent to Hempsteed to come to an agreement with the Indyans for the title of their land so long in question, within three months, or the Governor will undertake it himselfe and end it.

[ENDORSED:] At a Councell.

Upon the sachems son of Massapeage comming to the Go.

Mar. 13 1676.

[ORDER TO HEMPSTEAD TO SATISFY THE INDIANS FOR THEIR LAND]

By the Governor

Whereas, divers Complaints have been made by the Indyans against the Inhabitants of your Towne, in every Government almost from your first

* The original 26:33b is now lost. This draft copy appears on the reverse of 25:203.
Settlement, that you have and doe Possesse their Lands, without having given them due Consideracion for the same, These are in his Majesties name to require you, that you Come to an agreement with and make Satisfaccion to the said Indyans, who Pretend Propriety to the said Lands in question, within the time of three Months after the date here of, The which if you neglect to do, I shall undertake the matter my selfe at the Publick Charge, and put a finall end and determinacion to the difference hereupon between you: Given under my hand in New Yorke this 13th day of March: 1676/7.

[26:34]

[PETITION OF PETER FOLGER APPEALING HIS IMPRISONMENT AT NANTUCKET]

To the Right Hon: Major Andros [ ] Governour at New=York, The humble petition of Peter Foulger now prisoner at Sherburn upon the Iland of Nantuckit, upon the Reall acount of his Royal Highness Intrest (at least in his Judgment) is as followeth

May it please your Honour to understand, that the occasion of this my petition is to Aquaint your Honour with that new Trouble that my selfe an others meete now withal in this place, For indeed I cannot wel Informe your Hon: how it is in my own Case, unles I speak somthing of the generall Case, So it was that when the Date of Mr. Tho: Macys Comission was out he called the Town together, and being met he told them that his Comission was out yet he did Asert it, and Des[ ]ered to know of the Town who would stand by him in it, som of us sayd it was not the Towns busines to speak to his Comission, but we did concive that your Hon: had left a safe and plain way for the Carriing on of Government til further order, others sayd that his Comission was in force til further order though not exprest and Argued it out from former Instructions, And begun to be very feirce, we thought their end to be bad, and therfor sayd littel or nothing more (they being the greater part) but were Resouled to be quite* looking upon it as an evil time, After this there cam hither from Pusccattaway Mr. Peter Coffin and som others to stay here this winter for fear of the Indians, Then an other meeting was called to chuse new Assistans to Mr. Macy, we knowing that we should be out voted sat stil and voted not, The first man that was Chosen was Peter Coffin, Stephen Hussey was the man that Carried on the Designe in such a Rude manner

* quiet
as this, Com Sirs Lets Chuse Peter Coffin, he wil be here but a month or Two and then we shal have Tenn pound fine of him, a man that is in Comission in Bay and is gone Thither agayn, A man that brought hither an evil Report of your Hon: from the bay, which som of us did publiquely protest against and how he hath carried it since Choson I shal leave at present But if your Hon: did know the man as wel as god know him, or but halfe so wel as som of us know him, I do verily beleive that your Hon: would dislike his Ruling here as much as any of us, in the like uncivil maner they Chose Two yong men more, Stephen Hussey calling upon them to Com such a man, and such a man, because he had Cattle at there houses to winter and if they did not Chuse them he was afraid they would not winter them wel, The sayd Stephen bringing his Corn which betoken Choice open in his hand, and called upon others to corn this man and that man, such a meeting as I never was at for such a work, And being Clarke and thereby to se to the votes, I cald upon them to be civil, and not to make a may=game of chuseing men for such Imployment, and som others spake after the same maner, but as they began so they ended, now that your Hon: may understand how they cam to be the greater part, it was by Mr. Macy his faceing about and his family, A man who was as much for the Dukes Intrest when we were with your Hon: at New=Yorke as any of us, But now for divers by ends it is other wise, I am sorry to trouble your Hon: to Read so much of this dutty stuf, but that my own buisnes depends so much upon it as th[ ] I fear your Hon: wil not understand it, without som intimation of it, Decemb: 26 was our quarter Court, And I being Clarke was at a strait what to do, because I did question as things were, whither they could keepe a legal Court or no, though I sayd nothing but was Resolved to be quite, and to that end went to the court and Carried the Court-booke with me, thinking therby to while a way time, with as much peace [ ] be, til either your Hon: cam to us or som further order, b[ ]t being there I presently saw that I was in [ ] for if I did not write what they would, Peter Coffin [ ]d me they would presently chuse a new clarke, I saw then that the Booke was that which they [ ] did as well as I could at that time, And did thinke that I would Consider better of my next [ ] have kept many private court[ ] that they gave me no Notice of Feb: 10th cam the constable to [ ] and al other Record[ ] of that nature as your Hon: may se by this inclosed paper which is Mr. Macys own hand, Reading th[ ] and Considering that they did not want me but the Booke, I Returned them this Answer in Writing, that the Booke was put into my hands by the Generall Cou[ ] and til the same power, or a higher, did cal for it from me I should Indeavour to keepe it, but if they would have any Coppys out of it they might at any
time have them, Immediatley the Constable cam with a summons, and having no time to Consider further of it I gave him no Answer, but went to Capt: Gardners house where presently he cam with a speciall warrant I would have sent your Hon: the Coppys of them but I cannot git them though often desyered them of the Const:, The sayd Constable by the help of other men haled and draged me out of the Capt: house and caried me to the place where they were met, I spake not a word to the Constable, nor Resisted him in the least, when I cam at the house I saw none of the Court, but the Constable told me that the court was Adjerned til wedensday next and that I was committed into his hands and must give bond to appeare then, Feb: 14th I cam before them and caried my selfe every way as civilly as I could, only I spake never a word, for I was fully perswaded that if I spake any thing at al, they would turn it against me I Remembered also the old saying that of nothing comes nothing, But it seems my silence did helpe to bring forth this sentence, of which your Hon: hath here a coppy,

After my sentence the Constable called for Twenty pound band or to prison I must go presently, when they al know that I am a poore old man, and not able to maintayne my family al my estate, if my debts were payd wil not Amount to halfe so much, And as for makeing use of freinds, they all know that I have more need of any helpe that way for the supply of my family for want of band away the Constable caried me to prison, A place where never any English=man was put, and where the neighbours hogs had layd but the night before, and in bitter cold frost and deepe snow, they had onely thrown out most of the durt, hogs=dung, and snow the Rest the Constable told me I might ly upon if I would, that is upon the boards in that case, And without victuals or fire, Indeed I perswaded him to fetch a littel hay and he did so, And som freinds did presently bring in beding and victuals, But as for Mr. Macy and the Rest of our New Yong Magistrates, your Hon: may se how far theire pitty did extend to a poore old man aged 60 yeares, At the present I have som leave from my keeper to be somtimes at my owne house, but how long that wil hold I know not, I have Informed your Hon: Truely what my Condition is, And my humble petition is, that your Hon: would be pleased so to consider of it, as to shew som favour towards your unworthy Petitionner, and in your wisdom to finde out som way for my freedom; As also to stop the Rage and fury of theese men, least others better then my selfe be brought suddenly to the same Condition that I am in if not wors, for the mercy of som of these men is Crualty itselufe, And in truth I was not the man that they most aymed at, others should have bin in prison at the same time, but that they found mor hevier work of it, then they thought
of, for it began presently to set afire the whole Island, for I having lived 30 years upon this Island and the Vineyard was so well known, And so well Beloved of English and Indians (whether deserved or not) that the [ ] Indians inquired what the Cause was of my imprisonment, And though both partys was unwilling to tell them, yet being before so unsatisfied with the orders or laws that these new magistrates had made for them, They presently found so much that they began to speak high in the Case, for these and the like Reasons as I suppose, our new Court though they speak great words, yet at present they are not so ful of Action, And I do most humbly Intreat your Hon: to Consider of the Condition of the poore Indians among us, in this Respect, for they have such Cause to speak against there Actings that we have no way to quite them, but to perswade them to be stil Til your Hon: Com or som order from you, which we tel them we do beleive wil certaynlly be, I have bin Interpreter here from the begining of the Plantation, when no English man but my selfe could speak scarce a word of Indian at which time I am sure som of thesee men that deal thus with me now, had felt Arrowes in their sides, from the Indians for reall wrong that they did them, had not I stept in betwen them and made peace, And I have ever since bin able by the helpe of som Antient men to keepe peace upon the Iland, but now I am not able to Answer them no other then as aforesayd, for thay say there is now yong men in place they do not understand that way, they cannot beleive that yong men, especially such men, can understand things like old men, And they are always in doubt wheth[ ] they have Justice or no, they say further, that ther is a Boston man sits in place by Mr. Macy, and he blind him so that he cannot se the Right path, And they say that they do not understand what he hath to do to Judge their Cases, theese and such like words I and others have from them, and I doe verily beleive they are theire own words, that no English body ever put any such things into their minds, we have had peace hitherto when our neighbours but Just over the water have lost so many of ther dear Relations in bloody wars, I hope your Hon: wil in your wisdome finde out som way for us, that we may be able to answer these queris of the Indians, that peace may continue stil betwen us as heretofore, I most humbly Intreat your Hon: to pardon my bouldness in writing so much upon this subject, for I have had so much to doe with the Indians for so many years, that I cannot forbeare writing, Though I cannot write but with feares, considering the misery that they and we are like to com to, If your Hon: put not a stop to thesee violent motions, I verily beleive it were better for us and the Indians also, that we had no liberty at al (at least til we could use it better) then thus to abuse it, I hear now that our new Court Intend to desyer leave of your Hon: that my cause may be tried at the generall Court, But I
humbly Intreat your Hon: to prevent it, I shall sit down fully satisfied, by your honours sentence, or by the sentance of any of the Dukes Reall freinds whom your Hon: shall appoint, it is known that I have ever bin for the Dukes Intrest, if they had don so too, we had not bin so many years without A generall Court, And what kinde of Court they are like to keepe, And what Justice I am like to have from them (as things go now), your Hon: I doubt not wil easily concive, And now Right Honourable, if I and my frinds might Injoy so much happines as to se but a line or Two of your Honours pleasure it would assueredly bring much joy to your unworthy Petitionnor, Yea it would Certainly Revive our spirits in this time of Trouble, Til som of us might have that happy opertunity to appear before your Hon: again And thus humbly beseeching your Hon: that in your wisdom you would be pleased so to Consider of my age and Inabillitys, as to pas by my rude manner of writing, I humbly leave this my Petition with your Hon: And Rest

Your humble petitioner and unworthy servant, who always [ ]nt it his Duty to pray for your Honours Welfare here, and Eternal happin[ ] hereafter

Dated March 17th
1676/7

Peter Foulger

Right Honourable

We whose names are here subscribed do verily believ[ ] that weare Peter Foulgers Case Examined and Judged by your Hon: or any other of his Royall highness officers whome your Hon: shal Apoynt (Except at the Vineyard) his offence wil be found nought else, but standing for his Royal Highness Intrest and Government.

Richard Gardner

Edward Starbuck

Thomas Colmain
Extract
From the Register of
Court Minutes held
in Albany on the 15th of
March 1676/7

Mr. Gerrit van Slichtenhorst and Capt. Phillip Schuyler, standing inside, state that a judgment against Juffrow Curlers, in which Phillip Schuyler is interested also, was obtained by Mr. Slichtenhorst for the sum of 1239 gl. 3 st. and 26 beavers and 32 schepels of wheat on account of Gert. van Rees and a private account of $71 in beavers and 8 gl 16 st. in seawan, less what has been paid on account; and whereas he has not had this judgment executed because she lay helpless on her death bed, he requests permission to attach the estate of the aforesaid Juffrow Corlaer up to the amount of the aforesaid judgment granted in their favor, cum expensis.

The honorable court give for answer that they refer the matter regarding the aforesaid estate entirely to the right honorable governor and that they can not grant any attachment against it without his honor’s approval.

Agrees with the original minutes
acknowledged by me,
Rob: Livingston, secr.

[ENDORSED:]*
The Case of Gerritt Slichtenhorst & Juffrow Curler

March 20th 1676.

This day appeared before mee Thomas Whitlock senior of Westchester

* The endorsement is in English.
and Francis Lee of New Yorke and entred into a Recognizance of forty pounds a piece that Richard Ponton shall prosecute an appeale granted him by the Governor against Mr. John Pell, from the Execucion of a sentence in Judgment past for the said Mr. Pell against the said Ponton at the last Court of Sessions held at Jamaica for the North Riding upon Long Island, or to pay all Costs, Charges or damages that may ensue thereupon. Dated the day and yeare above written.

Matthias Nicolls Secr.

[ENDORSED:] Mr. R. Pontons Security for his Appeale against Mr. Pell and Copie of Replevin. Mar. 20th 1676 agreed.

[ORDER OF REPLEVIN IN THE ABOVE SUIT]

You are hereby required in his Majesties name to replevie two Oxen lately distreyned or taken in Execucion from Richard Ponton of your Towne for the use of Mr. John Pell, and to cause them to bee delivered unto the said Richard Ponton or his order, hee having obtayned a graunt from his honor the Governor for an appeale from the Judgment which past against him at the Court of Sessions held at Jamaica, and likewise given security to prosecute his Appeale, and to pay such Cost and Damages as the said Mr. John Pell may by law recover against him, Dated in N.Y. this 20th day of Mar: 1676.

By order of the Go:

To the Constable of Westchester or his Dep: who are to make a true returne hereof at the Secr. office in the Fort.

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[APPEAL BY HENDRICK JANSEN OF A SUIT AGAINST WILLIAM HALLETT CONCERNING LAND]

Sir Edmund Andros Knight et[ ]

Hendrick Jansen    Plt.
Wm. Hallett senior Deft.

[ ] hum[ ] manner sheweth [ ] this Hon[ ] bench your Appellant Hendri[ ] that having heretofore beene quietly possesst of [ ]aine parcell of Land in Meshpath Kills within Jurisdiction of newtowne in the west riding [ ] yorke shire upon long Island, the which was la[ ] out for him by Jaques Cortelyau the survey[ ] by order from governor Stuyvesant who had gr[ ] the same to your Appeallant and upon his r[ ] the late Gov: Coll: Francis Lovelace, that he[ ] have a patent of Confi[ ] tion thereof th[ ] of at his pleasure, hee having made good Imp[ ] thereon the said Land was Confirmed unto yo[ ] Appellant as by the patent bearing date the [ ] day of may 1672 doth and may Appeare, a[ ] the which your Appellant sold the said Land unt[ ] one Laurence Comelys of Flattbush, who [ ] paid part of the purchase and refusing to pay the remainder, for want of a good Title from [ ] A[ ]ellant hee was sued at a Sessions Court at [ ] and Ju[ ]gment past against him for the same Whi[ ] the said Laurence Comelys before having sol[ ] Interest in the said Land to one George Steve[ ] alias De Capre who likewise refused to mak[ ] unless hee could bee secured in his ti[ ] sued at another court of Sessions by [ ]ence C[ ]nelys (but for some reason [ ]pearing) a stop was put to th[ ] Judgment obtayned by your Appellant against the said Laurence Comelys, untill the next Court, when the Title was to bee tryed for the said land betweene Wm. Hallet and your Appellant or Laurence Comelys, The pretences of the said William Hallett having put a stop to the former payments both by the [ ] wrence Comelys and [ ]ge Stevens. [ ] that at the Court of Sess[ ] follow[ ] the said william Hallett being Plt. and George Stevens alias De Capre Deft. as deriving his Title from Laurence Comelys and your Appellant the said George Stevens was Cast and Judgment past for the Plt. against the Deft. whereby if not relieved in Equity by your Honor and this Honorable bench your Appellant shall loose the sale of his Land, hee so long enjoyed
and was possesed of by virtue of Go. Stuyvesants Grant and Governor Lovelaces patent, together with the Improvements made thereon and the Charges of the several Courts of Sessions to his great losse and damage, But your Honor having favourably granted him an Appeale to this honorable Court of Assizes, hee layes the whole Case before your Honor hoping that his legall grant long possession and Improvement shall not bee frustrated by old dormant titles which hee conceives, for non settlement according [ ]erament made in Gov[ ]our Stuyv[ ]sants time might be forfeited, but that your Honor and honorable Court will see cause to adjudge the Land unto him so that the several Legall bargaines and [ ]tates thereof may stand good and payment mad[ ]fore according to Contract, and that the deft [ ]likewise pay all the Charg[ ] occasioned by h[ ]tence, with such Costs and damage[ ] as in your [ ] seeme meete. And your Appelant shall pray [ ]

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[LETTER FROM TRISTRAM COFFIN RECOMMENDING RICHARD GARDNER]

Right honorable Sir Thes ar to Informe your honor that our Inhabitants Beinge willinge to Injoye thease Privlidge in sendinge the [ ]ames of [ ] persones yeearly [ ] honor might Appoynt or to be [ ]asists at: I doe suppos that soume of [ ] Iland have sent the names of tows now lately to be presited unto your honor, namely Mr. Richard Gardner and Capt. John Golder how legall to have acted in and about It I am not willing to say anything of: But If your honor shall be pleased to give Mr. Rich Golder a commision I shall rest sattisyfied with what your honor doth and still serve you to my yaer

Tristram Coffyn

[ADDRESSED:] For the Right honorable Ser Edmond Andros Knight* Thes

* This undated document apparently belongs with those of the next year since Andros had not yet been knighted in 1677.
Right Honorabell:

May it Please your Honor.

Duty and Love Comands; nesesity constrayn: and your Honors Wisdome and Care of us embouldens mee once more to Pittishtion and enferme your Honor of our present State: First, that there hath bene an unhapy diferance Amongst us; begane before my coming to this Iland; and since not decresed is to Evident: the Grounds whereof I beleve your Honor was never yet Rightly Enformed of and at my Last being before your Honor could not then well do it by Reson of your Honors Expedition for Delaware: But I did then hope at your Honors Retorne, to have gone through all Things as it then was: but the unhapy Indian War unexpec­tedly breaking out hath hitherto hindred that maters are now groune much worse than before: if I may, therfor Humbly Entreat your Honors Patience a litell, I shall as Brefly as posabelly I can; give your Honor the shorte of it: and leave it more fully to be don when I shall find the Hapines Againe to stand before your Honor: And now Right Honorabell: that there was sum kind of Purchas of Mr. Mayhew by sume Jentelmen liveing in Masatusets: of Liberty to plant upon this Iland; and after that, the Purchas of sum Land of the Indian Right such as it was; and a part of thous Purchasers came to Inhabit: Taking in sum other Inhabitance with them on Termes as agreed one: this is Cleare: But his Royall Highnes haveing obtained his Royall Grant from his Royall Majisty together with all other Titeles being Resigned over to him: and Generall Nickels rightfully Taking Posistion for his Ryall Highnes: and Governing hear for a Time as your Honor well knows did send a verball Mesage to the Inhabitance and all Persons consemed in thes Ilands to apear before him to marke out ther Claymes: and Reserve ther Land by Athority of his Ryall Highnes as the Law directs: which Mesage was so far slighted as to take no noties of it: After this the Right Honorabell Corn. Loflas coming Governor: did Again send out his warant for Persons hear Conserved to Apeare before him within fouer mounths to make out ther Clames: and to Reserve their Land by Athority from his Ryall Highnes or Elce all ther Claymes should be ever after voyd to all Intents the Copy

* Material in brackets from Papers Relating to the Island of Nantucket, by Franklin B. Hough (Albany, 1856).
of this was sent to those of the Purchasers yet in the Massachusetts: and the Inhabitance hearer wayted on them about one Yeare after the Time given then before they mad ther Apearance According to warrant: Reseveing no Answer nither was ther ever aney Answer to this day or aney Apearance for them to say our Massachusetts Masters as will abundantly Apeare: now heare coms in the Ground of all our difrance: that severall of the Inhabitance joyne with the Purchers: afirming that this ther Ould Titell is Good, and that they nead not to take ther Titell from his Ryall Highness as the Law derects: and that it was ther one before: On the managing of this dispute hath maney things fallen in as sum of us judge derogatory to his Ryall Majestys Ryall Athority: and his Ryall Highnes Propriety: and Goverment, which will beter Aper by The Evidence in Corts sesone: thes Things hath wroust such [Res]istance in Afiction that we are now Grone into Distracktion in that of the Goverment that is amongst us

Mr. Macy and his Relatives though formerly aserted his Ryall Highn[es] Propriety and Intrust now joyne with that [Party] as we judge opose it: and sum Persons now come out of the Bay of those Ou[ ] Purchesers: as Sogounors for a time by Reson of the Indian war: so thay now haveing the bigger Party hear mould all Things after ther Plesuer: or at Lest Endever it: but which is worse than all this Peter Cofen and James,* Sogournors for a time haveing ther Mouths full of those vile Reports, thay brindg of your Honors being Reported to be the Indians Abeter in the war against the Englis[h,] aleging it publeckly: as a Ground why we might not folow your Honors Order according to the Law in helping the Indians as the Law derects: and this thay prest with vyolence in words I gave them this Answer after sum others that I did beleve that it would never apear that your unspotedf Honor had ever asisted the Indians, or ben the Abeter of his Magistie[s] or the English Enemies: Peter Cofen answered then hee was basly belyed: in a reprochfull maner as could well be without positive Afirming of it: furder folowing this Discours[e] with vere high Words: Mr. Macy being by and heard all thes things but could not find on Word in your Honors Vindication or St[op] to ther Vyolence: though aserted himseleves to be a Chefe Magistrat: the Streame now Running that way Peter Cofen now chosen a Magistrat hear: though now in Comision [ ] the Bay: and Debity‡ of ther Genarall Court, as I am enformed: [ ] Spirit being Leveied with wicked Rauce[ ] against your

* brother of Peter Coffin
† Hough, op. cit., suggests that "unspoted" was intended although no "t" appears.
‡ deputy
Hon[or] as is to coman in ther Black Mouths in that Contry: tog[ ] with others highly spereted stoutly to Asert ther Ould Tit[le] in Opposi-
tion to his Ryall Highnes Proprity: other ways of [ ] Amen Copesity Mr. Macy still aserting your Honors Comis[ion] Being unquestionably
Good according to the time: but now since sum th[ ] the time Aloted
him is out: we yet willing to submit to what [ ] Purpose one is when
in this Magisties name and for the Present t[ ] sufer tell wee may find
Relevese as your Honors Wisdom shall dir[ect.] And now Right
Honorabell the Mesuer we have allready met with [ ] by thes men will
sumthing Apear by Peter Foulgers Petistion: and for my seluef I have
halves a Barell of Rom taken from me and disposed of after ther Plesuer:
for what Reson I profes I know not but becau[se] it was myne: (this was
don cheafly by Mr. Macy and his sone Worth) I have desiered the
Constabell to give me a Copy of the warant by whi[ch] he toock it from
mee: but cannot obtenae it: and from Mr. Macy cane have no Answer:
but questions not of Releuef in its seson: but for the Present have
expected dayly the Prison to be my Portion I [being] Highly Guilty of
that great Sine: of Aserting his Ryall Highness [Justes] and Propriety
according to Law, as sum count it: but I hope n[ot] all: Amongst the
Indians, there has ben Great Disturbence of late, by Reson of severall
Laws, mad and Published amongst them by our new Magistrates: and it
Rone so highe, that one of the Indian Sachems tould me thay could not
forbeare: but must fight: if this Laws wea[r] Prosicuted One them: and
no Passifing of them: but by Assuring the[m] of his Magistys Reall Care
in Protecking them from wrong Together by begeting in them A High
Esteme of your Honor: [ ] that your have Allways tacken Care that thy
shall have Equall [ ] and that upon ther Just Complaints: find Undout
Releuef to which thay say thay Are fully Satesfied: and Are allways
willing to Ly downe by your Honors Plesuer: but canot beleve that it is
from your Honor that Boston men: should be ther Juges: that to speak
ther one words say And bileve to Masters heard: and by Boys as they
call young men in this Case: but hear are som of them wear gone to your
Honor desiering me to wright in ther behaluef: by home I sopose your
Honore will understand at Large ther busnes: that I ame A stranger to:
but Assuers them of your Honors Redynes to hear and dow them Right
without An Advocat: one of them is on Hardy that sent your Honor A
Girdell of Pease the last yeare by Captain Philipson: he is a Popolor man
Amongst the Indians hear: and is as good a wite we Judge as any is
amongst them: I qustion not but your Honors wisdom will so Carey it
towards them as will Aboundantly Ratifi our hetherto continued Peace:
and if your Honor shall be Pleased to favor us but with your word to the
Master of Aney vesell to give them Pasag Back: and land them aney
where on the Vineyard which will be in their way: your Honor will Aboundently Oblidge your unworthy Servants heare: and now Right Honorbell my Humble Petestion is that your wisdom will Pardon my Bouldnes: and Prolyx discourse: not being Abell to give a Breather Acounte in truth of our misery being but a touch of what will I questian not hearafter mor fully Apeare Relayteing I shall be under your Honors Sensuer knowing my One Integrety in what I hear Aserte: my sole Resting in your Honor's wisdom in Ordering matters so: as will be for the futer Peace: One word mor I should Humbly Entreat favor in: In Respect of Peter Folger[er,] How now Remayn a Prisonar: for no other Reson Except the Ould Case as Abues: but not Apering to ther somance: ther being not above ½ on Hour from the time of the summons tell the Constable fechet him I verely beleve: upon which: his Indictment and sentence was: a copy wherof Peter Folger will Present your Honor with: and now must Remayn a Prisonor Except your Honors favor Grant a Releace: tell he may stand before your Honor which is his desier: wher I verely beleve his Ofence will be found note Elce in Reality: but standing to mayntayne his Ryall Highnes Propriety and Goverment: to which he is willing to Abid your Honors Sensuer: wee hear our masters hear Intend to have him Removed hence to the Jenarall Corte at the Vynuard: which we Loock at: as from the frying pane to the Fier: ther intrinsick magnetick vertu haveing so great a north Inclination:* so Beging once mor Pardon and Favor from your Honor if I might be but Blest with but on Line of your Honors Pleasuer hearin: for which I shall Ever Praye for your Honors Everlasting Hapines in which I shall Rejoyce: that I may:

Subscribe myself
your honors Obedente
Servant: John Gardner

From Nantucket
the 15 March 76:77

[26:40]

[PETITION OF JOHN GARDNER CONCERNING THE GOVERNMENT OF NANTUCKET]

The Humble Petition of John Gardner to his Excellency the Governor in Wholnes of the Plantation at natuckket

* Alluding to their preference for the Massachusetts authority (Hough).
Humbly sheuth

Imprimis: wee Ernestly Pettistion wee may be no Alteration nor Inovation of our Libertyes and titles or Proprity Granted by pattant under his Riyall Highnes: and that ther may be no Goverment nor form of Governing in our Township or Corporation: but by vertu of power: and According to Instrutions first had and obtayned from his Ryall Highnes Lieftenants and Governer Generall in this place

2ly that we may have no other Laws Imposed on us besids the laws of the Colony Except such prudentialls in our severall Corporations Acording to your Honors former Instructions.

3ly that thow Mr. Mayhew be presedent at the severall Corts at both Ilands the which I desier yet that hee might not have A Casting vote, but at the vinyard only

4ly that the Ch. miliytery offesers may have power by warant to levey all such fines as by law is within ther Cognissence to empose and the Constable may be empowered to excute the same

5ly that your Honor should be pleased if it might be to alter the speashea of our Acnoledgment into money becase of the difficulty of Convayence

All which wee leave to your Honors wisdom and favorable Acceptance and shall ever pray

[STATEMENT OF JOHN GARDNER ABOUT THE ELECTION OF A MAGISTRATE]

Mr. Thomas Mayhew and Gentlemen all such as are his Magiesties Lawfull and RightfuHy established Offisers with all diue Honour salut you.

Whereas I have ben twice fechet out of my house by warrant under the name of a Jenerall Corte: and highly Charged with contempt of his Magesties Athority: the which I am so far from Ofering the Least Content unto: that I desier not Longer to Lieve then to be Ready to Sacrefies my Liufe and fortains for the maintaining of it: but as to my Actuall Obediance to a Generall Corte: I dow not understand of aney there can be heare at this time: by Reson the persons hear of our Iland that tack upon them the Goverment at this haveing not aney Lawfull
Athority According to his Excelencis the Governers Instactions so far as I can understand: so to dow: and that for thes Resons: first for Mr. Macy himseluef haveing at severall times and in Open towne meting declared that his Comision should be out on the 13 day of October Last and that he should not stand on day Longer: since which time I never yet heard of aney Renewed Comistiones he have had: 2ly Nathaniel Barnard as is Afirmed by maney had not a major vote and then not chosen: 3ly I understand not how Mr. Peter Cofen whilst in Commition at Boston: as I have heard he was could be chosen heare with severall outhor Resons I have to Offer to his honor the Govenor on this Acount: and for thes Resons I could not but be all together pasife on my Obedince at this time: but shall not opose: but if his Excelency: the Governor shall one this to be by his Magistyes Corte as it is now constituted: I dow then Apeale unto the Corte of Asize at New Yourke from the sentance declared Against me: and shall folow the order the Law Enjonyes me therin.
	his is a true Copy of the paper

John Gardner
delivered Mr. Mayhew at the Cort
at Natucket

[26:42]  
[LETTER TO THOMAS MAYHEW ABOUT THE TRIAL OF JOHN WRIGHT FOR LIBELLING THE DUKE OF YORK]

Mr. Mayhew

I have [ ]ised upon your letter and all [ ]ets concerning Mr. Wrights accusac. In answer to which you have done well in your due proceeding therein, but the Jury though sent out twice bringing him in not guilty and then cleared by proclamacion your selfe having no further objection but satisfied of his Innocency Hee ought not to bee further troubled after a legall tryall but wholy aquitted, persuant to which I pray you’l take present order; As to your future Comport in the like or higher Case, if matter of fact bee proved before you, you are to send them hither or suspend their tryall till further directions therein, I am

Your affectionate friend

E. Andros
The Go. to Mr. May[ ]
March 29, 1677
about the words spo[ ]
Against the Duke

formerly therefore Pray bring me a Copie of your pracktice in that afore you.*

[26:43]

[LEASE OF THE DUKE’S PLANTATION AT NEW YORK TO DIRCK SIEKEN]

THIS INDENTURE made the 25th of March in the 29th yeare of our Soveraigne Lord Charles the Second, by the Grace of God of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland King, defender of the faith etc., Annoque Domini 1677 Betweene Edmund Andros Esquire, Governor Under his Royall Highnesse James Duke of Yorke etc. of all his Territoryes in America for and on the behalfe of his said Royall Highnesse, on the one part, and Dirck Seekers of the Island Manhatans Husband Man, on the other part, WITTNESSETH, that the said Edmund Andros, for divers causes and Consideracions him thereunto Especially moveing, hath demised, graunted and to Farme lett; And by these presents doth demise, grant, and to Farme lett, unto the said Dirck Seekers his Executors, Administrators and Assignes, all that Messuage Tenement or Farme commonly called the Dukes Bowery, or Farme; together with all the Lands, Meadowes, Feedings, Pastures, and Comodityes whatsoever, to the said Farme now belonging or appertaining; And being now in the tenure or occupacion of him the said Dirck Seekers; Situate, lyeing and being on the West side of this Island; Begining neare the Common where the wind Mill now stands soo to the West side; And extending neare, or unto the Farmes or Bouwery called the Burgemasters Bowery: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said Messuage, Tenement or Farme, Houseing Barne, Lands, Meadowes, Feeedeings, Pastures and other the demised premisses, and every part and parcell thereof, unto the said Dirck Seekers his Executors, Administrators, and Assignes, from the day of the date hereof, for and dureing the time and terme of twenty yeares, to bee fully compleate, and ended; Yeilding and paying therefore, yearely and every yeare, during the said Terme unto the said Edmund Andros his Successors Assignes or order; the Rent of sixty Bushells of good winter wheate

* This note seems to be in the governor's hand. The rest was written by Secretary Nicolls.
in new Yorke yearely, at or upon the Feast of our Lady; being the 25th day of March yearely. And if it shall soe happen, the said yearely Rent of sixty bushells of wheate, or any part or parcell thereof, to bee behind, and unpaid by the space of Twenty dayes next over or after the said time, In which the said payment, ought to bee made, being lawfully demanded, that then, and from thence forth, and at all times after, it shall and may bee lawfull to and for the said Edmund Andros, his Successors or Assignes unto the said Messuage, Tenement or Farme, Housing, Barne, Lands, meadowes, Feeding, Pastures, and all the demised premises, with the appurtenances, and into any part and parcell thereof, wholly to re-enter, and the same to have againe, repossesse and enjoy, as in his or their former Estate; This Indenture or anything else to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And the said Dirck Seekers, for himselfe his Executors, Administrators, and Assignes, and for every of them doth covenant, promise and grant to and with the said [ ]vernor, his successors or Assignes; that at the Expiracion of the said time and terme of twenty yeares, or other sooner determinacion of the [ ]ent lease of the said Farme, Land, and premisses, hee or they peaceably and quietly shall leave, surrender and yeild up unto th[ ]vernor his Successors or Assignes, in a good Condidion of houseing, Fencing and otherwise as the same now is or ought to bee, or as hee the said Dirc[ ]by Covenant is obliged to doe and maintaine. IN WITNESSE whereof the partyes to these presents have Interchangeably sett th[ ]ands and seales, the day and yeare first above written. Memorandum that there is excepted out of this Lease Fifteene Acres three quarters etc. of Land gr[ ]ed to peter Jansen for the same time the which hee is now in possession of, And that the said Derick Sekers his Executors Administrators or Assignes, shall not [ ]lyke, or kill any flesh to sell, without the port Dureing this Lease;

Sealed and delivered in presence of
Tho: Ashton
Joseph Smith

[ENDORSED:] The Counterpart of the Lease made to Dirck Seekers for the Dukes Farme upon this Island.

[ ]
Manhatans.
25 March 1677.
Right Honorabell

May it please your Honor: this Indian Obadia Above mesuer Importunes me to signifi his busnes to your Honor in wrighting: and he not haveing A Interpreter wheby he myght speack to your Honor: the Indian Languish hear and with you mush differing: has mad mee willing: but Especially the servis and duty I Owe unto your Honor undo mee: and now Right Honorble his complaint is: that his Land is wrungfully sold from him by Other Indian sachems that had nothing to do with it: and he turned out: and his Land now Enjayed by the English without anye satesfaction ether to himself or his Ansisters: that is the sum of his complaint: and unto the Justnes or truth of it: I Can say this much that I have heard so much of it: that I beleave ther is much of Truth in it: and the care being examened by your Honor or Aney Other emparshall Judges him your Honor shall Apoynt: it will Apeare so to bee: with many other Complaints of Lick natuer: I Judge to hard to be Answored by Aney Judges upon Ether of thes Islands: I Am sure it will never be to the Indians satesfaction: and it being A hard thing for men to be Judges in ther One case: the truth is ther is great want of your Honors presence Amongst us If it wear but on day or two: if it myght be your Honores plesuer so to do: as we Are Enformed it is: though I Confes we are not worthy to Enjay that favor and as badly Able suitably to Entertaine your Honor: yet thus much I will say for my seluf: that your honor shall not fayle of A Candieid suspention tell the truth may Apeare: which is all my desier: thus comiting your Honor to the Blesing and Protecktion of the Most High as in Truth I am bound Allways to praye: and Rejayce in that I Am: Natucket the 28th March 1676/77

Your Honors unworthy but Reall servant John Gardner

[ENDORSED:] Agust 1677 [   ]
Gardners letters
and complaints from nantokett
Sam: Edsall Interpreter

This day appeared before the Governor the Indyan Sachem Tackpousha with his son, the Rockway Sachem, and the Sequetauke Indyans son (Mericock included) and about 20 Indyans, They say they have no particular buisnesse, but to give a visit and to declare the continuance of their friendship and were glad to see the Governor and all things well.

With this they present a large string of white wampam.

The Go. saith they may bee welcome to him without putting themselves to such Charge, and may come without it.

The Go: tells them hee is glad they are all quiet and well, and as long as they continue so they shall allways bee protected and have Justice.

They are advised not to receive or hearken to [ ] Indyans etc.

They seeme not to esteeme so small a matter.*

The Go: tells them hee hath given order to Hempsteed men to agree with them in a friendly manner for the land in difference between them, and if they doe not agree with them in 3 months time, the Go: will, therefore advises them to endeavor to agree with them in a friendly manner also; Hempsteed are ordered to come to them.

Upon a preposall from Joseph Carpenter, that if hee should have occasion to cutt some timber for the saw Mill, where it is not fenc’t in, It being recommended from the Go: they say its a small matter and consent to it.

* The correct location for this sentence is uncertain.
At a meeting of Tackpousha, etc.

Mar. 27. 1677.

Before the Go:

[26:46]

LETTER TO GOVERNOR LEVERETT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF MOHAWK AND OTHER INDIANS]*

Honorable.

I doubt not but you are well satisfied of the Maques and our other Indyans services, who having cleared this part, and northerly, of all Ennemy Indyans, have since sent severall partyes Eastward of Piscataway (where wee heare new troubles were) and I hope will continue faithfull, and our Neighbors of Conecticutt Apprehensions bee but suppositions, having had a post in the winter and frequent Intelligence all this spring, from Albany and those parts, of things being well and Maques etc. as well disposed as ever, however, (and hearing of your forces missing their designe on the Kennebeck Indyans, and being returned from the eastward, and likely ill state of those parts this spring, I am (God willing) hastning up to Albany to take the best order possible, and that our said Indyans doe effectually prosecute those in warrs Eastward, of which I thought necessary to give your an Account, and desire you’l give sufficient Orders to any Out forces or places you have, that (as occasion) they’l receive and use such our Indyans as friends, being confident they will doe good service and not injure any Christian or Concerns.

Siandena (a young man in great Esteeme, son to one of the cheifest sachems) and some others are now out with small partyes, and I doubt not of greater partyes, and best Commanders going out ere long, of which more at my returm.

The sixteene Indyans I received (upon the severall Colonyes declaracions to doe so,) being incorporated with our River Indyans,

* There are two copies of this document. This is from one in Secretary Nicolls’s writing; the other, apparently written by Governor Andros, is virtually identical except that it is dated “Mar: [blank] 1677” and endorsed: “Copie of the Governors Letter to the Go: of Boston. before his going for Alb: this spring about beginning of Apr. 1677,” both of which were added by Nicolls, and it lacks the address.
(jointly bound for them) have beene very orderly, and I shall be equally responsible for them as other Colonyes are for their Indyans; Thirty two more that intruded among our River Indyans, I sent prisoners to the Maques, who beyond Expectation have saved their lives though burnt seaventeene a few dayes afore, but give all assurance possible of their fidelity and good Comport and I thinke may be trusted as well as other Indyans in the severall Colonyes; I have acted with best advice and utmost of my power doe not doubt (God Willing) good sucresse, and remaine

N. Yorke
Apr. 3d—1677

Your affectionate friend [and]
Servant.

[ADDRESSED:]
Direction
for the honorable the Governor and Councell
of his Majesties Colony of the Massachusetts
at Boston
These.

[ENDORSED:]
[ ]
and Counce[ ] of the
Massachusetts, from the
Go:

Apr. 4th 1677
sent by Mr. Richa. Wharton, this day.

[26:47]

[DEED, WILLIAM DYER TO SAMUEL LEETE, OF A LOT OF GROUND ON THE EAST SIDE OF BROADWAY, NEW YORK (NO DATE).
DOCUMENT MISSING]

[26:48]

[DECLARATION OF BROOKLYN OFFICIALS CONCERNING MARSHLAND GRANTED TO DIRCK JANSZ, JERONIMUS DE RAPELJE, AND MICHEL HAINELLE. TRANSLATION]

We, the undersigned constable and overseers of the jurisdiction of Breuckelen hereby declare and attest that at the time of Governor Lovelace our commonality of Breuckelen submitted complaints to the aforesaid governor that behind their village of Breuckelen lay a certain piece of swampy marshland which annually caused great damage to its inhabitants through the loss of horses and cows that wander in there and
perish. They requested most humbly that the governor [ ] be pleased to dispose of the aforesaid marshland to some of the inhabitants who would ditch the aforesaid swampy marshland and thereby dry it in order to prevent communal losses. The governor then deemed it advisable to appoint the messers. Mattheys Nicolls and Cornelis van Ruyven to make an inspection of the matter, which they then reported to the governor. As it appears by the depositions made by them for this report, the aforesaid marsh and land was conferred to Dierck Jansen, Jeronimus de Rapallie and Michil Hainelle who incurred heavy expenses having a ditch dug through the aforesaid swampy marshland from one end to the other; and finally it was brought so far that [ ] this time [ ] no animal has perished in it. Concerning the land [ ] and a piece of poor and inferior land [ ] not suitable for development as an enclosed pasture* [ ] cannot see that the release of it [ ] the other inhabitants of the village [ ] suffered any losses. These reasons related above we have, to the best of our knowledge, judged to be true and truthful, and have signed this accordingly with our usual signatures at Brueckelen on the 24th of April sixteen hundred seventy-seven.

Overseers

{Cornelis Corsse, Constable
Jeronimu Rapale
Anthonis Gysbertsen Bogaert

[ENDORSED:]
Monsr: Heynells
Certificate from
the Const. and Over
=seers of Breuckel

[26:49]

[ORDER THAT THOMAS THATCHER OR JOHN PALMER MUST PROVE WILLIAM CORVAN A SLAVE, OR HAVE HIM SET FREE]

At a Councell held in New Yorke Apr. the 6th 1677.

The buisnesse about William Corvan (the Malatto sent to Mr. Tho: Thatcher) touching his freedome or being a Slave, being taken into Consideracion.

The said Malatto producing two Evidences upon Oath to prove him a freeman, and brought away against his Will, and Mr. Thomas Thatcher

* weicamp (weidekamp): pasture enclosed by drainage ditches
alleadging his being sent a Slave to his sister Davenport by Mr. Hall, and
withall producing the Malatto’s Indenture to serve 7 yeares with him the
which the said Malatto objected against as being forced thereunto, by
threatnings of his being sent away to Barbados.

Ordered that if Mr. Thomas Thatcher or Mr. John Palmer doe not prove
him to bee a Slave in 8 dayes time after the date hereof, or give sufficient
security of 100£ to prove him to bee so, within twelve months, that then
the said Malatto shall bee declared free, and may take his owne Course,
of the which to have a Certificate out of the Secretaries office.

By order of the Governor in Councell.

Matthias Nicolls. Secr.

[ENDORSED:] Order of Councell about the Malato
of Mr. Thatcher.

Apr. 6: 1677.
The materiall Entred.

[26:50]

[ENDORSED:] Wm. Corvans Ingagement

These Presents are to informe that I Wm. Corvan Mallato have freely
Bound my Self A Servant unto Thomas Thacher of Boston in New
England Merchant His Heires Executors or assignes and Doe by these
presents Fully and Absolutely Oblidge my Self Faithfully In all respects
to Serve him The said Thacher his hiers or Assignes the full terme of
seaven yeares From the Day of the Date here of which will bee untill the
Yeare of our Lord Sixteen hundred Eighty three or four, For sundry
consideration moveing me there unto as witnesse my hand and seale this
Twelth day of February anno 1676 Or 7.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the presents of

Mary Thacher
Samll: Davies

the marke of
Wllm Corvan [Seal]

Wm. Corvans Ingagement
1676/7.
Robert Little Aged 35 years or thare Abouts testifys and saith that as wee was sailling from Jameca for the bay of Compech* in the ship Neves factor Samuel Daves Com. att the Iland Coled Cymanbracke our Connoe with our Mastre Richard Hall and some outhers of Company we[ ] one shore to gett tortull thay met with some french m[ ] whareof thay brought to on bord the said ship wee bein[ ] under saill wee stood Away for little Cymanes and so[ ] our intend port And when wee Came thare thare w[ ] A ship belonging to boston William Jemes Com. had[ ] saill our said Mastre sent a way one of the french men a bord of the s[ ] James by force as I was In formed and as I understood by the other frenchman hee was A freeman uppon Martineq[ ] and to the best of my knowledg hee was betrayed by the said hall one bord the ship and sent him to boston by force and ferther saith not.

Robt Little

In new yorke the 18 Sept. 1676.

Sworne before mee Wm. Darvall Major.

[ENDORSED:] A Testimony taken before the Mayor about Wm. Corvan.

* The ship was sailing for Campeche in Yucatan but stopped at the island of Cayman Brac for turtles, and then at Little Cayman.
Senerakan, Pannerwaque, Kaelkop, Ankerop and most of the Esopus Indians, women as well as men and boys, whether they had any claim on the land possessed by us according to or since the treaty made with the lord governor Nic[olls]. After absenting themselves for a short period to deliberate, Kaelkop said that they did not understand having sold it so far to the north, but he was content that we should possess it, provided that the lord governor would give him one blanket, one shirt and one loaf of bread. Whereupon the lord governor asked him whether he was competely satisfied with it, [to which he] answered, “Yes”; but if the lord governor would also give him a piece of cloth, it would be fine. Then he and the sachems and all the other Indians were told that they should point out or describe the limits as they are and are now intended to be. They described them as follows: Beginning at the Rontduyt Kill until a Kill named Kahakasink, northward along the mountains until a Kill named Magowasinginck, from there to the second falls, eastward until Tendejachkamick on the great river, along the river south until the Ronduyt Kill, with everything included therein: good and bad, hill, valley and waters etc. Kaelkop also declares that he has granted to the old sawyer his further rights to a kill named the Saegers Kill and the land until the limits of the Katskill Indians, along the river until the mountains above. Whereupon the lord governor asked the sachems and all the other Indians, young and old, if it were so then they should answer freely and without fear. To which they all together answered that it was so, and that no one else had any claim on it. After asking them again whether they would be satisfied with the aforesaid payment, they answered, “Yes, completely.” Whereupon the lord governor in the presence of everyone gave to Kaelkop the aforesaid request as payment in full, to wit:

one blanket;
one shirt;
one loaf of bread;
one piece of cloth;
and in addition, baize for stockings.

All of them being well pleased, the lord governor told them further that it was his intention to have the limits viewed and inspected for his own complete satisfaction and that Kaelkop should go along with some other Indians in order to point out particular details, with payment for their troubles, which they accepted with gratitude. They say that it is well and that they shall always be ready to do so again.

Dated as above.
The mark of Kaelkop for the family of Amogasickakan

The mark of Ankerop for Kettsypray

The mark of Kagakapo wyck for the family of Mahew

The mark of Winga waes for the family of Kakatawis

Pannere Wack, sachem
his mark

Senera Kan, sachem
his mark

Mamary Rockwa, sachem

In the name of all the Esopus Indians.

In the presence of the lord governor and the undersigned;

Thomas Chambers
G. Hall
Joost Adryaens
Dirck Schepmoes
Ed. Whittaker
Wessel ten Broeck
Hendrick Jochemsz
Joris Davits

Silve. Salisbury
Will. Rodney
John West
W. D. Mayer

Testus

Wm. La Montagne, secretary
To ALL CHRISTIAN people to whom these Presents shall Come I Richard Crisp of Boston in New England Merchant send Greeting etc. WHEREAS Lancelott Talbott of the said Place Merchant in behalfe of himselfe and Implers by his certaine Writeing or Lettre of Attourney under his hand and seale beareing Date the 21th day of December 1676 made Ordained Authorized and Constituted me the said Richard Crisp his true Sufficient and Lawfull Attourney and Procurator to aske and Demand of Thomas Snawsell of New yorke and of all and every other Persons all such Debts Wards or Merchandizes as are due belonging or payable to the said Lancelott Talbott by any way or meanes whatsoever and Likewise Impowered mee to make and substitute one or more Attourney or Attourneys under mee for the Better Carrying on the premisses as in and by the said lettre of Attourney more att large may appeare NOW know yee That I the said Richd. Crisp doe by these Presents by Vertue of my Power aforesaid Nominate make Ordaine Authorize and in my place and stead doe place [ ] substitute m[ ] trusty and beloved Friends Mr. John

* This note appears in the margin on the first page.
† This date was written in later, and is incorrect. A translation by Dingman Versteeg of the original document is at the Ulster County Courthouse (photocopy at NYSL), II 493.
Inians and M[ ] the City of New yorke aforesaid Merchants [ ]ll Attourneys for and in the nam[ ] and to the use of [ ]ott Talbott his friends and [ ] Joyntly or [ ] require and receive of [ ] Snaw-sell of [ ] all and every other person and persons [ ] all and singul[ ]mony goods debts Wares Merchand[ ] and Effects wh[ ] belonging or payable unto the said Talbot of [ ] bye or from any other person or persons whatsoever by [ ] book[ ] by any other Ways or Meanes whatsoever with all Costs Damages and Interests: And alsoe to Compound and Agree accompt with and Take accompt of the said Thomas Snawsell and all other persons whatsoever and of the Recoverys Receipts Composicions and Agreements Acquittances or other Sufficient Discharg-es in the name of the said Talbott to make seale and Deliver and if need be they or either of them for the premisses to appeare and the person of the said Talbott have present in all Courts before any Judges or Justices. And the said Thomas Snawsell or any other person or persons aforesaid in Case of refuseing to be accomplatable and to make payment as aforesaid to Sue Arrest Attach Implead Imprison and Condemn and out of prison againe when need shall require to deliver his or their person or persons Estate or Estates in Execucion to take and from under Execucion att your pleasure againe to release And Generally in and Concerning the Premis-ses and Depencences thereof to doe Stay Execute and accomplish all and whatsoever I or the said Talbott might or could doe If I or he were personally present. Although the Matter doe require more Especiall Authority then herein is particulary Expressed Retyfieing and by these Presents Confirming whatsoever my said Attourneys or either of them shall Joyntly or severally doe or Lawfully Cause to be done in and about the premisses by vertue of these Presents. IN WITTNESSE whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale this [Blank] day of May in the 29th yeare of his Majesties Reigne Annoque Domini 1677.

Sealed and Delivered in the Presence off. Richd. Crisp [seal]

Ca Knapton Matthias Nicolls.
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Capt. Nicholls, sir, the acco. stands as above twixt you and mee in my books, if you find any omissions or mistakes please to supply and rectifie it; and then according as you have frequently desired, the accompt may bee ballanced: May 10th 1677.

Your humble servant

Nicholas Blake.

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Blakes Account
May 10th 1677.

[26:55]
[NO CALENDAR ENTRY OR DOCUMENT]

[26:56]
[TRIAL OF ELIZABETH RAINER FOR NEGLECT OF HER DEAD CHILD]

At a Speciall Court of Orrier and Terminer held at Southampton By his Majesties Authority in the 29th yeare of the Reigne of Our Soveraigne Lord Charles the Second, by the Grace of God King of England Scotland France and Ireland Defender of the faith etc: the 16th day of May Annoque Dom: 1677.

The Indictment of Elizabeth Rainer:

Elizabeth Rainer

Hold up thy hand Elizabeth Rainer: Thou standest here Indicted by the name of Elizabeth Rainer, the Daughter of Joseph Rainer of the towne of Southampton in the East Riding of York=sheire on Long Island, for that when thou hadst played the whore, and becamest with Childe by fornication, after the wickedness of thy owne heart and by the Instigation of the Devill, Didst about the 18th of March last in the 29th yeare of our Soveraine Lord King Charles the Second, depart from thy fathers howse, into a certaine Coopers shopp (and from all help) and there wert Delivered of a childe and didst sinfully and wickedly leave it dead upo[ ] parcell of Chipps, covered with a board; And m[ ] like a bruite beast then a mother, Did[ ]t not acquaint any of the same, nor use any way to preserve the life of it: For which said act thou standest here Indicted for Murther; what sayest thou, Guilty or not Guilty:
The prisoner pleads, and answers Not guilty:

Mr. John Jennings Appoynted and Impowered to bee Attorney in the case for our Soveraigne Lord the King.

The verdict

The Jury finde her Guilty of Misscariages in Neglecting the usuall meanes of preserveing her Infant; But Not guilty of Murther:

Upon the verdict of the Jury: The Judgment of the Court is, that Elizabeth Rainer shall bee returned to the prison; shall stand or sitt ½ howre on the gallowes with a halter about her neck and then bee brought to the whipping post, and receive 21 stripes upon her naked back, and soe bee returned to the Goal, till further Order etc:

A true Coppy out of the Records per me Henry Peirson Cleark to the Court of Sessions for the East Rideing:

[NOTE:]* May. 28. 1677.

Capt. Tho: Willet High Sheriffe of Long Isl: made retume of the speciall Court of Oyer and Terminers proceedings, and that the woman was releas’t by order of the Justices, the same Evening shee received her punishment.

[ENDORSED:] The Inditement and verdict and Judgment of Court.

[26:57–58]

[TWO LETTERS FROM ROBERT SANDERS TO SECRETARY NICOLLS CONCERNING A FRIEND’S PROPERTY TITLE. TRANSLATION]

Honorable lord, Captain Nicolles, after wishing your honor, your honor’s beloved wife and entire family, fortune, prosperity and salvation, these few lines serve [to inform] that a very good friend has asked me to write to your honor that he bought a house in public auction and found out later that the seller still has received neither patent nor conveyance of the lot; and that perhaps he would not receive any either if the buyer were obligated to make payments to the seller on such an unsure footing (both are named as your honor can see by the enclosed copy of the bill of rate). Therefore, the seller has asked me whether I would be willing to write

* Added by Matthias Nicolls.
your honor a note about the aforesaid matter because he is still not well acquainted with your honor.

I therefore ask (with your honor’s leave) whether your honor would send me his advice on the aforesaid matter as soon as possible, which I would consider a special act of friendship.

After most cordial greetings, may the worthy lord and friend together with your honor’s entire family be commended to the protection of the Almighty.

Done at New Albany the 30th of May 1677.

Your honor’s obedient servant,

Robbert Sandersz

[ADDRESSED:] Honorable, Prudent, Wise, Discreet Lord Captain Niccolles, Secretary at Nieuw Jorck

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Robt. Sanders Alb. May 30 1677

Praise God, 1677 the 30th of May.

Very good friend Captain Nickels. I take the liberty to write to you my friend, doubting not whether you shall take care of my request. Whereas the time is approaching for my friend to make his first payment and he does not know whether he shall be secure in the house or not, I request that you do not neglect to speak to his honor about what this man should do, because I am very saddened over such deceit or entanglements. It seems as if this person would deceive our entire place. However, I hope that it will finally end and that justice will prevail. I request that you let me know by the first yacht what we are supposed to do. I have no doubts about a quick reply or response. Hereby commending your honor to God’s protection,

your honor’s servant

Robbert Sandersz
Memorandum for Philip Pietersen Schuyler to obtain a patent and Jan Hendrickens Solsbergen’s name to be placed first because the land comes from him.

Memorandum for Philip Pietersen Schuyler to obtain a patent and Jan Hendrickens Solsbergen’s name to be placed first because the land comes from him.

[ADDRESSED:] Honorable, Prudent
Lord Captain Nicolles
Secretary at
Nieuw Jorck

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Robt.
Sanders May 30th
1677

To speake with Mr. Edsall

[26:59]

Memorandum for Philip Pietersen Schuyler to obtain a patent and Jan Hendrickens Solsbergen’s name to be placed first because the land comes from him.

[ADDRESSED:] My Lord Jan Babtist
Van Renselaer at
Amsterdam
on the Keysers Gracht
in [
]

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Slichtenhorst
Albany

Hee had a patent
hereupon 1677.

[26:60]

[NO DOCUMENT OR CALENDAR ENTRY]

* Endorsed in English. The remainder of the document is in Dutch.
An account of tin ware and brishes sold by Mr. John Test To Capt. Dellavall and Mr. John Shackerly May the 19th 1677.

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[ENDORSED:] John Teast his accompt for A Parcell of Tine ware.
Memorandum for Mr. Sackerly from Guilain Verplanck.

About ready to pay Mr. Griffith in beavers or Boston money £47—,—

To me with Reynier in company $288.4 in peltry, except for the profit on 2 ankers of rum.

Still for house rent, six beavers and a fox.
Still one bunch of rail thread.

[ENDORSED:] Gelyn Verplank

[LETTER FROM JOHN GARDNER CONCERNING AFFAIRS AT NANTUCKET]

Right Honorabell

May it please your Honour this is only to Enform your Honour that ther was 4 Indians Coming with the Enclosed to wayt upon your Honor with divers Complaynts: but the vesell thay wear in being put on shoar by storme one Rod Iland the Indians wear forst to Retorne back bringing the Leters back with them and ther not Comi[ ] is only for want of pasag: and things being the same thay wear and everi day groing wers I thought best to send the same Leters ther be[ ] nothing but truth in them: by which your Honor may the beter see how things are with us: ther is nothing mor I should Enforme your Hono[r] of which is: that the deade or Indian purchas which Mr. Macy brouft to yourk when he procuraed the patent for the towne of Governer Lovflas: and now stands on Record at yourk as A false thing as will appeare, it being nether sigined nor sealed I sopose it was of Mr. Macys one macking being much more in It then was ever bought as will Abondandy Apeare: but Mr. Macy sayth it is the copy of a dead that was procurwed of the Indians to prevent others from purchasing: but now It is Aserted to be an onest thing and as I understand thay intend to maytain it to be A true thing: as yet the Indians understands not of it but should thay before it be Recktified as I dout not but it will when your Honor have the hearing of it: it myght be the Ocation of encoting us in blod with our naybors and the hole Colaney envolved in much trobell: at present I have the paper that was Recorded and Am

* Translation of a Dutch document.
Resolved not to deliver it except to your Honor or your Honors spectiall Order for nothing but it seluef Can prouf it false: could thay but get it I question not but it could be quickiy destroyed: and then the Indians or we: or both ould be berdon: theer is great Indevers to get it out of my hand and now A Jenarall Cort to be held at our Iland by the persons as wee formerly wright of as I hear for that purpose: and then I expetce to be my naybore folger felow prisnor but shall Arove* my seluef with patience tel I find your Honors Relese: thus beging your Honors pardon for my boldnes thus to trobell yor Honor together with my dayly prayers as in duty I am bound for your Honors present and Eternal peace in which I shall Rejayce that am

Natucket the 31 of may 77

your Honors Humble

Servant John Gardner.

The Reson why I now com not is becase we dayly hope to se your Honor hear: and becase ther being much witnes that I know othorofs* brindg to yourk without which things will be difficultly Cleared.

[ADDRESSED:]  
For the Right Honorable  
the Governer.  
At new yourk.  
hu[ ]rly present

[26:63]  
[BOND FOR SAMUEL BLAGGE TO PROSECUTE AN APPEAL]  

Know all men by these presents, That we Samll. Blagge of Stratford in New England Merchant and Capt. John Howell of Southampton in the Collony of New Yorke are held and firmely bound unto our sovereigne Lord the King in The summe of Two hundred pounds To be paid unto our said soveraigne Lord the King his heires or successors To which payment well and Truly to be made, we binde our selves joyntly and severally for and in the whole our heires executors and Administrators and every and either of Them firmely by These presents. Sealed with our seales dated The seaventh day of June in the Twenty nynth yeare of his Majesties Raigne Anno 1677.

* This word is unclear.
The Condition of This obligacion is such That whereas The above bounden Samll. Blagge commenced an Accion of an accountt against Samll. Edsall and Andrew Gibb att Southampton att the Court of Sessions held there in the moneth of March Last past, in which action the said Samll. Edsall and Andrew Gibb were Cast, and the Judgment of Court was, that the said Samll. Edsall and Andrew Gibb should render a just and honest accountt to the above bounden Samll. Blagge; for Compleatment of which Judgement an accountt hath beeene produced to the worshipfull Court, which Accountt the Court Judges doth Accomplish the said Judgment from which the said Blagge Appeales to the next Court of Assizes to be held att the Citty hall of New Yorke in October next. If therefore The above bounden Samll. Blagge, shall duly and legally prosecute his said Appeale, then Thabove written obligacion to be voyde, else to remaine in full force and vertue.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

Henry Peirson

John Loughton

1677

Sam Blagge [seal]

1677

John Howell [seal]

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Blaggs obligation to prosecute his appeale at the Assizes.

June 7. 1677.

[26:64]

[NANTUCKET COURT ORDER FOR THE FINE AND DISENFRANCHISEMENT OF JOHN GARDNER]

Whereas this court takeing into consideration how they might best maintain, his Majesties, Authoritie, in this Court, Espetially with Relation to the heathen ammong whom it was vulgarly rumored that there was no govorment, on Nantuckett, and haveing good cause to suspect,
the same to proceed originally from some English instigating them, or
by their practise encourageing them in the same, to the great danger of
causeing insurrection:

This Court Respecting the same, saw good to send for Capt. John
Gardner who had at the quarter court, Refused to appear being sum­
moned: and had Refused to assist the constable in the execution of his
office, uppon his command: to make his appearance, to answer to the
same: in pursuance whereof, the court sending the Marshall twice for
him with a warrant, Refused to come; the Marshall afterward fetching
him by force, when he came to the Court, demeaned himself most
irreverently, sitting down with his hat on, takeing no Notice of the Court,
behaving himself to both in wordes and jesture, as declared great
Contempt of authoritie of this Court, tending [ ] his Ma[ ]sties authoritie the encouragement of others, and espetially the
hea[ ]len, who [ ]g before by some eivell spiritt persuaded, that there
was no Auth[ ]ritie, wer[ ] hardly diswaded from useing violence: the
composeing whereof was the principall cause of the Court present
setting; this court have therefore thought good for upholding and main­
taining the peace, and tranquillitie of this place; which is so greatly in
dangered by such a president, of such note, and at such a time, by such
a practise, to discountenance such practises, and deterring others, from
the like, have Resolved, and do therfore order: That Capt: John Gardner
shall pay a fine of ten poundes, in mony or something Equivolent
therunto, into the treasurie, and is disfranchised also:

This is a tru Coppie Taken out of the Records for the Generall Court
houlden at Nantuckett: June the 5th 1677:

By mee

Matt: Mayhew secret.

[ENDORSED:] The sentance
of Corte.
[26:65]

[MEMORANDA OF CLAIMS TO LAND AT NESQUAKE AND HUNTINGTON BY WEAMSKO AND SWANEMEE]

Weamsko, Sachem of Seacotauk Pretend[ ] Nesaquake Land.

Swanemee, pretends to the Land Called [ ] neare Huntington.

Interpreted by Checoamaug.

[ENDORSED:] June 23d 77.

The names of the Indyans pretending to Huntington and Nesaquake Lands.

[ANOTHER COPY:]

Weamsko, Sachem of Seacotauk pretends to Nesaquak Lands.

Swanemee, Pretends to the Land called Unchemau, neare Huntington.

Interpreted by Checoamaug.

[ENDORSED:] Indyans names.

[26:66]

[LETTER TO ALBANY CONCERNING MOHAWK INDIANS]

Gent.

Yours of the 8th came to my hands yesterday, by the Expresse you sent:

In answer to the Proposall made by the Maques Sachemacks* of my comming up to speake with them in fifteene dayes, I know no reason for it, having already appointed a certaine time of being there, if they have any thing extraordinary to say, they may acquaint you the Magistrates with it, who will transmit it to mee, or some of them may come hither.

As to the Insolence and violence used by the Maques and North Indyans†

* Mohawk sachems
† Probably from other nations of the Iroquois confederacy, or the Algonquin refugees from King Philip’s War who settled at Hoosick under Mohawk protection. North Indians was a catchall term used by the English for any Iroquois or Algonquin tribe north or west of Albany (Hoosick of course is northeast).
with them, in your houses or quarters, upon the Mahicanders* or any other Indyans received into protection, I much admire at it, but since they seeme not to justify it, and you desire it, I shall passe it by, and it shall be buryed in Oblivion, but you may put them in Mind how I protected them in the time of the warre, and gave their old men, wives and children, admittance within our Townes and Fortificacions, and that I doe expect that whosoever doth or shall come in and submitt themselves, and live quietly with our Indyans, shall bee protected from any outrage or force, and I shall not suffer them to bee disturbed or harmed, but shall looke upon any violence offred that way, as done to my selfe.

[ENDORSED:]
A draught of my†
Letter not sent and of the Go:
sent to Alb.
July 12 1677
by Major Abrams‡ son Jochem.

[26:67]
[PETITION OF SARAH COOPER FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION FOR HER HUSBAND’S ESTATE]

To the Honorable Edmund Andross Esquire Generall and Governor of all his Royall Highness his Territories in America.

The humble Peticion of Sarah Cooper, the widow of John Cooper of Southampton in the East Riding etc. Deceased.

Humbly Shewing that your handmaid and Peticioner, her husband was of late, sudenly taken away by death, to her extreme sorrow and greif, the which is greatly augmented by reason her husbands estate, in great measure lies in the hands of others; and alsoe her husband much indebted to others, whereby your Suplicant is exposed to very great care and trouble, and the more for that it is 7 or 8 monts to the next Sessions where shee might expect admittance to Administer, and not before, unless your honor in goodnes will Commiserate her conditon, and grant her liberty, at present to administer, whereby Shee may bee in capacity to receive and gett in her husbands debts, and pay what possibly shee can, unto his

* Mahicans
† The document is in Secretary Nicolls’s writing, but the content shows it was for the Governor’s signature.
‡ Abraham Staats
Creditors Also Honorable Sir soe it is that your Suplicants husband was one that dealt for others to a considerable value, so that hee dyed much Indebted, and his estate (as afforesaid) is in great part betrusted out to others; which debts, in all likelyhood will not quickly bee got in; Soe that though hee dyed Seized of a good accomodacion of land and cattell, besides some few goods within dores, and utensills, yet if the Creditors, hearing your Suplicants husband is dead, shall by course of law Attach that part of the Estate in hand, namely, the lands, and stock, and recover theire dues out of that, Then your Suplicant and all her fatherless Children shall come to bee utterly undone, as being put quite out of theire way of living; which course the said Creditors may certainly take, except your honor in Clemency will please to grant her some kinde of disspensation for some certaine time as of 12 months or what your honor shall see meet, (the same to bee from the time of her admittance to administer) whereby shee may have opertunity to get in her debts, thereby to pay her debts, that soe your suplicant through gods blessing and the painefull Industry of her and her Children may yet procure a livelyhood, though shee bee bereaved of her deare and Loving husband:

The Premises Considered, And for that your now desstressed Suplicant hath hitherto lived amongst her Neighbours in good fashion; nor shee nor hers ever knew what belonged to want of competency in any kinde; Her husband was one, much engaged in affection to your honor and hath done service in his station, (to his utmost abillity) for his King and Cuntry. And your mournefull Peticioner desires not in the least to defraud any of her husbands Creditors but to pay them to the utmost penny, yet that shee might not therein bee to the ruine of her family, but make such said payments to least detriment, shee your Peticioner most humbly beseeches your honor to grant her such said admittance, at present to Administer, [ ] and alsoe such a disspensation or protection from her Creditors as is before mentioned: For the attainement whereof, your Sorrowfull Suplicant hath (though under some weakness) undertaken this weary Journey, with good hope of your honors Sympathize, and favour herein, And your Suplicant shall have some Comfort in midest of extreme care and deep Disstress, And ever, as in duty bound, Pray for your honors safety and happines etc:
Administration granted the Petitioner giving security here or at Southampton according to Lawe.

E Andros. s.

[ENDORSED:] Mrs. Coopers petition of Southton.
July 11th 1677.

[26:68]

[ PETITION OF CONSTABLE NICHOLAS BAYLEY FOR REGULATION OF LIQUOR SALES TO INDIANS AT WESTCHESTER ]

To the Right honorable Major Edmund Andros Esquire, Lieutenant and Governor Generall of all his Royall Highnesse’s Territoryes in America.

The humble Peticion of Nicholas Bayley.

In All humble Manner

Sheweth your honors Peticioner for the present Constable of West=Chester, how that (to his Sorrow and griefe) at the said Towne of West=Chester severall disorders did by day and night happen by the Indians which dwells about the said Towne, caused nevertheslesse by the very Christian Inhabitants there, by selling to the said Indians strong drink, cheefely, Cider; whereby happens querrells, fightings, threatinings and all sorts of disturbances to the great prejudice, and disquietnesse of familyes; And though your Peticioner (in duty bound) hath severall times endeavoured to appease such tumults, by putting such Indians into the Stocks; and searching after such delinquent Christians; But for want of proofes they pretend, not faulty:

Therefore your honors Peticioner humbly prays, that your honor bee pleased, to take such Cours therein, that may tend to the quiettnesse of the place, and security thereof, for feare of further mischance, etc.

And your honors Peticioner shall Ever pray.

* Written by the governor in pencil.
Gamaica Town lots parceled out to multiply for foreign general prejudice

Westchester Indians disorder by drink frequent or dangerous.

[ENDORSED:] Westchester constables petition about Indyans.

1677.

past.

[26:69]

[RESPONSE OF THE ONEIDAS TO HENRY COURSEY, REPRESENTING LORD BALTIMORE]

The Oneydes Answere to the Propositions made to them the 20th July by the hono. Collonell Henry Coursey Esqr. Authorised by Charles Lord Barron of Baltamore

Mr. Gert. van Lord Proprietor of Mary Land in the court house of Slichtenhorst Albanie the 21 of July 1677.

Interpreter

The names of the Sachims
Sweensee
Sarachtoa
Canachyndia
Cannanthaera

1. They say, we doe absolutely approove of that which the Onnondages have now said, calling them there fathers (as they doe likewayes the Christians of this Governement) and are willing and Readie to obey the Command of the great King Charles [ ]ho lieith over the great Lake, meaning our Souveraign Lord the king of Great Brittain etc. and doe Present one belt [ ]f Zewant.

2. Wee doe recommend that you will take care (as we shall on our Pairts) that the Propositions which you made Yesterday be punctually observed, There is formerly one of our Indians wounded by you, which occasioned our Plundring [ ]es We must alsoe acknowled[ ]
Killed some hoggs and beasts [ ] were hungry but never [ ] any Christians, doe Present twoo Otters.

3ly. We are now come together to make that Covenant, and doe again absolutely approove of that which the Onondages have done, But doe let you know, that there are Twenty of our Indians gone out to fight against the Indians of Your Nation, We desire that if they doe any harm, that it may be excused this time, because it is Unknown to them and if we for the future after our Peole are come home shall use any hostility that way, then you may think we doe not according to our Covenant but are not soe minded, and doe give 2 bevers

This is a true Copy Coppy Examined by me
Robt. Livingston Secr.

N.B. the Oneydes were Present when the Propos: were made to the Onondages and when they gave there answer.

[26:70]

[Testimony of Mr. and Mrs. Gildersleeve and Mr. Jackson Concerning the Payment to the Indians for Land at Hempstead]

The testimony of M Gillderslive aged about: 76 yeares testifis as foloweth that tackapousha and some of his indians Come to my hous to Reseive theire pay for their land which thay sould to hemsted men and we then and theire delivered to them: Mr. Hix: and my selfe theire hole pay for all the hole trackt of Land: and sume things was Paid them more then they had agreed for but how much I Cannot tell and this Payment was Paid about twenty yeares ago: and in severall sorts of Pay as sum Gret Cettells and sume small Cettells and sume wompum and sum hous sume hachets and sume knives and sume trading Cloth and I thinck thay had sume Pouder and led and thay went away for any thing I know very well satisfied for all the Land that hempted Men bought of the said sachum and indians: thay only Resarved theire ould Plantin land at Meruch and the muntake sachum with sume other of the indians: went with me and some other of hempted men to lay out the bounds both west line and Est line the west line begining at mathagarots bay and so: runing upon a south line to the south se and Northward to the sound

and the Est line at a Pointe of trees that Parts Robert Williams and us where the Indians: marked sume trees and from the Marked trees
Northward according as the Indians Run it to the sound or North sea and from the said Point: south to the middell of the Plains: and from: the Middill of the Plains: a du est line to the Est end of the Plains and from thence: upon a south line to the south se and I shall Give oth to it if Called.

Hempsted July the 22 1677

[ON THE BACK:]

Consaming the bounds of our Land Mr. Jackson testifis the seame that Mr. Gilderslive hath testifis and shall be Redy to Give oth to it if Called.

The testimony of Mistris Gilderslive: aged: 76 testifis as foloweth that the sachum with other of the indians being at our hous about one an twenty yeares ago I see severall sorts of Goods delivered to the indians as a grete hepe of wompom and sum Cotes and sume Pouder and sume leead sume hous and sum hachets sume knives and sume Cettells and the Indians had a grete desire to have sume bigger Cettells and we let them have one grete Cettell and Mr. Jackson: another: and the sachum would have some shurts to gratify his Indians: which thay had delivered them and these Goods ware delivered to the sachum by the Majestrats of Hempsted Mr. Hix and Mr. Gilderslive and when thay had Reseved the Goods above said thay semed to be well satisfied for the hole trackt of land that the towne bought of them and there was None Excepted only a pese of ould Plantin land at a Please Caled Mercock to Plant on and this I can give oth two if neede Require.

[26:71]

[TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM YEATS, JOHN CARMAN, AND EDWARD SPRAGGE ON THE ABOVE MATTER]

The testimony of William Yeats aged about 58 yeares or there about testifis that about: one and twenty yeres ago he being at Mr. Gilderslives hous at Hempsted he saw severall: fathums of wampum: and two Gret Cettels: one was Mr. Jacksons and tother was Mr. Gilderslives: and severall smalar Cettells and sume trading Cloth an sume knives and sume Pouder and sume leede and he thincks sume Guns all this he saw delivered to the Indians and Chefly to: tagPousha he being the sagomore: and he thincks: sume other Goods two: and when thay Reseved this Goods thay all semed to be very weell satisfied with it: for all the land hempsted Men had Ether by Purchis or Rattin Excepting theire ould Plantin land at Meruck: and: severall times after; he talked with sume of Marsapeck Indians and tould them thay had No land in hempsted bounds but a littell
at meruck an thay said thay knew it an further saith not this I am Redy to Give oth to if Caled.

Hempsted July the 12 1677

The testimony of John Carman aged about forty foure yeeres testifis that about thirty two yeres ago he saw his father deliver a broad ax that was Mils Mores to the one eyed sachum: for Part of Pay for the first Purchis of land that hempsted Men bought of the indians this I am Reddy to Give oth two if Called.

John Carman

The testimony of Edward sprage: aged about sixty one yeres testifis that about one and twenty yeres ago wandance the Muntake sachum was: at Hempsted: when the Indians Cume to Reseve theire Pay of Hempsted Men for the land thay sould them an the Muntake sachum asked who was the Chefe of Rocoway indians: that did undertake for them: then Mangouabe said he did: an then he asked who undertooke for Matinocock indians an takepousha said thay had Put themselves under him and he did undertake for them and when the Pay was tendered: the indians: say it was so littell that there would Not be Every one sum then the Muntake sachum desired hempsted Men to Give them sum More then thay Gave: them twelve Pounds More: which meade the hole sume forty two Pounds: then Mr. Hix: and Mr. Gilderslive delivered it to tack-pousha and ManGuobe: and all the indians semed to be: well satisfied with it it being the last Payment for the hole twound bounds: this was Paid in Cettells and trading Cloth an wampom and Pouder and led and I thinck some hachets and hous: and within a day or two after sume of MarsaPeke indians and other indians with them went and Marked out the townd bounds the west bounds and the Est bounds this I am Redy to Give oth to it.*

The Testimony of Mr. Richard Gildersleve aged about 77 yeares this deponant Testifies [rest of page blank]

[ENDORSED:] Hempsteed business
about their bounds etc.

* unsigned
Some Deposicions and rough draughts brought to the Go: July 2d 1677.

[26:72]

[MINUTES OF A HEARING ABOUT HEMPSTEAD LAND TITLES, WITH TITLE ABSTRACTS]

N.Y. The 2d of july 1777 a heering Concerning Hempstead Claims or Rights to the lands in their bounds Claimed by the indians present The Governor and Counsell and of Hempstead imployed R: Valentine Constable

Jo: Joeson { overseers
Jo: Elison { overseers

John Semons { Townsmen
Jo: Smith { Townsmen

Produce a booke of records in which severall deeds or copys of

12th march 1656
4th july 1657
11th may 1658

an order or judgement of the Court of jamaica held 7th, 13th and 14th of june 1666.

a testimony of mr. R: woodhuls 10th june 1677

another testimony of John Sturgs of 11th june 1677

All generall none mentions perticualar bounds or pay Exceep of the 11th may 1658 of generall bounds short or nott plaine to what they pretend

Deeds or purchases intricate

Resolved that they of Hempstead doe within 3 weeks give a perticular of the severall agreements and payments, for the severall parcells, of land, and when by whom and to whom paid.

After which a day to be apointed to hear all partys in order to a finall determination.
[THE ABSTRACTS:]

1656 march the 12th

10 Articles Govenor of netherlands and Tackpouchy for the indians. the 7th according to the lines of the Patent what they have purchased to injoy itt without molestation from the sachem and poeple: A copy no pay nor bounds nam’d.

4 july 1657 stile nove*

a deed from the indians to Hempstead or confirmation of land purchas’d in 1643 in the bounds or limits of the whole tract of land, concluded upon with the Governor of manhatans the sachem of mantalck present no bounds nam’d or pay.

11th may 1658

An indian deed (subscribed by john james) acknowledgin satisfaction for their pay of land sould acording to above and within riten and patent and purchase the Generall bounds begining att matagarets bay, and soe a direct line n. and s. and sea to sea the bounds from Hempstead harbour E to a point of trees adjoyning to Robt. Willms. to a marked tree from sea to sea the other line beginning a[ ] A marc’t tree, on the east End of the Great plaine and from that tree, alo[ ] S. line and att the s. sea by a marked tree in a neck Called mashusehoung, and from thence, upon a line to the s. sea, said indians to maintaine this and former acts yet no particulars at pay named.

13 and 14 june 1666 sesions

att jamaica

indians heard by interpreter also Hempstead men and proofes give jugement for Hempstead mens rights to their land.

no bownds or perticular nam’d.

10 june 1677

Mr. Woodhuls testimony 21 years since, sawe tackpoushy att Hempstead and receave pay for land bought and went away well satisfied, and nott long after some of them went with Hempstead men around the Cove between Hempstead and oyster bay to mentinicock know[ ] nothing of indians imprisoned.

* new style (Latin), or Gregorian calendar
Testimony of 11th June 1677.

John Sturgens of Farefeild testifieth 20 years agoe mountalck sachem come to Hempstead and sawe severall kettles there att Mr. Gildersleve, that the indians seemed well satisfied att being their last payment for the whole toun bounds and that the toun and indians agreed very well and none imprison'd or abused, no bounds named.

[ENDORSED:] At a Councell
July 2d 77
Hempstead men etc.

The particular Order entred.

The Go: Collection of
the Townes pretences.

[26:73]

[A ROUGH DRAFT OF HEMPSTEAD'S BOUNDS]

[ENDORSED:] A Rough draught of
Hempsteed bounds.
[PETITION OF SAMUEL AND NAOMI BARKER CONCERNING THE HEARING INTO THE SHOOTING OF THEIR SON BY JOHN SKIDMORE]

The petition of Samuell Barker And Noamy Barker his wift.

Most humbly sheweth to your honor that one Sunday was seven [ ]ights Last past oure sonne was [ ] street nere to the house of J[ ]n Skidmore Wher Going In to the [ ]yd house the sonne of the Afore s[ ]yd Skidmor differing with our sonne ther being A Gune In the house Charged with [ ] Brace of Ballets he take it And shoot our sonne thoroe the Body of Which Wound he died: the next day ther wase A Jury Chosen By the Justice of the pece to Examin All persons that Could Give Evedence Concerning his death and thear Being none but boyes by when he was killed: that was Examined And upon theair giveing in ther testymonys one of them was by the parents of the boy that killed our sonne threatened very much which Caseth us to fere thay doe Bake thar sonne In what he hath done And forceth us to Bring this our Request to your honner Craveing your honner to Concider that I which Am the father of my deceased Child Ame very Antiant and by much troble [ ]pable of managing [ ] busnes ore [ ] thing els Almost of my other Concerns [ ]ld when he was Alive being under [ ]d the only stay of Al my busnes thus

In short beseching your honner to be a father to us and our honnest Case we leave it to your honners wis and serong Consideration: And for your honner your poere peticioniers shall praye.

[ENDORSED]:

The Peticion [ ] Samuell Barker and Mary his wife about their Child that was kill’d etc. Delivered [ ] Go: July 2 [ ]

[RECEIPT FROM CAPT. JOHN COLLIER TO JOHN OGLE FOR QUIT RENT IN DELAWARE]

I doe acknowledg to have Reseved of John Ogle of Swartnoten Island planter the soum of twenty bushells [ ] Wheat it beinge for Quitrent due for the land of lewis Johnson In apektuenaman Creek for the use of Robart money witnes my hand this 25 of July 1677.

John Colier
This is a true Copye of the orignall Witnes Bezaleel Osborne

[NOTE ON VERSO:] 76 Mr Edsell receved
one hid at oister baye
which wayed 22 pounds

[ENDORSED:] Acquittance for quitt Rent
from C. Jno. Colier of John Ogle of
Swarte Nutten Isl. for the
land of Lewis Johnson in Apoquemini,
for the use of Robt. Money.

[26:76]

[LETTER FROM HEZEKIAH USHER TO GEORGE COOK AND JOHN ROBSON CONCERNING THE PROSECUTION OF EZEKIEL FOGG]

Boston 26th July 1677.

Gent.

Haveing bin formerly advised by Mr. John Robinson, and now by Mr. Richard Wharton of yourselves make bold to throw (as it were) myselfe on you, for your kindeness, humbly requesting you to favour me with the acceptance of the Inclosed letter of Attourney, and to prosecute my accion against Ezekiel Fogg to Effect.— I did formerly Constitute Mr. John Robinson my Attourney to sue him, and he did recover a judgment against him at New Yorke, by vertue of the records of our Court here at Boston, from which Judgement of Court at New Yorke he appealled unto your next Court for a further triall or heareing, as Mr. Robinson told me since which Mr. Robinson being gon to London, And hath not left an Attourney to prosecute this accion as I heare of—am necessitated to make new Power and by advice of myne (and I presume your) freindes; have presumed on yourselves to doe me this freindship, and have made it Severally as well as Joyntly (for feare of one of your absence)—I have not received anything of it, as by our Governor writeing also here Inclosed affirmes that I and the Clarke (of the Court where the Judgment was obtained) have this day sworne, and therefore in al probabilleyt will readily goe on my side in the Court unto which he hath appealed if that you please to take this trouble upon you and that you recover against him, I desire you would not lett hin runn from you as he did from me, but pray doe your utmost both against his estate and person for the sattisfaction of my due according as the Judgment shalbe, am now at 8£
Charge for these writings, which is occasioned by his appeale, and for that he hath abandoned Injenuity towards me, you have the less reason to spare him,—what charge you shalbe at shall thankfully repay you, pray favour me with a line how the accion goeth, I begg your passing by this my rudeness and if in anything I can serve you, here, please freely to Command

Your Friendly Servant
Hezekiah Usher.

[ADDRESSED:] For Mr. Georg: Cooke and Mr. John Robson—Marchants at New Yorke

[ENDORSED:] 1677

[26:77]

[ORDERS OF THE COUNCIL CONCERNING AFFAIRS AT NANTUCKET]

Att a Councell in New Yorke the 3d of August 1677.

Present the Govemour and Councell.

Upon reading severall Letters and Orders of Nantuckett, sent since their generall Court held there the beginning of June, and severall persons of said Island called upon and heard relating to the same and all taken into Consideracion, Mr. Matthew Mayhew authorized from said Court, nott being come, Resolved and Order’d by the Govemour in Councell.

That Mr. Thomas Macy continue Chiefe Magistrate.

That all further proceedings against Capt. John Gardner upon Complaint of the Constable for Contempt etc., as also of Mr. Tristram Coffin Senior and Mr. John Swaine Senior, att their late generall Court att Nantuckett from the 5th to the 16th of June last past, on pretence of a Deed burnt or deteyned bee suspended till further Order; In which Order to bee taken, afore winter, or as soon as may bee, during which time all persons to forbeare intermedling speeches or Actions or any Aggravacions whatsoever att their Perills.

W Nicolls. Clr.

[ENDORSED:] Order of councell Concerning Nantuckett August the 3d 1677.
### AN ACCOUNT WITH JOHN SHAKERLY

**John Shackerley Debtor**

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By 58 lb. Bacon 01:09:00

Errors excepted Rest due to ballance 05:02:07

[26:79]
[JUDGMENT IN A SUIT BETWEEN JOHN HENDMER AND THOMAS BRAY]

Citty of N. Yorke
At a meeting held the 4th of August 1677 before Mr. Nich. Demr. Mayor
Mr. Stepha: Van Cortlandt
Mr. Tho Lewis and Aldermen
Mr. Tho: Snawsell

John Handmer @
Thomas Bray
Master of the Ship
Called the Canary
Marchant

Complaynes against the Deft. for his wages for 4 Months at twenty seven Shill. per Month the deft. turning him a shore alleadging that the pt. hath neglected his work and that the thatches and bulk head have bee open and that hee hath the pt. in Suspicion so Cannot pay his wages etc.

The pt. upon his owne voluntaey Oath sayth that he did not break open the same nor knows not who did break open the hatches or Bulk head: It is ordered that the Master pay the pt. three Months wages according to agreement and to have his Cloaths from On board and the pt. and Deft. to pay Equall Costs:

Examined per me Sam: Leete Cler.

[ENDORSED:] At a Court held at Mr. Mayors the 4 August 1677.

John Hendmer @
Capt. Bray etc.
[ACCOUNT OF SUPPLIES CARRIED BY MOSES MUDGE'S SHIP]

Sent from Boston by Mr. William Tayler and put on board Moses Mudge

An Ancker of sack, sent by Mr. Tayler £ s d
Mr. William Kent, and Mr. John Keen
An Anker of Lime Juye at 1. 0.0
Two firkins of soape at 15s per firk:
Twenty eight pound of white soape at 8d per pound
Two sticks of waxe, a boxe of wafers and 10 quire of paper at

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\text{Twenty eight pound of white soape} & \text{at 8d per pound} & 9.8
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\text{Two sticks of waxe, a boxe of wafers} & \text{and 10 quire of paper at} & 7.0
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Fort Charles at the East ward to Mr. John Cutts senior Merchant is Debitor.

Imp.

To Coopers Tooles, vizt. £:s:d
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1 Croes 1:6
2 pointers and 2 rings for Compasses 0:6
1 broad Axe 4:0
1 heading knife 3:0
1 Hoes 3:0
1 Drawing knife 3:0
2 Jointers at 2s per piece 4:0
1 Froe 1:0
1 barrell of wine qt. 31 Gall. 3s 4d 5:3:4
A barrell to put the wine in 3:6

No. @ 1A

Hogshead Rumme qt. 70 Gall: 2s 3d 7:17:6

5A

Hogshead Rumme qt. the like 7:17:6
A New sieve 1:8
A New bottom for a sieve 1:0
A quart tin pott 8
A pinte tin pott 6
Two sythes and 2 Grindstones 8:8
seven thousand large shingle Nayles 1:4:6
16 C. single Tens, Nayles, 20s 1:6:8
2 C. single 10 Nayles 2:2

Kittery 31 .5mo. 1677 25:10: 8
THE ANDROS PAPERS

C.A: Brockholes and Compa. Debtor to Major Nich: Shapleigh
To 2£ 10s lent Mr. Sturt for his Journey to Boston 2:10:0
To paye for his horse hyre, and shooeing 13:6
25:10:8 To 6 s paid for 15 fowles sent 6:0
7:16:6 To 80 shingling boults at 2:14:0
33: 7:2 To 2 Jointers and Crowes stick 13:0
4 To Mr. Sturt more 1:00:0
33:11:2 More an Adz—4s: In all 8£.0s.6d. 8:00:6

[ENDORSED:]
Things sent for and brought from Piscataway.

Aug. 2d 1677 by Moses Mudge.

[26:81]

[WARDEN FROM JUSTICE HELMANUS WILTBRANCK AT THE WHOREKILL FOR THE ARREST OF JOHN ROADES]

Whereas this Day Being the 14th of August Anno 1677 Complaint hath been made Before mee By Mr. Edward Southrin that John Roades hath taken away unleagally and unjustly sevral goods from his supposed landing belonging unto the said Mr. Edward Southrin

These are therefore In his majesties name to Will and Require you to Bring Before mee the Body of John Roades upon sight hereof to Answer the Complaint of Mr. Edward Southrin hereof faile not at your perrill as you will Answer the Contrary Given under my hand these the Day and year above Written.

[ ]he Constable for Whorekill. Helmr. Wiltbanck

Binding over the party abovesaid to Remaine In prison without Bayle or mainprise to Answer the abovesaid action to the next Court
To the Sheriffe of
our Jurisdiction Helmr. Wiltbanck

Vera Copia

Test: Cornelis Verhoofe Cl. Civ. WhoreKill.

[ENDORSED:] [ ]
fore Helm. Wiltbanck.
Whorekill August 14th 1677.

[26:82a]

[SUMMONS FOR SEVERAL WITNESSES TO APPEAR BEFORE THE JAMAICA COURT IN A CASE INVOLVING THE DEATH OF AN INDIAN]

You are Here By in His majesties Name Requiered forthwith one Sight Here of to sommans the to sachams at Rockaway and Caus them to anser at Jamaco on Satterdaye next—By eight of the clocke being the first of September where Mr. Cornell and myselfe with above three coming according to the governors order to examine the Bisnes conserning aball gale and Caues the ingen to com that is Called mokamock give notes to Calabe Carmen to Be there to speeke to theme faile not at youer perell
By me

Thomas Hickes
to the constable at Jameco agest the 28th 1677.

You are Lickwis to somans Samwell Coll and Thomas wigins to apere at the time afore sayed to give an evedence of what John aresson should saye a: about able gale and tho wigins faill not at youre Perell
by me

Thomas Hickes

[ENDORSED:] Charges about an Indyan that dyed at Jamaica.

To be Consider’d of by the Councell.

Received Apr. 2d 1678.
[RECEIPT FROM SAMUEL WINSLOW TO JOHN SHAKERLY]

Boston New England

Know all men by these presents that I Samuell Winslow of Boston in New England mariner doe acquite and discharge John Shackerley of the Citty of New Yorke merchant from all dues, debts, and demands and from all action and actions and all Cause of action in and Cases and Cuntryes from the begining of the world to this Eighteenth day of Augo: 1677.

Signed Sealed and delivered in presents of
Rich Knight
Richard Buckley
John Froste John Inians
Rayner wellems

[PETITION BY NICHOLAS EEDES FOR A GRANT OF LAND AT SOUTHOLD ABANDONED BY JOHN HAND]

To the Right Honorable Edmund Andross Esquire Governor of all[ ] his Royall Highness Territoryes in America.

The humble petition of Nicholas Eedes

Sheweth,
That Whereas there is a first Lott of Land lying [ ] Corchoagg and Occabauck in the bounds of South=ho[ ] on Long-Island in your Honors Government formerly in the tenure of John Hand of East=hampton on said Island, which said Land, by reason of the said Hands misdemeaneures and absenting himselfe Ever since about the Yeare one thousand sixe hundred, sixty and five, was by order of a Court of sessions held in said Tow[ ] the sa[ ] Forfeited and seazed unto the use of the Coun[ ] hath ever since leyen void and unpossessed. And your Hon[ ] Petitioner having the consent of the said Towne for the Enjoying of the said Land

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prayeth [ ] Honor to grant him a Pattent for the said Land [ ] paying the Fine the said Land is Engaged [ ] to the Cou[ ] your Honors Peti[ ] Duty
hee is bound) shall Ever pray et[

[NOTE:]*

Upon sufficient [ ] granted and
to be t[ ] Confirmed by
note[ ]

d n yorck the 9th of
[ ]ber 1677. E Andr[ ]

[26:84]

[DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE LAND]

The Land of John Hand lying in the Dividend of Corchoagg in
South=hold is bounded on the East by a sandy hollow; on the West by
the Land of Jerimiah Vale senior on [ ] North by the highway; on the
south, by the River; and is by computation 40 Acres (be it more or less.)
besides twenty Acres lying in Corchoagg Neck.

The Land in Occabauk in said Towne is bounded on the East by the Land
of Thomas Moore senior, on the W[ ] by the Land of John Swasey
senior on the North, by the River, on the south, the south River; and is
by com[ ]tation 60 Acres be it more or less.

[26:85]

[CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE PROPOSED
GRANT BY SOUTHOLD OFFICIALS]

To the Right Honorable Edmund Andross
Esquire Governor of al his Royall High-
ness Territoryes in America.

The Constable and overseers of the Towne
of South–hold upon Long–island,

Humbly sheweth,

That whereas, there is a first Lott of Land lying in Corchoagg and
Occabauk in the bounds of the said Towne formerly in Tenure of John
Hand sometime of Easthampton on the said Island; which said Land, by
reason of the said Hands misdemeanures, and absenting himselfe from

* in the governor's hand
a Court Sessions held in South-hold aforesaid about the yeare one thousand sixe hundred, sixty, and five, to answere the same, was by order of the said Court seazed on as Forfeited to the Countrey, and hath ever since leyen void and unpossessed. These are therefore to certify your Honor (with all others whome it may concerne) that the Inhabitants of South-hold aforesaid are willing that Nicholas Eedes of said Towne shall possess and Enjoy the said Land. In witness whereunto, wee here sett our hands this tenth day of September Anno Dom: 1677.

We the Constable and Overseers of said Town, doe by Subscribing herto, manifest our willingness, that Mr. Eedes aforesaid should hould, possess, and enjoy, the land within named*

Samuel Glover          Constable
Barnabas Horton
thomas Mapes
John Conklin
Benjamin Yong

[ENDORSED:] South-holds certificate to our Honorable Governor.

[26:86]

[WARRANT FOR THE ARREST AT OYSTER BAY OF RICHARD BLACKLEACH ON THE SUIT OF CORNELIUS VAN BORSUM AND THOMAS DELAVAL]

These are in his Majesties name to requ[ ] you to arrest the body of Richard Bla[ ]leach late of Stratford if to bee found within your towne or precincts and that you hi[ ] safely keepe untill hee pay or cause to be paid the summe of seventeene pounds twelve shilling and one penny, It being the ballance of his account due unto Cornelius Van Borsum of this [    ], and also the summe of 14£ 1[2s 4d] the ballance of this said Blackleaches account due unto Cap[ ] Delavall, that hee give sec[ ] to answer the suites of the said Corne[    ] van Borsum and Thomas Delavall fo[    ] summes abovementioned together with the [    ] of prosecucion at the next Court of Sessio[    ] to bee holden in Jamaica for the Nort[ ] Riding of Long Isl., for the doeing w[    ] this shall bee your warrant, Hereof y[    ] to faile at your perill. Signed [    ] 11th day of Sept. 1677.

* This paragraph is in a different hand, written with the same pen as the signatures.
To the Const. of Oyster bay or his Dep:, who is to make returne of this precept to the Court of Sessions.


To the Court of Oysterbay.

1677

[26:87]
[LETTER FROM JOHN GARDNER ON MATTERS AT NANTUCKET]

Right Honorable

Wher as it was your Honors plesuer to macke sume Hope in the prosedings of the Corte at natuchet Concerning my seluelf with promas of furder Order therin which I with All thankfullnes Acknowledg: still Humbly begeing your Honors Pardon in Aney of my Careiag to the Corte ther wherein Offensive and now fearing Least time should fayle for the full Ending of thos publick Concerns which I hope your Honor will mind in its sesen.

My Humble Petistions therfor is

first: that Peter Folgers bisnes which Relats to the Publick myght be Allso suspended tell your Honors furder Order and not broft to the Asise heare: for his Charge of Coming hether will be here hard for him he being A pore man: and I hope your Honor will not Judg his ofence when fully heard to Equallise his presedant sufrings

2ly that your Honor will be pleased to take sum order Relating to the Indians ther being severall things at present Hard upon them; as I Judg Espetially that falce pretended parchas Recorded by mr. macy and now Aserted.

3ly that your Honor will be plese to tack sum order, that your Honors laste Instrucktions Concerning the Law, might be observed and not strange Laws Emposed on us.

4ly your Honors direcktions Concerning traineing ther being no way to Case Atendance Acording to Law, as I know of.
I bege your Honors pardon in any Impertanancies and Remaine your Honors Unworthey petestioner and

September: 13: 77 Obedent Servant

John Gardner

further that the Governor should be plesed to signifi his pleasuer Concerning mr. macys present Confirmation whether the Inhabitance shall not prosede to new Chouyse or not

and that his Honor will be plesed to diricte me Concerning my Rom* Mr. Cofing haveing Aknoledged before your Honor hee had it.

[ENDORSED:]

Capt. John Gardners
Request to the Go:
Delivered Sept. 13. 1677.

[26:88]

[AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN EDMONDSON ABOUT THE LENGTH OF TIME JOHN GRIFFEN WAS TO SERVE GEORGE MOORE]

I John Edmondson of Champtouke River doe Assinge over unto Gorge Mooer or his Assinges one man servant named John Greffen for his whole time that he hase to serve which was three yeares besides his runeinge A way as witnes my hand this 7 day of September 1677.

Testes J Edmundson [seal]

John Stanley.
Ro: Hutchinson

[26:89]

[NOTICE OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE SUIT OF DANIEL DE HAERT VS. THE EXECUTORS OF BALTHAZAR DE HAERT]

Capt. Nicolls.

I pray with drawe the cause inter daniell de Haert against the Executors of Balthazer de Haert and daniell will pay all costs. I am,

* room in the former sense of the word as an official position
27th September 75.  

Your freind and Servant.

Sam: Leete.

Hee will give notice to them that hee hath withdrawen his accion.


[26:90]  

[LETTER FROM JOHN TOPPING ASKING TO BE EXCUSED FROM COURT DUTIES]

Right Honnorable  

Southampton. Sept. 30th 1677.

Sir

My purpose was according to my bounden duty to have waitted upon your Honor at this court of Assizes but it hath pleased God in his all wise dissposeing providenc soe to order it that one of my Children is very sick and I feare nigh unto death soe that I find it very hard and difficult to leve it in that condission, I therefore humbly pray your Honor that my absence from the court may be excused and that noe eniquity may be imputed to mee upon that acount had I under taken the jumy it would have bee very uncomfortable and perplexing and therefore hope your will be favorable to mee who would noe case offen against your Honnor that hath soe many wayes obleiged mee to your service not haveing further at present I now leave and rest Sir your Honors most Humble affectionat servant.

John Topping

[ADDRESSED:]  

To the Right Honnorable  
Edmund Andros Esqr.  
Governor at New Yorke. these.

[ENDORSED:]  

Mr. John Toppings  
Lettre of Excuse.  
admitted.  
but hee came afterwards.

1677.
To the Right Honorable Major Edmund Andross Esquire Seigneur of Sausmarez Lieutenant and Governor Generall of all his Royall Highness Territoryes in America etc.

The Humble petition of Jno. Mann of Jameca on Lo: Isl: Husbandman

Sheweth.

That your Peticioner having had sundry dealings with one Nicolas Bayard of this City Merchant on or about the 5 of March 1674 your Peticioner and the said Bayard came to a Just and true Account by Ballance of which your Peticioner was indebted unto the said Bayard the sum of one hundred and five gilders seven stivers and since the said Ballance your Peticioner hath had and Received of the said Bayard severall goods Wares and Merchandizes and the said Bayard did pay some small Sums of money for your Peticioner which in all with the $105 = 7st: amounted to 3256f 12 stivers and your Peticioner did likewise since the said Ballance send and deliver unto the said Bayard one firkin of butter and 16 head of Cattle the which amounted unto the sum of f4129 = 12 st: the which cattle were driven to York and delivered to the said Bayard by order and on account of your Peticioner by one Thomas Smith whom your Peticioner imployed soe to doe, and the said Bayard became f873 in your Peticioners Debt but the said Bayard for what Reason your Peticioner knoweth not gave your Peticioner Credit but for Elleven head of Cattle which amounted to but f2709 = 12st and by that means brought your Peticioner in Debt by his Account f547 for the which your Peticioner was Arrested at a Mayors Court held in this City the 22th of February 1675 and knowing himselfe to be cleare and the said Bayard in his debt as aforesaid: put in bayle to his Accion and Answered the same and brought his Evidence to Court to prove the said 6 head of Cattle Delivered but your Peticioner not denying the said Bayards Account of Debts the Jury took no Notice of your Peticioners Proofe but found for the Plt. the said f547 acording to his account and declared if your Peticioner had any thing to demand of the said Bayard he must bring his Accion against him, whereupon your Peticioner the 15th of August 1676 sued the said Bayard for the said f4129 = 12 but the said Bayard producing in Court former Accounts which were Ballanced and shewing to the Court that the said Mann had Credit for 15 head of Cattle (Though in truth but 11 since the last Ballance) the Jury found for your Peticioner
one Oxe at f260: your Peticioner not being willing to stand by the said Verdict and Judgment, and doubting not but to prove and make Appeare the Delivery of the said 16 head of Cattle since the last Ballance.

Therefore humbly prays your honor to grant him an Appeale to the next Generall Court of Assizes that his cause may be fully heard and debated before your Honor he performing what the law in such cases directs.—etc.

And your Peticioner shall pray.

[NOTE:]*

To give good security to the Court of mayor and Aldermen, and then Alowed by

[ENDORSED:]
The peticion of John Man of Jamaica against Mr. N. Bayard to bee heard at the Assizes—1677.

Graunted upon his giving good security to the Court of Mayor and Aldermen.

Security given.

* Written in pencil by the governor.
To the Right Honorable Edmund Andros, Esquire etc. Governor Generalli under his Royall Highness of all his Territoryes in America etc.

The humble Petition of Elizabeth [Gibbs]

Humbly Sheweth unto your honor, whereas your [ ] Thomas Gibbs of this City, At A speciall Court [ ] City, Aboute the Latter end of September, or the [ ] Last, Recovered Judgement, against Capt: Thomas De[le]v[all] of this City Merchant for Six Thousand and Odd Gillders For severall goods and Merchandizes bought formerly of your Peticioners Husband by the said Capt. Thomas Delevall, The said Capt. Delevall being willing to Deteine your peticioners Husband Longer from his dues, Appealed from the Judgement of the said Court And entred his bill in the Last Court of Assizes wherein he Craved time etc., Your honor then and the rest of the honored Court gave Judgement that the said Capt. Thomas Delevall should have time to Answer and prosecute his Appeale as the Law directs, which time your Peticioner now Judges he has had, And your peticioners husband being gone from her and left her his Attorney with Little Sustenance but the Dependance of this Debt, And his Perticuler Order[ ] your peticioner to move your honor for A Speciall court of Assi[ ] to end the said Difference:

Your peticioner humbly Implores your honor, to graunt [ ] an Order for A speciall Court of Assizes, to trye [ ] determine the said difference whereby your pet[ ] have Her husbands Just due as Aforesaid to supply h[ ] wants in his Absence, Your peticioner being ready to putt in Security to Answer All damages, and Costs of the said Court if Judgment passe Against her, And to give the said Capt. Delevall sufficient summons to the said Court According to Law,

And your peticioner as in duty bound will ever pray etc.

Elizabeth Gibbes

[ENDORSED:] Mrs. Gibs peticion.
1677.
laid aside.
[26:93]

[PETITION OF GEORGE HALL OF ESOPUS TO BE INDEMNIFIED FOR THE LOSS OF HIS SLAVE, EXECUTED FOR MURDER]

To the Right Ho[ ] Major Edmund Andross Esqr. Seigneur of Sa[ ] Jaresz, Lieutenant and Governor Generall under his R. H[ ]es Duke of Yorke and Albany of all his Territ[ ] in America, and to this Honorable Court of Assizes.

In all humility sheweth

The humble Peticion of George Hall

That sometimes in the Summer Last wast twelve mo. your Peticioner had a Negro Slave, who being leudly and villanously inclined without any known cause given him, did with a Knife barbarously murder two women of the Town of Kingston in Esopus, and so fled, But your Peticioner being very desirous the marderer should be brought to condign punishment did after some dayes search after him, find him out and brought him before a Court of Justice who condemn'd him to dye an Examplary death for so bloudy a villany the which was accordingly put in Execucion

That your Peticioner by [ ] his unhappy accident lost so much of his Estate as th[ ] value of the said Negro was, being near 50£ which sum he payd for him, The which your Peticioner hopes will by your Honor [ ] this Honorable Court be taken into Consideracion, that the Execucion being for a publick good as an Example to deterr all [ ] ther such Miscreants from the like evill and wicked pract[ ] es your Peticioner may not be so much impoverished in his [ ] late thereby; but that some way may be found out for the [ ] your Peticioners satisfaccion in [. . .]

[ENDORSED:] The Peticion of George Hall
[ ] 77.
Past.

[26:94]

[PETITION OF NATHANIEL PIERSALL AND JOSEPH LANGDON TO HAVE BONDS AND FINES REMITTED]

To the Right Honorable Edmond Andros Esquire Governor Generall of all his Royal Highness Territor[ ] in America and his Majestys Justices of the Peace Sitting in this Honorable Court of Assize this 5th day of October 1677.
The Humble Petition of Nathaniell Peirsall and Joseph Langdon of Hempstead.

Most Humbly Sheweth:

That Whereas your Honors Petitioners were by A speciall Court of Assize held in October Last Past were with others Comitted to Prison and fined and Bound to theire Good behavior The which they humbly Conceive they have performed only the fine Excepted, Which as yett by None hath been demanded and Wee most humbly Conceive that there is none appearing Against us with any Complaint:

Most Humbly Pray your Honors

That wee may have our Bonds up and that your Honor According to your Wonted Clemency would bee pleased Graciously to Pardon our Fine or to Release parte of it as your Honors Pleasure is and wee shall as wee are Ever bound for your Honors Health Ever pray.

ENDORSED: Nath: Piersall and Joseph Langdon, peticion about their fine at the last Court of Assizes.

1677.

Past.

PETITION OF EZEKIEL FOGG FOR RELEASE FROM IMPRISONMENT

Right Worthy Sirs.

So long as I see the smyles of your honors bespeake the septer of your Clemencie held forth towards mee which I canot but imbrase with my last Address thereby signifieing that although the decrees of the Meads and Persians ware unalterable nevertheless upon good Mordica* Innocennce apeareing a second Decree was issued forth that the opressed and distresed sense might be inlarged and let stand upon there owne defence whereby truly being on there side deliverenc was wrought for them by the instrement of authority and the good hand of God atending the same.

* Mordecai, in the book of Esther in the Bible
May it please your honors I humbly conceive my case in a sense is not much unparaelel and therefore my inference is/

That although your honors once saw Reason to pass a decree of Court against mee which poseble by Law or Custom may not bee proper to alter nevertheless if upon your honors deliberate Consideration of my late adress wherein the truth of my oppressed Estate was demonstrated by queries and thereby if the Comandor of hearts hath made your honors more sensible of the unparelel and unheard of opresions I am under by my adversaries I then am not yet without hope that before your honor breaks up but that a second Decree may be granted whareby your poore suplycant be so inlardged as thereby made capiable to stand upon his own defence whome haveing truth Law and Equity on his side doubts not but in gods due time and place not only to be victorious and my present Adversary but after I have ben at boston to see my freinds and face my Enemies your honor may be truly informed that all those dark nights and Clouds of infamy contempt and reproach I have undeserv­ingly to that End for my present inlardgment that wisdom may direct your honors to be an Instument thereof is the needfull Requested by him that humbly craves your honors favorable constructions of these rude lynes assureing a Redines to his powre and life in a faithfull observeing not only the bounds of any liberty vouchsafed but all Comands whareby he may be servisable to your honors And the Publique good of this Collony; shall with Leave and submission

Subscribe your honors humble servant
And Oppressed Prisonor

From the prison of new yorke
5th october 1677.

Ezekial Fogg

To the Right Honorable Edm: Andros Esq:
Governor in Cheife of all his Rial highnes teretorys in America with

honorable Assembly now siting humbly present.

Past.
[PETITION OF JOSEPH LUDLAM FOR A PROPERTY TITLE AT OYSTER BAY AND VOIDING OF BONDS]

To the honorable Major Edmund Andros Esquire; Seigneur of Sauz=Marez, Lieutenant and Governor General of all his Royall Highnesse's Territoryes in America, And to the honorable Bench of Assizes now assembled.

The humble Petition of Joseph Ludlam of Oyster bay

In all humble manner

Sheweth that your said Petitioner was arrested by Capt. Thomas De Lavall in this City for the sume of One hundred pound; And upon dischargeing of him, tooke a bond the Penalty of £110: Sterling from your Petitioner; with a Condition that hee should give in security to pay the summe of fifty five pounds twelve shillings In Consideracion of a house and Lott of Ground at Oysterbay formerly sould unto your Petitioner for the summe of sixty pounds by John Thompson; Whereupon your Petitioner stood Tryall with said Capt. Delavall, at June sessions held at Jamaica Anno 1677; where the said Capt. Delavall's title, was Invalid to the house: whereupon hee appealed to this honorable Court; upon which your Petitioner attends; and as he has his bond out of £55 to the said Capt. Delavall, as alsoe to the said Thompson, 60£ That this honorable Court be pleased, to take the premisses unto your grave Consideracion; And make an order that both bonds may bee null and void; your Petitioner paying the Remainder of the Purchase money, being fourty five pounds, either unto the said Capt. Delavall, or said Thompson, or to whome the Law will give the same; and upon payment accordingly, that your Petitioner may have an undoubted title] to the premisses. etc.

And your honors Petitioner Shall Ever pray.

[ENDORSED:]* Joseph Ludlams Petition to the Go: and Court of Assizes.

Past. 1677.

Hempsteed mens bills of Court
Charges to bee done.

* separated endorsement
[26:97]  
[PUBLISHED IN RECORDS OF THE COURT OF ASSIZES]  

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[COURT COSTS OF SIMON GIBSON]  

A Bill of Court Charges at the Assizes—
Oct. 5. 1677. for Simon Gibson.  

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§ The difference between this and 1.10.4 is 3.8, which suggests that the “crier and marshal’s fees” had been either paid or canceled.  
** The significance of this and the following computations is not apparent to us.
[ENDORSED:] A bill of Court Charges at the Assizes. 1677.

Simon Gibson.

[26:99]

[PETITION OF TIMOTHY GABRY RECITING THE HISTORY OF HIS SUIT AGAINST JAN JANSZ VERRYN]

To the Right Honorable Major Edmund Androse Esquire Seigneur of Sausmarez Lieutenant and Governor Generall of all his Royall highnesse Territories in America.

The humble Peticon of Timothy Gabry

In all humble Manner Sheweth

That one Jan Jansen Verryne stood Justly and truly indebted unto your Peticioner in the time of the late Governor Stuyvesant for beavers and wampom then lent him, the Summe of f2340 in beavers and f4190 in wampom for payment whereof the said Jan Verryne transported unto your Peticioner an Obligacion, of f3500 hollands money which he said was due to him in holland, expecting to have procured the said obligacion, and to have Received his money, but instead thereof answer was returned unto, your Peticioner that the said Obligacion was by the said Verryne before his departure from holland pawn’d for the summe of f3000 which hee was there Indebted, the which your Peticioner acquainted the said Verryne, which whereupon the said Verryne by his Obligacion, and Morgage, bearing date the 17th day of June Anno 1661 obliged himselfe to pay unto your Peticioner the full summe of f7700 gilders in good Strung wampom by the first day of november 1662, and for the secureing, and satisfaccion of the said summe engaged and bound all his Farmes at Gravesend being four lotts, with the houses Barnes, Cattle, and all things belonging unto it moveable and Immoveable as by the said Obligacion may appeare, And your Peticioner further, sheweth that the time of payment of the said summe being expired, your Peticioner demanded his payment accordingly But the said Verryne, used frivolous excuses and delayes of payment, unto your Peticoner desireing his transport back againe, whereupon by Order of the Lords Governor Generall and Councell of the New Netherlands dated the 11th of July 1662 Mr. Jacobus Backer, Mr. Cornelius Steenwyck, Mr. Matthew De Vos Mr. Jaques Cosseau were desired and authorized as Arbitrators to heare the Debate of both Partyes, to be made And if Possible to bring
them to union, And to what the said Arbitrators should doe each Summitted to hold as Valuable upon which the said arbitrators awarded that Jan Jansen Verryne should pay £7700 gilders wampom, mentioned in his Morgage, with Interest thereof untill sattifaccion be made, And the sume of one thousand gilders wampom for damage, and Interest which your Peticioner alleagted for disbursting beavers and wampom, upon Condicion that a Certaine transport of a bond which the said Verryne delivered unto your Peticioner shuld be restituted and delivered againe if not paid, the which proveing effectuall to the intended purpose was mislayed or lost in Holland But your Peticioner sending advice to his friends of the said Verrynes Demands, received from thence sufficient Prooffes, that the said Transport, nothing was done, nor hereafter should, or could bee done, and that the same had been sent againe had it not been lost, Whereupon at a Court held before the Lords Governor generall and Councell of New Netherlands, the 19th of July 1663 the matters in difference betweene your Peticioner and the said Verryne Came to be heard your Peticioner demanding according to the said Arbitrators Award The difference likewise persisting to have his Transport delivered up to which your Peticioner replyed he Never had any Obligacion and that the said transport was lost and proffered to give sufficient security that by vertue of the said transport nothing is received, nor any shall ever be demanded, and that the same shall be nulled upon the Books of the Notary De vos, upon Which the said Governor Generall and Councell, allowed your Peticioner his Demands and Conclusions provided he annulled, the said transport, and gave security as aforesaid, upon which the Governor issued forth an Order, dated, 13th day of August 1663 Chargeing and requiring the said Notary De vos according to the said sentence to annuli the said transport, which was accordingly done, as by the Records of the said Court appeareth; after which no further proceedings happned, by occasion and revolucion of Times, and Change of Goverment, but your Peticioner still kept out of his Just right, till at a Court of Sessions held at Gravesend, in June 1665 in the time of Governor Nicolls, the Cause was againe tryed by a Jury the exact or certaine, Judgement thereupon your Peticioner Cannott sett forth the Records not being to be found from which tryall your Peticioner appealed to the Court of assizes, held the 30th day of Sept. 1665, where the Court having heard the matters on both sides at large discust Ordered that the award heretofore given by Mr. Cornelius Stenwyck, and the other arbitrators should stand good.

[ENDORSED:] Copie of Timo. Gabryes peticion to the Go: against Jan Jansen Verryn before the Court of Assizes where Verryn was cast.
[PETITION OF TIMOTHY GABRY FOR REMITTANCE OF A FINE]

To the Right honorable Major Edmund Andros Esquire senieur of Sance Mareez Leuietenant Governor Generall of all his Royall Highnes his teritories in America etc:

The peticion of Tymothy Gabry etc:

Humbly sheweth that whereas your peticioner being concerned in a case this day in pleading between himselfe and Jan Janson Van Ryn, and hearing some words fall from the said Van Ryn that were very impert­tinent to the case then in pleading; moved your peticioner with present passion to speake such words as were unbeseemeing any Christian; freind; or neighbour each to other: Especially before your honor and the Representative of the Collony now sitting in the great and high Court of Assizes; which your peticioner confesses his great fault; and likewise that old age is subject to passion; and passion Ready to vent it selfe beyond reason and all good manners; occationed your peticioner to burst forth into such words as were unbeeseeming any man to utter:

Therefore your peticioner humbly intreats your honor would please to weigh the premisses with serious Consideracion; and to remitt the Fine by your honor and the rest of the honorable Court imposed upon him for his soe great absurdity: and your peticioner shall ever pray for your happines in this life; and that which is to come:

[ENDORSED:] The petition of
Mr. Tymothy Gabry etc.
Remitted to 40 s.
### [26:105] SIX INVOICES OF GOODS SENT TO BARBADOS BY SAMUEL WILSON


Invoies of goods shipt on Board Mr. Graives, bound for the Berbados by me Samll. Willson upon my owne proper Account and Consigned to Lancelot Tallbut: (Vizt)

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<td>002 04 0</td>
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<tr>
<td>To naileing Portridge litridge Wharfidge and Primaige†</td>
<td>000 15 0</td>
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**Errors Excepted**

per me Samuel Wilson

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#### [26:105b] Boston in New England. 1668

Invoies of goods shipt on Board Mr. Gatliefe: bound for the Berbados by me Samll. Willson upon my owne proper Account And Consigned to Lancellot Tallbutt, (Vizt)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Brought from the other Side</td>
<td>£ 189 09 6</td>
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<td>To 26 Barrels of Porke and fish</td>
<td>090 10 6</td>
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<td>To 15 lbs of bred at 18s per lb.</td>
<td>013 10 0</td>
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<td>To 7 Ton of hogsheads for fish and bred</td>
<td>007 11 0</td>
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<td>To naileing Portridge litridge Wharfag and Primaige</td>
<td>002 10 0</td>
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**Errors Excepted**

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* Cental: hundred weight, 100 lbs.
† Fees for closing (nailing) the barrels, moving them (portage), using the wharfe (wharfage), and a gratuity (primage) to the captain for careful handling. We find no reference anywhere to “litridge.” It perhaps derives from one of the uses of the word “ledger,” which can refer to a commission agent, or to the recording of cash.
per me Samuell Wson

[ENDORSED:] Invoies of goods shippt on Board Mr. Graives

[26:105c] Boston in New=England 1668

Invoies of goods shipt on Board Mr. Hubard, bound for Berbados by me Samll. Willson upon my owne Proper Account and Consigned to Lancellot Tallbutt: (Vizt)

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<tr>
<td>Brought from the other side</td>
<td>303</td>
<td>11 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>To 39: ¼ cantailles of Codfish at 15s per Cantall</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>08 06</td>
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<tr>
<td>To naileing Porridge litridge Wharfaige and Duble: Primaige</td>
<td>11 10</td>
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Errors Excepted
per mee Samuell Wilson


Invoies of goods Shipt on Board Mr. Gardner, bound for Berbados by me Samll Willson upon my owne proper: Account and Consigned to Lancellot Tallbut: (Vizt)

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<tr>
<td>Brought from the other Side</td>
<td>333</td>
<td>11 04</td>
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<tr>
<td>To 8 Barrells of Porke</td>
<td>024</td>
<td>00 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>To: 12 hogsheads fish that 56 Cantalls at 12 s per Cant.</td>
<td>033</td>
<td>12 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>To 4 hogsheads ditto refuige that 22 Cantalls at 9s 6d per Cantall</td>
<td>010</td>
<td>09 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>To 16 hogsheads for fish and serveing at 22 s per Ton</td>
<td>004</td>
<td>08 00</td>
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<tr>
<td>To naileing Porridge litridge Wharfaige and Primaige</td>
<td>001</td>
<td>05 00</td>
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Errors Excepted
per me Samuell Wilson


Invoies of goods shipt on Board Mr. Greene for Berbados by me Samll. Willson upon my owne Proper Account and Consigned to Lancellot Tallbut Vizt
Brought from the Other Side
To 9 lb. of bred 16s
To 15 Bush: Peaise at 3s per bush
To 4 hogsheads for the bred and Peaise
To naileing Potrige, litleidge, and Wharfaige and Primaige

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per mee—Samuell Wilson

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**[26:105f]**

**Boston in New-England: May 6th 1668.**

Invoies of goods: shipt on Board Mr. Cox: bound for Berbados by me Samll. Willson upon my owne proper Account and Consigned to Lancellot Tallbutt: (Vizt)

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<td>417</td>
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To 13 lb. of bred at 16s per lb.
To 15 Bush Indian Corne 2s 4d
To 6 Bush: Peaise 3s
To 6 hogsheads for bred and naileing
To Petty Charges

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<td>000</td>
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To mony which the abovesaid Lancellot Talbut received of mine in Boston which he owned was: 100—00—0

a 100£ not paid into me as: yett

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<td>532</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>4</td>
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Errors Excepted
per mee Samuell Wilson

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Received in part of the abovesaid the sume 123:17: 8
Rests due to me Samll Willson the sume of 409:00: 8

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**[ENDORSED:]**

Invoises of what good was sent in Charge of Lancellot Tallbut to Berbados.

vi^th^ Feb. 1676.

xxvii^th^ Apr. 77.
Honored Sir

these may acquaint you that I have received the goods sent by Gardner according to bill of Loading but the fish proved exceeding moist and dampe which will much prejudice the sale of it but shall doe what I can in the dispose thereof. Green is also arrived and his goods received, I perceive you entend home Suddanily and doubt you’ll be gone ere this can arrive you. I pray God give you a prosperous voyadge, you mention your entenet of sending what you purpose before your departure, if this comes before you have shipt I would desire you to send noe more Beefe and porke for there is spetiall good Irish Beefe sould for 250£ and 230£ of Sugar a Barrell and much porke is sould for 370£ a Barrell which spoiles the trade of porke and Beefe; good dry refuge fish turns to the best accompt though nothing turns to a good Mackerell also wil doe better than porke or beefe pray send noe oyle neither it will yeild more in England; freight heere is pretty deare there comeing in soe few its now at 6£ a toun I have 8 Hogsheads of good Sugar by mee but am loath to give soe much, yet there is seaverall merchants heere that have given that price, but there haveing several vessells come in within this 6 dayes hope it will bee cheaper. I have not further to trouble you but with presentation of my service to you and Mr. Snawsell and wife I remaine

Sir your humble servant
Lancelot Talbot

[ADRESSED:] For Mr. Samll. Wilson
Merchant
att Boston N:E:
per Mr. Hobart of DC

[ENDORSED:] xxvii\textsuperscript{th} Apr. 77

A Lettre of
Lancellot Talbutt.
KNOW all men by these presents that I Lancelott Talbott of Boston in New England merchant in the behalfe of my selfe and friends or Employers for good causes and consideracions me thereunto moveing HAVE nominated made ordained and authorized and doe by these presents nominate make ordaine authorize and in my place and stead doe put and constitute Richard Crisp of Boston afforesaid merchant my true sufficient and Lawfull attumey and procurator for me in my name and to the use of me and my Friends or imployers to aske demand require and receive of and From Thomas Snawsell of New Yorke merchant and all and every other person and persons whatsoever, all and singular such summe and summes of mony goods Debts wares merchandize and effects whatsoever which is or are due belonging or payable unto me the said Talbott of or from the said Snawsell or by or from any other person or persons whatsoever by bill Bond Booke accompt or by any other wayes or meanes whatsoever: with all costs Dammages and intrests: and also to compound and agree accompt with and take accompt of the said Thomas Snawsell and all other persons whatsoever and of the recoveryes Receipts Compositions and agreements acquittances or other sufficient discharges in my name to make seale and deliver: AND if need be for the premisses to appeare and the person of me the Constituant to represent in all courts before any Judges or Justices: And the said Thomas Snowsell or any other person or persons afforseaid, in case of refuseing to be accountable and to make payment as afforesaid to sue arrest attach implead imprison and condemne and out of prison againe when need shall be to deliver his and their person or persons estate or estates in execution to take and from under execution at his pleasure againe to release And likewise one attumey or more under him to make and substitute and at pleasure to revoake: And generally in and concerning the premisses and dependencyes thereof to do say execute and accomplish all and whatsoever I the said Constituant might or could doe if I were there personally present although the matter doe require more speciall authority then herein is particularly expressed: And I doe hereby oblige my selfe my heires etc. to rattifie and confirme all that my said attumey shall Lawfully doe or cause to be done in and about the premisses by vertue of these presents IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seale this twenty first day of December in the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred seventy and six.
Signed sealed and Delivered
in the presence of us
the words (of my selfe) above the
second line being first interlined

To: Thacher Richd Wharton

To: Mr. Thomas Thatcher (one of the witnesses to this
New Yorke Letter of Attorney was upon the 20th Apr. 1677 sworne
before mee that hee saw the same sealed ansd delivered.

Proved and Entred in the Office of Records
at New Yorke, May the 5th 1677.

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Lancelott Talbotts
Letter of Attourney.
xxiii Apr. 77

[26:108]

[COPIES OF SEVERAL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO DEBTS OWED BY
EZEKIEL FOGG TO CHARLES GOSFRIGHT OF LONDON]

Know all men by these presents that Charles Gosfright of the Citty of
London merchant have made constituted authorized and appointed and
by these presents do make constitute authorize and appoint Hezekiah
Usher Junior of Boston in New=England Merchant my true and Lawfull
Attoumy for mee and in my name and to my proper use to demand aske
require recover and receive of and from all person or persons whatsoever
whome it doth or may concern all and singular debts, dues, goods,
merchandizes, adventures and all summe and summes of mony and other
things whatsoever due unto mee by bills, bonds, bills of Excha. or upon
any accounts and upon non payment of the said debts summe and
summes of mony and all other things, the said person or persons whome
it may concern, to arrest or to attach, his or theire goods and chattels, and
the same to retain and keepe untill the full payment and satisfaction is or
shalbee made, and upon receipt of the said debts summes of mony, or other things, or any part of them or any of them, acquittances or other lawfull discharges for mee and in my name to make, signe seale and deliver as my act and deed; and also to transact conclude compound and agree to and for my best advantage with the person or persons concerned in the premisses: And if need bee to appeare and represent my person before all majt. Governors; assemblies, Judges and Justices in any Court or Courts there to answer and defend and reply in all matters and causes touching the premisses, to do, say, pursue. arrest, seize, sequester, imprison, condemn and out of prizon to deliver And generally to use all Lawfull meanes for recovery of the premisses, either by sute at law or otherwise as fully and amply to all intents and purposes as I myselfe might or could doe if I were then and there personally present: with power to substitute one or more Attournys under him with the like or more limited power and the same at his free will again to revoake: And whatsoever my saide Attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done in and concerning the premisses, the said Charles Gosfright doth hereby ratify confirme and allow for firme and stable. IN WITNESS whereof hee hath hereunto put his hand and seale this fourth of January Anno Dom. 1674 or 5 and in the twenty sixth yeare of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord Charles the Second King of England etc.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in presence of

Charles Gosfright his seale


as Attests Isa: Addington Cler.

This is a true Coppie of the Original on file with the Records of the County Court of Suffolke in New England being therewith examined.

as Attest: Addington Cler.

Know all men by these presents that I Hezekiah Usher by virtue of the power and authority derived unto mee from Charles Gosfrit by the within written procuration, do nominate and appoint John Robbinson of New Yorke merchant my lawfull Substitute or Attourney under mee to use all lawfull waies and meanes whatsoever for the obtaining and recovery of and from Ezekiel Fogg at present in New Yorke, the summe due unto mee as Attourney afsaid by virtue of the within written Judgement of
the County Court held at Boston the 25th of January last. In Witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seale this 19th day of July 1676 anno.

Signed Sealed and Delivered Hezekiaj Usher [seal]
in presence of us

H:D: Meyer
Daniell Lane
Isa: Addington

To the Marshall of the County of Suffolke or his Deputy or Constable of Boston.

You are hereby required in his Majesties name to attach the goods and for want thereof the body of Ezekiel Fogg and take bond of him to the value of two hundred and Fifty pounds with sufficient surety or sureties for his appearance at the County Court to bee held at Boston in January next, then and there to answer the complaint Hezekiah Usher Junior Attourny to Charles Gosfright in an action of debt of One hundred sixty Five pounds three shillings six pence halfe penny in currant mony of New=England due by bill, and all due damages, and so make a true return hereof under your hand. Dated the 29th day of November 1675.

By the Court Jonath: Negus.

The Return.

I have attached the body of Ezekiel Fogg this 29th November and for want of goods or security have committed him to prison.

per John Waite Constable

This is a true Coppie of the original attachment on file with the Records of the County Court of Suffolke in New=England and return made thereupon being therewith examined

as Attest Is: Addington Cler.
Bought of Charles Gosfright. October 6th 1674.

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<td>two pieces of blankets 10s per</td>
<td>£001/00/00</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>twenty two yards broad cloth at 7/6d per yard</td>
<td>£008/05/00</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>nineteen yards broad cloth 6/6 per yard</td>
<td>£005/13/06</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Eighteen yards broad cloth 6s per yard</td>
<td>£005/08/00</td>
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<td>Eighteen yards of Kearsie at 3s per yard</td>
<td>£002/14/00</td>
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<td>thirty one yards of Linnen 20d per yard</td>
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<td>thirty five ells of dowlace 2/6 per ell</td>
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<td>seven doz. and halfe razors 6s per doz.</td>
<td>£002/05/00</td>
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<td>seven doz. of buckels for shoes 19d per</td>
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<td>three doz. and halfe of spurs 5s 6d per</td>
<td>£000/19/03</td>
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<td>four bibles at 4s/6 per</td>
<td>£000/18/00</td>
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<tr>
<td>36</td>
<td>the advance of the above goods 25 per cent is</td>
<td>£032/17/08½</td>
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£131/10/10

£164/08/06½
one doz. of knives  £000/05/00
six pairs of sissors  £000/03/00
Four ells damnified dowlace  £000/08/00
abated for earnest 1s is  £165/04/06½

I underwritten Ezekiel Fogg do acknowledge myselfe to owe and stand indebted to Charles Gosfright of Boston the just summe of One hundred Sixty Five pounds three Shillings Six pence halfe penny Lawfull currant mony of New-England, for the goods above mentioned, and doe hereby promiss to pay the said summe to Charles Gosfright or his lawfull Attourny within the space of Four months after the date hereof abovementioned as witness my hand the 6th of October 1674.

Witness present
Ezekiel Fogg
Tho: Thacher Owned in Court January 28 1675 by
William Grice Ezekiel Fogg to bee his hand

as Attests Isa: Addington Cler.

This is a true Coppie of the Original on file with the Records of the County Court of Suffolke in New-England, being therewith examined.

as Attests Isa: Addington Cler.

At A County Court held at Boston
January 25°' 1675 anno

Hezekiah Usher junior Attourny to Charles Gosfright plaints against Ezekiel Fogg Defendant in an action of debt of One hundred Sixty Five pounds three shillings six pence halfe penny in currant mony of New-England due by bill and all due damages according to Attachment Date November 29°' 1675. The Attachment and Evidences in the case produced being read, committed to the Jury and remaine on file with the Records of this Court, The Jury brought in theire Verdict, they founde for the plaintife One hundred thirty eight pounds Five shillings, six pence halfe penny in mony and costs of Court, twenty nine shillings six pence.

This is a true Coppie of the Courts Judgment as it stands entred in the Courts Records being therewith compared.

as Attests Isa: Addington Cler.
Massachusetts Colony in New-England.

John Leverett Esquire Governor.

TO ALL who shall see these presents or heare them to bee read greeting KNOW YEE that Isaac Addington (by whome the within written Coppies are signed and attested to bee true Coppies of the Records of the County Court of Suffolke in New-England) is Clerke of the said Court, and all Coppies taken out of the Records of the said Court so Signed and attested by him are received as good Evidence in Law and faith and credit is given unto the same; both in Courts of Judicature and out of the same: Moreover I do Certify that Mr. Hezekiah Usher; who hath signed and sealed the within written deputation unto John Robbinson as his Sub-At-tourney personally appeared before mee on the day of the date hereof, and acknowledged the same to bee his act and deed and for more cleere Evidence thereof did in my presence scale and deliver the same as his act and Deed for the uses therein expressed, IN TESTIMONY whereof I have not onely subscribed my name; but also caused the publique seale of the abovewritten Colony to bee hereunto affixed. Dated at Boston this 10th day of July Anno Dom. 1676 and in the xxviii yeare of his Majesties Reign.

John Leverett Gov.

[26:109-114]

[ALL APPEAR IN THE RECORDS OF THE COURT OF ASSIZES EXCEPT 110 WHICH IS MISSING AND IS NOT RECORDED IN THE CALENDAR]

[26:115]

[REPORT OF REFEREES CONCERNING ACCOUNTS OF SAMUEL BLAGGE, SAMUEL EDSALL, AND ANDREW GIBB]

Pursuant to an Order of the Honorable Court of Assizes, dated the fourth of October 1677 to us directed to peruse the account betwixt Mr. Samll. Blagge and Mr. Samll Edsall, and Andrew Gibb, and to make a report to this Honorable Court how wee finde the same Having Compared Mr. Edsall and Mr. Gibbs account (in which they Charge themselves with severall Goods taken out of the Cargo) with the Invoice by which they were delivered and also with the Bills of Parcells of goods sold out of the said Cargo to George Dennis and John and Thomas Plimfeild, wee
finde that the said Edsall and Gibb have Charged themselves at the same Rates they sold the same goods to Others which wee finde to bee at fifty, sixty and upwards per Cento advance, but some small parcells something under Fifty, and the Original Invoice per which said Goods were delivered to said Edsall and Gibb, wee finde to be overvalued, from what the Like goods might bee bought for in England; what Payment was made was in Tobacco, Oyle, Porke, Beefe, Pease, etc. at price Current in New Yorke, Commission being five per Cent for sale, and five per Cento for Returnes, is Charged for said Edsall and Gibb, have taken to themselves, as well as for what they Sold to Others, some small Errors, appearing in the accounts, the partyes have agreed to Rectify it, amongst themselves, Besides which we have not anything to report to this Honorable Court we are

New Yorke:  
5th Day of October Anno: 1677

Your Humble Servants

S V Cortland  
Francis Rombouts  
Wm Pinhome  
Peter De Lanoy

This a true Copy  
Matthias: Nicolls.  
Secr.

[ENDORSED:]  
Copy of the Report of the Merchants that proved the accounts.

[26:116]  
[ANSWER OF EDSALL AND GIBB TO THE COMPLAINT OF BLAGGE]  
To the Right Honorable Mayor Edmund Andross Esquire Governor Generall of all his Royall Highness James Duke of York his Territoryes in America and to the honorable Bench at this Court of Assizes Assembled.

The said Defendants now and at all times hereafter saving to themselves all manner of exceptions to the Complainants manifold untruths and incertainties in his bill therein conteyned etc. they these Defendants say and either of them for himselfe severally saith that the same is insufficient in the Law to bee Answered unto by these Defendants or either of them for divers faults and imperfections therein Conteyned and exhibited into this Honorable Court of Meere Malice and Envy only to the intent to put these Defendants to trouble and vexacion that hee this said Samll. Blagg may thereby gaine by Soliciting of the sayd matter Into this Honorable Court and not upon any Just cause Soe to doe and further the sayd Defendants each for himselfe saith that if the said matters mencioned in the said bill were true as they be not indeed yet the same were not determinable either at Southhampton or Southhold or any other place within this Government but within the Jurisdiction where The Cause of Action did arise which these Defendants doe avert and say each for himselfe was at this City and not at Southhampton Southhold or any other place within the Jurisdiction of this Government whereupon these Defendants pray to be dismissed with their Reasonable Costs and charges not only for Aresting these Defendants bodyes but alsoe attaching their Estates upon Long Island Contrary to the Law of this Government which they have wrongfully susteyned in and about the premisses nevertheless if these Defendants bee Compelled by this Honorable Court to make any further Answer unto the incertayne bill of Complaint then (and not otherwise) the advantage of exception allwayes Reserved for, further Answer thereunto and for a full and true plaine Declaracion of the truth touching the Contents of the said Bill of Complaint (if any such bee) These Defendants each for himselfe saith that they had and Received a parcell of goods of the Complainent as in and by the said Bill is set forth but not amounting to the sum as in and by the bill of accompt at Southhampton was produced etc. and these Defendants say either for himselfe that it is true that the Complainant did sue These defendants at Southhampton 7 March 76 for the said parcell of goods and had a Judgment thereupon against these Defendants which these Defendants have performed but the Complainant not being satisfied therewith moved the Court of Sessions at Southhold in June last as by the said bill is set forth whether the account given by these Defendants to the Complainant were according to the Juryes Verdict and Judgment of the Court of Sessions Att Southhampton which the Court Replyed and give them their Definitive Judgment as in and by the bill is set forth but the said Complainant not being satisfied therewith still going on to vex and perplex these Defendants, Appealed from the Second Judgment of Court of Sessions to this Honorable Court setting forth that hee could have noe
other account or Satisfaction from these Defendants which either of them
doe absolutely deny and sayeth that they have payd to the Complainant
several summs of Money as per account will appeare and that if the
Complainant had not by his unjust vexatious and Letigious Suits against
their persons and goods made a stopp to the Receiving of their Just debts
due to them they these Defendants had not only given the Complainant
their true honnest and Just accompts of sales (as in truth and honnesty
they Really have) but alsoe Long before this time satisfied and payd the
plt. the Rest due to the Complainant according to the Judgments of Court
of Sessions which these Defendants hope this Honorable Court will
Confirme and Cause the Complainant to accept of the same according
to these Defendants account and Judgment of the said Court, and give
these Defts some Convenient time to gather in their debts and to pay the
Complainant what is due to him on accompts hee making a whole stop
to the Receiving of the same that soe these Defendants may not Bee
Ruined in their fortunes and Estates by the Complainants Tedian and
vexatious Suite from Court to Court all which Matters etc. And these
Defendants pray that they may bee dismissed with their costs and
Charges wrongfully Susteyned.

And they as in duty bound shall pray etc.

[ENDORSED:] An Answer

Sam: Blagge           plt.
Sam: Edsall and       deft.
Andr. Gibb


[LIST OF EXHIBITS IN THE SUIT OF BLAGGE VS. EDSALL]

Invoice of the whole Goods received by Mr. Sam: Edsall and Mr. Andrew Gibb, from Mr. Blagge, signed by them.

Mr. Edsall's and Gibbs account of sales signed.

Mr. Edsall and Gibbs account Current signed.

Mr. Edsall and Gibbs account of Goods taken upon Retayle unsigned.

John and Tho: Blumfield's account unsigned.

George Dennis account unsigned.

Invoice of Goods returned Mr. Sam. Blagge in specie unsigned.

Goods remitted to Barbados and others returned to Mr. Blagge in specie signed—Edsall and Gibb.

Invoice of goods loaden on board the ship Hopewell for Barbados, with the shipps account both signed. Edsall and Gibb.

Invoice of Goods from Barbados received by Edsall and Gibb—signed by them.

Another Invoice of Goods from Barbados received by Edsall and Gibb and signed by them.

Invoice of goods ship't aboard the Hopewell for Engl. signed.

Account of Goods belonging to severall persons in Engl. being the Hopewells Cargoe. unsigned.

The Owners of the ship Hopewell their Orders signed.

Two Letters of Orders from Mr. Blagge to Mr. Edsall and Gibb. signed.

A short account of Goods, sold Gerrit Slichtenhorst unsigned.

A declaracion.

A plea in barre to Proceedings here left.

An answer left.
Judgments of Courts at Southton and Southold

Order to the Merchants to view the Accounts.

Their Report.

C. Dyres Certificate left.

Mr. Blagges quires to the Merchants.

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[ON BACK:] In account Current 739£ 10s 3d

[ENDORSE:] A List of papers deliver’d unto the Court of Assizes 1677 by Mr. S. Blagge and Mr. S. Edsall but taken all by Mr. Blag from my Clarke without my* order.

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[26:118]

[COURT COSTS IN THE SUIT OF SAMUEL BLAGGE VS. NICHOLAS BLAKE]

A Bill of Court Charges at the Assizes in October 1677

Samuell Blagge Plt.
Nicholas Blake Deft.

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* Secretary Nicolls
[ENDORSED:]

Bill of Court Charges
Samll. Blagge
@
Nicho: Blake
1677
£16:05:06

[26:119a]

[COURT COSTS IN THE SUIT OF BLAGGE VS. EDSALL AND GIBB]

A bill of Court Charges at the Assizes 1677.

Samll. Blagge          Plt.

The Peticion of Appeale                      00:10:00
Entry of the Accion                          00:05:00
Returne of Proceedings from the Court        00:06:08
of Session at Southold
Coppie of Declaracion                      00:03:04
Fileing                                       00:02:06
Coppie of answer                            00:03:04
Fileing                                       00:02:06
High sherriffes Fees                        00:12:00
Cryer and Marshall                          00:03:08
Severall writeings Orders Papers etc.        01:00:00
brought in Evidence and recorded
The Charge of the Accion to the Publick    09:05:00
according to law being 700£ and upwards
The Order and Judgement of Court             00:10:00
Coppie                                      13:06:06

Before the Assizes.

The Speciall warrant from the Governor for Samll. Edsall, and Andrew Gibb to appeare at the Court of Sessions
The Commission under the great scale for the Speciall Court of Assizes  00:10  £  s  d  01:03:04  14:09:10

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To the Right Honorable Edmond Andrews Esquire Governor Generali of all his Royall Highnes Territorys in America and The Worshippfull his Majesties Justices of the Peace Sitting in this Honerable Court of Assizes this 4th of October 1677.

The humble Desire of the Constables of the East and North Rideing on Long Island:

To your Honor and Worshipps most humbly Sheweth it is Theire Desire:

1. That the Maintenance and Encouragement for the Ministry may by some way bee Established and that Such encouragement may bee that there may bee A Minister in Each Respective Towne that wants.

2dly That there may also bee some way Established for the Maintenance of A schoole Master in Each Towne:

3dly That your Honor and Worshipps would bee pleased to Consider of Some way to prevent the greate Abuse there is of Indians being frequently Made Drunke to the Great Disturbance of Severall Townes:

4thly That if there must bee Entry made by all Vessells that Come from our Neighbour Collonyes to trade with us That Theire might bee an Office in Each place of Trade that soe they might Enter and Cleare where they
soe Trade and not to bee Compelled to Come to this Citty to Doe the Same:

As the law directs

5thly That your Honor and Worshipps would Consider the great Wrongs that many sustaine by Reason of the Over Value That is Sett upon Horses and Maares in the Rates it being above Double what they are Worth and all other Rates (Viz) the Ministers Rate and the Towne Rate being Made by the same Valuation as the Countrys Rates are made by.

An account to bee given to the Const.

6thly That there may bee some Order by this Honorable Court Established Concerning Stray Cattle that Stray away from one place to Another that the person that takes up any such shall within A Certain time bring in Writing to the Constable of the place the Marks of all such both Natural and Artificial.

5£ fine.

7thly That whereas there is Noe Law Extant Concerning Pound breach that your Honor and Worshipps would Establish on to that end.

John Jaggar
Samuel Luks
John Tompson
John Oldfeild
Samuell Eborne

[ENDORSED:] Proposals from the Constables* of the East and North Ridings to the Go: and Court of Assizes.

1677.
Past.

* Jagger is from Southhampton and Thompson from Setauket in the East Riding, Oldfield from Jamaica in the North Riding. The other two signatures are poorly written and not certain.
PETITION OF NICOLAES BAYARD AS AGENT OF FORMER GOVERNOR ANTHONY COLVE

To the Right Honorable Major Edmund Andros Esquire Governor Generall of all his Royall Highnesses Territories in America:
and this Honorable Court of Assizes—

In all humility Sheweth Nicolaes Bayard, that it hath pleased his honor the Governor some dayes since, verbally to blame this petitioner for receiving of some debts of Governor Colve, And not prosecuting of some Claimes of said Governor Colve, In pursuance to an order of his Honnor and Council bearing date the 21th of November Anno 1674 And hath withall Commanded this petitioner to present or prosecute the said Claimes at this Honorable Court of Assizes; In obedience to which Command Your Honnors suppliant humbly Craves Your Honnors favorable Audience; —

That this Petitioner upon the Departure of Governor Colve was left his Atturny here; to receive severall Debts, as also to Crave his Honnor the Governors answer upon some particulars of the said Governor Colves Instructions to this petitioner; In pursuant unto which this petitioner (upon his honnors leave and approbation so to do) did by way of Petition present the same to the Consideration of his Honnor; whoes pleasure it was to leave it to legall judicall proceedings and decision by Law etc: provided this petitioner as Gov. Colves Atturny should prosecute the said Claimes before the first day of May 1675, as by his Honnors said order more at large is set forth;

But soo it is may it please Your Honnor that it was not in the Pouwer of this petitioner to observe his honnors said order, because the petitioner by the said Instructions of Governor Colve was not impouwered but to the Contrary forbidden so to do, Wherefore Your honnors Petitioner thought it not safe for himself to act any further therin, then only to receive and pay Such Debts as the petitioner by said Lett. of Atturny and Instructions was empowdered unto; Yett Your petitioner shall not proceed therein for the future, except with Your honnors speciall leave and Approbation; —

Soo Your honnors petitioner humbly Craves leave, and beggs a favorable
Construction of the Premisses, And he shall pray etc. and remaine;

Your honnors most humble Subject and Servant

New Yorke 4 October Anno 1677:=

N: Bayard

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Nicha. Bayards
petition to the Go: and Court of Assizes.

1677.

[26:125] [PUBLISHED IN RECORDS OF THE COURT OF ASSIZES]

[26:126] [NO CALENDAR ENTRY OR DOCUMENT]

[26:127] [PUBLISHED IN RECORDS OF THE COURT OF ASSIZES]

[26:128a] [COPY OF COURT MINUTES RELATING TO A SUIT BEING APPEALED]

Cytie of New Yorke SS The Court of Record of the Cytie aforesaid
holden att the Cytie hall within the said Cytie
the 12th day of June 1677 before Mr. Tho
Gibbs Deputy Mayor. etc.

Mr. John Inian
against
Mr. Cor. Stenwick
and oth.

Declared Read fol. 243 The Defts. Alleadg-
inge that they want their papers beinge with
their Correspondents in England Court Order
that the Defts give in Security to Answere the
plt. And to have Twelve Monthes time to
Answere the same.

The Plt. mooves for an Appeale to the Assizes.
The Court grants Appeale Performinge what the Lawe directs.

Examined per me Sam: Leete Cler.

[ENDORSED:]

Att a Court 12th June 77.

John Inian
@
Cor. Stenwick et al.

[26:128b]

Cytie of SS
New Yorke

The Court of Record of the Cytie aforesaid holden att the Cytie hall within the said Cytie the 22th day of May 1677 Before Mr. Nicho. Demyer Mayor etc.

Mr. John Inian
against
Mr. Cor. Stenwick
and al.

Referred till next Court and to bee
Tryed per a Jury.

Examined per me Sam: Leete Cler.

[ENDORSED:]

Att a Court 22th June 77.

John Inian
@
Cor: Stenwick et al.

[26:129 and 130]

[PUBLISHED IN RECORDS OF THE COURT OF ASSIZES]
Debtor       John Man of Jamaica

1673
20 December 
To Thomas Wellin by your order £8:7:is f334.—
   To serge to yourselfe 48.—
   10 Seames silke and 2 @ ribining 5.0—
   26 lb. Cotton wool 178.—
   2 skaines white thread 2.—
   4 cannis Rom 20.—
   3 @ Karsy Read 75.—
   5 @ linnen from Mr. Steenwyk 60.—
   more silck and thread 10.—
   1 pair shoes 15.—
   10 silck 2 scaines dutch and 2 }
   scaines English 3.16
   4½ @ galloon 4.08
   4 @ dozzens at 24 guilders 96.—
   1 pair stockins and 1 pair shoes 21.—
21 ditto
   to 63 lb. Cotton wool 198.—
   to 300 nailes 5 cans Rom 1 pair shoes 43.—
   to 12 pair stockins at 9 guilders 108.—
   to pins 10.—
   to Daniel Whitehead by your order 145.04
   to Tho: Smith by your order 85.—
   to Christofel hooghland £4: 160.—
   to Poul Richard 18.—
   to 9 lb suggar 9.—
   to tape and needles 5.08
29-
   to morris Smit by your order 350.—
   to 2 pewter porrengers 14.—
   to Rom 5.—
   to Daniel Whitehead 230.—
   to William Thorne gloves 80.—
   to taffate and galloone 51.—
1674
5 Janu.
   to William Foster by your order 371.—
   to 1 quire of paper 4.—
   to 7½ cannis rom, and 1 pair shoes 45.10
to Gabriel minvielie 160.—
to rom 4½ Canns 21.—
to humphrie for his portion of the swine 88.12

Errors Excepted
N: Bayard:

Credit

1673
20 December 4 By head of Cattle for £18: is-

1674
5 Janu. By sundry Cattle to Mr. Luke—
1 bull 427£
1 young steere 303 lb. 276£
1 Cow 237£
the 3 hides and tallow 1243£
More 2 steeres 329£
the 2 hides and tallow 328£
in all 7038£
at 9 styvers 917.02
By 5 hoggs 658 lb. at 13 styvers 427.14
By 5 hogs 734 lb at 13 styvers 477.02

1676 =12 January this day accounts Ballanced
with Jno, Man; Ephraim Hermans
being present,
Whereby Jno. Man remained
Indebted to Ballance 423.04

Carried over to the following side.

Debtor John Man of Jamaico

1674 12 January to Ballance of the former account
this day stated with Jno. Man f423.04
14 dito to Anthony Janse the turck 100.—
to John Corsen 25 lb. porke at 13 sty. 16.05
to sundries Vizt pewter ware 78.—
2 @ linnen 16.—
1 pair fine stockins½ @ silck 36.— 16.—
1 pair shoes 6 Skains silck 16.—
3 Canns Rom 15.—
to Wm. thorne 4.—
15 ditto to the persons that brought the oxen 30.—
to 11@ stof* at 12 guilders f132.—
   6 cann hoockes 9.11
   6 scaines silck 23.—
   23 b. suggar
   to Margery Philips 93.10 522.14
   to Poulus Richard 45.—
   to 2 barrels molasses 210.
   to 2 cann Rom 10.—
to Ralph huddisson 1½ @ Camlet 18.—
14 feb. to Samuel Mills by your order 15.10
   to pepper, 1 quire paper
   and wampum 16.10 86.10
   to Mr. Steenwyck for Samll. Mills 54.10
   to Poul Richard 18.—
   to Cornelys Steenwyck More 61.—
march the 5th accounts 1440.13
ballanced and rest due to myselfe from
   Jno. Man f105.17
7 march to Poul Richard by the assignment 55.—
to Jacob Lieseler by your order 200.—
to Anthony Janse Sale more 8.—
to ferrige of 10 hogs 9.15
8—
to ribining and 2 pewter porringers 23.—
to Sara Bridges 1 barrel sugger 164.—
to 20 lb. suggar 20.—
July 3 to Balthazar Bayard 27.—
to Mrs. Bridges 9 dozen buttons 22.10
to Thomas Willet in goods accepted 1133.10
   to Nathanirel Denton by your assignment 60.—
to Mr. Luke for 1 seyth 16.
to 6 @ sarge 5 spoones and 6 @ ribining 66.—
16 August to 2 seyths from Mr. Luke 32.—

* wool or other ordinary cloth
to 1 pair gloves to your son 8.—
to 1 pair shoes from Jacob Abrams 16.—
to rom paper etc. 31.—
to 1 pair stockins 20 @ osnabrige etc. 68.18

1 september

to Jacob Abrams 3 pair shoes 48.—
to 4 lb. shott and 100 nailes 7.—
to Jno. Corsen 18.10
to Mr. Jackson on your assignment 135.
to your Man Smith in rom 12.—
to Nathaniel Davenport 2060 lb. flower 741.12
to Margriet philips 2 yron potts 90.—
to Tho: Smith paid uppon the account of
the 2 beasts delivered the 7th of september 64.08
to ferrige of several cattle 33.—
to fees as per account 5.—
to Balth: Bayard for Excize more 35.12

Errors Excepted f4591.08

N. Bayard:

Credit

1674. By one barrel of Molasses the 15th of January
overcharged, having bought 2 barrels and but
one taken with him f105.—

21 January: By 4 oxen weight 2395 lb. at 9 styvers
which came (from Mr. Willets to my
best remembrance) 1077.15

15 feb. By 2 hoggs 157 lb at 13 styvers 102.01

By drying of Cattle from oisterbay 40.—
By allowance for buying of some hog 10.— f1334.16

5 march accounts ballanced and remaines due to
myselfe from man f105.17

6 april By 1 rundlet butter 46 lb 46.—

19 July By 1 steer and 1 Couw for £11 440.—

2 August. By 2 oxen agreed for £13 520.—

16— By 2 oxen agreed for £17 680.—

14 Sept. By 1 steere weight round 443 lb
at 9 styvers 199.07
ditto By 1 ditto alsoo sent by Jno. Man and
paid for the same to your brother Nathan.
Denton by your order—

19 October. By 2 oxen on the 7th of Sept. (brought downe by Thom Smith, and sold to me uppon his owne account, but after=wards ordered me to give Mr. Man Credit for the same, and alsoo to Charge Mr. Man for what I had paid uppon the said oxen being 64s 8d the neat weight was = 765 lb. at 9 styvers 344:5

1674/5

9 march By 2 oxen formerly ommitted agreed at the apprizement of the Butcher and Butler, for

By Ballance is due to my selfe

[ENDORSED:]
John Mans
General Account.

Debit Mr. John Man
1674
8 November To Cash made good by the account of Nicolaes Bayard f545.18

Corame.

This is a Copy out of the Bookes of Governor Colve.

* This is a copy of the final part of 131(1) from March 5th, 1674, to the end. It is endorsed: "Examined per me Sam: Leete Cler." and "Copy of John Mans Account." A few items vary in wording: the debit for 9.15 is credited to "Derrick the Ferriman"; the credit for 19 July is "By 1 Oxe and 1 Cow"; the credit for 9 March 1674/5 reads, "By 2 Head of Cattle agreed with Jo. Man to give him Credit upon the saving of Jan Corns and Claus Roelofs." "By Ballance due to me" has f574, an error for f547, but the total of f3256.12 is given correctly.
Credit

1674
16 august. By oxen in the hands of Peter Herlin for the following Cattle delivered to the Commissary—
the 19th of July one oxe and one Couw agreed for £11.—or f440 wampum is in silver f110.—
the 2d of August 2 oxen agreed for —£13 or f520.—wampum is silver 130.
the 16th ditto for 2 oxen agreed for £17.—or f680.— is silver 170.

18 Sept. By ditto, for 2 steers delivered (the one for account of Nathaniel Denton) and the other for account of John man on the 14th of Sept. last, Jno. man his steer weightt 443 lb. at 9 stivers wamp. or in silver 49.16¾

19 October. By ditto for 2 steers the 7th of sept. from Thomas Smith weightt 765 lb. at 9 stivers wamp: amounts in silver 86.01¾

[ENDORSED:] Mr. John Man his account in the bookes of Governor Colve.
1674.
A Tryall at the Assizes.
—1677.—

[26:133]

Nicholas Byard Debtor

1674
Aprill 6th By 1 firkin of Butter 4£ 6 46=00
July 19th By 1 ox and 1 cow agreed for 11£ 446=00
July 25th By 1 ox and 2 cow delivered 1£:10 460=00
to Mr. Nicho. Byard 1
August 2d By 2 oxen agreed for 13£ 520=00
15:-16 By 2 oxen agreed for 17£ 680=00
22 By 2 oxen 17=10 700=00
Sepb:7th By 1 cow and 1 ox weight 756 344=05
14 By 1 ox weight Round 443 199=07
By 1 ox 6£=10 \( 260=00 \)
By 2 oxen valued by the butcher \( 480=00 \)
and Butlar \( 4129:12 \)

Examined per me Sam: Leete
Cler.

[ENDORSED:]
John Mans account
For Bayard.

[26:134]

[NICOLAES BAYARD'S BUSINESS ACCOUNT WITH DIRCK JANSZ
THE FERRYMAN. TRANSLATION]

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<td>Ao. 1674</td>
<td>As per Balance</td>
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<td>25 Feb.</td>
<td>For ferry toll of ditto's wife</td>
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<td>For ferry toll of 21½ sk. wheat of Jan Strycker</td>
<td>£1.02</td>
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<td>Ditto for ferry toll of 12 sk. grain of Lubbert Lubbers</td>
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<td>For 6 sk. grain of Willem Gerritsen, ferry toll</td>
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<td>For ferry toll of ditto's girl</td>
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<td>For ferry toll of 30 planks</td>
<td>£2.05</td>
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<td>3 June</td>
<td>For ferry toll of 7½ sk. grain of Jacob Stryker</td>
<td>£-.08</td>
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<td>2 July</td>
<td>For ferry toll of a small barrel of butter</td>
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<td>24 ditto</td>
<td>Ditto for ferry toll and stable fee of 2 cows and to Jan Corssen 2 mutjes rum, buffet wares to NB*</td>
<td>£5.12</td>
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<td>4 August</td>
<td>Ditto Jan Corssse 1 mutje rum, buffet and for ferry toll of 2 cows and stable fee</td>
<td>£4.16</td>
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<td>16 ditto</td>
<td>For the Maijoor's account, agreed to pay</td>
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In book B, fol. 52 the aforesaid parties have incurred $178.15

2 November | For ferry toll of a cow and stable fee                                      | $AC3.04 |
|           | Ditto for ferry toll of 2 cows and stable fee                               | $AC5.16 |
|           | Ditto for ferry toll of 12 sk. barley of Jan Thoonisse                      | $12.    |

3 December | For ferry toll of Effraim Herman and a horse                               | $5.08   |
|           | Ditto for ferry toll of Ephraim, one cow and stable fee                    | $2.14   |
|           | Ditto for ferry toll of 2 pigs of Jan Man                                  | $1.04   |
|           | Ditto for ferry toll of two girls                                          | $0.16   |

20 January | For ferry toll of 15 sk. wheat and 15 sk. peas of Balthus                   | $1.10   |
|           | Ditto for ferry toll of 9 sk. wheat of Dom:*                               | $0.09   |
|           | Ditto for ferry toll of 21 sk. wheat                                       |         |

* unclear; perhaps the abbreviation for “domine”
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<td>For ferry toll of Carel and a horse for Ephraim f2.08 of Ferdinand f—.12</td>
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<td>For ditto Sr. Beyer,* ferry toll f—.04 first Ditto for ditto's wife, ferry toll f—.12</td>
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<td>For ferry toll of 3 girls f1.—</td>
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<td>For ditto Beyer and Ephraim, ferry toll f1.04 Ditto for ditto a cow, ferry toll and corral fee f2.12 Ditto for ditto and Ephraim and a cow, ferry toll and corral fee f3.— Ditto for ferry of 8 sk. buckwheat of Joh. Michielsse f—.08</td>
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<td>For ferry toll of 8 half barrels of beer of Jacob Strycker f4.— Ditto for ditto ferry toll of 5 sk. wheat of Bartel Claesssen f—.05</td>
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* probably Nicolaes Bayard
Ditto for ferry toll of 7 sk. grain of Jan Janssen van Dyck $0.07$

Ditto for ferry toll of 6 sk. grain of Albert de Lintweever* $0.06$

Ditto for ditto Beyer, ferry toll $0.08$

Ditto for ferry toll of 7 sk. grain of Dirck de Lintweever $0.07$

Ditto for ditto, agreed to pay for the account of Tam Willet $40.00$

Another for a note of Ephraim on the 23rd of August 1674 for ferry toll of a horse $2.00$

Another for a note of ditto Bayerd on the 21st of December 1674, comes to $3.00$

Another for a note of ditto Bayerd from November 1675 and comes to $20.00$

$295.10$

Dated at the ferry the 15th of March 1676

By order of your honor’s friend,
Dirck Jansse, ferryman

[ENDORSED:]
Account for
Mr. Nieclas Bayerd
from
Dirck Jansz Veerman.†

* ribbon weaver
† ferryman
Capt. Salisbury	Springfield October 5th 1677
Just at Night

Worthy Sir yesterday Morning I Received your kind lines by Benja Waite; whereby I understand your sympathy with us in our sad disaster by the Indians; and your readiness in making strict Inquiry and great forwardness to doe what Possible lys in you for us which I have abundant Cause to acknowledge and do most thankfully accept from your hands, and as to your opinion of the Maquas being free, and assuring me of their Innocency, I doe fully Concur with you, having satisfaction from what you writ and from Ben Waites Relation, But to put it out of all doubt, God in his providence hath sent in one of our Captivated men, Benoni Stebbings by name, which is the occasion of these lines to your selfe by Post To give you an account thereoff and to desire you to Put the Maquas upon pursuing their and our Enymyes there being greate likelyhood of the Maquas overtaking them. Benoni Stebbings came in to Hadly last night in the Night, whose relation was sent to me which being But an hour since I had it, I presently resolved upon sending Post to you, Take his relation as followeth, The Company of Indians was Twenty only about sixe or 7 squas made 26 in all, they were this Country Indians belonging to Nalwotogg all of them, but one a Narrigaset, They came from Canada 3 Months agoe, and had bin Hunting and were doubtfull whether to fall on Northampton or Hatfiled, at last resolved on Hatfiled and caryed away from Hatfiled 17 persons and 3 from Deerefeild, besides this man that is come in, so that they now have 20 captives with them 3 of them being men, and all well as he says when they took in at Deerefeild, after the Noise and Cohoops were over at Deerefeild, their first Inquiry was whether there were any Maquas thereabouts and upon Information that some had been there, and were supposed not to be far off, they were all husht, and startled and greately afraid and goeing silently away forthwith, they tooke up their Lodging at Deerfeild River Mouth and next day crossed the River viz Conecticot to the east side of it, the next day Crossed the River againe, and againe afterward, they Passed the River many tymes haveing Cannoes wherein they caryed the women and children being about 2 days Journey above squakheag, they sent a Company of them about halfe of them to Nasshaway to call of some Indians that have bin there all this time and they went and tooke this Benoni Stebbings along with them thither Comeing to Nashaway Ponds there were 3 Indian men and about halfe a score squaws with theire
children these they went too to take along with them having travelled from the company they Left 2 dayes to Squakheag, and then from Squakheag somewhat more then thirty Miles to their Indians neere Nashaway: who pluckt up their stakes having Plenty of fish, especially eele, and many dried huckleberrys but no Corne; this Benoni being sent with 2 women to carry Huckleberrys, Ran away from them, and was presently persued by som men and at one tyme was but a swamp between them but night coming on he escaped from his pursuers. He says that one of the Indians that they Had from above Nashaway Ponds semes to be a Counsellor, and with them they consulted much and spake of sending to the english, but at last resolved for Canada yet talkt of making a fort a greate way up the River and abiding there this winter, talked also of carying the captives to the french and selling them to the french which he concludes they resolved on, but make but slow Passage, having so many women and children: He concludes it would be, it may be 20 dayes er they gat to the Lake hunting by the way: It was Tuesday Morning last that he escaped from that party which caryed him with them neere Nashaway, and they had then above 30 Miles to goe back to squakheag, and then neare 20 journey more to the Rest above Squakheag; and the way he says up this River is unpassable for English men and their goeing is by Barken Canoes much of the way and then to the best side of the River the men afoote is leaving the worst way: The unpassableness of the way this way renders it unposible for us to pursue or doe any good: But the conveying speedy word to the Maquas gives not only a Possibility but a probability of their overtaking them which Deare Sir is the end of these lines to you: To request you (If none of the Maqua Sachems be at Albany) to send at our charge: to the Cheife of the Maquas, and give them an account of matters, and desire their speedy persueing these Bloody Villains and enemeys of them and we forthwith, and without any delay: by which means I hope this Barbarous Crew (who are enymys to Relegion Civillity and all humanity and have so deeply Imbrewed their hands in most Innocent christian Blood) may be met with one their returne, before they Come to the Lake or at the lake and so our Captives Recovered for which we shall give the Maquas suitable rewards Good Sir But forward the Maquas to surprise and cut of these villaines, Let them know that it will be a greate demonstration of their fidellity and freindship to us and it is a very Likely opportunity for them to kill and catch Indians whom th[ ] so much Hunt after. And this man that is come hom says they dred [ ] Maquas and all their feare was least some Maquas should pursue them [ ] did not expect or think the English could, and desired to get out of the [ ] may at first goeing off from Deerefeild and thinking they were got high enough up for them [ ]
a little the more secure and at rest: So that now I believe they are at [ ] and will make so slow progress having beside our women and children a parcel of the [ ] own women and children to clog them, that they may safely be taken. And the lighting upon and destroying this Company of the enemy (being as it is said by him that is come in the remaining strength of this River Indians) will be a breaking Blow to them and a great means of our security. I pray Sir do what you can to Ingage the Maquas to go out forthwith and to deal effectually in it we desire to do our duty and to wait for the salvation of God:

Sir excuse my scribbling I am in great haste to send away the Messenger to westfield this Night: but the speed in getting the Maquas to go out upon the enemy before they get on the Lake is all in all: If they can but come up with them it will be easy to take them for I tell from their strength as the man relates and how they are clogged with women and children I doubt not of your helpfullness in this exigence which will abundantly Ingage us and with great readiness shall satisfy what they disburse: With my endearing Love and respects to you Comending you to the protection of the Almighty God, I remain Sir

Your very Loving Freind and servant
John Pynchon:

Ben Waite is gone home before this Intelligence came to me, He talked of going to Canada before and I suppose will rather be forward to it now then Backward, Possible he may be at Albany about a fortnight hence in reference to a journey to the French when If I be not gone to Boston (which I have some thoughts to doe next week) I shall have opportunity again to write to you.

Vale
JP

[ADDRESS:] These
For his Honored Freind
Capt. Salisbury Commander in Chief at Fort Albany.
Hast Post hast
for his Majesties Speciall service.

[ENDORSED:] [ Major Pynchon liter the 5th of octtb 1677.
To C. Salisbury at Alb.]
LETTER FROM MASSACHUSETTS GOVERNOR JOHN LEVERETT TO THE MOHAWK SACHEMS SEEKING THEIR COOPERATION*

Boston Oct. 12. 16[77]

To the sachems of the Maquas

You may by these Take notice that six of your men (as we since under[stand] were) lately found neere Boston in the woods, who being well armed and in a [warlike] posture, were by some of our People surprized and Carryed to pris[on] and [there secured,] not knowing b[ut] that they we[re en]emy Indians, till, being Exa[mined by authority] they were fou[nd] to be Maq[uas, as some of Albany that we]re here did a[ssert, and] so thereupon were well used and [are set at liberty, by] whom we send these lyn[es,] to lett you know how ready we are to hold and [continue our auntien]t friendsh[ip] with you, which was so lately renewed at Albany [betweene Major] Pynchon et[c. and your]selves and hath bene by us in all respects attended; [however, it] Comes to passe that [there] hath bene a failure on your part, by some [of your men] not observing of w[ich] we the rather suggest because these Indians [your men, w]ho are now with us, ack[nowledging] their neglect of attending what was Concl[uded at] Albany, Namely to be frie[ndly] to all our friend Indians, which was on[e of the great] things wee aimed at, N[ext to] our then moving you to destroy the Ea[stern Indians, our then enn]emies, wee in[gaged] you not to medle with our friend I[ndians, and we have reason] to take Care o[f] them, who were True to us, in all the [time of] our warre, and ven]tured their lives [for] us and now we must not let th[em] loos[e their lives by our frein]ds that have in[gaged] to Carry it fr[ie]ndly t[o us and them] as y[ou have done; wherefore we] suppo[se it is not] allowed by yo[u for yours to spoyle, or, as lately they have killed one Nantick] man as he was fishing Cloase by an English house, and Carrying away two [Nantickie] Squaws, who were about their occasions, at Hasanemesett, all which being Con[trary] to the agreement made with your selves, wee hope you will Cause your men t[o] make full satisfac-tion, for we have now an opportunity in our hand, and migh[t] detain some of these your men, but to prevent all ground of disquiett to yo[ur] spirrits, and being confident you will do it, namely returne back those 2

Squaws, and forbear all further mischiefe upon or towards our friend Indians, wee sett liberty all your men, resolvinge there shall be noe breach on our parts, but yet we will protect and defend our Indians and therefore desire you give* all your people notice of it, to be more Carefull for future, that no spoil or wronge be done to any of our friend Indians, let none of yours Come neere Natick Punke, Hasanemesett, nor wamesitt, nor among any of our Townes where our friend Indians are who are and will be friends to yourselves as wee are, all being [under] his Majesties protection, and therefore not to be disturbed by you. There are other Indians for you to fall upon, whose persuading and destroying wee shall [take] kindly from your hands, namely a Parcell of Indians who Came lately from Can[nada] and fell upon Hattfield the same day, when 4 of your people lodged in Hatt[feild,] and were there kindly used the night before. These Indians who came from Canada, as we since Came to know by one of our Captives that is gott away from them, have Carryed with them Twenty of our People women and children, with Three men, whom we understand are returning toward Can[ada. It would be] an acceptable service to [us] if you can destroy this parcell of Indians; And may you be Instrumentall for the savinge or recoveringe any of our Captives wee shall give you good reward for the same, we have further to lett you know, that now there arising enemy Indians against us about Northampton and those Townes, our people are upon their guard, and scouting forth, so that it may be hazardous for your People [wee] not being able to distinguishing betwene such enemy [Indians] and Maquas, whom we would [not] wrong, and therefore your men may not [come without some Englishmen or Dutchmen with them,] unless some one or Two [at] most, with [a letter in their hand, may adventure into our Townes unarmed,] and then, understanding the to be Maquas wee shall afford releiffe as need may be we [the rather mention] it because some of our people, who were lately Taken were del[uded, and catc]ht, by taking the enemy Indians for Maquas, whom else they should [have avoide]d, wee have not to adde at present, but that we are

Your very Loving friends

John Leverett Gov.†

* The published copy has “wherefore do you wrong to them in your not giving,” rather than “therefore desire you give.”
† The published copy is signed instead by “E. R., S. (Edward Rawson, Secretary) In the name and by order of the General Court. Boston, 12 October, 1677.” In making a copy for the court Rawson obviously forgot that it was intended for the Governor’s signature.
[SETTLEMENT OF A DEBT BY SAMUEL WINDER]

Dellaware the 7th of October 1677

Honored Sir

Be pleased to pay unto Capt. Thomas Delavall the summe of foure pounds nineteen shillings on account of Mr. Ralph Hutchinson for him who is

Sir

To Capt. John Palmer

Your Dutifull sonne

Samll. Winder

[JOHN SHAKERLY’S BUSINESS ACCOUNT WITH DIRCK JANSZ THE FERRYMAN. TRANSLATION]

Ao. 1674*

1675, 1676 and 1677

Mr. Sjeckerly Junior, debit on Book A of Dirck Jansze Veerman folio 48.

Ditto, I find the party to owe there ....................... $69.16
Ditto, I find on Book D Folio 39 the party to owe ........... $f43.19

Credit

For the account of Jan Meen at Jamica, amounts to ........ $f90.—
Balance

$23.15

$113.15

At the ferry

18 Oct. 1677

By order your Honor’s obedient servant,

Dirck Janszen Veerman

[ENDORSED:] For Mr. Sjeckerly

* The date “1673” was crossed out.
[ACCOUNTS WITH JOHN SHAKERLY]

Boston 12th of October
1677 Mr. John Shackerly is Debtor

To 2 barrells of Mackrell at 16s per barrell
sent as per advice by Hendrike Denicke
with Charges

To a Jarr of oyle at 6s with Charges for
a porter

To a Sugar Loafe ten pounds and a halfe
in weight at 12d per lb.

To one hogshead of rumm 19 gall. and one
Terse 48 gall. in all 127 gall. at 2s. 2d per
gall Marked and numbred

I:S: as in the Margen item

No. 1:2: by Claus Burthen
To portrage and wharfadge of said Rumm
To Cost due to me when you went away
To Comision of sales for the skins at
5 per Cent

To freight paid to Claus Burthen

per Contra
By 49 Deere at 2s 6d per skin
By barrell Due to me

Errors Excepted per Thaddeus MacKarty
October 16th 1677.

[A COPY OF THE ABOVE]*

* Endorsed: Thaddeus McKarty.
Mr. John Shackerly Debtor

1675

To drawing Articles of Agreement between you and Richd. Mann about the Sloope and bond £01:00:00

Feb: 22 To my Fee and Jno. Barnes @ Jno. Ryder 00:10:00

Sept. 26 To do ads. Jno. Sharpe 00:10:00

Dec. 27 To pt. for you att Mr. Blakes 00:01:03

Jan. 23 To my Fee ads. Francis Rumbouts 00:10:00

Feb. 2 To ½ Charges bill of Sale Rich. Mann 00:05:00
To Pet. and Attend the Governor and Arbitrators about Barnes Businesse 00:10:00

October 25 To a Gowne October 25th 1677 £05:01:03

John West

[ENDORSED:] Jno. West

[26:138]

[LICENSE FOR HENRY AND THOMAS TOWNSEND OF OYSTER BAY TO PURCHASE LAND FROM THE INDIANS]

By the Governor

Whereas Henry Townesend and Capt. Thomas Townesend of Oyster bay being employed by the said Towne, have requested on their behalfe that they may have Licence to purchase some Land of the Indyan Proprietors, lyeing within or neare adjoyning to their Limitts, which may bee commodious for the Towne in generall, or for some of the Neighbouring Plantacions in particular; I doe hereby give my consent thereunto, provided that some hath not already beene improved or granted to any one, they making return of what they shall so purchase hither, for a farther Confirmation and Assurance of [ ] me: Given under my hand in New Yorke this 18th day of Oct. 1677.

To all whom this may Concerne.
adjoining to their Meadowes at the south, and on the North so much of Matinicock land not already sold or disposed of, as they can buy or agree for with them.

[ENDORSED:]

At an Appearance of Indyans to take [ ]
of the Go:

Tackpousha etc.

No: 5th 1677.

[26:139a]

[AFFIDAVIT OF JACOB MILBORNE THAT HE KNOWS OF NO DEALINGS BETWEEN THOMAS DELAVAL AND THOMAS GIBBS]

Jacob Milborne aged 29 Yeares or thereabouts deposeth upon oath that he living from the Yeare 1668 untill the yeare 1672 with Mr. Thomas Delavall Employed in many of his affayres at New Yorke and having seene and kept his booke of traffic within the said time, that he in noe wise is conscious of any dealing or article Entred in the said Bookes with Mr. Thomas Gib[ ] the said Delavall, as also hath made his [ ] in the bookes of Ent[ ]y [ ]f [ ]said [ ] findes nothing of the same to appeare [ ]
New Yorke the 25th October 1677
The Contents above Expressed swoaren beefoure mee the day and yeare above said

John Inians Dept. Mayor

[26:139b]

[MINUTES RELATING TO THE PETITIONS OF DANIEL JANSZ, JACOBUS PEEK, AND ISAAC DE TRIEUX FOR LAND ALONG THE MOHAWK RIVER NEAR SCHENECTADY. TRANSLATION]

True copy. Extract from the court minutes of Scheanhechtade, the 22nd of October 1677.

Daniel Janssen humbly requests that their honors be pleased to confer on him letters of recommendation, in consideration for various services performed, for the third flat located on this side of the Maquaase River.

Their honors hereby promise their special favor to the petitioner, Daniel Janssen, their colleague, and acknowledge that he has performed various
services for their common welfare, for which purpose they shall greet
the honorable lord general with a letter; subject to payment for the
purchased lands, in proportion.

By order of the council,
Ludovicus Cobes, secretary.

Below was written: It is our pleasure that possession be taken of this land
whenever it is deemed advisable.

Was signed: E. Andross
Collated by me,
Ludovicus Cobes, secretary.

[NOTE:]* License to purchase on Mohawks river N.5

True copy. Extract from the Court minutes of Schaanhechtade, the
22nd of October 1677.

Jacobus Peeck and Isaac de Treux humbly request of their honors of the
court a recommendation to the honorable lord governor general for the
second flat located on the side of the river; subject to the advanced
monies of all the purchased lands, in proportion.
Their honors of the court promise the petitioners to recommend the
matter to his honnor the lord general.

By order of the council,
Ludovicus Cobes, secretary.

Below was written: It is our pleasure that possession be taken of this land
whenever it is deemed advisable, Done at N. Yorke the 29th of October
1677.

Was signed: E. Andross.
Collated by me,
Ludovicus Cobes,
secretary.

[ENDORSED:] Extracts from
the court minutes
of Schaanhechtade.

* Written in English in the margin.
[DEPOSITION OF NATHANIEL STERRY CONCERNING A DISPUTE BETWEEN WILLIAM SHAKERLY AND WILLIAM CRITCHLOW OVER DAMAGED GOODS]

The depos[ ]n of Nathaniell Sterry, aged Thirty Yeares or there-abou[ ] Taken [ ]fore the worshipfull Edwyn Stede Esquire one of his Majesties Justices of the Peace for the Towne of St. Nichaells, The Twenty Ninth Day of October in the Year of our God One thousand six hundred seaventy and seaven, And is [ ] followeth, Vizt:

This Deponent [ ] that in [ ]he Moneth of July One thousand six hundred seaventy Five, William Shackerly then Commander of the Ketch Freindshipp, D[ ] Leave in the hands and Custody of William Critchlow of the I[ Ind aforesaid Merchant, A parcell of Pickle Codd Fish, (Vizt.) F[ jure Barrells and two Tearces, And One Cask or An[ ]her of Honey. And this deponent further saith, That the said Parcell of Pickle Codd Fish [ ]s soe very bad and Decayed, That the same would not [ ]ll, or produce the V[ ]lue of the Frieght, Most thereof being throwne away; The reason of this Deponents knowledge is, Because he then Lived with the said William Crichlow in the Occupacion of a Cooper, And further this Deponent saith not.

Sworne before me, the day and Yeare abovesaid.

Edwyn Stede Dept. Secretary

Record in the Secretaryes office
the 29th day of October 1677.
Per Edwyn Stede Dept. Secretary.

[LETTER FROM GOVERNOR ANDROS TO SYLVESTER SALISBURY TO SEND DOWN STRANGERS]

New Yorke the 30th of October 1677

Capt. Salisbury.

I have Received yours of the 23th of as I hope you have mine of the 25th Instant and shall in noe Casse alter former orders, or admite any strangers, whatever perticilerley Figetives, to be Received, or sheltered or, passe albany, but Expect you haveing sent, or sending Downe per
next the french tayler, that you mention; thinking it veary strainge you
maide any Demore on an order formerly given and againe, Desireing,
you will for the futer, be more puntual According to my laste of the 25th
and sende down any what Ever that may Come or, be sente, from any of
our Nighbors, togeather with any Letters or passes and that none of ours,
be suffered to travell from albany, to our said Nighbours which is of
inporte to the whole Goverment and therfore, proper for this place, and
the Rather that I finde, and Apprehend Iconveniency, by some, tampering
unadvisedly that way, soe that you Are in noe Casse to admitt, answer,
or suffer any Contrary to the above, which you Are to observe to prevent
Runing, into a primaryry, Arneholt* Complaynes that he is Demanded,
to pay for watching and warding, for the time he was in the sennickes
Land, which I desire he may be Freed of and, that you woulde take order
int Accordingly for though he haith beene well paid, to his full Content
for the said Jorny it was an Extrardorianary one, upon the publick
Accompt and Culde nott Doe Dewty in 2 placis, in my abscance you may
write to Capt. Nicolls or Capt. Brockhols and if Accation to bee
Communicated to the Counsell, my sarvis to Mrs. Salisbury and freinds
I Remaine,

Your ofectionate freind and sarvant
Edmond Aros. S.

This is a trew Coppy and feering that youer honnor might be gon maide
me sende it Dow

From your Ever humble sarvant

Silves: Salisbury

[ADDRESSED:] For Capt. Silvester Salisbury Commander
at Albany.

[ENDORSED:] 30th October 1677. Copy to Capt. Salsbery
sent downe 10th november.
To bee shewne if the Go. should bee gone.

[26:142]

[SURRENDER BY HARMEN GANSEVOORT OF LAND AT CATSKILL
PURCHASED FROM NICOLAES VAN RENSSELAER AND
MARIA VAN RENSSELAER. TRANSLATION]

Appeared before me, Wiillem Bogardus, notary public residing in N.
Yorke, appointed by the right honorable lord Edmund Andros, governor

* Arnout Cornelissz Viele
general of New Yorke etc., and before the below-mentioned witnesses, the honorable Harman Gansevoort who declared for himself, his heirs and posterity to desist and renounce a certain purchase of a piece of land or farm located in Katskill, bought by him from Dom. Nicholaus van Renselaer and Juff. Maria van Renselaer, widow of Mr. Jeremias van Renselaer, deceased, according to the bill of sale thereof drawn up and confirmed before the notary, Adriaen van Ilpendam at Albanye on the 24th of October 1676; with the promise that he, appearer, or his heirs and posterity shall never take further action on it or make any claim on it and to maintain it for the aforesaid Dom. Renselaer and Juff. Renselaer, their heirs and posterity, directly or indirectly, legally or otherwise; and accordingly, to consider the aforesaid purchase as if it never happened. For the execution of which the appearer pledges his person and property, nothing excepted, referring the same to the constraints of all judges and courts. In testimony whereof this minute was signed by the appearer, together with Jan van Gelder and Isaacq Stevens, citizens of this city, as witnesses, and by me, notary, in Nieu Yorke the 2nd of November 1677.

Collated Attested,

W. Bogardus, not. pub.

[ENDORSED:] Harman Gansvoets
Resignation of the land at Katskill sold him by Do. Renslaer and his sister.

[26:143]

[CERTIFICATE AND NOTES PERTAINING TO ANDREW NORWOOD’S MARE HELD BY JAN AARTSZ. TRANSLATION]*

Anno 1677, the 2[ ] November.

We the undersigned acknowledge and declare that the fence of this man, Jan Aersen, is good and satisfactory.

Jeronimus Rap[elje]
Cornelis Corssen

Mr. Andr. Norwoods Mare was kept by Jan Aartsen about 8 months then at the Request of Mr. Tho: Gibbs his Attorney shee was delivered and sent to staten Isl. It was upon promise of satisfaction to bee given by Mr.

* The notes below the signatures were written in English by Matthias Nicolls.
Norwood, that shee was delivered: No fence would hold her, Nor the Pound at Gravesend.
To get satisfaction for it. Jan Aartsen asks an ancker of Rumme.

[MINUTES OF A MEETING WITH INDIANS FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF LONG ISLAND ABOUT LAND TITLES]

N. Y. No: 5. 1677.

Mr. Mayor          Mr. Edsall          Interpreters
This day Tackpousha etc. as farre as Unchechauke, on behalfe of themselves and Indyans come to the Go: to see him againe before hee goe and to wish him a good Voiage

Tackpoushe and son first speake
They speake about Cow Neck, that there have beene several proposalls to buy that land by the Go. or part of it, That they are not willing to part with or sell all, but would part with one halfe. The Go: now going away they say hee may dye, and another come, that knowes nothing of this, therefore desire somewhat might bee left to make it knowne.

Another Indyan speaks, hee is, the Sachem of Seaketaulke named—[blank] Hee speaks about the beach which the Huntington men offred to buy for the Convenience of their fishing for Basse etc., they refused to sell or hire it, but would let them have it for 6 yeares, now they have had it, a yeare and halfe longer and have given them nothing, nor come near them about it.

They are willing.
Tackpousha’s son speaks, about Mr. Smiths pretences to the south meadowes, that nothing hath beene paid for it by them, nor any bought that they know of.

Unchechaug:
Another Indyan speaks

About Seatalcott. Hee saith That formerly Go: Winthrop did sometimes come over upon the Isl., and they gave him a piece of Meadow, hee being a very good
man, but hee is now dead and did not buy any Upland
and the Meadow was given, yet Sam. Dayton, and those
of Seatalcott clayme both Upland and Meadow, and
Dayton hath built a house there upon the Upland.

The Sachem of Rockway speaks.

About some peoples speaking to come and plant upon their land, and
fence it in, which they doe not thinke convenient, to prevent trespassers
etc.

Another Indyan of Unchechaug.

Hee saith That the Engl., at Seatalcott doe say that they bought their lands
of Guy the sachem, who never acquainted the other Indyans concerned
therein, They aske if that bee well done.

That Guy hath also made a proffer to Mr. Woodhull of a great Tract of
land from about 2 miles from the Towne to the wading Creeke, but Mr.
Woodhull replyde what should hee doe with so much, a small piece to
plant would serve his Family. Mr. Woodhull told him hee would pay for
what hee had and would goe to the Go. about it.

They say they went to Mr. Woodhull and desired him to pay nothing to
the sachem Guy alone and forewarned him, they being also concern'd
in the land.

They say that the Indyan Mayhew, and the Sequetauke sachems son, have
as much to pretend to the Interest of the land that Guy pretends to sell,
as hee hath or more, though not present.

The Go. tells them It is well they are come and is glad to see them.

About Cow Neck all matters to be as they are, and they to have no wrong,
and a Memo[ ] to bee taken about it, though the Go: shall bee absent.
About the beach The Go. hath heard of it, and that they shall have no
wrong; and if any thing is due the Go. hath writte to Mr. Wood about it,
and supposes it will be made good, if not, they have had patience so long,
they may have it for 6 mo. longer.

About Mr. Smith—and the Meadowes at the south, he was here about 3
weekes agoe, for a Confirmation of their land, and pretended a right
there, but the Go. would not doe any thing in that of the south, hee having
not time to examine the matter, but confirmed the rest.
About Go. Winthrop's land spoken of, and Daytons settling upon it, It's thought he is not upon that land but upon other Seatalcot lands, on which hee hath beene some time, the matter having not beene spoken to as yet, if Mr. Woodhull cannot accomodate the matter betwixt them, let it alone till the next summer when Care shall bee taken about the matter.

About Rockaway, There are some persons, who pretend to land there, however The Go: will send to them to forbear settling or planting too neare them to avoyde disputes and that they shall take Care that they bee sure what they settle upon is their owne, and no other settlement till spring.

About Guy, The Go. knowes not but hee was put in by them, and for the land given or sold it was publickely done, yet Mr. Woodhull did offer and told them hee would give satisfaction [as reason]* for what he should have and the Go. would have no land to bee disposed of but publickely and acknowledged before the Court or the Go.

The Go. having answered to every particular. They are told that as they have freedome to goe to the Magistrates or Go: upon all occasion, so they may still, but now the winter is comming on, for small matters its better they should stay at home, or apply thereunto to the next Officer, and in the spring or summer order shall bee taken to give them right, In meane time all Officers remaine as they were, and the same Care shall bee taken for them.

A band of sewant was presented. The Go. hopes when hee comes back, to find them all well, etc.

[26:145]

[ORDER FOR FEES TO BE PAID BY SHIPS AT NEW YORK]

AT A COUNCELL Held in New Yorke the 7th of November 1677

ORDERED that all Vessells (Strangers) Shall Pay, for Anchorage within this Harbour, as Followeth (Vizt)

A Vessell Comeing to Anchor In the Road, if of Fifty Tunn to Pay £: s: d 00:05:00
If of a Hundred Tunn 00:10:00

* The reading of these two words is uncertain.
and so Proportionably For Greater, or Smaller Vessells.

Any Such Vessell Comeing to Lye within the Wharfe, in the Docke to Pay Double.

Tonne Sloopes, etc. or Open Boates, To Pay for Lying within the Dock as heretofore.

[ENDORSED:] Regulacions for the Mould.
Mar: 27. 1679.

[26:146]

[PETITION OF NICOLAES DE MEYER FOR A DELAY IN REMOVING HIS HORSES FROM STATEN ISLAND]

To the Right Honnorable Edmund Andros Seigneur of Sauzmarez, Liftennant and governor generall of all his Royall Highnesses Territories in America;

The Petition of Nicolas D Meyer

Humbly sheweth.

That since the order that all persons who had horses Running at Staten Island and where not possessed of Land there that they should be forfeited if not taken off by a Certaine day therein Limited In Obedience thereunto your honnors petitioner Applyed himselfe unto Captain John palmer Chiefe Rainger thereof who was pleased to say that your honnors petitioner should not trouble himselfe about his horses and that hee would send his people out and as soone as they gett horses up of your petitioners that he would give notice thereof or if his boate was there send them directly over unto your honnors petitioner, and alsoe severall persons was ordered by your petitioner to take up what horses they Could finde of his and send them off which was accordingly done but obstructed by francis Barber who is authorized by the said Captain palmer, soe that your honnors petitioner hath not Transgressed as he humbly Conceives, for that he wholly Relyed on Captain palmers promise.

Therefore your honnors petitioner humbly prays that he may have granted such a Reasonable Tyme to take of his horses as your honnor seemes meet, which if hee failes in, will not presume to desire any further delay—And your honnors Petitioner as in duty bound shall pray

N d Meyer
The Orders given and published being for the good of Inhabitants and Owners of Horses, in abovesaid Island, and Care thereof committed to Mr. John Palmer, Referr’d and Recomended to his determinacion accordingly, as per peticion: New Yorke the 6th of November 1677.*

[ENDORSED:]

horses at St[ ]en Island.
with the Go. Answer.

Oct. 6. 1677.

[26:147]

[ORDER FOR MARKING FLOUR BARRELS]

At a Councell held in N. Y. the 7th day of Nov. 1677.

Present.

Upon Complaint made of great abuses practised abroade concerning the floure exported from this place, Notwithstanding the marking of the barrells with the City marke by an Officer there unto appointed, some bad floure passing under the said marke as well as Good; Ordered That from henceforth every man shall bee obliged to put his owne brand marke, upon all barrells of floure as they goe off to bee ship’t, but not before, by which meanes the person from whom any bad floure shall come may bee knowne, so to bee lyable to make satisfaction to the party Concerned, and no farther disreputacion redound to the place in Generall on that Account.

By order of the Go: in Councell.

[ENDORSED:] An order of Councell
Nov. 7th 1677.

Aboute floure.

* The last paragraph was written by Secretary Nicolls.
To the Right Honorable Sir Edmond Andross Knight* Leut. and Governor General under his Royall Highness James Duke of York and Albany, of all his territories in America.

The humble Petition of Thomas Hunt

Sheweth, Unto your Honor—That your Petitioner soone after your Honors arrivall into these partes was imploied by your Honor to carry a Letter to the Governour and Magistrates at Hartford in the very dead time of Winter which with very much difficulty hee effected and brought back an Answer.

That afterwards in the month of May insueing hee was againe Imploied to procure Horses and be a Guide to Mr. Samuell Leett, and Mr. John West to the same place. The hire of which horses hee paid for, and returns back with them to this place, but to this day hath not received Sattisfaccion for the same.

The premises considered, and your Petitioner being informed your Honor is about to take a voyadge for England and being Well Satisfied with your Honors Justice, Wisdome and prudence humbly referes it to your Honor not doubting in the least to receive Payment according to his time trouble and Labour expended whereof your Honors Petitioner hath hereunto in most humble and submissive manner annexed an Account. And for Your Honors health and prosperrity (as in duty bound)

Your Petitioner shall ever pray.

* Andros was knighted in 1678. Either Hunt has spoken prematurely (that Andros was to be knighted was no secret) or this undated document belongs to the period of Andros's next voyage (Jan. 1681).
[26:148b]

Thomas Hunts Bill.

To a Journey to Hartford, when your Honor went to the East end of Long-Island for himselfe and horse being out 8 dayes £: s: d 02:00:00

To another Journey to Hartford with Mr. Leette for himselfe and horse being out 16 dayes 04:00:00

To the hyre of two horses, one for Mr. Leett the other for Mr. West 16 dayes 04:00:00 10:00:00

Tom Hunt sr.

[26:149]

[MISSING. THE CALENDAR ENTRY READS: LETTER, NOV. 13, 1677, FROM GOVERNOR LEVERETT AT BOSTON TO GOVERNOR ANDROS, REQUIRING THE SURRENDER OF SOME PERSONS AND VESSELS CAPTURED BY INDIANS AT PEMQUID.]*

[26:150]†

[LETTER FROM GOVERNOR LEETE OF CONNECTICUT ABOUT INDIAN AFFAIRS]

No. 15th 1677.

Honorable Sir.

As to our satisfacion your mention to bee hoped from your Eastward Endeavors for quiet of the Countrey, that must further receive its approbacion by the sequell thereof; But as to the wording of your lettre of 22th past, little satisfaction can bee gained in Construction of those Charges of us, to speake rash, false and unchristian, which without

* No copy appears in Records of the Governor and Company of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, ed. by Nathaniel B. Shurtleff (Boston, 1854). However, there is a letter on the same topic from the General Court of Massachusetts to Andros, dated 17 Oct. 1677 (V 168-69).
† Another copy of 26:150 in Hartford is published in The Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut from 1665 to 1678, ed. by J. Hammond Trumbull (Hartford, 1852) p. 508, which has been used to fill in gaps here. The date of the letter is given there as Nov. 13.
Conviction, wee are left in the darke how to vindicate our Innocence or acknowledge mistake, Nor doe you give us ground to hope by your westward Endeavors to recover our Captives that are still in the hands of Barbarians, as was desired and hoped from your great Influence upon the Maques etc. Our loyalty to his sacred Majestie with our dutyfull Respects to his R. Highness may bee well evinced by our Endeavors and Expence to save [a] maine part of Long Isl. fr[om the Du]tch C[onques]t; also by gratulatory salutes [t]o your selfe at your first landing in that Capacity of his highnesse s[er]vice, likewise by our frequent sollicitacions of Usefulness against his Majesties barbarian Ennemyes, though wee sought you not to joyne in the warre, yet to prevent their hiding, Shelter or supply from those partes; What repayment wee have had to reciprocate these Correspondences on our part shew'd, is with your selfe to consider, wee being unwilling to repeate any matter of Regrett: but notwithstanding the difficulties which may lye in spirits of some of our people, wee desire and purpose to maintaine a due regard to your person, with a suitable Correspondence to your Government in your absence, nor shall wee bee behind hand in all neighbourly Civilityes becoming Christians, and would hope and expect the same from your-selfe as oppertunityes present either here or in Engl. which will bee obliging unto

Honorable Sir

Your affectionate friend and servant

William Leete

These

For the Honorable Edm. Andros Esq. Go: for his R. Highness of his Majesties Colony of N.Y.

[ENDORSED:]* Copie of a Letter from the Governor of Conecticutt to the Governor. No. 15. 1677.

* This endorsement is on a separate piece of paper.
Know all men by these presents that I Edm: Andros Esquire Governor of these his R. Highnesses Territories in America Being now bound on a voyage for Europe have assigned ordained, and made, and in my stead and place put and constituted Mary my deare and well beloved wife to bee my true and lawfull Att., for mee, in my name and to my use to ask [ ]er Levy require, recover and [ ] of all and every person and persons whatsoever, all and every such debts, [ ]s, summe or summes of money, as are now oweing unto mee, or which at any day or days, time or times hereafter, shall bee due, oweing, belonging or appertaining unto mee by any manner of ways or meanes whatsoever in this his R. Highnesses Province or parts adjacent and any person or persons by mee entrusted for and in my Concerns to call to account during the time of my absence, Giving and Granting unto my said Att. by the tenor of these presents full and whole power, strength and Authority in and about the premisses and as occasion on one or more Att. or Atts. to make,* and upon the Receit of any such debts dues and summes of money as aforsaid, acquittances or [ ] discharge for mee and in my name to make, seale [ ] deliver, and all and every other act and acts, thing and things, desire and desires in the law whatsoever, needfull and necessary to bee done in or about the premisses for the Receiving of any debts, dues, and summes or money as aforsaid for mee and in my name to doe, execute and performe, as fully, largely, and amply in every respect, to all Intents and purposes, as I myselfe might or could doe if I were personally present, Ratifying allowing and holding firme and stable, all and whatsoever my said Attorney shall lawfully doe or cause to bee done, in or about the Execucion of the same, by vertue of these presents: In witnesse whereof I have herewith put my hand and seale in New Yorke the 16th day of Nov. 1677.

sealed and delivered in the presence of [blank]

[ENDORSED:] [ ]
to my Lady.
No. [blank] 1677.

* The words "and the same" appear here but may have been intended for some other place.
From Quebec the 18th day of November 1677.

Sir.

Sending now to Boston, to bee informed concerning some Frenchmen, who wee heare have beene carryed Prisoners there, I was willing to take advantage of this occasion, to give you new assurances of my service, and of the good Correspondence, which I desire to keepe with you.

If in that I follow the Orders of the King my Master, I also at the same time, satisfy my particular Inclinacion, that will ever make mee seeke all manner of occasion to let you know with how much truth and passion I am

Sir

Your thrice humble servant

Frontena[ ]

t superscription as below.

From Quebec the 8th Jan: 167[ ]

Sir.

The death of Mr. Basire, one of the principall Negotiators of this place, obliging mee to give speedy notice thereof to his partners in France, I thought the way of the Manhatans or Boston to bee the speediest, and the good Correspondence that you have allwayes manifested a desire to entertaine betweene us, makes mee hope that you will direct those I shall send the best way to have my Letters carryed into old England to bee sent over from thence by the first Vessells. I desire then Sir that favor of you, and that you will beleeve, that if in Returne, I were capable of rendring you service, in these parts, I would doe it with as much Joy, as I am with passion,

Your servant thrice humble

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* There is no indication whether the letters were originally in English or French. The copies are in Matthias Nicolls’s handwriting.
To Monsieur the Generall
Major Andros Governor of New Yorke
At Manath.

[ENDORSED:] A Copie of a Letter
dated No. 18th 1677
from the Governor of Canada,
to the Governor of N.Y.

A Copie of another Jan. 8th following.
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[26:153]
[LETTER FROM SARAH COOPER CONCERNING INDIAN WHALERS WHO DID NOT FULFILL AN AGREEMENT]

Southampton November 22th 1677.

Honorable Sir

My duty and most humble service to you presented etc. hereby render you many thanks for your great Indulgence towards mee and mine in that you pitied mee in time of exegency, when by death I was bereaved of my endeared and loveing husband yet soe it falls out that I am enforced to make bold to acquaint your honor that amidst the many inconveniencies that befalls mee on my husbands absence, this at present lies hard upon mee that boats and craft which by my husband was prepared for the whale designe is like to un Imployed, by reason, the Indians upon whom hee depended, and hath payd; by sollicitations of others of the English here have hired themselves from us: I beseech you consider my condition, and if it may possibly bee consistent with your Justice, bee pleased to extend your compassion, in granting mee (your disstressed handmaid) an order to compell the Indians whome my husband had paid before hand to carry on our whale occasions this winter, But if that may not bee, I beseech your honor to voucsafe mee some steddy way whereby I may receive my due from the Indians, of those that doe imploy them:

The cheif Indians that wee depended upon to goe to sea, and are paid aforehand on that accompt, are by name: Arthar: Jefferey: [    ]: Joseph: Plinny: Papassaquam: Omagnusivs: and Obadiah: Thus beseeching your honor to voucsafe mee a retume as suitable to our necessity as may bee,
and as soone as possible your occations will permit in regard the whale season is soe neare, and I must ever acknowledg your clemency; and rest to all perpetuity

Sir Your humble handmaid and Servant

Sarah Cooper:

[ADRESSED:] To the Honor[ ] Edmond Andross Esquire
Governor or in his absenc to the Deputy
Governor and Councill theise
I Pray present
etc.
at N: York.

[ENDORSED:] Mrs. Coopers lettre to the Go. or Dep. Gov:
2. Nov. 22. 1677.
An Order Dec. 1st.

[26:154]

[RECORD OF BIDS FOR AN EXCISE COLLECTOR’S POST WON BY THOMAS DELAVAL]

1677. New Yorke: December 3d at the farming the Weighhouse

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[POWER OF ATTORNEY TO JOHN SMITH FROM JOHN PALMER FOR
HIMSELF, AND FOR HIS WIFE ON BEHALF OF JOHN WINDER’S ESTATE]

Know all men by these presents That I John Palmer of Staten Isl. within
the Province of N. Y. [ ] America Gent. I have assigned, ordained and
made and in my stead and place put and constituted my trusty and
welbeloved friend John Smith of the Isl. Barbados Merchant to bee my
ture and lawfull Att. for mee, and in [ ] name and to my use, to ask, sue
for, levy, require, recover and receive of all and every person and persons,
whatsoever, all and every such debts, dues, summe or summes, of money,
as are now oweing, unto mee, or which at any time or times hereafter
shall bee due oweing, belonging or appertaining unto mee by any manner
of wayes or meanes whatsoever in the said Isl. of Barbados or partes
adjacent either in my owne particular Right, or as I am husband unto
Sarah the [ ]lict and Administratrix of John Winder late of this [ ]ts
my predecessor.

The rest as the Go.*

Dated Dec. 11.1677.

[ENDORSED:]  Mr. Joh[ ]
Lettre of Attorney to
John Smith of Barbados.

[26:156]

[REQUESTS OF GEORGE HEATHCOTE FOR REMISSION OF FINES AND
GRANTING OF COMMERCIAL PRIVILEGES]

My Owners desire that the Goods that was taken from me at Albany for
selling by retaile may be returned or the true value, Alsoe the fine with
the Court Charges that was Laid upon me if paid may be returned,
Likewise that I may have equall Priviledge here or at Albany with any
Burger of this Citty, according to my grant under the seale of the Colony,
and signed by the Mayor the 13th of August 1675 I allsoe desire that I
may have Liberty to Land or Ship of at the Citty Wharfe, what Goods I
shall have occasion for and not be put to soo many Inconveniencies and
Charges in being ordred to Ship and Land them at the Bridge into boats
or out of boats, when it might be put directly into the vessell or out of
the vessell it is Entred for, I have paid for my selfe and Imployers, twelve

* Perhaps meaning that the rest of the document should follow the form of the power of
attorney at 26:151.
pounds fourteen shillings and six pence toward the makeing of it, and I
hope now to receive some benefitt of itt without farther Charge at present,
this being all at present desired by me in behalfe of my Owners.

Geo. Heathcote

[ENDORSED:] A Copie of George
Heathcotts proposall
Given in to the Councell.

[26:157]
[COUNCIL MINUTES: TO BE PUBLISHED IN A VOLUME
OF COUNCIL MINUTES]

[26:158]
[List of Persons Invited to a Party, Written
by Matthias Nicolls]

Madam Andros and Mrs. Frances.
C. Brockholes and Lady.
C. Dyre and Lady.
C. Delavall and Mrs. Margaret.
10. Mr. John D.* and Mrs. Pridde.
Uncle Dyre.
Mr. Laurence, wife and grandchild.
Mr. Snawsell and wife.
Mr. Minvielle and wife.
20. Mr. Palmer and wife. Mr. Rodney
Mr. Innyans and wife.
Sister Jacobs.
Mrs. Gibbs.
C. Carteret and Lady.
29. Mr. Mayor and Lady.
Mr. Kingsland.
Monsr. des Champs and Lady.
33. C. Collyer

* probably John Darvall, brother of William
Whereas Informacion is given unto mee that Samuell Davis of Jamaica upon some pretence of Agreement betwenee him and Mr. Edward Burbrough, hath hired him the said Burbrough to bee his servant for one year, and denyes to release him at the Expiracion of the time, which may prove very much to his damage, hee having occasions which call him for Engl. These are to require you to summon the said Samuell Davis that hee appeare here before mee on Munday next the last day of this month and to lay to the charge of the said Edr. Burbrough what he hath to alleadge against him and why hee may not depart about his occasions, of which hee is not to fayle at his perill: Given under my hand in N Y this 29 day of Dec. 1677.

to the Const. of
Jamaica or his deputy.

[ENDORSED:]
A warrant for Sam: Davis
of Jamaica.

[26:159]

[PROCEEDINGS OF THE NORTH RIDING SESSIONS]

At a Court of Sessions held at Jamaica. Dec. 13th 1677.

The Justices Commission read.
All present but Mr. Pell.
The Constable called. Everyone with his staffe but the Constable of Hempstead, whose Excuse is admitted.

The Jury return’d—sworne.
Jurors names.
Elyas Doughty
John Henchman
John Seamans
Robert Jackson
Benjamin Coe
Tho: Smith
Nathl. Denton
withdrawne

Dec. 10th

Tho: Laurence plt.
Joseph Headley deft.

John Richbell plt.
Tho: Statham and others defts.

Two Absent
Tho: Statham
Roger Barton
Humphrey Underhill
John Westcott
John Davis
John Robins
ab: John Storey

The other actions called.

C. John Palmer plt.
Tho: Wellyn deft.

The deft confesses Judgement for the debt 8£ 2s ½ d the plt. willing to pay the costs.

C. J. Palmer plt.
John Lynus and Henry Bowman defts.

John Lynus appeares onely.
The debt 5£ 18s 1d—— confes’t Judgment.

C. J. Palmer plt.
Sam’l Ruscoe deft.

The debt 8£. 15. 10½
Judgment for what shall appeare to bee due.

C. J. Palmer plt.
Dan: Beedle and John Van Rosse deft.

The debt 22£ 7s 2dl½
The deft. Beedle onely appeares and desires proof of the decl.
The account read and declaracion.

Mr. Pinhornes Oath to Mr. Winders bookes.

The deft. Beedle pleads hee sold a beast to John Van Rosse, and was paid for him at Mr. Winders and confesses severall particulars received there upon that account, but no other.

The hearing of the Case farther referred to morrow morning.
And the Court adjourned.

Dec. 13th 1677.

Before Noone.

C. J. Palmer. plt.

D. Bedle and John V. Rosse \{ defts.

The declaracion read againe.
The account read.
The particulars owned to the value of five pounds two shillings 8d \(\frac{1}{2}\)
received by D. Bedle, in June.
The Rem. by Jan V. Rosse in Oct.

No partnership proved.

Referr’d to the Jury whether Dan: Bedle, having the Goods, shall bee cleared till the Debt bee paid, The deft. pleading having a bill from Jan V: Rosse to receive the Goods there.

John Richbell plt.
Tho Statham etc. deft.

The plt. declares upon a bond of 500£ for performance of Covenants about Land to bee taken up to stand to the Award of several persons named.
The bond read dated 12 May 1677.

No award return’d that appeares, The Arbitrators were Mr. Tho: Gibbs Mr. Walter Webley Mr. Joseph Carpenter and Mr. Tho: Lyon.

It was afterward referr’d by the Go: to C. W: Laurence, C. Tho: Hicks, and C. Tho: Willet.
Their Award brought in.

The plt. in the Award was to give security to make the Defts. a good title, who were then to give security to peforme the Covenants. There was a Note under the hands of Mr. Steenwyck, Palmer, and Robson that they would bee security which note was miscarryed. The Clarke Mr. Cooke tooke in writing what Mr. Leete declared the tenor of the paper was. Mr. Sharpe to the like.

C. Laurence, to the like.
Mr. Pell also.

Referr'd to the Jury.

The Court dismist.

Afternoone.

In the Case betweene J. Palmer plt.
Dan Beedle and J. V. Rosse defts.

The Jury find for the deft. Beedle the plt. to pay Costs.
Mr. Leete moved for an Appeale.
The decl. being for 22£.

The Const. of Hempsteed Richard Valentine—A Complaint.
John Mott Deft.

Adam Mott Junior plt.
Laurence Mott deft.

The plt was security for the deft. being in Execucion for 11£ etc.
The deft. absent. said to bee frozen in his feete.
The plt. had given his bill to pay.

Judgment granted the Const. against Adam Mott—upon his Confessing it.

Judgment granted Adam Mott against Laurence Mott for Default.

Laur: Mott plt.
Sam: Denton deft.
The plt. Nonsuited—upon Non-appearance.

In the Case betweene John Richbell plt. plt. Tho: Statham etc. defts.

The verdict of the Jury } The award attended by neither.
} The Charges to bee equally borne.

John Henry plt.
Nicha. Simkins. deft.

A declaracion read. The plt. demanding a fullfilling of a Covenant about
the frame of a house; alleading great damages.
The Articles of Agreement produced and proved.
The dimensions sett down by Peter King, one of the three Carpenters
named.

The deft. was to have 22£, for the frame, and Jos. Carpenter saith what
is demanded is worth 45.
Referred to the Jury.
The Go. recommended to referr the Case to Arbitracion but not consented
to by the plt.
The same being likewise done by the Court it is againe refused by them.

Letteres of Adm: granted to Mary the wid: of Nicha Snethins of Flushing.

John Aertsen plt.
Dennis Holdren deft.

A Declaracion put in for the plt. about a horse claymed by him.

Luycas Stevens } sworne
John Caersen } sworne
say both as that the deft. promised to pay 250£ to the plt.

Richa. Fido } sworne
Jon: Sticklyn } sworne
Richard Fido saith That hee did know this horse in dispute whilst a Colt,
and had often scene him with Dennis Holdrens Mare. It was a bay horse
with a white streake downe the face, and doth beleeve to the best of his
knowledg as farre as hee can sweare or say for his owne.
Jon: Sticklyn declares the like as hee verily beleevess.
He was branded at 3 yeares old, with Flattbush marke—and turn'd out
into the woods and seen by him, but then not with the Mare, as he had often seen him before.
The Mare was C. Watts.

The plt. saith the horse was newly turned out after branded, but not proved.
Referr'd to the Jury.

John Scudamore    plt.
Peter Smith       deft.
The att. for the deft. pleads no legal summons or declaracion—but the action enter'd in time.

John Lynus concern'd
Referr'd to a Jury tomorrow morn.

Zebulon Udall bound over to this Court being accused for getting Dr. Taylors Indian made with Child.
Shee not being yet brought to bed both to be bound over to the next Court.

Mrs. Smith of Nesaquake moved about Charges promised to be paid by Jeremiah Wood; but not taken notice of, her husband having been 3 times Nonsuited in this Case and no notice given now.

Dismis't.

The Court adjourned till tomorrow morning 8 a Clock.

Dec. 14th 1677.

Before Noone.

The Verdict of the Jury in the Case of John Richbell and the Defts. Referr'd to the bench.
It is the Judgment of the Court That time be given to the plt and defts. to put in security according to the Award at or before the 2d day of Febr. next being Candlemas day, before two Justices of the peace of this Riding, The trouble whereof Mr. Richa. Cornell and Mr. Thomas Hicks are desired to take upon them, and their Judgment therin to determine the matter.

In the Case of J. Palmer plt.
D. Beedle and J. V. Rosse, wherein the Jury brought in their verdict for the Deft. Bedle.
The Att. for the deft. moving for an Appeale. Its granted hee performing what the law directs.

The peticion of Mr. N. Bayard for Execucion upon a Judgment obtayned the last yeare for f3906. being taken into Consideracion, Ordered That the plt. proposing that a good part of his pay is ready in tobacco, which is not adjudged a seasonable time now to make payment thereof Hee shall bee obliged to pay 2400 weight of Tobacco in Caske at the weigh house to the plt. or his order, by the 2d day of Febr. next, and more so much as will make up the summe of 40£ in good porke or wheate: for the remainder the house and land in this towne to remaine security till next sessions, upon want of payment execution.

A Complaint by Rich. Stocken against Capt. Richa. Osburne, about a bill of sale for some meadow, sold by his Predecessor Roger Townesend but no bill given.

James Clement
Rich: Wildy
Edward Waters

James Clement saith hee went over with R. Stocken and heard the bargaine and payment of two Oxen for 2 shere of Meadow bought of R. Townesend Anno 1672.

Rich Wildy saith Hee goeing over to R. Townesend about his private affayres and seeing two bull staggs or Oxen there, that were R. Stockens, hee ask't him of whom hee had them, hee said hee had them of said Stockens for land.

Edwa. Waters to the like.

Dr. Taylour saith hee heard Roger Toweenesend confesse the same on his death bed.

Nich. Bacly Const. sworne saith, That Roger Townesend and hee meeting in the field, hee having received damage by 2 Cattle ask't whose they were, hee said they were his and that hee had them of R: Stocken for a piece of meadow hee had of John Palmer and Phil. Minthorne.

The deft by his Att. Mr. Leete Demurrs for that there are uncertaintyes in the declaracion. no place mecioned where the meadow lyes, no time of purchase.

The Demurre over=ruled.
Put to the Jury.

In the Case or John Henry and Nicha. Simkins.
The Verdict of the Jury for the deft.
In writing.
The Covenant adjudged Voyde but what hath beene received or paid, each to pay the other or allow for it according to the usuall rate.
The plt. to pay Costs.

Mr. Leete moves for an Appele.
Not allowed by the Court.

In the Case of John Aertsen and Dennis Holdren.
The Jury find for the deft. with Costs of suite.

John Scudamore plt.
Peter Smith deft.
A declaracion put in about 6£ 8s 0d due by bill transported.

Sam: Ruscoe—an Evidence upon Oath given in the Towne Court.
That [blank]

Dan Whitehead sworne 
Joseph Thurston sworne

D. Whitehead saith hee went with the plt. to Mr. Smith who demanded of Mr. Smith, if he would pay Mr. Bowmans bill, he answer’d hee had promis’t it upon Mr. Bowmans order, but had order afterward to the contrary. Yet it was all one to him to whom hee paid it, so hee might bee secured.

Joseph Thurston saith being then present also. hee heard Mr. Smith say I did promise you the payment but now shall not.

The Const. John Oldfield—declares hee was present when John Lynus tendred the payment in Goods—and would referre the price to indifferent men.

John Man sworne—declares the same fully.

John Lynus confesses the debt.
Referr’d to the Jury.

The Wid: Townesend plt.
Richard Styles deft.
A Review from the last Court.

The deft not present, having broken his Leg.
Tho: Hartfield chosen by Mr. John Richbell sworne in Court.

Adjourned for an houre.

Afternoone.

Richa. Stockton      plt.
Richa. Osburne       deft.

In the Cause aforesaid The Jury find for the plt., That the deft. doe make
the plt. a firme title, and pay Costs.

The Deft. by Mr. Leete moves for an Appeale.
To bee consider'd of.
Not allowed by the Court.

In the Case of John Scudamore and Peter Smith.
The Jury find for the Deft. with Costs of suite.

An Execucion moved for by Mr. Leete on the behalfe of Sam: Ruscoe
against Mr. Robt. Coe upon a Judgment granted by this Court against
him.

A Peticion from Mr. Coe.

A difference betweene Dennis Holdren and James Whittacker about 200
weight of Tobacco long since due from Holdren to Whittacker: value 5£

C. Laurence had Whittackers bill, and at the last Court acknowledg'd to
have received of Dennis one halfe of the bill—and had paid the whole
to Whittacker, but would cleare Dennis.

C. Laurence had the bill but not assigned and after some yeares delivered
Whittacker the bill, not remembring as hee saith that hee had paid the
whole or part.

C.L. said hee had the bill of Whittacker to demand the debt of Dennis,
but refused to pay any part till hee had recovered it.

It was at the Towne Court of Flushing and Judgment past against Holdren
and by the Govs reference upon a peticon put to the Court of Sessions
in June last, in meane time Execucion to bee stop't.
The Court then referr'd it to this Court.

Proofe to bee made by C. Laurence.
Referr'd back to the Towne Court. The suggestion in the petition to the Go: being not proved.

The Request of John Farrington now after his mothers decease, that hee and his bro: etc. and may have the Estate confirmed to them by this Court, It being taken into Consideracion, Ordered That it bee done and possession given them by some of the Justices or Officers of the Towne, and they giving security to bee Guardians of the younger ones, if the justices shall approve thereof.

A stop for farther payment of any Goods sold by John Seward the wid: Farringtons pretended husband.

Mr. Wm. Osbourne—engaged to pay 18£ of which hee alleadges to have paid part and given his bill for the rest.

Mr. Jacob Walker Att. for Seward and sold the Goods.

Mr. Coes petition a very long one read etc.

The Judgment of the Court two yeares agoe.

Time given him till Mar. 25th to make up his Accounts as C. Manning hath done.

If hee prove endebted to the Countrey so much to pay the plt. the debt, if otherwise the Countrey Rate to pay it.

Robert Burgis.
A young man with Sam. Ruscoe left by his fathers will as an Apprentice till 21 yeares of age some Estate left.
Hee desires liberty to chuse a Guardian to looke after his Estate and that hee bee not abused in his service.

Allowed the person to bee nominated before any Justice.
Hee appeares in Court and names Joseph Thurston and Joseph Smith who are approved of.

Jama. Sept. 1677

The Court dissolved.
The Bench call’d over.

Their Commissions read.

Capt. Palmers Commission for Staten Isl. etc. read likewise.

The Const. called over. all appeared with their staves. Staten Isl. the next day.

The Jury—empannell’d.

Jurors names
C. John Coe
Robert Field
Peter Simpson
John Griggs
Obediah Wilkins
Wm. Gerritson
Sim: Jansen

Sworne

The Causes call’d over.

1. John Lynes plt.
   Henry Bowman dept.

   Peter Lott. dept.

3. agree
   John Sharp plt.
   Joh Copestaffe dept.

4. agree
   Minne Johannes plt.
   Auke Jansen dept.

5. Tho: Stevens plt.
   John Ketcham dept.
6. Judgment
   confes’t
   { Andrew Gibb       plt.
   Robt. Blackwell    deft.

   Dan. De Haart plt.

7. per
   petition
   { C.J. Cortelyau }    defts.
   C. Elb. Elb:        }

John Lynus       plt.
Henry Bowman.    deft.

The deft absent when the warrant was served. The deft was 5£—add money that the plt hath had Judgment past against him at Jamaica Court for the debt, but they were jointly bound. Respited till next Court.

Andr. Gibb       plt.
Robt. Blackwell  deft.

Judgment acknowledged in Court for 30£ 2s 9d under the hand of Mr. S. Leete.

The Court adjourned till after dinner.
   
   Afternoone.

Dirck Jansen Hoogland     plt.
Peter Lott            deft.

The declaracion of the plt. read touching the purchase of a parcell of Land by him of Balthazer de Haart.

The bill of sale never Recorded, and in dutch so = of no value however, proceeded to tryall.

An Order of Court dated June = 76

Severall other papers on each part.

The Justices declaracion in favor of the Deft.*

C. Jaques Cortelyau—the Surveyors Certificate under his hand, and declaring his knowledge in the Case that the plt. hath his full proporcion

* It appears that "Deft." has been written over "plt."; however, both words are legible.
of land according to his patent etc. Referr'd to the Jury.

Tho: Stevenson Complainant.
John Ketcham senr. deft.
About mischief done to the plt's horse, suggested by the deft.

Tho: Barker—relates that the deft at a certain time sent his son to the plt. to tell him, his horse was in his Corne, and that hee might come and fetch him out.

Two depositions read. one from Jeremy Burroughes—the other from John Reader taken in their Towne Court, about the mischief done the horse etc.

C. John Coe—being desired to declare his knowledge, saith hee knowes the horse to bee in an ill Condition (his nostrills slitt etc.) but knowes not how hee came by the mischief. Hee likewise heard John Ketcha[ ] fretting and vexing say to his sons mother, Rather then bee so troubled with horses or Creatures, t'were better shute them and before hee got home hee heard a gun goe off, and it hapned to bee at the same time that the next morning the horse was found in such a Condition.

There being application made to the Towne Court hereupon and arbitrators named, The deft. refused to attend it. The arbitrators report under their hands, to the same purpose.

Its urged that John Ketchams son might bee examined hereupon but thought fitt to bee waved.

The deft. denies the facts but to have received damage etc.

The Court will determine it tomorrow morning.

A Complaint from D. de Haart against C. J. Cort: and C. El. Elb: about the pease lent to the Inhabitants of Utrecht when their houses were burn't.

Judgment given for the payment in the same specie, or to bee in wheate made Equivalent to the value of pease now. The time by the 2d of Febr. next in default whereof—Execucion. The Const. and Overseers to see it performed or the Execucion to be against them.

In the Case of Dirk Hoogland and Peter Lott.
The Jury find for the Deft.

The Att. for the Deft urges it to bee a Vexatious suite.
To bee consider’d of.

The Court adjourned til tomorrow 8 of the Clock.

Thursday Dec. 20th 1677.

In the Case of Tho: Stevenson and John Ketcham—referr’d to the Court. They find for the plt., for damage to bee referr’d to the 2 appointed by the Towne Court before and the Const. to determine.

A Complaint from the Const. of Buswick about damage done by a Neighbour in his ground—and disobeying Orders about it; Referr’d to the Towne Court to determine, if not obey’d the next Justice.

A Complaint from the Const. of Gravesend about some Young peoples misdemeanor in drinke etc.—upon their submission and promise of Amendment past by.

Staten Isl. Const. (Geo: Cummins) appeared this morning. Some Orders relating to them.

A peticion from Flattlands about some Controversy betweene them, and their Neighbors of Flattbush.

Referr’d by the Go. to Arbitrators who gave in their Award but not attended by Flattbush.

The Award read—and approved of: so to bee attended.

The limitts of the New Lotts of Flattbush and Capt. Beets land, to bee view’d and agreed upon betweene them upon the place, C. Jaques present—the time in a month, notice to bee given two, or three days before hand, of their meeting.

A Complaint by John Aertsen—about the horse recovered by Dennis Holdren at Jamaica Sessions sold by 4, or 5 persons—at first by Justice Hubbard.

Referr’d to bee determined amongst themselves, or to bee brought to the next Court.

Referr’d to C. Jaq. and C. Stillwell.
C. Heynells Complaint that Jan Buys refused to attend an Order of the last Court of sessions in choosing Arbitrators etc. Arbitrators appointed by the Court—The const. of Bruecklyn and Boswick.

A Complaint of Caarsten Jansen against Ralph Cardall for refusing his payment. proved by C. R. Stillwell. Ordered that if hee make payment at the next season for Tobacco, then to bee cleared of the last Court charges: and R. Cardall to pay it.

Mrs. Jacobs Review against Coert Stevens put off till next Court, upon her pretence her materiall witnesse is in Holland.

Peter Nys—against C. D. Lovelace for 600G—Referr’d to the next court.

Geo. Wood Complaines of Ralph Doxey about a deed of Guift of halfe an acre. Referr’d to the Towne Court.

The Court ended.

[ENDORSED:] Gravesend Sessions.

[PROPOSITIONS MADE BY THE ONEIDA INDIANS]

Propositions made by the Oneydes to the Commander and Commissaries of Albanie Colonie Renselaerswyck etc. in the Court house of Albanie this 20th day of Decemb. 1677

By [ ] Cornelise Viele*

The Sachems are
Swansee
Jagosecagacaw
Degahowagoe
Sagahawinichte
Sorengwawottrini

They say Brethren—

1st. Our young Indians have a while agoe by a misunderstanding taken a Mahikander Boy Prisoner at Claverak, being in the Govern.

* Interpreted by Arnout Cornelise Viele.
Generals Governmentt where it is Not free for us to doe the same, and whereas the Gov: General did advertise us (by a maquese who brought 9 hand of white Zeawant as a Letter) that we should deliver up said young Mahikander who was already transported in our Castle to Remain there, we have not withstanding that, obeyed the Gov: Generals order, and doe deliver him now over to you Who Represents his honor the Gov. General; Wee were here about 4 Monthes agoe to see and speak with his honor the Gov: General but had no occasion to doe the same, and now we hear he is gone to England [ ] thelesse we obey his Comma[ ] up this young Indian, [ ] 3 Lapps.

And if soo bee the maquese might chance to say that they were the occasion of this our obedience, beleeeve them not for we only doe obey the gov. generall herein.

2. Doe say that there is a Covenant made here Lately, betwixt Collonel Coursey authorized from Maryland and us that we use no hostility one against another, but live in love and friendship (as the Covenant is betwixt the gov. general and us) but there happend something after the makeing of this Covenant; some Sinnekes and Oneydes were [ ]t against there enemies (but quite ignorant of foresaid Covenant; bein[ ] gone [ ] before the same was made) [ ] were fallen upon behin[ ] Virgini[ ] by the Susquehannes (Ind[ ] of Ma[ ]land) who shott upon them and [ ]ounded too, one throw the arm, and another throw the shoulder, whereupon they likeways fell upon the Susquehannes and killd four and took six Prisoners, and being come home it was thougt good by the Sinnekes Sachims to send home the 5 which there People had taken Prisoners, with Presents, the better to keep the Covenant which was made, and the 6th he is with us at Liberty and goes out a hunting This is that which the Sinnekes desired us to acquaint you withall, and doe give a bever (being sent from the Sennikes) which they call there Letter, and another Bever as a letter for to desire that the news be sent to them of Mary Land.

This is a true Copy
Translated* and Compared

By me
Robert Livingston Secr.

* Livingston has translated the document from Dutch into English, not to be confused with Amout Viele’s task of translating between the Dutch and Oneida.
[ENDORSED:] Albany 20 dec[ ]
Oneydes [ ]

[RESPONSE OF CAPTAIN SALISBURY AND THE ALBANY MAGISTRATES TO THE ONEIDA INDIANS]

The Commander and Commissaries answer to the Oneydes Propositions made yesterday in the Court house of Albanie this 21th day of Decemb. 1677.

Brethren

1. You have understood by the Governors messenger which brought you the Zewant that he did demand the mahikanders boy who was taken Prisoner by you at Claverak, and you have now delivered him up, It is well we shall make it known to the Governor General per the first, and you doe likeways well that you only look upon the Gov: order, and not hearken to the talk of any others.

2. As Concerning that which your Indians have done to those of mary Land we shall according to your desire give them of Maryland Notice per the first and we doubt not but that you will keep [ ] Covenant which is made betwixt [ ]IL: Coursey authorized of mary Land [ ] you.

Doe give them the Value of 3 bevers in Zewant Rumm, Indian Corn and Tobacco.

This is a true Coppy
Translated and Compared
by me
R. Livingston Secr.
[ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS OF THE COUNTRY RATES FOR THE TOWNS ON LONG ISLAND AND WESTCHESTER]

Tho: Willetts his Booke of Accots: Cunser. the Cuntry Rates for the Yeares—1676 and 1677.

An acco: of the Disposall of the Cuntry Rate of £ s d
East Hampton which amounted to 21:11:01
To Capt. Howell, Entertaining the Corte of Sessions Per Order and note from the Sherriffe 21:00:00
To Mr: Backer, per ball. order from the Sheriffe 06:00:00
To Indians and English, for three Woole* heads 03:00:00
For Carting downe Capt. Howels Effects 00:09:00
For John Carle, for caring downe a Boate to N: 00:07:00
For 3 men to goe to Unload the Boate 00:09:00
For fetching up the boate 00:05:00
For fower men goinge to Loade the Boate 00:08:00
For a man Caring a hugh and cry from hence to Southhamton, Gover: Cartrettes 00:05:00
For bringing a hugh and cry from Southold 01:11:06
For carring a hugh and cry to South Hampton 32:18:06
For gathering the Cuntry Rate

By Joseph Osburen— 33:03:06

An Acco: made and given by the Constabel, of South Hamton Namely Joseph Rainer, unto Mr: Tho: Willett High Sherriffe the 6th of March 1676 of what perticulars hath ben paid, on the acco: of the Cuntry: as Followeth

Imprimis To Thomas Shaw for his boate and £ s d
Servis to the Cuntry use 00-07-06
To John Howell Juryr: as Juryman 00-03-00
To Jon: Jessup and Jon: Jessup Juriemen 00-06-00
To mr. Jenings, by order from Capt. Saulsbury 24s for boate hyer, etc. and by mr. Justice 00-06-00
Arnold his order 18s:6d 02-02-06
To Rose per mr. Arnolds order 00-15-06
To Ben: Davis, helping driving the Cuntrys

* wolves
Cattell
To Liut: Fordam, for Entertainement of the Courte, as per mr. Arnolds order
NB To the two men that went up with the C[ ]
To Joseph Rainer for a Woolfe
To John Cooper for a Woolfe
To Jon. Jagger Jurieman 3s and Joseph Rainer Jury:
per acco: in Cattell at the Ferry, as per mr.
Willots recept
The Collection of the Cuntryys pay
To George Harris Juery man
To Christopher Lupton for a Woolfe
Ben: Paumer for a Woolfe
which was over paid last yeare as per Capt.
Salsbury note

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The acco of Josua Horton Const: of Southhole to the Yeare 1676: To 9 horses presed to Seataucot by the former Constable by warent from Capt. Nicols, and others for them

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Joseph Rainer:
To 2 Juriors June 9th 1679* 00-06-00
To 4 Juryors 3 dayes 01-16-00
To Mr Thoma[ ]e Senior at A Speciall Corte of Se[ ]ld at his house Febry 17th 1676[ ]ll of 03-19-01
Hury an Indian
To Mr Tho[ ] providing for his Majesties Just[ ] 1667 15-05-00
To Josua Horton at a Corte of Sessions for charges June 1676 03-09-00

To Collecting the Cuntry rate, £ s d
at 1s per pound 1676 44-04-05
To fower pounds paid mr. Fordam by order of the Sherif 04-00-00
To Mr. Justice Arnold 01-10-00
40-09-01
For the Sheriff
Joshua Horton Consta: 41-04-05

Brookehaven the Cuntry is indebted 1676 £ s d
XRich Starr to Southhold with a hue and cry 00-14-00
more his horse to Huntington 00-14-00
more with the Governor and Eight horses 01-12-11
to two men to fetch the horses back 00-16-00
to Goodie Perry for horse meate 00-04-06
To more Expended by the Justice and Constables 00-05-00
at John Thomas his house
Jon. Smith post to cary the Governors Letters
Southhampton 00-15-00
Expended att the Const: house for horse meate 00-04-06
for the Sheriff Capt. Salsbury
more spent by the Post that brought the Governor werent 00-01-00
more by the Justice and Consta: at my house
for mans meate and horse meate† 01-02-10
it was allowed me for being on the Jury at June Sessions 00-06-00
more 4 Woolfe heads 04-00-00
more paid to Good: Biggs by order of the former Sheriff Capt. Salsbury 02-10-00

* Copyist’s error for 1676.
† Meat is used in this document in the general sense of food.
more by this Sherriffe mr. Willitt the Consta:
fees for gathering

This over Plus is Discounted:
by mee Tho Willott:

The Consta: of Oyster Bay Bill of Charges 1676
Imprimis
3 woolles Killed by three Indians
To Conveing an Express to Huntinton
To Capt Broxes in Sider
February the 9th to a hue and cry after Bej Tuttell
To a man from the Governor from Musketocove
To 3 Woolves kild at the Farems
NB To Capt. Nicols for Rob: Williams
NB To Capt. Nicols by Joseph Carpenter
To a Hue and cry after Eliza: Rayner
To a Woolfe by John Coles
To 3 Woolves taken in our Parts
To the Consta fees for gathering
To Entertaineing 6 horses two nights
To Severall particulars added as per another acct.
amounteing to the sume of
By a Courte Capt. Nicolls paid unknowne*

The Constable of Hemstead George Hulets
acco: For the Colecting of the Cuntry Rates:
For one horse For Capt. Brockes 3 dayes
by one Hue and cry for Bej: Tuttell,
sent to Oyster Bay baring date November 22: 1676
by on letter, from the Governor sent to Huntin:
bareing date the 5th January 1676
by one hue and cry from Justice Taping for Joseph
Rainers Daughter bareing date Aprill 19th 1677
sent to Flushing
by fower Wooles
by sending of two men to Yorke with Lorence Mote
by sending of a man to Huntington, for
one Stone wall John the Indian
for sending a man to Rockaway

* These last three lines were added in another hand.
For wathing* the Indian

Paid to Joseph Rock Smith
paid to Wm. Osburn by order Capt. Nicols
by 4 Load Coren carted to mr. Cornels
by fetching Lorence Mote from his house
and Sumonsing of two testimones
by Suminsing Tho Rushmore Nath: Person Abraham
Smith Joseph Langdon, and Adam Mote to the assizes
NB for Sumonsin of 33 men for the Sessions
for send: a man to Oyster Bay with A
Letter Confering the Sessions
paid to Rock Smith
NB To mr. Thecker, on Capt. Salsburyes acco:
65 bush winter wheat at 5s per bushel†
NB To Wm Merritt sent by Cornelis Boateeman
Fisher 65 Bush: and 1/2 Sumer weate‡
NB Paid James Mathews for Mott
To Transport from the other side
An Acco. of Disbursments of the Cuntry Rate of
Jameco in the Yeare 1676
Item for a Hue and cry, a Servant of mrs. Winders
for a hue and cry of mr. Palmers the Ship
Carpenter
for 2 horses prest for Capt Collyer by Governor
order and a man to bring back the horse
at the same time for sending 2 horses for them
to mr. Wandals
the 22th of November for a hue and cry sent
after Benj Tuttell
for caring a Packett by order from the Secretary
for 2 horses prest for Capt Brockus and Capt
Collier to Hemsted
for Expence About Jon. Coomes by warent from
mr. Udall
for Expence for the men caring doune Coomes to

* The meaning is unknown; probably just a clerical mistranscription.
† At 5s per bushel this should be 16-05-00 which was written in and then crossed out.
‡ £14-12-06 is based on 4.5s per bushel.
§ Computed at 4s per bushel. It is no wonder these are marked NB.
Yorke and their returne, by the Governors order
To Nico: Everet for Enter: Two Constables at the Corte of Sessions
For keeping 3 horses with hay and Oates
for Beating the Drum at Sessions
for Expence by Mr. Backer Justice with his attendance at his going and returning from the assizes Expendid by their Horses
for George Wolsie with his horse to the Ferry with the Governor
more to George Wolsie for fetching of drink
more for the hire of a carte to fetch the drink
more Expendid at Tho: Wollings by Capt Nicols horses 3 dayes at Sessions
more for Capt Lawrence Horse 3 dayes
for Tho Wollings horse prest for the Governors Servis
more to Welling for bringing of an anker of rum from the Ferry
more for Welling for keeping Mr. Lawrence horse
Decemb. Sessions
more for keeping a horse for Wm Lawrence Junyor and Decemb. Sessions
paid to Mr. Wollsie the 21th Aprill 1677
paid to Danyell Whitehead for 2 Load wood Decemb. Sessions
for Jon. Foster Juryman June Sessions
for 3 Jury men Decemb. Sessions
for a hue and cry after Elza Rainer
NB paid to Wm. Creede by order of Mr. West
NB more paid to Wm. Creed by order from West
for keep the Justices and Const: Horses June Sessio:
for Capt. Newton lodging henery Neaton Cryer of the Corte
To Sam: Rescooe
for Capt. Carpenters horse prest to the Ferry
for the Governor use
for two wooles killing

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For gathering the Cuntry rate
01-01-06
To Antho: Gleane, bringing a packet letters from Capt. Nicols

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For mr. Pell to Jon. Palmer 00-10-00
01-18-06
From East Chester from the Consta Rich: Sute 1676
Paid to Jon. Shearpe 79 and 1/2 bush Sumer wheate
for horse hyer to Edward Wilkins 2 dayes
for other Expence and dyett
To the Consta Sallarye
for Seaven hue and Cryes the 3 of August after a Carman
of Yorke,
the 12 Ditto after an Irish boy belonging to mr.Winder,
the 19th ditto after a Negro Servant belong: to Wm.Palmer,
the 5th of November after a Servant of mr. Whites
22 Aprill after two Servants of mr. Elsall, 28 May after a
bay horse, from Sejusmundy Lucas; 14 June after
two Servants of George Masters, which ware run away
Rich: Sute Cons: Over Paid
02-08-07

The Consta of N: Towne acco: for the
Disposall of the Cuntry
Rates to mr. Wells
To mr. Hollett for acco: of mr Wolsie
To mr. Wels = 01£: 04s .0d: to Jon. Skuder for
a Woolfe 1£—
To Gersham More 7 Wooles
two horses for Capt. Collier
to Ditto 1 horse 4 dayes
to Joseph Sackett, one Letter for the Governor
to Edward Steephens, for a Letter for the Governor
to Expence at N: Towne for Vollenteeres
NB to mr Sharpe 11£: 18s: 06d:
to Ditto for Sherpe 03£: 00s:
NB to ditto Sharpe for a Cowe 5£
to Colect the rate 1£: 15s
06-15-00
35-16-11

A List of the Disbursemnts, of the Consta of Brooke Land
upon the Cuntry rates, 1676
For a man sent with a Letter to Capt Jaques Cuteloe
00-03-00
to the ferry man by order, as by acco. appeares
02-05-03
paid to John Areson by order for horse hyer
00-07-06
paid to Tho. Lamberson per order for horse hyer
00-07-06
paid for 2 horses hyer per order by Capt. Dyer, 00–10–00  
to corenbury 01–17–06  
by order for 5 horses three dayes 00–05–00  
by order Capt. Brochus, a horse two dayes 00–07–06  
by order for a horse 3 dayes 01–00–00  
by 2 horses 2 dayes 00–12–00  
for a Wagen and horses 2 dayes 00–04–00  
for caring a Letter to Jameco 00–10–00  
for a horse by order 4 dayes 01–00–00  
for 2 horses 2 dayes per order 00–00–00  
for 2 horses 2 dayes per order to cary warents 02–12–06  
for 2 horses one day 00–10–00  
paid to Capt: Haeneill, as by his acco. appeares 00–16–00  
paid George Jacobs, for horses, 00–12–00  
by order Isack Arnold Jus: 00–03–00  
paid for charges of horses for the Justice and 00–18–00  
Constables of East and South hamton 00–10–00  
paid for horses for dyett 2 men, 01–03–08  
4 dayes sent by Jus: odall: 00–03–00  
paid for charges of the Cons: horse, of Huntington 00–18–00  
paid for charges of the Justices horses 00–10–00  
for a horse 4 dayes per order unto Tho: Jones 00–16–00  
one hue and cry for mr Gibbs after his Servant 01–01–01  
2s 2 hue and cry for Elyza: Rainer, 19–11–5*  
and Benjamen Tutell, to Jameco and New Ewtrick 2s 01–10–11  
for 2 hew and Cryes 2s 21–02–4  
the Consta: Sallarye, for receiving 21£: 02s: 04d 01–10–11  
Remaine Debtor 21–02–4  

* The total should read 19–11–6.
An Acco: of the Consta of Flattbush, for the Disposell of the Cuntry Rate in the Yeare 1676 Mina Johanes Consta:

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New Ewtrick Acco: in Duch for the Yeare 1676.

The Totall Sum is 12£–12s–00d

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13–19–00
To Sam: Spicer, for horse meate 00-09-00
To Casten the Boare*, for horse meate 00-04-00
paid for a horse and man prest to the Ferry by order Cp. Nicols: 00-04-00
paid for 2 bush 1/4 oates 5s paid for 4 Load wood and a man to tend at the house, 8s 00-13-00
paid to my selfe for gathering in the Rates 00-14-03
paid for making the whipping post and mend. the Stoks for on hue and cry the 12th November for Rich: Neighbours 00-02-06
For on hue and cry the 24 August: for mr Palmer Carpen: 00-02-06
for 2 hue and cries, the 13 April, George Hall, to 1 hue and cry the 20 April, Thomas Young 00-02-06
Brought from the other Side 13-19-00
17-01-09

East Hamton Consta: Dr: by the Warent for the Cuntry Rate, £ s d
per Contra, Credr: 1677 31-00-00
Over paid in the last yeares rate 01-12-05
per mr. Backers note, per Jon: Squire 00-16-00
per 3 old Wooles 3£: per 12 Young Wooles 6£ 09-00-00
per Collecting the Cuntry Rate 01-11-00
NB paid to Mr: Arnold for the Cuntry Rate 18-00-07
for this Last Artickell I am Dr: per mee 31-00-00
Thomas Willett

The Consta of South Hamton Jon. Jager, by Acco. this day, unto Capt. Tho: Willett of the Cuntry Rate Collected in the Yeare 1677 being of 60£ 1s 7d vallews: £ s d
paid to Josua Barens being Jury Man 00-06-00
To Danell Seares, John Post, and Jon. Denison Jon Mapum A Woolfe: 01-00-00
mr. Jenings for a Wolfe 1£:
Benj Palmer and Benj: hand a Wolfe 02-00-00
Christor: Lupton a Wolfe 1£:
Jon. Jager a Wolfe and Expence 02-06-00
att Yorke 1£ 6s: 0d
Conserving Elyza: Rainer, to Abraham Willman 00-05-00
Johnathan Rose, 5s: Rob: Woolles 15s:

* Carsten Jansen, called here Carsten the farmer (Dutch boer).
Jon. Bishop Junyor 10s
Liut fordam, 7s: Joseph Eldrige 3s:
Rob. Noris 10s:
Peeter Noris 3s: Edward Howel 3s:
Jon: Jessup 3s
Walter Malvin 3s: Jon. Dennis 3s James White 3s
Jon. Elce 3s: Obadia Searell 3s
Jon Holse Junyor 2s.6
James Herrick, 2 Bils 2£ 14s 6d. Hene: Person
1£ 6s: Jon. Jager 1£ mr. Jennings as Mershall 20s
Upon 2 Bills, all 6£ and for the Indian:
1£ 6s: Jon. Jager 1£ mr. Jennings as Mershall 20s
Liut Fordam for the Sessions 18£
Rich. Howell 10s: Ezekell Sanford 5s:
George Haris 10s
Joseph Rainer Shooing the Sheriffs horse
Resting due of old last yeare, which was never paid
by Joseph Rainer, to me Sherriff on the Cuntry Acco:
more paid, to mr. Phillips in part, of what was his due
for the Sessions, held in March 77/78:
For Collecting the Rate
the Sum of the Rate Substracted
Resting over paid
Whare of is to be abated, out of the above said 3£: 19s: 7d
which remained due, of the last Yeare, 20s: which is upon
the acco: of the fower Wooles, sett at 1£: 5s: per the
Law allowing but 20s:

Memora. that it being in one of mr: Jeninny Bills
is Set 28s: 6d: in money: and in this acco, tis dubell
makes 2£: 17s: out of that is taken 7£: 2s
which is to be abated
Rest is part of next Yeares Cuntry Rate
A True acco: per mee Jon. Jager Consta:

The Consta of Southhold by Acco: 1677
To mr. More, 19£: 18s: Josua Horton 4£:14s

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01-11-06 1/2
24-12-00

* This should be 19-11-6.
Thomas Prickman, 19s: Peeter Digeson 1£. 8s 02–07–00
Danyell Terry 17s. 6d: Jno Conckling Rich Clerke 6s. 6d 02–04–00
Simon Graves and Jon Young 4s: Rich Rainer 4s. 6d 00–08–06
mr. Eades 17s. 6d: Tho: Mapes Senyor 10s: 02–05–03
Jon: Reefe 3s: for 5 Wooles 5£: 05–03–00
Sam: Glover for gathering the Rate 04–01–06
Benj Youngs 6:s Rich Reane 4s 6d 00–10–06

Debts to be paid, for the Cuntry: in the Yeare 1677
Zackary Haukings Consta of Seatawcott £ s d 19–12–00
By bill to Capt. Jon: Tucker, 5£ 11s: 9d: 05–11–09
by bill to Tho: Briggs Senyor 3£: 4s 03–04–00
for Peete Whitehare 8s: paid to Rich floid, 17s 00–17–08
Tho Wade a holter prest 3s paid to Rich: Starr for keeping
of horses 15s: 6d: paid to Jon. Jening Sider; Corte 8s: 01–06–06
paid for: 2s: Wm. Satterly his horse to Oysterbay 5s: 00–12–00
mr. John Tompson for Cuntry Charge 01–16–03
for Six Wooles heads 06–10–00
Zackery Hawkings, for horse meat provided and Sider 01–05–00
for gathering the Rates 19s. 6d: for charges a boute 01–09–00
a post from the Deputy Governor: 9s. 6d 02–10–00
for 2 men and three horses, to Cary Wm: Thrope to garison 24–12–02

Huntington, Acco: for the Defraying of Such charges as folloeth
the Rate is £ s d 27–07–00
For a 11 Wooles 11£: for Entertain of 2 Justces and
3 Constables 10s. 10d 11–10–10
for Entertain: Justice Arnold and his Company: and his
horses two dayes and 3 Nights 01–00–06
for 2 bush. Oates to the Sheriffe 00–04–06
at the Sherriff returne from Sessions, for 4 horses Etc. 00–05–00
for a man and 4 horses prest at Hemsted with Capt. Nicols 00–15–00
by warent from the deputy Governor, to attach the goods and Cattell of mr. Rich: Man,
and for soe doing et ceture: 00–13–00
and delivering at the Water Side
for pressing a horse and man to Seatawcott with
Tho: Koker and at his returne a horse prest for him
and detained part 3 dayes 00–03–00
for pressing a man and horse to Seataucott
with Tho: Jones 00–10–00
at his returne a man and 2 horses prest at Hemstead
by warrant from Justice Odall to Entertaine
a man and horse: 00–01–06
paid to Epenetus Plott for his horse to Southhamton
for mr: Nicols the Sheriffe and their Company as they
went and came from Sessions 01–12–00
18–12–

For Entertain. the sheriff 5s: for a man caring
post Letters, to Oyster Bay 2s.6d 00–07–06
for Collecting the Country rate
for one Woolfe more 01–07–00
01–00–00
02–14–06
Brought from the other Side 18–12–10
memorandum to add a Cow and Charge of driveing
NB of her to New=Yorke: 4£ Cow 2£ driveing
Oyster Bay 1677 the Country is Dr: to mee Matthius
Harvye: For Disbursements, in the Time, of my Const: Office
£ s d
Aug 27th To Nathaniell Cobes one Woolfe 01–00–00
November 20: To send a Packett Letters
from the Governor to Huntington
Feby 9th To cunvaing a horse to Huntington which mr:
Cocker had from thence, on the Governors business
To a Sadell of Nath: Cobes, which mr. Cocker had at
Yorke not returnd
1678
March 26: a Woolfe killed by a Seakatauge Indian
To a hue and cry sent to Huntington, after mr.
Joseph Backers Servant, of N. Jersey
To my Searching after him with in our Towne Bounds
To the Sherriffs and Capt. Nicols Entertain: at
Nicolas Wrights
To Jon. Wright on your acco. keepeing two horses 00–04–00
and his horse to looke after yours
To your note bareing date the 27 March to
Caleb Wright, for Expence of Horse meat for
Your Selfe, and Capt, Nicols
April 20 To Jon. Cobes one Wolfe killed 01–00–00
To my fees for gathering the Rate 01–02–03
May 4 To a Packett, of Letter for Governor Andrews
Lady Sent to Hemstead 00–08–00
20th To Wm: Andrews, and Joseph Digeson,* being prest
for ravishing a Maid of Hungtington 01–10–00
to carry a Negro man, of Coll: Morris, to Yorke
To my Truble about the said Negro and watching
June the 8 To Joseph Carpenters note to
NB Capt. Nicols by your Self Excepted 08–02–11
To Justice Townesends note to mee bareing date
the 1th July 1678 for John Rogers
00–10–00
NB To Mistris Margery Merritts note, baring date
the 6 of August, 1678

To a Mantin a Cock† Indian a Woolfe £ s d
the Sum is 01–00–00
25–04–02
the Cuntry rate is 22–05–06
Over paid 02–18–08

The Consta: of Hemsted Acco. 1677 £ s d
John Jackson Cr: paid for himselfe 2 Horses 00–11–00
to Huntington with Capt. Dyer
for an other time prest, along with Mr. Cocker to Hunt:
for 2 wooles 00–11–00
02–00–00
Jon: Tredwill, for himselfe and two Horses
with Tho: Jones, to Huntinton 00–11–00
for him selfe and two horses, to Jameco with Tho: Jones
00–07–00
to Johnathan Smith Rock, by a bill from Capt. Nicols:
for Tuder, to Joseph Smith, Bill from the Sherriff
00–16–00
01–00–00
03–12–00
To Rock Smith in Bills from the Sherriffe
00–12–06
for 5 Horses to Jameaco, with Capt. Nicols
for carrying 3 Loade of Coren to the Neck
01–07–00
for takeing hom a Horse, to Jameco:
that Tho Jones brought 00–04–06

* This is one of many spellings used in Oyster Bay's records for Dickinson.
† Matinicock
for takeing home an other, prest horse to Jameco: 00-04-06
NB Adam Motes Bill is to James Mathews 01-17-00
for fetching the horses from Jameco: that Nicols had 00-04-06
prest for him
NB for 103 bush wheate and ½:
35 bush. being winter, 21-11-06
NB for 5 bush. Rye to merret
for my one fees
paid to George Hulet 02-11-10
38-16-04
01-04-08
40-01-00
11-17-04
51-18-04
NB the Sherriff is Dr.

The Consta: of Jameco: 1677 the Disposall of the £ s d
Cuntry rate = for remove of the Stocks and whiping post 00-02-06
for three Load wood for the Sessions 00-09-00
to George Woolsie Junyor 01-03-00
to Wm: Foster 02-13-00
To Nath: Denton, two Sessions Jury man 01-01-00
To Tho: Smith two Sessions Jury man 01-01-00
To Benj: Cooe Jury Man at June Sessions 00-10-06
To Joseph Smith I Sessions 00-10-06
To Sam: Rescoe for Justice Tapings house 00-02-06
for presing of Horses for Capt. Nicols and Capt.
Brockus when the came from Pinnyquid 00-17-06
for presing an horse for mr. Koker Hemstead
and carring, his horse back to the Ferry 00-05-06
for horses prest for Tho: Jones and rum 00-18-03
To Tho: Willing 00-10-06
To Jon. Baylie for horse keeping 00-12-00
To Jon. Olfeld for charges, after Sum runaways pursued by Benj: Seely and Josua Jennings 01-01-06
To Capt. Jon. Carpenter for a Barell Sider 01-00-00
To Sam: Rescoe for 1 quarts of rum that
the Justices had of him at the Corte 00-05-00
To Danyell Whitehead for Entertaine: the Constable of Huntington, going to the assizes 00-02-06
for Severall Horses, pasturing 18 dayes 00-09-00
To Jon. Haines going with Henery Nuton
to Justice Cornells, for Henery Hedger 00-04-00
To Good: Wigens, for finding of 5 horses with 00-05-00
5 pecks of Oates
To Good Wigens for keeping mr. Cookes horse
in Decemb: Sessions 00–04–00
Jon. Oldfeild for goeing to Yorke with Letters and
his charges theire, and at the Ferry 00–08–00
To Jon. Baylie for a bottell of drinck, to the Consta.
for Enter: of the men that Brought the Negro
from Oyster Bay 00–05–00
To George Wolsye 06–10–00
To Capt. Newton 00–06–05
21–11–08

To Joseph Thuston
To Tho. Oakly
There the paid out of the Rate, for the use
of the Carpat, and Candels, 00–02–06
There is more Demanded to be paid by the Publick to Jon.
Oldfeild for his truble and charge with the Indians 02–00–00
by Sam: Rescoe about the Indians 00–09–00
NB by Nath: Denton Senyor about the Indians
at the Saraetiene* 01–04–00
and more to Nath: Denton Senyor for
Expence, upon Benj: Seely and Josua Jenings 01–11–10
the Consta: gathering the Rates 01–04–06
07–11–05
Brought from the other Side 21–11–08
29–03–01

The Consta: Acco: of Flushing for the Yeare: 1677 £ s d

Paid to Mr. Woolse 16–00–03
Paid to mr. Lawrence 03–18–09
Paid to Docter Tayler 01–00–00
NB Paid to mr. Bridges 02–07–00
Paid to Dennis Holdren 00–06–09
Paid to Tho: Davis 00–05–00
for the Consta: Carring the Oven to mr. Lawrence 00–05–00
for the Consta: gathering the Rates 01–04–09
paid to Johna: Wright, for his horse which mr. Pell

* reading uncertain
had to Jameco:  

The Consta Acco: of Weschester for the Yeare 1677  

NB paid to James Mathews, of New Yorke 33 bush  
$\frac{1}{2}$ of Sumer wheat, and Eight bush. winter wheate  
NB Paid more to James Mathewes  
Tho: Jones Expended at the House of Edward Waters when hee was on the Cuntryes Servis,  
3 gall. Sider, 6s: Corn  
for his horse: 6d Ditto 8d  
for a horse to East Chester 2s:  
for a horse and man to Mr: Webblyes  
NB for Capt. Nicols  

Brought from the other Side  
Mr. Pell the Dr: as by the Feremans acco.  
Nico: Baylie Dr: to the Ferry man  
for the maine of the Casie according to Corte order  

The Consta: of East Chester Acco: for the Yeare 1677  

By a hue and cry from Wm: Curtis, after Roger noise who was taken at New Yorke and was sent back by order, from our Governor his charges amounts  
A hue and cry by the Governor after, Sam: Huitt Serv. belonging to Capt. George Broad  
an other Serva: belong to Capt. George Broad pursed by a hue and cry from the Governor  
a hue and cry after a Servant, belong: to mr.  
Gibs of the Citty  
a hue and Cry grantted out for George Backer  
a hue and cry granted after two Servant from Stratford, on belonging to Robert Clerk, on other from Ephrim Booth  
Tho: Jones had a horse Prest upon the Cuntryys acco: to goe into New England  
5 Wooles Killed  
paid to the Last Yeares Constable  

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The Constable of New Townes acco: for the Yeare 1677

- £ 10-01-10

NB For Ind: coren deliverd by order of Captain neick.

- 80 bush: 3/4
- For Carting the Coren
- for Charges to Yorke
- for 3 Wooles
- for a Young Woolfe
- for presing 12 men by the Governors Order
- about Stockados
- for Justice Odell
- NB for Coren to Joseph Lee

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- for Carting doune
- for caring to Yorke
- NB for Joseph Lee paid to George Wood
- NB paid for Capt. Nicols, to Matys Browsers
- for two Jury men
- the Constab: Sallarye
- NB paid to Rich. Man for Joseph Lee
- NB for Jo: Lee paid Wm. Merritt
- NB paid to George Wood, for the Sherriff

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Buswick acco. for the Yeare 1677 In Duch:

Brooklands acco. for the Yeare 1677 In Duch

The Constab: of Flatbush Acco: yeare 1677

- NB Paid to mr. Sharpe
- paid for 6 Fraights, to carry this Coren to the Fery
- The Constables fees for gathering the Rate

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The Consta: acco. of New Ewtrick for the Yeare 1677
Paid to Nico: Stillwell
for the Consta: gathering of the Rates
for presing of a Boate and fowler men to goe on board
of Andrew Bound, to cary letters for Capt: Brockus
for a hue and cry Sent to Gravesend

To Ballence

The Consta: Acco of Gravesend for the Yeare 1677
Paid to Nico: Stillwell in Coren
By Severall bills, to Jury men and horsemate one Bill
another Bill 2s: a bill 7d: a bill 5s: 6d
a bill 8s: a bill 16s: 6d: a bill 4s:
2 1/2 Skipell oates, to Seacratary Nicols, and the
Sherriff horses at Sessions
for killing a Woolfe
by Justice Stillwell, cattell which is free in the
Cuntry rate
by gathering the Rate
for a hue and cry for Tho: Gibs, after a Negro
for fyer wood and Candels at the Sessions Corte
And Due to Seacratary Nicols 1£: 0s. 0d
out of this acco:
per Wm. Compton Consta:

The Consta acco of Flatlands, for the Yeare, 1677
the Cuntry rate is
The Constab: Sallary
NB Paid to the Sherriffe

The Sherriffe, Capt. Tho: Willott is Dr.
To Moneys Received by mee of the Cuntryes
[ANTHONY SHAKERLY'S ACCOUNT FOR IRONWORK ON THE SHIP HARLEQUIN]*

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* The spelling in this document is singular, and we have been unable to identify some of the stranger looking terms. The more obvious ones include ribbing nails, hooks, dovetails, rings, rudder irons, tie bolts, forelock (linchpin), starting hammer (for tapping kegs), refittings, ringbolts, stirrups, hinges, clasp and gooseneck.
To Do. @ 012
To Do. @ 012
To 17 bolts and Spikes @ 043
To 21 bolts and Reings fore looks @ 070
To 5 bolts @ 015
To Spikes @ 006
To Do. 006
To Do. @ 028
To Do. @ 003
To 2 Bolts and Spikes @ 0.07½
To Iron to 2 Daded Tyes @ 012
To 10 bolts and Spikes @ 024

£857½

Brut over 857½
To bolts and fore Reings and Staples 006
To Spikes @ 002
To 6 Scain Plaits and Straps @ 074
To 2 Doftils @ 008½
To 2 Ruderirons @ 049
To 2 Thimbles @ 002
To 4 Ruder Irons @ 054
To 6 Scaine bolts @ 021
To 1 bolt @ 003
To 2 Dooftails and Gaimineiron @ 014
To a Sturpe and Neils bolts @ 009½
To Spikes @ 003
To 2 Peir of haingis @ 004½
To a Reing and 3 Reaifts for the Maiste @ 019
To a Strape to a Poompbooks and Reifits 002
To a hup and bolt for the Ruder @ 003
To a Sclaspe and Gusnaik and Reing @ 022
To a Sturpe and 2 bolts Neils @ 008½
To 5 bolts and Staples @ 004
To bolts and Reings forelooks Spikes @ 011
To 6 Reingbolts @ 024
To 2 Sclaspe 2 bolts and 2 Tyebolts @ 012
To 2 huks @ 001½
To 2 Tyebolts and 2[ ]eirs @ 028
To huks and thimbl[ ] haingis @ 018
[               ] 005

£ 1266½
[ENDORSED:]  Anthony Shakerly’s
account of the Harlequin
The Amount of the Iron Work
supplied by the Blacksmith
who finished the Iron Work
of the Boat is 145
by Henry Brevort

[26:165a–173]

[ACCOUNTS WITH JOHN SHAKERLY]

[26:165a]

I underwritten doe Acknolidge to bee Indebted unto John Shakerly the
sume of Ellevon Pounds for which I ame to deliver him att the Ferey one
Horse Comeley Knowne by the name of Rose: to bee sound in wind and
Lime and for want of the said Horse to Pay Pabacho Sound and Mare
had.* with In six weekes after the datte here of as Wittnes my hand
to bee delivered att the Brige att Newe Yorke

Adam Mott seenyor

[26:165b]

John Shackerly
bee pleased to deliver the bearer hereof five quarts more of Rum which
mackes all three gallans to which is the needfull from

thy freind Thomas Buck

* Another reading could be, “Pabacho Lound and Marchad.” The more imaginative, and
reasonable, reading would be “tobacco, sound and merchantable.”
Jno. Shakerley is Debtor
To one Pinte of Rume for Hindrick $4
To one ditto for Class att $4
To ½ ditto att $2
To the Halfe of A Corole Pannche $5
To a scifell of wheatt $10
To Rume $3
Errors Except $26*
James Sandilenes

1677: John Shakerly Debtor
To fraught in the Sloop Rontor:† $050:00
To Dellaware $110:00
Nov. 9 To Creditt by Peter Lorwrence Junior $108:00
9 To Ditto by hendrick fredricksa
G 268:00
Errors exsepted by:
Jarvis Marshall
[ENDORSED:] Jarvis Marshalls Account.

John Shakerly Dr.

To 1 Barrell Mollasses $03:05:00
To 20 lb. Butter $00:12:06
To 19 lb. Bread $00:04:09
To 2 Bunches Twine $00:02:0[ ]
To 2 pair shoo, Peltery $00:16:0[ ]

* The writer was having trouble with his pen, especially on the last digit. He may have intended to write $28, which would be the correct total.
† The reading of this name is most uncertain.
Mr. John Shakarly Debte febe the 11th

To freight Caring 85 lodes $42:10
To 12 stif Cabig one pound hoops s30 02:02
To 3 pound of Chestnuts 02:08
To one pound hoops 01:10
To Chabig 01:04

$49:1[

...[ON BACK:]

Thomas Benett is Cr
By discount per J: Shakerly $f132
By wampame $f246
By 13 Bevers att 24f $f312
$f690
To Sackerlyn, earned for hauling, twenty-one guilders and ten stivers 21–10

Gysbert Elbertsen

### [26:169a]

1676 Mr. John Shackerly Dr.

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<td>To 1 dyett to himselves 1 Mr. Renire 1 to ditto Brother</td>
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<td>1677 27</td>
<td>To 1 comb</td>
<td>001&quot; 10</td>
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<td>Aprill 3</td>
<td>To 1 pint of wine to Mr. Renire</td>
<td>003&quot; 00</td>
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<td>To 1 bott: wine</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>To 1 pint of wine 1 ditto rum</td>
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<td>To 1 pint of wine</td>
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<td>May 7</td>
<td>To 2 bott: ditto</td>
<td>012&quot; 00</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>To 2 pints ditto</td>
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<td>To 1/3 bott: ditto</td>
<td>002&quot; 00</td>
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<td>25</td>
<td>To 1 dyett per Mr. Lewis To your own and Mr. Renires dyett From the 20 March to the 26 May att 16s per week</td>
<td>154&quot; 00</td>
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Memorandoum

In the perusal of Mr. John Shackerlyes papers to remember if you can find a bill under the hand of George Ouldfild to Walter Webley and a letter of attmey for the sam

* Translated from Dutch.
Renear Williamson is Dr.

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Per Contra is Cr.

By Peltary Paid to Galine Vanplank £50 0 0
By 2 hogsheads of tobacco qt. 703 lb £07 0 6
By 30 Scifell of wheat 03 15 0
By 2 Otters 00 18 0
By 3 Bevers Lopes In [ ] 00 18 0

* hogsheads
† weight
Renear Willemsen is Dr.
To Ballance ouer accompt £66"7"9d
To one Barrell of Befe Sould to Capt. Dyer 2"0 "0
To one Barrell of hoges Fatt qt. [ ]

[ENDORSED:] Unknowne

[26:171b]
Renear Williamson is Dr.
To the Ballance of ouer Former accompt £66"7"9
To one Enty Barell 0"3"0

[26:172]
Mr. Reneare Cr. Send paid To:*

by the Saile of one halfe of a sloope £3400
by Gorline verplanck 290
by bred 317–1–
by ditto 64 10–
by ditto for the vessell use 27–18:
by ditto 63–6
by ditto 18–6
by ditto 25–4
by one Scipple pease 5–.
by sope 30–.
by bred 52–10
by pease and bred 5–10
by bred 3:17–
by bred 61–4:
by pease 5–.
by paid Jno. Harpenson 45–10:
4 434:16:

Send paid to Mr. John Kingsfeeld

[ENDORSED:] Unknowne—

* Added later in another hand.
May
Francis Whitewell is Dr.

30th
To one stwe Pann
To 2 Large Punden Panns
To one Large boiged Candells
To 3 pint Pott att
To 2 qt. ditto
To 3 poringer
to 2 Cittells
all att 200 Pounds of
Tobacco

May
Petter Oldriks is Dr.

10
To 2 Canns of Rume att f12
To one Bottell delivered yore Maid f 5

[ON BACK:]
2 Candell berrer
2 haing Candells
1 peper box
2 Candell sticks
3 porangers
2 Canns
1 tinder box

[SCRIBBLINGS:] John Shakerley
Said for New Castell
London
New Yorke Anno 1675
Mr. John Shakerly is Debtor

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<td>To ½ pt. Rme (12) 1 qt. Rume</td>
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<td>To 23 gills of Rume (17) 9 gills of Rume</td>
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<td>To 6 qt. Cider at mme pinns with Mr. Shackmaple</td>
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<td>To 1 lb. of sugar (8) 1 qt. limonade Mada.</td>
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<td>beere and sugar, 4 ½ pts. wine at tables</td>
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<td>1s 6d Clubb</td>
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<td>To 1 qt. Cherabumb* 1 qt. Limonade, 1 qt. Mada.</td>
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<td>To £2: Clubb (18) 1 qt. beere sugard</td>
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<td>To £1: Clubb (10) 1 qt. beere sugard</td>
<td>3:</td>
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* Spelled in various ways in the list. It may be intended for cherry bounce, a liqueur or cordial made with cherries, sugar, and whiskey (Miss Leslie's Complete Cookery, 1839), cited by John Hull Brown, Early American Beverages, Rutland, Vt., 1966, or with cherry juice and rum (Israel Acrelius, A History of New Sweden [English Translation], Philadelphia, 1874).
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<td>To paid your soy(?) 13 pts wine</td>
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<td>To 13d Clubb (26) to 3 pts wine</td>
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New Yorke Anno 1676
John Shakerly is Debtor

To transport from the other side                  f320:1

[ ] 16  To 1 pint wine, 1 qt. beere sugard      3:

* Since it seems to be a cold weather drink, the name may be a variant form of posset, which is made with hot milk, ale or wine, and spices.
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<td>To your wife 1 qt. Cider, 1 pt. wine (21) 1 qt. beere</td>
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<td>Feb. 24</td>
<td>To your wife 1 pt. rume (March 3d) 1/2 pt. of wine</td>
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<td>March 9</td>
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<td>To 1 barrill of Porke and 5 gall. of rume delivered to Elias Pudington</td>
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July 1 To 1 pt. Mada. (2&3) To 7 pts. Limonado
6 To ½ Clubb ½ pt. Mada. (7) 1 qt. Mada.
8 To 1 pt. Mada. (10) 2 qts. ½ pt. Mada.
11 To 1 pt. Mada. (12) ½ pt. Mada. (13)
1 pt. Mada.
14 To 1 qt. Mada.
15 To 1 qt. beere ½ pt. wine Sugard, 1 pt. Mada.
16 To 3 pts. Mada., 3 qts. beere Sugard,
2 ½ pts. Mada.
17 To ½ pt. wine 1 qt. beere sugard 2 qts. Canary
18 To 1 pt. Canary (19) To 30 s4 Clubb, 2 pts.
Limonado ½ pt. Mada.
21 To 1 pt. Limonado, ½ pt. Mada. (22)
2 qts. Mada.
24 To Clubb

August 1 To 1 pt. Canary to your wife

New Yorke Anno 1677
Mr. John Shakerly is Debtor

To Transport from the other side

August 10 To your wife 1 pt. Mada. (23)1 pt. Canary (25)
1 pt beere
28 To 1 pt. Mada. (Sbr. 4) 2 qt beere (5)
1 qt. beere
Sbr. 6 To 1 qt. beere (7) 3 pts. Mada. (8) 2 qts. beere
9 To 1 qt. Mada. 1 qt. beere 1s. 6d. clubb
1 qt. beere and Sugar 3 ½ pt. Mada.
1 qt. burnt Mada., 1 qt. beere
12 To 1 pt. Mada., 1 qt. beere and Sugar
13 To ½ pt. Mada., 1 qt. beere and Sugar,
2 qts. beere 2 ½ pts. Mada.
14 To 1 pt. Mada. (15) to 2 ½ pts. Mada. (16)
To 1 ½ pts. Mada
17 To 1 pt. wine, 1 qt. beere, 1 qt. Mada.,
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27 To 1 pt. passado 2:10
29 To 1 pt. passado 2:10
31 To 1 gill rum 12

By Contra Creditor

1677 May By 2 barrells of Porke 240:
By 20 gall. Rume at 4s. 3d. 170:

By Ballance Rest due 846:15
Per. Wm. Marrit 1256:15

Mr. John Shakerly is Debtor
[ ] 6 To the ballance of the present account 846:15
[ ] br. 24 To 15d Clubb (26) 3 pt. wine 3 qts. beere
Sugard, omitted, as appear 11:10

[26:174]
[LETTER FROM MARY PHILIPS OF ST. JONES TO EDMUND CANTWELL
ABOUT A DEBT OF HER SON]

Capt. Edward* Cantwell

Sir These are to Request you to Satisfie youer Brother Mr. Dehase for
what my Sonns Briggs bill is for, you haveing my Papers which Consame
my astate in youer hands: Pay Faile nott butt doe itt withoutt puting mee
and youer selfe to afurder trubell ore Ellce you will forse me to goe for
New Yorke and make my Redres to the governer, howe I hope will nott
see a Widouer wroneged; Sir faile nott and you will oblege youer freind

The Marke of

M Marey Phillips

* His name was Edmund.
John Brigs is Debtor

To 8½ yards of Brode Cloth £5:14:0
To 54 Ells of holend £8:02:0
To 132 Nayles att £4:08:0
To 3 pare of Large henges £0:12:0
To 2 hand Sawes att 40 lb. of Tobeko per: £0:05:0
To 4 pare of henges
To one pare Chest henges £0:01:3
To 900 of 4d Nayles 30 lb. tob. £19:02:3

Ditto Brigs Debtor

for the above mench goods 3000
To 11 gall of wine att 30£ per gall. 330
To 24 quart of ditto att 10 per quart 224
To one pare of duch Blanketts 250
To 3 patings 400

18¾ yard of Brod Cloth
10 parre of henges

Johana Hanson is Debtor to John Briggs

to youer Pasaige Upe the Bay £30
To one gall. of Rume 18
To the fraight of youer goods 06
To Caringe youer goods by Land £12

Johana Hanson Jould desier you to Pay Unto John Shakerly the Contents off the above Menched accompt and his Recaite shall bee youer decharge In soe doeing you will obledge youer Friend to Comand

St. Jones the
9th of Jan. 1673

the Marke
of Marey M. Philips
[26:175]

per Cant: Credit £. s. d
Paid the Overplus, to the Consta. Seataucott 02–02–01
paid to George Wolfes, for the Cuntryes Expenses 09–01–07
paid James Matthews, for Enter: the Corte assizes 13–00–00
paid Thomas Thecher 05–01–03
for wine I had of him, for the Corte assizes
paid a man & horse for going with mee three times 06–00–00
at the East End of Long Island
paid to Cornelis the Boateman for caring coren* 0–10–00
doune to Wm. Merritt
paid for a horse and man, to Corenbury, to cary the Governors Order for a Spet. Corte assizes 00–02–06
paid to an Indian for killing of a Woolfe 01–08–00
two Cotes, 4 yards at 7s per yard
For two Yeares Sallarie 20£ per Ann: 40–00–00
For my fees, gathering the Cuntry Rates 67–07–09
for two Yeares, the Sum being 898£:09s at 1s 6d per pound is 145–13–12
53–03–04
Rest due to mee to Ballence: 092–09–10
per mee Tho: Willett.

[26:176]

Bought of Mr. Huchingson
3 peeces of Sarge att 46s per peece £6:18:0
2 Pecces of ditto at 56 £5:12:0
To 1 ferking of Nayles qt. cwt 1½ att 46s 8d per cwt. 3:10:0
To 1 ditto att 50s per ste. £19:15:0

* carrying corn
To 86 lb of Puter att 14d per lb. 5: 3:4

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[A SEPARATED PAGE]*

Victore is Debtor
To 40s delivered att Boston £2”00”0
Jacob to 20 s £1”02”0
Petter Lorance £1”00”0
John Atter £0”11”6
Expence is Delivered to the Paper £0”01”0
ditto to Befe bought £0”08”4
To Salte £0”06”0
To 4s delivered the Sciper £0”04”0
To Rume 0”04”0
To the making of the tumble 0”03”6
5”14”4

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Lasa Cooke Credit to Pelterey and deare Skines—Bevers—51 1/2

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Ditto Dr. $200
To Rume $600
To your father for $60
To monie for ditto $60

Ditto to 2 peeces of Duffells qt:
90 Ells att 3 Ell per Bever $f To 1
Baizell of Pouder att
To 250 Staves of Led
To 5 Blanketts att 2
Ditto is Credit Barere In Peltery and Beavers 15
To 29 Bare Skines 14 1/2
To 2 Elckes 30 1/2

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Lasco Cooke Cr.

By the Pasorre 1½ of bever       f30
By wheatt 63 Scifell            f315
By Petter Rambo                f200
By Class Andrson               f152
By Gones Rambo                 f85

One [            ]
one [            ]
2 Re[        ]
one [            ]
Cloth[      ]

[Additional arithmetic is scribbled about the page.]

[26:178b]

Mr. Gorge Halle is Debtor

Scifells

To youer bill for 76 Scifell of wheatt     f456”76
To youer nott to Pay A women                f  30” 5
To wine and Brandey when you went
To See Capt. Nickols                 f  40” 6
To one Barrell of Tarre               f 36”  6

562”93

[26:179a]

Mr. John Briges is Debtor

To Sundry goods and Marchandies att Tot.  3000
To 11 galls. of wine att 30d. per gall.  0330
To 24 qt of wine att 10d. per qt        0240
To one pare of duch Blankets att        0250
To 2 pattings                          0400

Tobacko ch.                                4220

To 5 gall. of Rume att 40d per            0200

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£50: 1:-
14:17:6
64:18:6

[THE NEXT THREE UNDATED DOCUMENTS WERE BOUND INTO VOL. 26 AFTER 1912]

[26:180]

[FRAGMENT OF A COURT DOCUMENT CONCERNING A SUIT BY ROBERT ALLISON VS. BRANT SCHUYLER]*

[ ]son
[ ]

Schuyler

And the said Brant for that he hath alleaded sufficient in Law to debarr the aforesa[ ] Robert from haveing his action against him the said Brant as to the assumption aforesaid avows[ ] to be done which he is ready to aver which said [ ] the aforesaid Robert doth not deny nor in any m[ ] answer unto but doth alltogether refuse to ad[ ] of that averment as formerly he prays Judgm[ ] that the aforesaid Robert may be debarred from his Action aforesaid against him the said brant

* We find no record of this document in O’Callaghan’s calendar, and it is certainly too late to belong in this volume; it was probably bound in here after the 1911 fire. The suit was heard by the Supreme Court of New York on Oct. 8, 1692, with judgment in favor of the defendant (Schuyler). See Supreme Court of Judicature of the Province of New York, 1691–1704: The Minutes, Annotated, by Paul M. Hamlin and Charles E. Baker, 1952 (Collections of the New–York Historical Society, LXXIX).
Sir

I have sent you one letter by one of Captt. Tomis* men which Came Withe the wagon were I have given the account but I am afraide he will no Deliver itt They doe now Come I suppose

[LETTER FROM CORNELIS VAN SCHELUVYN ABOUT A LOT.]

[TRANSLATION]

Good friend Sergeant P[erricker]†

Be so kind and [ ] that lot about which I spoke to you [ ] whether there is a chance [ ] and what [ ] about it would be, please let me know.

your obedient servant,
Comelis Van Schelluyn

[VERS0:]:‡

Serjt. Par[ ]
the small piece of land
at Alb: for a Tan Pitt.

A Graunt for which
hee was engaged
to pay 8 boardes

* We have found no captain with the surname Thomas in the 17th century military rolls published in the New York State Historian's Annual Report for 1896. Captains in the period 1665–1700 with the given name Thomas include Laurence, Lovelace and Willett on Long Island; Chambers, Garton and Quick in Ulster County; Wicks at Huntington; Stephens at Southampton; Young and Mapes at Southold; Tredwell at Hempstead; and Stillwell on Staten Island.

† Probably William Parker, who received his original patent for land at Albany in 1667 and sold lots to numerous persons over the next several years, but none apparently to Schelluyn.

‡ This material and the address are in English.
and 100 planckes
from Jan Pietersz
about the patent for
a Mill.

Mr. Pretty att
Alb: a witnesse.

[ADDRESSED:] To deliver to
Sergeant Perricker
The Andros Papers

1678
An English maypole.

William Loveridge, Jr., prosecuted for erecting one, apparently expected from the Albany magistrates the viewpoint expressed in this seventeenth century verse about a maypole:

Stay, quote my Muse, and here behold a signe
Of harmlesse mirth and honest neighbourhood,
Where all the Parish did in one combine,
To mount the rod of peace, and none withstood:
Where no capritious Constables disturb them,
Nor Justice of the peace did seeke to curbe them,
Nor peevish Puritan in rayling sort,
Nor over-wise Church-warden spoyl'd the sport.

The poem is from Pasquil’s Palinodia, and his progresse to the Taverne, Where after the survey of the Sellar, you are presented with a pleasant pytne of Poeticall Sherry (London: T. Snodham, 1619), the illustration from a printed ballad, “The Plow-man’s Reply to the Merry Milk-maid’s Delight,” in the collections of the Bodleian Library; reprinted and discussed by Joseph Woodfall Ebsworth, The Bagford Ballads: Illustrating The Last Years of the Stuarts (Hertford: Stephen Austin and Sons, for the Ballad Society, 1878), 2:1010–11.
MEMORANDUM OF A LETTER FROM SECRETARY NICOLLS
TO CAPTAIN TOWNSEND ABOUT A SERVANT

Whereas Informacion

A letter by Sam: Andrews of Oysterbay to C. Townesend, about a servant of J[ ] Bowne come in C. And: Bownes ship, a[ ]signed to John Feake, summoned to the Towne Court for them to desist untill John Bowne returne, or to complaine to the Go: and Councell.

Jan. 1st. 1677.

signed. M. N.
as the opinion of C. Br:
also

A warrant to the Constable of Jamaica to give out of the warrant sent on Saturday to serve on Sam: Davis to be here yesterday if that miscarried to make a new Summons to bee here tomorrow—about Edward Boarberry his servant at present

Jan. 1st 1677

signed by C. Brock:

[ENDORSED:] A Letter to C. Townesend
about a servant brought by
C. Bowne etc.
Jan. 1st. 1677
Endeavoured to bee discharged by the
Towne Court

[NOTE:] Moron*

* This marginal notation could also be read as Mo26oll.
The Humble Petition of Henry Case of Southold for remission of a fine

to the Honoured Governor of New York etc.

Shewing unto your Honour, That whereas he[ ] late commetted the Syn of fornication with a Mai[ ] ho is now his wife, for which he hath ben and yet is Sory, and for the said Syn he being fined by the Worshipfull Court of Sessions the Summ of five pounds May it please your Honour, to be so mercifull to him as to pardon his offenc, and to take off the fine, and he Shall be always bound to pray for the preservation of your Honours person and Estate, all the days of his Life.

[ENDORSED:]

The Peticion [ ]
Case To have a fine [ ]
on him by the Sessions a[ ]
Southampton Remitted
Granted.

RETURN, BY JOHN JAGGER, OF ARTICLES SAVED FROM A VESSEL AT SOUTHAMPTON]

Southampton January: 6: 1677/78:

An accompt of the severall Particulers belonging unto the vessell of late cast on Shoar here, which were taken into Custody for preservation thereof as followeth.

Inprimis a piece of a horser:* a piece of a small Bower.†
a bolt=rope‡ belonging to the Sayle. a Bwoy rope
a fore=stay: a maine=runer. a rack. a downehall§ of
the m[ain] mas[t] 2 lifts: Top=sheat=halliards: the
maine takle fall.
one of the maine sheats. a maine=lift.

* hawser
† an anchor carried at the bow
‡ a strong rope stitched to the edges of a sail
§ a rope for hauling down a sail or spar
Maine=top=mast=stay. The fore=braces and the maine braces
3 pieces of Junck. the Sheat Cable. an Iron pot.
2 double blocks,* and a parcel of Single blocks. 3 pieces of Junk†
2 howre glasses: 2 small boults. 1 dish, and 2 small platters one ancher. the vane

This account taken as afforesaid. Caleb Carwithy
Seaman and others present.
per me John Jaggar Constable

Southampton January the 7th: 1677/78.

Gentlemen and Ever honored:

May it please you hereby to bee informed that of late there was a vessell rideing in our (too open) harbour, which vessell is reported to belong unto Mr: Richard Lord of Hartford, and which was by an excessive Storme, cast on Shoare at the North Side, belonging to this Towne, And Intelligence being given mee thereof, I forthwith gave advice and Direction to the Constable, That with his Colleagues, the Overseers, Speedy course Should bee taken by them according to our Law, to see that whatsoever was needfull, or of necessity, for releif of Persons belonging to the said vessell, and the Preservation of goods, might bee extended: And when I heard that Zackerey Sanford Master was gone and had left the said vessell and goods or tackleing at randome, I Issued out my warrant to the Constable, to goe, and if need was to take assistance, to secure the said vessell and goods, according to the purport of the Law in that behalf. The accompt our Constable retumes to mee is, That according to Direction and warrant, hee hath put into Safety what hee could finde moveable, and materiall belonging to the said vessell; an Account of the Particulars wher[ ]f hee hath in readines to deliver when hee shall thereunto bee called, And a copy by thereof which hee gave mee, I have

* pulleys
† a piece of poor or worn rope or cable
here enclosed: Now my Request to you is, That in his honor our Governor: his absence you would consider the matter, and as soone as your occations will Permit, and opertunity present, send downe your Order for the dissposeall of the said vessell and goods or tackling: Soe haveing not else at present, but to wish you all health and happines I take my Leave, and ever Rest

   Gentlemen:
   Your humble and affectionate Servant

John Topping

[ADDRESSED:]
To Capt. Anthony Brockhus
Esquire Deputy Governor
and the honored Councell
at N: Yorke theise Present

Pray Leave this with Captain:
Ma[ ]hias Nicolls to have
Delivered as above said

(ENDORSED:]
A letter from Mr.
John topping
Southton. Jan 5. 167[ ]8
About the Vessell cast
up there
An answer. Jan: 29. 1677

[27:5]

[LETTER FROM COMMANDER BROCKHOLES TO THE GOVERNOR OF BOSTON CONCERNING KETCHES AT PEMAQUID]

Noble Sir.

Yours of November. 13th. by Mr Bowditch, directed to our Go: or in his absence to his Dep., arrived not here till the 2d. instant, which was almost 6 weekes after his departure, The Contents whereof relate to the delivery of the Ketches at Pemaquid to the Owners, Its supposed you meane the former Owners, Otherwise the fortune of the warre had apparently made them change Masters, It could have beene wish't, those persons had made their Claymes or applicacion for them sooner, probably ere this they had received a more satisfactory answer then they had from Com­mander Knapton, but severall Reports comming that some of those
Owners [ ]ause they had rather the Indyans had kept their Ketches, then that they should come into the hands of New Yorke Government might in part bee the occasion why no other Order was sent thither, then for their apprizement nor left here the rugged winter season setting in seeming to forbidd their removall till spring [which might occasion our Go: taking no further Order therein]:* Your opinion about the delivery of the Vessells as well as Captives, which you understand by the Governours Letter, to bee mentioned in the peace, seems to bee followed with some passion in the following Clause, that if they were not delivered for the benefit of the right Owners that lost them, you should not know to understand his mocions, for I suppose they will appeare to have tended to the Generall good of his Majesties subject [in] these Parts as well as the Interests of the Government and will always bee our aime to act with Charity and Justice towards our Neighbors as well as others, and wish wee could have the like retaliation from them, then should wee not bee so often censured and condemned: I cannot but bee admired that you so often repeate the Overtures of peace betweene us and the Indyans wrote to you of from Pemaquid as you say and that unlesse the Vessells were delivered as well as Captives, you should not comply on any other termes, since if you will again Peruse our Letters you will find that the Conclusion wee had made was a petition peace beyond any Overtures or Cessacion of Armes and our sending to you was only to acquaint you, that wee had as Neighbors and subjects to one Pr. encluded you if you pleased, and if you had refused it, upon any nice termes not comprehended in the Agreement wee had made, the prejudice would have redounded to yourselves, and although afterwards by a Collaterall Agreement wee gott the Ketches to bee encluded, it was not because you mention'd you otherwise should not comply, etc. but out of a desire to the publick Good of his Majesties subjects, without any private aymes or pretence of particular advantage otherwise:

The which that you may find will bee made Good by Deeds as well as words, I have with the advice of the Councell upon application from Mr. Bowditch given Order for the delivery of the Ketch wherein hee is concerned he giving Security to answer what salvage or other Charges shee may bee adjudged unto at the Go: returne, which you may be Confident will not bee unreasonable. And in any way thing else shall not bee wanting to continue in friendly Correspondence with our Neighbours being

* Crossed out in the original.
NEW YORK HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS

N.Y. Jan. 7. 1677. Honorable Sir
Your most humble servant
A. B.

[ENDORSED:] Copie of a Letter
to the Go: of Boston
N.Y. Jan. 7. 1677[/8].

[LETTER FROM SECRETARY NICOLLS TO CAPTAIN BILLOP
CONCERNING LEASING OF MATINICONK ISLAND TO ROBERT STACY]

Capt. Billop
Here hath been Mr. Robert Stacy one of the Commissioner[s] that come
to Settle in New Jersey on the East side of Delaware River who hath
informed Capt Brochole[s] and me that the tenant upon Mattinican Island
put in by the Governor his time will be expired in July next when he
intends to leave itt so that another tenant will be wanting he offering to
take the said Island to farme in the place of the former (I meane the above
Mr. Stacy offering itt) Capt Brockhole[s] and I have promist he may have
it for the next yeare or till he can take his Crop of which we will mediate
for him with our Gov. for and also for a longer time if the governor shall
[ ] pleases this we have promist thinking i will no be Convinient the
place be left without a tenant and you will doe well to admonish an order
to the present tenant not to demolish or suffer to be caried off any bricks
or peace of bricks Stone or any thing else proper for, building for which
there will be Occasion upon the place I am

New Yorke
January 8: 1677
Sir
your humble servant

M N*

[ENDORSED:] Copie of a Letter
to C. Billop from
C. Brockholes and M: N:
about Mr. Robt. Stacyes

* The initials are preceded by a letter that could be almost anything. The document is not
in Secretary Nicolls's hand.
beeing Tenant after
the present at Matinicom Isl.
Jan 8. 1677.

[TRIAL AND SENTENCE OF WILLIAM LOVERIDGE AND OTHERS AT
ALBANY CONCERNING A SCANDALOUS TREE ERECTED BEFORE
THE DOOR OF RICHARD PRETTY. TRANSLATION]

Extract from the Register
of Albany's Court Minutes
the 8th of January 1678

Mr. Johannis Provoost, sheriff, plaintiff

against

William Loveridge Jr.
Jan Lansingh
Symon Schermerhooren
Frans Pieterse Winne
Robt. Zachariase
Anth. van Schayck
Isaek Verplancke
Philip Frederickse

The plaintiff in his capacity of officer presents a bill of complaint against
the defendants for having on the first of January, at night, before the door
of Mr. Pretty, magistrate, planted a scandalous withered tree furnished
with a straw wreath, and adorned with a dried bladder to which dried
beaver testicles were attached. All of which, upon inquiry, according to
the confession of one of the perpetrators, is found to have been com-
mitted by the defendants, as more fully appears from an affidavit sworn
by several persons. All of which they did to affront the person of
Gabriel Thomson, at present a bridegroom, as they actually did affront
him and his entire family, of which he complained, speaking of nothing
but insult and offense, and the deprivation of honor and reputation, which
practices cannot be tolerated in a place where justice prevails. Therefore
the plaintiff demands that the defendants shall make honorable and
pecuniary amends for the aforesaid injury, affront, insult and offence
committed by them; namely, honorable amends by begging forgiveness
of God and the injured party for having so lightly committed such an
offense, as they can never prove what they intended to convey thereby,
and pecuniary amends by being condemned to pay a fine of 1200 guilders for the benefit of the officer, all *cum expensis*.

The defendants being present, their honors have decided to hear and examine each one separately in order to arrive at a confession, as follows: Wm. Loveridge Jr. being questioned on several points, denies that he had anything to do with it; also, that he made no wreath or anything else in connection with it. Finally he says that he knows nothing about it.

Jan Lansing, upon examination, admits that he had a hand in making the wreath, but denies that he helped to erect the tree. He also states that he is not guilty in any way of having hung the bladder and testicles on it, but on the contrary that he went home when they appeared, and that to the best of his knowledge they were in the hands of Symon Schermerhoren and, being asked who invited him thereto, answered that Wm. Loveridge had asked him that evening to assist him in erecting a May tree.

Frans Pieterse Winne, being asked who requested his help in planting the May tree in front of Gabriel's door, he answered, Wm. Loveridge. And being further asked who helped erect the tree, he answered that he saw Wm. Loveridge and Antonie erecting the tree in front of Mr. Pretty's door. Also, that Isaack Verplanke held the ladder. And being asked who made the wreath, he said that he helped make the wreath with Wm. Loveridge, Symon Schermerhooren, Robt. Zachariase, Antonie van Schayk, and that Philip Frederickse helped put the green stuff on it.

Robt. Zachariase, being asked why he helped erect such a scandalous tree and who invited him thereto answers that Wm. Loveridge and Antonie van Schyk invited and induced him to do so, they having two or three times that evening come to fetch him. And being asked who planted the tree, he answered that Wm. Loveridge, Antonie van Schayk, Symon Schermerhorren, Frans Winne and he had erected the tree together, but denies that he had a hand in attaching the bladder and testicles.*

Antonie van Schayck is asked who requested that he erect such a pole. He answers that Wm. Loveridge spoke to him that evening to help him to erect such a tree and confesses that he did help erect it with the

* A deposition by Isaack Verplanck follows at this point in the original court minutes. For his testimony see, *ARS II* 289.
assistance of Wm. Loveridge and Symon Schermerhooren, but denies that Isaek helped them do so, he having left them to go to the wedding. However, he says that Robt. Zachariase was there.

Philip Frederickse says that he was only there by accident, and that he helped to put a bit of green stuff on the wreath.

Wm. Loveridge, being again summoned to appear in court, at first denied everything, but the answers of all those who were examined having been read to him, in which he is accused by everyone of having had a hand in the aforesaid work, he admits that he had full knowledge of the matter and that he lent his house for the purpose. However, he denies that he helped erect the tree or that he helped make the wreaths. He says that it was not done with such evil intention as it was taken.

Sentence

The honorable court, having considered the entire proceedings and examined all the persons and papers connected with the case, adjudge and decide that the above mentioned witnesses are guilty of having erected such a scandalous tree in front of Mr. Pretty's door as an affront to Mr. Gabriel Thomson, the bridegroom, which malevolence cannot be tolerated, it being a matter of serious consequence. And whereas Wm. Loveridge, who at first denied everything, is accused by everyone as being the principal agent in the work by lending his house for that purpose and by getting the others together, etc., he is condemned to pay a fine of 150 guilders in sewant to the officer; the other seven who were also present, namely: Jan Lansing, Frans Pieterse Winne, Robt. Zachariase, Anth. van Schayk, Isaak Verplanke, Symon Schermerhorren and Philip Frederickse, each to pay a fine of 25 guilders in sewant to the sheriff. And they are hereby warned to abstain from such actions in the future, and are condemned to pay the cost of the entire proceedings, each in proportion to the fine which he is to pay.

By order of the Court
Robert Livingston, secretary
[PETITION OF WILLIAM LOVERIDGE FOR REMISSION OF THE FINE IMPOSED UPON HIM AND OTHERS IN THE ABOVE CASE]

To the honorable Sir Edmund Andros
Governor Generall (under his R: Highnesse)
of all his Territoryes in America.

The humble Peticion of William Leveridge Junior

With all Submissions

Humbly Sheweth your honors Peticioner that whereas the 1st of January Last, in the night, in a Frolick, was Sett up a pole before Gabriel Thompson’s doore, by a parcell of young Men; more intended for to pass away the time, then to bee perinduiable* to any person; which nevertheless hath bee nee mistyf taken, and sinisterly constructed by the Comissaryes there, that Seaven besides your Peticioner have been called before their said worshipps the day afterwards and examined upon the same;

And after the said Examinacion, it pleased their worshipps to fine them twenty five guilders a piece; But as for your honors Petitioner was fined one hundred and fifty guilders and every one to pay Court Charges according to their Fine. Whereupon the Last moneth of May, your Petitioner for want of payment of the said money, was put into go[ ] and kept there three weekes untill your Petitioner put in Security for /100: for to answer the fact before your honor; which is the present occasion of your honors Petitioner to come hether. Humbly beseeching, your honor bee pleased, after the hearing of the matter to order it soe, as your honor Shall Seeme meet; that your Petitioner’s baile may bee cleared: For the rest humbly Submitting to your honors Sensure The fault (if Soe called) haveing bee done more through Simplicity, Ignorance, and frolick, than for to rough any Mans Credit or good name; your Petitioner humbly apprehending that his Emprisonement; the neglect of his affaires in his father’s absence, his coming hether etc. are allmost capable to parallell the hight of his delict; how groce it may bee counted. And soe hopeing from your honor a more favorable construction of the

* The writer seems to have coined a nonsense word. A synonym for insufferable, perhaps building on “endure.”
† Another apparent creation. The word “mistaken” was available.
‡ offence against the law
premises, then their Worshipps did; Shall expect about the Same an answer accordingly

And your honors Petitioner shall ever pray

The humble Petition of
William Leveredge Junior

[ENDORSED:] Wm Leveredge,
Junior his Peticion.

[27:9a]

[WARRANT TO GEORGE COMMINES OF STATEN ISLAND TO ARREST PAULUS MARLETTE AND OTHERS FOR ABDUCTING A SERVANT GIRL]

Paulus Marlette
Fran: Usselton
Hans Laurens an Overseer
Daniel Stillwell
Edward Marshall
Peter Jansen.

Whereas informacion hath beene brought hether that upon Wednesday Last the 17th inst. Paulus Marlette, together with Fran: Usselton, Hans Laurens, Daniel Stillwell, Edward Marshall, Peter Jansen came in the night to the house of C. Christopher Billop upon Staten Is. and there did riotously and routously take and carry away Eliz: Pruet a servant belonging to the said Billop, contrary to the consent and good of Mrs. Mary Billop his there present and the peace of our sover[ ] the K.: These are therefore in his Majesties na[ ] require you to arrest the bodyes of the said Paulus Marlette etc. and cause them forthwith to bee brought over to this place to make answer to what shall bee alleadged against them upon this ocassion, Hereof you are not to fayle at your perill: Given under my hand in N.Y. this 19. day of Jan: 1677
[ORDER TO THE CONSTABLE OF STATEN ISLAND TO PRODUCE JOHN COOLEY AT AN INQUEST CONCERNING THE KILLING OF A NEGRO SERVANT]

To Geo: Cominis Const.
of Staten Isl: who is likewise order'd to come with the said persons.

Upon applicacion of Mr. Tho: Ashton Sherrif. desiring Some direction concerning a Negroe servant of Mr. John Coolye, said to bee kil'd by him, It was advised that a Jury should bee empannell'd to view the Corps and give their opinion thereon, of which to acquaint Mr. Mayor

[ENDORSED:]
An order in Councell
(signed by C. Brockh:)
to bring up. Paulus Marlette etc. from Staten Isl. about taking away C. Billops servant*

Jan 19. 1677.

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[27:10]
[A MISSING DOCUMENT WHICH FORMERLY PRECEDED THE PRESENT 27:10A IS DESCRIBED IN THE CALENDAR:]

1678. Jan. 15. Account of the farming the great excise in New York and Esopus, and to whom let; names of weighmasters in New York; account of the sale of the ketch Susannah.

* The endorsement obviously belongs with the previous document.
[27:10a]*

[INVOICE OF GOODS BOUGHT FROM JOHN REDING]

Bought of John Reding this 15th day of January 1677/8

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[27:10b]

[ORDER OF COUNCIL CONCERNING NEGOTIATIONS WITH ONEIDA INDIANS ABOUT A MAHICAN BOY AND MENTIONING AN ATTACK ON THE SUSQUEHANNA NATION BY SENECAN AND ONEIDA INDIANS]‡

At a Councell held in N. Y. the 15. day of Jan: 1677.

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* 27:10a and 27:10b are presented here in their original order. The manuscripts are currently reversed.
† A word before “saw” is partially crossed out. It may say “dufelt”.
‡ This page of rough notes was also used for some unrelated arithmetic by Matthias Nicolls and for the uncompleted promissory note in another hand. Perhaps the office paper supply was running low.
Gentlemen.

We have received your papers relating to The proposicons made to you by the Oneydes Indyans the 20th December last concerning the delivery of the Mahicander boy, as formerly order'd by the Go: and also of the part of Sennekes and Oneydes which fell upon the Susquehannes Indyans behind Virginia excusing their ignorance of the Covenant made betwixt Col. Courcy* and them, etc., with your Answer thereupon, which wee doubt not but will beee very well approved of by the Go and are glad to heare [ ] Indyans doe so well comport themselves and comply [ ] the Go: orders, hoping they will still continue in their du[ ] Wee shall take Care by the first oppertunity to give noti[ ] to Col. Courcy of what hath past upon this occasion Wee have not further, but take Leave

By order of the Councell

N.Y. Jan 17.

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Whereas Henry Pawling of Esopus Gent. Stand Justly indebted unto mee John Richbell of Moronock in the Colony of New Yorkshire gent. in the full and just sume of six [unfinished]

[ENDORSED:] Order of Councell
Jan: 15. 1677.

An answer to the Proposicon made by the Oneydes Indyans to the Commander and Commissaryes

* Col. Henry Coursey of Maryland
The matter of Paul: Marlette and Companions committed yesterday into the Custody of the Sheriffe about the Ryot done at C. Chr. Billop on Staten Isl. the 16th day of this inst. month and carrying away his woman Servant being taken into Consideracion.

Ordered That the Said Persons bee for the present releas't out of prison, they giving security to answer the misdemeansnor and Ryot at the next Generall Court of Assizes,* and in the meane time to bee of the good Behaviour.

And As to the servant taken away and marryed by Paul Marlette, shee is to returne to her service there to remaine the rest of her time, or untill another servant bee put in her stead, Unlese satisfaction bee given for the time of her service to the Content of her Master.

[    ]rd Harding—[    ]
Henry Chapman—Overseer at C. Billops Plantacion
John Bridges—a Carpenter then at the plantacion
Paul Marlette
Fr: Ussleton.
Hans Laurens.
Dan: Stillwell
Peter Jansen.
Whereas upon Informacion of a Ryot and Misdemeanor committed by P.M: etc. in comming together on horseback to the plantacion of C. Chr. Billops on Stat. Isl. by night and carrying away a servant mayde belonging to him, whereby and other rude accions they put Mrs. Mary Billop then and now entrusted with the care of the said plantacon and others there in a fright, whereupon Examinacion of the matter A warrant was sent for the said P.M. etc. to make their appearance in this place, Whereupon they having beene yesterday committed into the Custody of the sheriffe of this City; And they having this day made applicacion by peticion to bee releast of their Imprisonment, pretending ignorance in the fact, Ordered That the said P.M. etc. bee releas't out of prison they giving sec[    ]ty to answer their Misde[    ]ors and Ryot at the [    ]

* The case does not appear among the incomplete surviving records of the court held in 1677.
[ENDORSED:]

An Order of Council about Paul Marlett etc.
Jan. 24 1677.

Peter de la Noy
a subpoena for Mr. Rider,
to testify the
truth of his knowledge
about Mr Ruggs book.*

[LETTER FROM SECRETARY NICOLLS TO JOHN TOPPING CONCERNING A WRECKED SHIP OF RICHARD LORD]

N.Y. Jan. 29. 1677.

Sir

Yours of the 7th to C. Brockholes and Council arriv'd not here untill the 20th. The Relacion you give therein of the Vessells being cast a shoare on your Northside from her Anchor wee had a Rumour of before, and likewise that shee did belong to Mr. Lord of Hartford, of which a more particular Account was expected, What you have ordered to bee done in securing that which belongs to her is very well, since the Misfortune or Negligence of those entrusted with her, hath caused them to so abanden their charge as a desolate Wreck; but the Master who its said was with her was surely much to blame to goe away and Leave her in that Condicion without applicacion to the Officers of the Neighbouring parts or securing, what you give an account of, which though not of any considerable Value yet was too much to be left exposed in such a manner: The Order you write may bee sent for the disposall of her etc. will come timely enough at the Sessions when the high Sheriff will bee there, and probably some of the Council, Untill which time Care is to bee taken of the said Vessell and Appurtenances that they receive noe farther damage, In meane while the Master may returne and it may bee learn't to whom shee belongs, to what place bound whether she was driven ashoare as a Wreck or some person if any body le[2 ] shee then had any loading or no or any Embezelment since shee left, being found bare. Of all which if oppertunity presents you [ ] send an Account thither or

* This obviously has nothing to do with the document.
keepe it till the Sessions when the best Course will bee order'd to beea[ ] as the Law directs or Custome in such Cases pr[ ]vides, which most commonly aimes to preserve the Owners Right paying Salvage, not to make a prey or take advantage of othere mens Losses or Misfortunes I have not farther, So take leave being

Your humble Servant

By order of the Councell

For Mr. John Topping Justice of the Peace These at South[amp]ton

[ENDORSED:] A Letter by order of Councell to Mr. Topping

Jan. 29. 1677.
About a Sloope cast up at North Sea.

[27:13]

[NO CALENDAR ENTRY OR DOCUMENT]

[27:14]

[ORDER FOR WRIT OF APPEAL IN FAVOR OF ABRAHAM WHIRLEY AGAINST JOHN RIDER]

At a Councell etc. February. 6. 1677.
Present
C. Brockholes and rest of the Councell.

Upon a peticon from Abra: Whirley Desiring an Appeale to the next generall Court of Assizes setting forth, that at John Rider having ob-tayned Judgment and Execucion against him for the summe of twenty three pounds due by bill accepted, upon the Account of C.D. Cooke, for which like summe and somewhat more, Hee hath also Judgment against the said Rider, for a debt of his owne who pretends to have Appealed from the same which said summes being so neare alike seeme in Equity proper to balance the one the other, and being refer'd to good men, so adjudged.

The same being taken into Consideracon Order'd That an Appeale bee
granted as desired, Hee having performed as the Law directs by giving security and the Execution granted by the Mayors Court is hereby suspended.

By order of the Councell.

[ENDORSED:] Order of Councell
Feb. 6. 1677.

About an Appeale
Abr. Whirley
John Rider.

[27:15]

[PETITION OF SAMUEL WILLSON FOR CONFIRMATION OF APPEAL]


The Request of Samuell Willson To Captain Brockast And The honored Goveners Counsell of new Yorke is that you would please to Conferme my Appeale Granted by the Corte In the Ackshon of Capt Palmers In the matter of Lacelett talbuts itt being whatt the Governo[ ] Asse[ ]ted to before his Going Away that Incase I wass troobled in that matter thare should be nothing don in itt [ ] the Court of Assizes unto which I have Appealed

Samull: Willson

[ADDRESS:] To the Honered Goveners Counsell at New Yorke

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Sam: Wilson
[ ]ion of Appea[ ] past.

February: 25. 77.
John Sackerley Debtor.

[Feb.] On confirmed accounts                  f1470:6
  1675/6 contra credit
  29 Feb. on submitted accounts               f  968:--
Remains indebted                               f  492:6

From the 13th of August 1676 to the 12th of Feb. 1677/8 for various additional expenses, of which the account is confirmed, see Book C, folio 83                  f217:18
Total                                          f710:04

From the 18th of Feb. 1677/8 to the 13th of May 1679 for various additional expenses, also to be seen in the same book and folio, confirmed account                f178:4
Credit Total                                  f888:8

1677/8                                          
20 Feb To Mr. Welch†                          f120:   
Balance                                        f768:8

Jams Matthys, by order

[ENDORSED:] James Matthewes

* translation by Charles Gehring
† in English
Mr. John Sackerly Debtor.

by Balance of accompt

Aug: 13 & 17 To Severaills 492:6
July: 3: & 5 To 3: Qts. Madeere 3:18
13: & 14: do To 3 pt: ditto 15:—
23: & 25: do To: Severaills 10:—
[ ]26: do & 17: To expensis 3:12
Dec.18 To Expensis f4:--:- & 1:qt:Sak 8:—
19:20: & 22:do: to severaills 8:—
feb: 8: juny:23: To 2:gill Brandy and & 1:pt: Madeere 24:—
July:2: & 4: To Severaill 4:10
Sept br:18: & 19: To 3:pt: Madeere 4:—
20: & 22:do To Expensis 7:10
24:do: & Oct. 9 To Severaills 4:10
22: & 29: To 1:qt: Madeere 7:—
Nov: 3: & 6: To: 3:pts Canary 5:—
7: & 8: do To expenses 7:10
29:do: & Dec.: 1: To expensis 6:—
Dec: 4:7: & 8: To:5: pts: Canary of 1:gill rom 4:10
18:do:16:77/8:janu: To Severaills 20:—
Somma 697:14

Somma 12:10

Jamis Matthys

1677/8:12:Feb.
for ordre
[ENDORSED:]* Account of Mr. John Sackerley

[LETTER FROM JOHANNES KIP TO JOHN ADDAMS CONCERNING BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS]

Mr. John Addams

Sir This is to gyve you notes that I have reseeft your Letter whit Mr. Willem hamelton Whaer in hav onder Stoedt that Wat tob: I reseeft word the Count of Mr. Tam that I most gyve no; reseets as Upoon the saets Mr Tam naem Which sal bi then en Wat tob. I reseeft for the Count of Capt. Delaval, that I mos gyve the reseets in the voor saets Capt. Delavals Naem ey haf hat no apertunety to reyt you befor this tym I haf reseft no tob: as them too hoxhooft van John Canls for the hoxhofs er not maet iyt: Nou Whi haf gad the Coper soo faest as hiy Can en his bisey for maecken anem en Whi wil sie in tym what der will bie Sir my deseyer is of you that ef you maghdt sie eene Letters of N: Jorck belangen to my that you send mey thie met thee forst opertunety en I sal bee tanck full to you no for d Present as that I em in godt hald en I hoop the Lyck of you

horekill Yours to Commend 12 feb 1678/7 Johannes Kip

[LETTER FROM TIMOTHY COOPER TO JOHN PYNCHEON CONCERNING THE REDEMPTION OF CAPTIVES TAKEN BY INDIANS TO CANADA]

Most Worthy Major

Albany February 14th: 1677/8

Sir having now this occasion, by two french from Canady who arryved heir the 14th: Instant beeing about 12: dayes since they cam from Canaday and now bound for Boston, I were willing to Imbrace the occation knowing it my duty not to omitt any opportunty therby I may in som small measure Maniefest the great desyre I allways have to serve your Worshipp to the utmost of my capacity; having no other way at

* in Dutch
present to expresse the same then the presenting you with these few
lynes, wherby to Informe you wee have by these French Intelligence of
Benjamen Wait and the others save arryvell att Canada; and also thar
wyves, and children restored unto them, the rest that now Living are
redeeme from under the Indians, ther is those of the Companie deed
that is 2 Children and the old man the others are all in good health: Benj:
Waitt, and the others, have undergon much Trobule, and hardschip great
pairt of wchich I will not say, it was only to Satisfie some base minded
persones, Though it heath now pleased god, to mak up all the Trobles
they have met with, by restoring to them thar wyves, and Children, I pray
god, thay may find more favor, and Civell, respect, from the peopell,
they are now among, then they have in some other place, of wchich I
conclud you have alredy hard, and therfor at present I shall not relait to
you the Circumstances and Maner of ther Usage, But it was such as I
Think, it fare below Christianity, or common Civility Sir I begg your
pardon In what I omitt, in Referens to other Concernes, not having tym,
to Inlarge, at present; But assure you, I am not unmyndfull of my Trust,
but shall Indevor, with gods assistance to discharge, the same to the good
satisfaction of all So with my humble service to yourself and good Lady
I take Leave to style myself Sir your most humble and obedient

servant

Subscribitur—Timo: Cooper

Sir 40: or 50: sh: I payed to Claus as per your nott which yea may demand
of him which I formerly forgot to Signifie to you as also 24£ which Ie
Ingaged to pay in wheat or pease to you this Winter

These for the Honored
Major John Pynchon Esquire
In Springfeled

[ENDORSED:]

Copie of a Letter
from Mr. Timo. Cooper
to Major Pincheon
sent downe by Capt. Salisbury.
February 14. 167/8

Capt. Salisbury writt
to by order of Councell
Mar. 18. 1677.
A List of Letters which
Sergeant Champangie brought from Canida, bound to Boston

One Packet sealed with the Gov: Seal thrice to Monsr: Carbonell Bankier at London wherein might be 20 Letters

Another Packet Seald Likeways with the Gov: of Canida Seal thrice to Pr. Sergeant Merchant of Boston wherein might be 6 or 7

One Letter to Pr. Sergeant from the Gov.

One single Letter from the Gov. to the Councell at Boston

One Single letter from the Governor to Major Leveret Gov: of Boston

One Letter of Mr. Pore who is now at Cadarachgui* and his brother at Rochel

This List taken by
Commander Salisbury's order
this 15 of feb. 1677/8

Ro: Livingston Secr.

[ENDORSED:] A list of Letters brought from Canada to Alb.
when the Go: there writte to our Go:

The Letters were carried to Boston.
Feb. 19. 1677.

* now Kingston, Ontario
NEW YORK HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS

[27:20]

[PASS FROM CANADIAN GOVERNOR FRONTENAC TO SERGEANT CHAMPAGNE AND TWO OTHER SOLDIERS TO GO TO BOSTON]*

The Comte de Frontenac, Counselor of the King in his councils, Governor and Lieutenant General for His Majesty in Canada, Acadia, Isle de Terreneuve, and other lands of the French north

We have given leave and passport to Champagne, Sergeant of the garrison of Quebec, to go to Boston with [two?] soldiers from said garrison to carry dispatches with which we have charged him, ordering all those over whom our power extends and begging all others to let the above named pass and return safely and freely, without any trouble or hindrance, such as, on the contrary, to give them every kind of aid, protection, and assistance, to which end we have signed, [illegible] to [illegible] have had the seal of our coat of arms affixed, and counter-signed by one of our secretaries. Given at Quebec, the ninth January, 1678 [illegible] For Mr. Pierre, Sergeant, marching to Boston.

Frontenac

Concordat cum suo By Mr. Principalis quod attestor† R: Livingston Secr. Chasseur

[ENDORSED:‡] A Copie of the Count of Frontenacs Passeport to a Serjeant and two souldyers to goe from Quebec to Boston. —Received Mar. 8th. 1677.

[27:21]

[NO CALENDAR ENTRY OR DOCUMENT]

* Translated from French by Linda J. Pike.
† Latin, agrees with the original to which I attest
‡ in English
[LETTER FROM JOHN BRIGGS TO JOHN SHAKERLY CONCERNING PURCHASE OF GOODS, SETTLING FAMILY ACCOUNTS, AND SEEKING A SERVANT]

Mr. Shackerly

my and my wives and my Mother our Loves remembered to you this is to lett you understand that I desier you by all endaves to remember to bringe those things which you and I was discoursing about In the first first place the mallassus the sope what you have left and your salt and 1 peece of blew Lining Shoose a pare for Each of the Children and other Shoose for my Selfe and the rest of my people about me in my family what you Can gitt there is som of our Neibors which desieres Machcoating* which I have made seaverall detts which if you Can procuer itt may bee Benisifyall to you and my selfe and I desier you to procuer me Some meale or Flower and I desier you to Speake to Jonas for what is due to my mother and Liguise to Speake to Capt. Cantwell Conseaming my mothers Buisness which you have in you Booke I desier you to take in the bill of myne of Joannes Dehawe and satisfie him I Cannot pay him all this yeare but due you take in the bill if you Can Content him and I shall Seeke to give Satisfation again if you Can discount with Mr. Sample or any other that you have Consearnes with if it be Mr Hambelton which will due very well bring your Consearnes into St. Jones and you and I meet wee shall have further discourse togeather our Business Soe I rest your Loveing Freind to Searve

February the 19th 1678.

John Brigs

I desier you by all meanes to procuer me a woman Searvant for my woman Searvant Ann is dead and my wife and my mother is in very Greate want for one Else I must Chainge a man Searvant for a woman pray due us that Kiness if you can

[ON THE BACK:] I Cares hapha mana pedlas:—†

* A kind of coarse linen cloth. Originally a matchcoat was a large loose Indian coat made of furs matched and sewed together.
† We are at a loss as to what this means, or even what language it is.
Appeared before me, Willem Bogardus, notary public residing in N. Jorke, appointed by the most noble and right honnorable lord Sir Edmund Andros, knight and governor-general on behalf of his Royal highness, the lord James, duke of York and Albany etc. over all his territories in America, and before the witnesses named below, Mr. Renier Willemesz, burger here, who acknowledges and declares to have sold for himself, his heirs and posterity, and to have transported, ceded and conveyed in a rightful, true and free ownership, as he hereby does, to and on behalf of Mr. John Shakerly, also burger here, his heirs and posterity, the rightful half of the yacht and appurtunances, which belonged to both of them equally, and named the Edmund. He, appearer, acknowledges, before the approval of this, to have been completely satisfied and paid in full for it from the hands of the aforesaid John Shakerly, the final moneys with the first, promising to free and indemnify according to law, from and against each and conveying the aforesaid equitable half of the yacht on all waterways, harbors, rivers against all trouble, debts or claims, however they be called (on his part), under penalty of submitting his person and possessions, nothing excepted, at the command of all magistrates and justices. In testimony whereof the appearer, together with Mr. Guilain Verplanke and me, notary, has signed the protocol in New York the 20th of February 1677/8.
[OBLIGATION OF JOHN SHAKERLY TO RENIER WILLEMSEN CONCERNING THE ABOVE SLOOP. TRANSLATION]

Appeared before me, Willem Bogardus, public etc., Mr. John Shakerly, burger here, who acknowledges and declares, for himself, his heirs and posterity to be truly and honestly indebted to Mr. Renier Willemsz, also burger here, for the full sum of thirty four hundred guilders in zewant or the value thereof in good merchantable whole beavers at 24 guilders a piece or merchantable tobacco leaves in barrels at 10 stivers a pound or merchantable winter wheat at six guilders a skipple; and that for the purchase of the half of the yacht, which belongs to both as a whole and each for the equitable half; the delivery of which was done the 11th of December, last past, and formal conveyance thereof on this date; which aforesaid sum of £3400 the appearer undertakes and promises to pay, in the aforesaid manner to the aforesaid Renier Willemesz or his order and to those who thereafter might inherit his interests, in the period of six months, reckoned from the aforesaid 11th of December. Everything to be truly delivered here in this city.

Hereby, and for compliance with what has been stated, he, appearer, pledges first in particular the aforesaid entire yacht with his belongings and equipment for whatever reason or whatever it is traveling or sailing, as unencumbered and undamaged compensation for defaulting on the prompt payment of the aforesaid sum of £3400 within the designated time; and further, in general, his person and possessions, moveable and immovable.

Etc. Done 21 February 1677/8

John Shakerly

[illegible]

Willem Bogardus

Issued as a naked copy for a memorandum.
[27:26]

[INVOICE OF GOODS SENT TO DELAWARE RIVER BY FRANCOIS ROMBOUTS. TRANSLATION]

Bill of lading of the goods listed below given at my risk to Mr. John Shakerly for the South River; and to be sold there on my account for cash and not on credit, on the following conditions:

1 bundle of red duffle, length 45 yards, make 60 el
1 bundle of blue duffle, length 38½ yards, make 51 ½ el
1 bundle of blue ditto, length 37½ yards, make 50 el
   Together 161½ el

at 3½ el per beaver in peltry.

1 bundle of white blankets of 10 pieces at 10 gl. in peltry or 12 gl. in beavers per piece.

No. 13 1 bundle of home made linen, length 53 el at 6½ gl. per el, half peltry and half tobacco.

No. 8 1 bundle ditto, length 50 el at 6 gl. per el as before.

3 bundles of Flemish linen, each 26 el in length with and bacon or peltry.

2 casks of butter weighing together 114 lb. gross Dutch weight, the casks each weigh 12 lbs.; for silver, peltry or beavers.

And whatever he shall receive in addition to the stated prices, he keeps; and whatever he is unable to receive as satisfaction, to return the aforesaid goods here free, without claiming any freight or expenses. Whereas no price has been placed on the butter, it is left to his discretion.

N. York, the 22nd Feb. 1677/8

Francois Rombouts.
[POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM FRANCOIS ROMBOUTS TO JOHN SHAKERLY TO SETTLE ACCOUNTS AT DELAWARE. TRANSLATION]

Mr. John Shakerly is hereby fully authorized and empowered to request, demand and receive from Mr. Edmund Cantwel the sum of twenty six guilders and sixteen stivers in peltries according to the account submitted to the procurator along with this; and to issue a receipt upon payment; upon refusal, to constrain him by law however it is deemed advisable,

Signed in testimony hereof in N. York the 22nd of February 1677/8

Francois Rombouts

Witnessed by
W. Bogardus

Also please collect from Sr. Mattheus d’Ringh one beaver for a pair of stockings delivered to him in the year 1674.

Francois Rombouts.

[ACCOUNTS OF FRANCIS ROMBOUT AGAINST EDMUND CANTWELL. TRANSLATION]

Mr. Edmund Cantwel, debit

1674

17 August, To balance outstanding $10:16
18 August, To 50 lbs. red lead for 2 beavers, undersized fur $16:

Total $26:16

New York, the 22nd of Feb. 1677/8

Francois Rombouts.
Mr. John Shackerley

At your arrivall at Newcastle I pray demand for mee of Mr. Moore (the sheriffes Deputy,) the summe of thirty shillings for which I gave you his note the last yeare, and of Simon Gibson the summe of [blank] for Court Charges at the Assizes (wherein I favoured him) the which hee promised to pay upon demand, and upon payment please to give them Receits for the same to my use, In which you’l oblige

Sir

Your friend and servant

Matthias Nicolls

New Yorke.
February 22th 1677:

[ENDORSED:] For Mr. John Shackerley
These

Mr. George Moore

I pray pay the thirty shillings you owe mee upon account of your Letters of Administracion, unto Mr. John Shackerly or Order whose receit shall bee your discharge from

Your Loving friend

Matthias Nicolls

New Yorke
February 22th 1677.
Mr. Simon Gibson.

I pray pay the summe of One pounds, six shillings eight pence (being the Contents of your bill of Court Charges at the Assizes) unto Mr. John Shackerly or Order, whose receit shall bee your discharge from New Yorke
February 22th 1677.

Your Loving friend
Matthias Nicolls

[27:31]*

 BILL OF LADING FOR GOODS OF JOHN ROBINSON
SHIPPED ABOARD THE SLOOP EDMUND

N. yorke May th. 12. 1679

Shiped On Bord the Sloupe Edmund. John Shackarly Commander bound for Dillaware, 4 pieces of Blanketts Upon the Risgoe of John Robinson the Same Consigned to John Shackarly, to pay unto the Said John Robinson 40 good Marchantabe[ ] Beavers or peltrey or wheate to the Vallew upon the returne of the said Sloupe, or Ells to Retorne the Blanketts, the Dangers of the seas Excepted:

4 ps. qt 40 Blanketts at 1† as above £24.0.0

Per John Robinson

New Jorke
25th off February 1679/80

Sworne before mee Francois Rombouts Mayer

[ENDORSED:] Deposition of
Jno Robinson

* This document is out of chronological order. It should have been bound with documents of 1679.
† The words “Beaver piece” are crossed out here.
N Yorke
1677 Debit Mr. John Shackarly

1679
December 15 To Felt hatt Sold for on Beaver £0.12.0
1678 December 10 To 13 gall. ½ pasadoe wine £3.7.6

3.19.6

1679 Credit
July 30 By Thomas Harwood for a yacht from Dillaway £20.4
Ballance Dew Is

1.19.[ ]

3.19.[ ]

Errors Excepted per John Robinson

New Jorke
25th off February 1679/80

Sworne before mee Francois Rombouts Mayer

Jno Robbinsons account

[ENDORSED:]

[27:32 & 33]
[NO CALENDAR ENTRIES OR DOCUMENTS]

[27:34 & 35a]
[COUNCIL MINUTES: TO BE PUBLISHED IN A VOLUME OF COUNCIL MINUTES]

[27:35b]
[ORDER OF COUNCIL CONCERNING THE SUIT BETWEEN SAMUEL WILSON AND LANCELOT TALBOTT]

At a Councell held in New Yorke February 25. 1677.

Mr. Samuell Wilsons Peticion for an Appeale from the Judgment of the Mayors Court to the Generall Court of Assizes in the Case betweene him and Lancelott Talbott, wherein Mr. John Palmer etc. appeared as Attor-
ney on behalfe of the said Talbott, The same being taken into Consideracion, As also the Objections put in by the said Mr. Palmer, desiring that the Debt may bee forthwith paid or bee secured for the Creditors, if time given, Ordered, That the Appeale peticoned for bee granted, the Appellant giving Security to pay the debt and Charges if cast in the suite at the next Court of Assizes, In meane while no farther proceedings to bee at Common Law.

By order of the Councell.

[NOTE:]*
The Land of Wolford Webber
and Jon: Peterson Hering
knowne by the Name of
The Land Hills

[ENDORSED:]
An order of Councell
about Mr. Wilsons Appeale
Feb. 25 1677/8

[27:36a]

[ORDER FOR THE CONSTABLE OF FLATBUSH TO GIVE MONEY COLLECTED FOR THE REV. JOHANNES THEODORUS POLHEMUS TO HIS WIDOW]

Whereas there was the summe of one hundred and fifty Guilders Sewant collected by Thomas Lambertsz the Constable of Breucklyn for the use of Do. Polhemius Minister at Flattbush, for the which Judgment was obtayned at the Court there against the said Lambertz, and hee ordred he make satisfaction for the same unto the said Do. or Order, but upon severall pretences made by Tho: Lamberts, that hee had layd out the said money for the publick, who were endebted to him, Execucion hath hitherto been stop’t Upon applicacion made heretofore to the Go: by the widdow of the said Do. who ordred that Thomas Lamberts shall forthwith make payment unto her of the said 150–f which is not yet done and Upon her reiterated Request, it is ordered that the stop upon the Execucion bee taken off so that the Law may have its Course, and the said Thomas Lambertsz may have his recourse for reimbursement against the sheriffe that was then, or it to bee paid out of what shall bee found due to the said sheriff out of the Country Rates. Dated in N.Y. this 25th day of February 1677/8.

* The note is in another hand and unrelated to this document.
To the Court of Flattbush
or whom else this may Concerne

By order of the
Councell.

[ENDORSED:]  Copie of Order
for the Wid. Polhemius
Feb. 8 1677/8].

[27:36b]

[GRANT TO JOHN PALMER FOR PERMISSION TO OPEN
THE GREAT POND TO SUPPLY WATER FOR HIS MILL]

Upon the Request of Mr. John Palmer, Tha[ ] in Case hee shall have
occasion of more water for the driving of his Mill upon Staten Isl: then
the Creek[ ] there shall afford, Hee may have liberty to open the great
Pond with [ ] Land above him, for a Supply, The same [ ] granted unto
him for the present, no Inconvenience appea[ ] therein, so to continue
untill the Gov[ ]nors returne, or his pleasur[ ] shall particularly bee
knowne about the same Date in New Yorke the 25th day of Febr. 167[ ].

To the Const. and Overseers
of Staten Isl. or whom else
this may Concerne.

By order of the
Councell

M. N. Secr.

[ENDORSED:]  Leave to C. Palmer
to open the Pond
above the Mill.
Feb. 27. 1677.
Sir,

Your letters of the 18th of November and 8th of January last arrived here from Albany by an express but during the absence of Monsieur Andros, our governor, who has gone to England and will return this spring. He will thank you (doubtless) for the obliging lines you were so kind as to write him, and you may rest assured that you would have received every satisfaction from him, just as, in his absence, we are always prepared to serve you by all means in our power.

As to the gentleman who wrote, in your first letter, about some Frenchmen who were brought as prisoners to Boston, we had heard about this before and, since then, that they had been released, but because this affair took place outside the jurisdiction of this government, we do not know clearly the reason; and as for what you wished to request in your last letter, that passage be facilitated for several persons you were sending here to go on to England and from there to France with some dispatches about the death of Monsieur Basyre, etc. we have information that they went from Albany to Boston, where they will probably find passage more quickly than from here, where there is no ship leaving for six weeks or two months from now.

Thus hoping always to maintain a good correspondence with you from now on as in the past, I take leave and remain, Sir,

Your very humble servant

A. B.

from New York
this 28th February 1667/8

[ADDRESSED:] Monsieur
Monsieur Le Comte de Frontenac
Lieutenant General and Governor
for His Most Christian Majesty
At Quebec
In Canada

* Translated from the French by Linda J. Pike.
[LETTER FROM JOHN GARDNER TO GOVERNOR ANDROS CONCERNING A DISPUTE WITH MR. MAYHEW AND MR. COFFIN]*

Right Honorabell

May it please your honour I think my seluef happy that I may Give your Honor Acount of my Entertainment whom since it has ben so Strongly Afeirmed hear that your Honor was Gon for England: it being but two days since I had the happiness to hear it Contradickted

May it please your Honor: Upon may Arivall at the vynuard I Delivered Mr. Mayhew: your Honor’s leteter: but Reseved not one word from him tel about thre Days After hee Came to my Loging in as Great pashon As I Judg A man Could well be: Acusing me highly wherein I was wholly Inosent: an not proved though Endevored: Mr. Mayhew tacking this uperunity to vente himseluef as followeth teling mee I had bin at yourke but should Lose my Labor: that if the Gouvemer did unwind he would wind: and that he would make my fine and disfranchisment to Abid on mee Dow the Gouverner what he would: that he had nothing Against me nither was Angrey but that I had spockean Against his instrist: and I should downe: with maney mor Words of Like natuer: but to Loung hear to Ensert: and when I Came home to natucket I found the same mind and Resolution ther allso: I delivered Mr Cofen your Honor’s Leter hwo the next Day showed me your Honors Order that hee had Reseved speaking fayrly to me and said: what was Reson should be done: but I soone found A great Chang: Mr. Cofen teling me he had spoken with the Rest Consirned: and that thay were Resoulsed to try it out with the Gouverner and that thay would bringd it to the Corte of Asise which was Above the Governer and Consell so he understod them I then demanded what he Understo then by the Governer’s Order he Answered: that it was nothing at all: but two or thre darke words: and that my disfranchisment and fine should be Continued: presently breaking out into words as Aforesaid: that the Governer was Under the Law and must be Tryed by the Corte of Asise which was Above the Governer and Consel seming to be transported in his spiret: I haveing not spoken one word that might move that Discors only Giveing this answer: That I thought the Governer’s Order was Law in this Case without ading on word more tel this present but I have found ther practise Acording to ther words thay haveing tacken Eayght Catell from me for that fine of ten pound and on fat sheape being

* For another copy with rather different spelling, see 27:45.
near double that vallow wear I Obnoxious to such a fine: two of my Catell thay have tacken and kiled since your Honors Order Came: and the rest Are Cept from mee and Peter folgers fine and disfranchisment tacken and Continued: and wee Are much threatened fuder: but for what Case I know not and if your Honor would be pleased to take A vew of your Honors Order sent hether: ther Compliance will be quickly seen: hear is John Swain and William Worth put in for Assistance though twice not Accepted by your Honor: and truly I Canot but beleave it was don in Opposistion to your Honors order: and maney other things to Long hear to insert all with such A Lucke as I Canot but Expetce hard mesuer the next Jenral Cort Except your Honor prevent it: which I Canot but Rely upon and Expete your Honors Releuef in so Just A Cace: and now Right Honrable I Can not but once more Humbly Petestion your Honors pardon in this tedious discors which is indeed but A tuche of much more might neadfully be spoken to: Humbly Entreating if I might have the favor of A Line or two of your Honors plesuer hear in: which would be to us as Life from the dead: Tel your Honor shall fully Rectif[ ] what is Amis heare: in the mene time shall not Sce[ ] to pray: for your Honors present and Eteronall hap[ ] and Reiyace that I Am

Natucket March 16:77:78

your Honor’s Humble and Roall Servant

John Gardner

[ENDORSED]: Nantoket 16 March 77/8 from Mr: John Gardner Nantuckitt March the 16 77 Mr. Gardner

[ADDRESSED]: For his Excelency the Governor At new yourke Humbly Present
Whereas Complaint hath ben Made, by Capt. Richard Osburne of Westchester, That the persons whose Names are here under written, did refuse at the last training appointed, for the Company of your Towne, to give an account of their Armes according to law and would not obey the Command, of him their Capt., as is their duty, These are in his Majesties Name, to require you to summon, the said persons, that they make their Appearance, in the Fortt, before the Councell, on thursday next, being the 21st of this Instant Month, to answer their Contempt of Authority therein; and that you likewise accompany them, whereof you are not to fayle, at your and their Perrills, Dated in New York this 18th March 1677/8

To the Constable of Westchester.

By Order of the Councell Matthias: Nicolls.

Sect.

Captain Richard Ponton
Lieut. John Palmer
Farrington
Thomas Whittlock
John Jennings
Miles Okely
Thomas Baxter
Dirck Swede
John Hitchcock
Samuell Palmer
Joseph Palmer

the persons Names to bee summoned.

the Ensigne Nathan Baily
Serjeant or Collard
Mr. Kirke
Corporall Forgeson.

the persons Names to bee summoned as witneses.

Jno. Hunt*

* He apparently was one of the witnesses.
[ENDORSED:] A warrant upon Complaint
of Capt. Osborne against
dieds of Westchester
Mar. 18. 1677/8

from the Councell
They appeared the
21th and were acquitted.

[27:40]

[COMPLAINT OF CAPTAIN RICHARD OSBORN CONCERNING
INSUBORDINATE SOLDIERS]

To the Right Honorable Captain Anthony
Brockholes Governour: of the City and
Province of New York etc.

Whereas Capt. Richard Osborne of Westchester was Impowered by
Comission under the hand of the Right Honorable Major Edmond Andros
Esquire etc. to bee Captaine of a Foot Company of the Millitia in the
Towne of Westchester in the North Riding of Yorkshire on long Island
and according to the said Comission given him, the said Richard Osborne
did with his best care and Dilligence performe the Duty of a Captaine as
aforesaid till on Thursday last being the 14th of this instant March the
said Osborne appoynted his Company to meet at their usuall place and
Caused the Clarke to Call over the list which when hee had done there
appeared but about foure files eight Deep But usually the sayd Osborne
had eight Ordering the said foure files whereby hee might View their
Armes called for the Law Book and would have had it Read to them,
then came Samuell Palmer and Joseph his Brother and told him the sayd
Osborne that they would not obey him unless hee would show them his
Comission which he: the said Osborne fetcht and showed them which
none of them would Obey except the Esigne the Drumer the head
Seargent and the Corprall = those that did deny the Power and Com-
mands of the said Osborne are hereunder mencioned

Thomas Whitlock [blank] harrington
[blank] Jennins
Dirrick the Sweed
Miles Okeley
Tho: Bakster
John Hitchcock

John Palmer—who hee Judges was
the Cause of the whole
disturbance by doing Contrary to his Com-
mand

C. Richa. Ponton.
Capt. Richard Osburnes
petition to Capt. Brockholes
Complaining of the disobedience of his soldyers at a Training

PETITION OF THE WIDOW POLHEMUS FOR HER HUSBAND'S SALARY. TRANSLATION]

Extract from the minutes of the meeting of constable and supervisors held at Breuckelen, 6 September 1676.

The widow of Domine Polhemus, Plaintiff
against
Thomas Lamberse, defendant

The plaintiff demands of the defendant payment of a sum of one hundred and fifty guilders, sewant value, being the salary for her deceased husband in the year 1672.

The defendant says that this portion was held by the former high sheriff Capt. Manning, and says that he has been summoned to settle the account in New York tomorrow.

The constable and supervisors order the defendant between now and the next court session to take care of his account and to give the plaintiff satisfaction.

By order of the same,
this agrees with the original,
Witnessed by,
Michil Hainelle.
Clerk:

To the right honorable court at N. York.
The widow of Domine Polhemus presents most humbly how by virtue of the judgment stated above she has pressed Thomas Lamberse various times for the payment of the 150 guilders which he received as constable of the community of Breuckelen. When she was unable to acquire the aforesaid money, she complained about it to the lord governor several
times, who finally gave the order to the honorable Mathias Nicols to write on his behalf to Thomas Lamberse that he should pay the petitioner. And whereas the petitioner has still been unable to obtain any payment in spite of all her dunnings and complaints; therefore, she finds it necessary to turn to the honorable court, most humbly requesting an attachment on the aforesaid Thomas Lamberse for the stated sum of one hundred and fifty guilders in sewant value, in addition to the costs.

Thus done etc.

By order of the plaintiff
Michil Hainelle
Clerk

[ENDORSED:]*

The Request of
Do. Polhemius widdow
about Tho: Lamberts

[LETTER FROM TIMOTHY COOPER AT ALBANY COMPLAINING THAT CAPTAIN SALISBURY OPENS HIS MAIL]

Honorable Capt. Brockhost Albany: 14th March 1677/8

Sir.

Knowing noe one more suitable then yourselfe to make my address unto have therfor taken the bouldness to truble you with These few Lines whereby to aquaint you of the uncivell usage I here finde as Indeede I Cannot other ways terme It: Wheather it be by order or with out order I Cannot tell But In my opinion it is very severe: that all such Letters as I wright to New England of my one Privat Consames and those I Receive from thenc must before Thay Come to my hand be Broken up and Perused by The Commander here but for what Reson or Cause it is I Know not I have not to my knolidge ever behaved my selfe In such a Rude manner or Shown my selfe such an Enimey to this Place or Goverment Either in word or deede to Desarve such kinde of deallings which ocations me the more to Complaine of the Incivility shown me though I speake not so much for the opening of such Letters as I have att

* in English
any time wrighten on for New England But shall when Called ther unto
I hope give a sattisfactory Account of all Letters of Intiliganc I have ever
wrighten to those Parts but that which most trubles me in that Letters
Coming from New England of my owne Privatt Concarnes shall not only
be Pursued but divulged abroad to others so that Every one shall Be made
aquainted with a parsons Particuler Privat Business which is a very
unnecessary and noe ways sutable or Conveniant and therfore I cannot
But account it a very unicivell and unkind action for a parsons Privat
Consarnes to be Publicked to the world Sir I Begge Your Pardon wherein
I am so bould but I must Confes I have never seen nor hard of Such
actians amongst Christians as Breaking up of Letters Except for some
more then ordaniry occation but to devulge secrts therin I should think
noe wise discreet Parson would be so Injurious which I humbly desire
may be omitted for Time to Come it being the Earnest Request Sir of
your most humble and obediant Sarvent

Timo. Cooper

[ADDRESSED:] These
For the Honoured Capt.
Anthony Brockhost
Commander in Chief att
Fort James In
N: Yorke:

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Timo. Cooper
to Capt. Brockholes
Alb. Mar 14. 1677/8
C. Salisibury writte
to about this

[27:43]

[ORDER OF THE COUNCIL IN THE SUIT OF RICHARD PRETTY
AGAINST HARMEN RUTGERSZ]

At a Councell held in N.Y. the
18th day of March 1677/8

Upon a Complaint made by Mr. Richard Pretty one of the Commissaryes
and Collector of the great Excise at Albany against Herman Rutgers a
Brewer there for breach of the Governors Orders and defrauding the Excize by selling strong beere privately to the Indyans, [desiring it may bee tryed here in this place]* which if not prevented and the Delinquents severely fined may bee of ill Consequence, in the future Letting out of the said Excise to farme

The same being taken into Consideracion, It is ordred That in regard the whole matter in Question relates to the Towne of Albany, where there is a Court of Judicature, The same is to bee left to that Court to give their Judgments therein according to Law, and Custome in the like Cases, in which if the Complainants shall not have due satisfaction, The Case may then bee remitted hither by way of Appeale, for a finall determinacion.

By order of the Councell

I pray write this order immediately

ENDORSED:

Order of Councell
upon Mr. Richard Prettys Complaint

[27:44]

[COUNCIL MINUTES: TO BE PUBLISHED IN A VOLUME OF COUNCIL MINUTES]

[27:45]

[LETTER FROM JOHN GARDNER TO GOVERNOR ANDROS CONCERNING HIS DISPUTE WITH MR. MAYHEW AND MR. COFFIN]†

Right Honnourable

May it please your Hon: I thinke my selfe happie that I may give your Hon: Account of my Entertaynment home since it hath bin so strongly affirmed here that your Hon: was gone for England: it being but Two days since I had the happines to hear it Contradicted—

May it pleas your Hon: upon my Arivall at the Vineyard I delivered Mr.

* Bracketed material was cancelled in the original.
† For another copy with rather different spelling, see 27:38.
Mayhew your Honours letter, but Rec: not one word from him, tel about thre days after, he cam to my lodging in as great passion as I Judg a man could wel be, Accus[s]ing me hyly whereing I was wholly Innocent, and not proved though Endeavoured, Mr. Mayhew taking this oppertunity to vent himselfe as followeth, Telng me I had bin at York but should loose my labour, that if the Governour did unwind he would wind, that he would make my fine and disfranchizement too abide on me do the Governour what he would, that he had nothing against me neither was angerry, but that I had spoken against his Intrest and I should down, with many more words of like nature but too long here to Insert, And when I cam home to Nantuckit, I found the same minde and Resolution there also, I delivered Mr. Coffin your Hon: letter, who the next day shewed me your Hon: Order that he had Rec: Speaking fayerly to me, and sayd what was Reason should be don, But I soone found a great chang, Mr. Coffin Telng me he had spoken with the Rest Concerned: And that they were Resolved to try it out with the Governour, and that they would bring it to the Court of Asize which was above the Governour and Counsel so he understood them: I then demanded what he understood then by the Governours order, he answered that it was nothing at all but two or thre darke words, and that my disfranchizement and fine should be Continued, presently breaking out into words as aforesaid, that the Governour was under the Law and must be tryd by the Court of Asize which was above the Governour and Counsell, semeing to be Transported in his spirit, I having not spoken one word that might move that discours, onely giveing this answer that I thought the Govern: order was law in this case, without adding one word more till this present: but I have found there practice according to their words they haveing taken eight Cattle from me for that fine of Ten pounds and one fatt sheepe being near duble the vallew were I obnoxtious to such a fine: Two of my Cattell they have taken and kiled since your Honours order Cam and the Rest are kept from me, And Peter Foulgers fine and disfranchizement Taken and Continned, and we are much Threatned further, but for what cause I know not, And if your Hon: would be pleased to take a view of your Honours orders sent hither theire compliancy will be quickly scene, here is John Swayn and William Worth put in for Assistants though Twise not Excepted by your Hon: And truly I cannot but beleive it was don in opposition to your Honours order, and many other things too long here to insert, all with such a looke as I cannot but expect hard measure the next generall Court except your Hon: prevent it: which I cannnot but Rely upon, and Expect your Honours Releif in so Just a cause: And now Right Honourable I cannot but once more Humblely Petition your Hon: Pardon in this Tedious discours which is indeed but a touch of much more a needfully
to be spoken too, humbly intreating if I might have the favour of a line or Two of your Hon: pleasure herein which would be to us as life from the dead, Til your Hon: shall fully Recktifie what is Amiss here: in the mean time shall not fayle to pray for your Hon: present and Eternall Happines and I Rejoyce that I am

Your Hon: humble and Reall Servant

Nantucket march :21th: John Gardner
1677/8

[ADRESSED:] For his Excelency the Governor
At new yourk
Hombley
Present

[ENDORSED:] Nantuckitt March 21 77/8
Mr. Gardner
21th of march 1677/8
from Mr. John Gardner
of nantuket

[27:46]

[WARRANT TO ATTACH PROPERTY OF JOHN ELDRIDGE AT DELAWARE]

Whereas Comp[ ] by Major John Fenwyck, that J[ ] lately [ ] into Delaware or the Western Parts of Ne[ ]y, hath received in Engl. to the Value [ ] of One hundred and nineteen pounds [ ]l. money belonging unto the said Major Fenwyck and denyes to make payment of, or [ ]der an account of the same unto him or his Order att the sollicitacion and upon the [ ]uest of the [ ] Major Joh[ ] Th[ ] are in his Majesties name to requi[ ] to [ ] Attachment upon so much of the Goods and Es[ ] of the said John Lindsey as shall bee found within the Towne of New [ ] and precincts or other place in Delaware River with in this government and the same safely to keepe untill hee give sufficient Security to answer the suite of the said John Major Fenwyck in an action of debt and detinue* to the Value aforesaid with damages at the Court of Newcastle to bee held within the space of six Weekes after the service

* A common law form of action, or the writ used, for the recovery of a personal chattel wrongfully detained—Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary.
decided at Law, for the [ ]eing whereof this shall bee your warrant; Hereof you are not to fayle att your perill. Dated in N.Y. this 22th day of March in the 30th yeare of his Majesties Raigne Annoq Dom. 1677/8.

To C. Edm: Cantwell high sheriffe of Delaware or his Deputy.

[ENDORSED:] A warrant of Attachment
For Major John Fenwyck against John Eldridge at Newcastle etc. in Delaware for 119£
signed if at all by Capt. Brockholes.

[27:47]

[WARRANT TO DISTRAIN THE GOODS OF PERSONS AT HUNTINGTON WHO NEGLECT TO PAY TAXES]

At a Councell held in N.Y. Mar. 25th 1678

Upon Complaint made by the Justice of [ ] peace as also by the Constable and Overseers of the Towne of Huntington, that divers refactory persons of the Inhabitants doe refuse[ ] to pay their proporcions of the Towne Rat[ ] and likewise of the Rate made for the Maintenance of their minister. The same being taken into Consideracion, and the ill Consequence of having matters obstructed by a few, which have been concluded and agreed upon by the Major part of the Towne for a publick Good Ordered That the Const. and Overseers, of the said Towne due distraine upon all such dissenters for the Value of their Rates, either for the Towne or Minister, for the doeing whereof this shall bee their sufficient Warrant.

By order of the Councell

[ENDORSED:] At a Councell
Mar. 25. 1678.
Huntington.
The plaintiff cast desired an appeal which was granted by the Court performing as the Law requires.

A petition to have the appeal confirmed

John Inyans, John Palmer

Attorneys on behalf of Lancelot Talbott plaintiffs.

The defendant cast—desired an appeal to which the plaintiffs make their objection, the [ ] being owned and having already passed the several courts of the Go: Supposed to be only to delay justice

A petition to hinder the appeal.

[27:48]

[Auction of the Office of Collector of the Alcohol Excise]

Condicons Whereupon the Tappers Licences are to be Exposed and Lett to farmers this 25th. day of March: 1678. untill the 25 day of March next ensuing which will bee in the yeare of our Lord: 1679

Imprimis the Purchaser shall bee oblidged to put in good Security for What he shall bid as the highest bidder, the payment to be mad in four equall proportions in Beaver or value. And In default of Security, being exposed to farme againe to bear all the Losse and Charge.

all Persons that Shall Tape or sell strong Drink wine or Liquors by retaile, are to agree with the farmer and take out Licences from him. and no other to Sell by retail under the Penalty hertofore perscribed, And all former Orders Concerning the Same to be Observed.

* Crossed out.
† The case is mentioned in Records of the Court of Assizes, 255, 269.
March: 25: 1678. Tappers Licenses Exposed and Lett to farme

Mr. Davonport  £100
Mr. Coe  110
Mr. Robt. Rider:  115

1 ps. Eight  
Mr. Clarke  140

[ ] ps. Eight  
Mr. Coe.  150

1 ps. Eight  
Mr. Matthews  160

1 ps. 8.  
Mr Davenport  180
advanced  120
fell to Nothing

[ENDORSED:]  Condicions at
Farming the
Tappers Licences.
Lett to Mr. Humphry
Davenport. Mar: 25
1678.
for 180£ to the 25
Mar. 1679.

[27:49]  
[REGULATIONS FOR THE WEIGH HOUSE IN NEW YORK]

All unequall Weights either abo[ ] or under the hundred shall pay, vizt. From one pound to 28 pounds for one full quarter of a hundred weight, from 28 to 56 pounds for one halfe of a 100 weight, from 56 to Eighty foure, for three quarters of a 100—And from Eighty foure to 112 pounds, shall pay the full charge of a hundred weight; and so proporconably; Provided allwayes, That in Case severall Draughts of one Commodity shall bee weighed, the severall weights shall bee added together and the payment shall bee made of the whole Quantity, they onely paying for every draught one penny and a halfe; And further All Goods which are lyable to bee weighed, shall pay the Charge of weighing at every time they shall bee Imported and Exported, Except onely upon Exporting for Europe one fourth part of the Charge is to bee paid and no more: And if weighed before and the Weighmaster shall bee satisfyed there is no alteracion, The said Weigh Master is to allow and Certify the same, without reweighing, and so permitted to bee exported, the said Goods paying onely the fourth part as before, But Tobacco and other Goods, received, weighed and shipt for Europe the same day, to bee free from
payment of the said fourth part.
Floure, bread, porke or beefe in barrells exported, is not obliged to be
weighed, if upon their owne Account:

All wares or Merchandize sold by the Lumpe, shall not bee delivered
before they bee weighed, but it shall bee lawfull for the Merchant to send
for the Weigh Master, and hee or his Deputy, with spare Scales and
weights to goe and to weigh the Goods or Merchandize at any House or
Vessell; Provided they pay to the weigh Master ten Guilders per diem,
for his paines, and the use of his scales, besides the ordinary Charge
according to the Rates allowed.

No persons Goods whatsoever are to bee free from paying the Charge of
weighing.

No Goods imported from Europe are obliged to bee weighed, nor from
any other place, unlesse sold.

All goods which are proper to bee weighed, and not exprest in this order,
shall pay ten pence per Cent. sewant.

[ENDORSED:] Orders for the
Weigh-house
1677/8.

[27:50a] [DRAFT OF THE EXCISE FARMERS’ BOND]

Know all men by these presents That wee Abraham Corbett,
William Merritt, and James Matthews of the City of N. Y.
Inneholders and Vintners

are houlden and firmely bound unto Sir. Edm. Andros
Knight Go: of these his R. Highnesses Territoryes in
America, in the summe of two hundred and [blank] pounds
New Engl. money, to bee paid to the said Go: or his Order,
his successors or assignes, for the payment whereof well
and truely to bee made wee jointly bind us and each of us
a part by himselfe, for and in the whole, our and either of
our heyres, Executors and Administrators and every of them
firmely by these presents Sealed with our seales, Dated this
26th day of March in the 31th yeare of his Majesties Raigne
Annogue Dom: 1679.
The Condition of this Obligation is such that Whereas the above bounden Abr. Corbett, Will. Merritt and James Matthews did upon the 25th day of this instant month contract and agree with his honor the Go: for the Farme of the great Pacht or Tappers Licence or Excise to give the summe of two hundred and twenty pounds in beaver or value, for one whole yeare ensuing to begin this instant day and to end the 25th day of March next which shall bee in the yeare of our Lord 1680. Now if the said Abr. Corbett, Will. Merritt and James Mathews, their or either of their Executors, Administrators or Assignes, shall well and truely pay or cause to bee paid unto his honor the Go. aforesaid or his order or to his Successors or Assignes the said summe of two hundred and twenty pounds in beav. or value in manner and forme following, That is to say one 4th or quarter part thereof at or upon the 25th day of June next, one 4th or quarter part at or upon the 25th day of Oct., another 4th or quarter part at or upon the 25th day of Dec. and the last 4th quarter of part which will compleate the sume of two hundred and [blank] pounds upon the 25th day of March at the Expiracion of the yeare and that without fraude or Covin,* that then this present Obligation bee void and of none Effect, or else to bee and remaine in full force, power and vertue.

Sealed and delivered in presence of us.

[NOTE:]†

John Henerick
rum 1-04-0
sider 4-00-0

K Purchase rum 15

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90

P Gisbers

20 galons rum 28
wine 140
wine 42
w wine 42
w wine 42

* collusion
† This unrelated item appears on the bottom of the page upside down.
[DRAFT OF THE SECURITY BOND OF PETER NYS
AS FARMER OF THE WEIGH HOUSE]

Know all men by these presents That wee Peter Nys present Farmer of the Weigh=house etc. of this City and Tho: Delavall of the same Merchants, are houlden and firmly bound unto Sir Edmund Andros Knight Go: of these his R. Hignesses Terroryeses in America in the summe of fifteene thousand Guilders sewant or Value to bee paid to the said Go: or his Order, his successors or Assignes for the payment whereof well and truely to bee made, wee jointly bind us, and each of us by himselfe apart in and for the whole our and either of our heyres, Executors and Administrators firmly by these presents Sealed with our seales, Dated in the City of New Yorke the 7th day of December in the 30th yeare of his Majesties Raigne Annoq. Dom: 1678.

The Condicion of this Obligacion is such, That whereas the above bounden Peter Nys did upon the 6th day of this instant month, contract and agree with his honor the Go:, to give the summe of seven thousand five hundred Guilders in good well strung sewant or value for the Farme of the said Weigh=house and benefit thereunto belonging for one whole yeare ensuing to begin this instant day and to end on the 6th day of December next which shall bee in the yeare of our Lord 1679, according to the tenor of the Condicions heretofore Lett and publish’t, Now if the said Peter Noys his Executors, Administrators or Assignes shall well and truely pay or Cause to bee paid unto his honor the Go; aforesencioned or his order, or to his Successors or Assignes the summe of seven thousand five hundred Guilders sewant in manner and forme following, vizt. one 4th or quarter part thereof, at or upon the 7th day of March next one fourth or quarter part at or upon the 7th day of June following, another 4th or quarter part at or upon the 7th day of Sept. and the last fourth or quarter part which will compleate the summe of 7500 at or upon the 7th day of December at the Expiracion of the yeare, and that without fraud or Covin, that then this present Obligacion bee void and of none Effect, or else to bee and remaine in full force power and vertue.

Sealed and delivered in the
honored Sir

The Condition of our towne in Respeckt of the derectiones in the Law, for the choyce off Constable, and overseares being prity stricktly bound up to such and no other but one of the two old overseares must be chosen Constable, proveds with oure inhabytants very hard, by reson many doth scruple to take an oath, and so are exsented or not admited to the plase, whearby the burden hath those many yeares lyen heavy upon sum Few parsones our humblle request is that youre honnor would be pleased, to grant oure inhabytants the previlidge of haveing A Fre voat in Choyce of Constable and overseares of Any Fre holder not haveing relation to that clase in the law, that Any other parson who hath not bine an overseare, If Chosen Constable maye stand or be liable to Answere his fine Acording to the law, which will give the inhabytants greater Content, then as it tis at presant stated, so I humbly desiar youre honnor's Answere by the barar hereof Caleb wright by reson the Choyce for this insewing yeare draweth nere, so craveing youre honors pardon herein I Rest and remaine your honnors sarvant

oyster baye the 25th: of march 1678.

To Comand

Thomas Townsend

[ADDRESS]: These for the governor

C. Townesend

Oysterbay, about choice of Const. and Overseers there etc.,

Mar. 25 1678.

for the sessions.
Edward Land—a Lott at the fresh Kills
John French—a Lott that was laid out for Franck Lee by Smoaking point, next to Turcoates.

Mr. Andrew Norwood—

The two persons who will bring you this Note by name Edwa. Land and John French having beene here with C. Brockholes to desire some land to settle upon at Staten Isl: naming the places where they would willingly have it, that is to say the one at the fresh Kill, the other near Smoaking Point [ ] it being knowne to bee the Go: aime to have the Country settled and particularly that Isl. They are recommended unto you to lay them out each one Lott as desired, if not already taken up and possessed by others, The quantity the Go: hath ordered the Lotts to bee of, is seven acres of Upland and ten of Meadow, your Certificate and retume thereof, will bee enough for their present settlement, untill the Go: retume for when they may have patents for the same, I am

Mar: 26. 1678 your friend and servant

M. N.

[ENDORSED:] A letter to Mr. And:
Norwood to lay out
two Lotts.
Mar. 26. 1678

Mr. Rombout New Castle the: 27th of March: 1678

Sir: These may Sarve to Advise you of my Safe Arivell heare, and that Acording to yourer Order I have made A demand of what is dwe to you from yourer Brother Aldricks butt his Answer was that hee hath nott aney thinge to Send you, for hee did Intende to Come for yorke this Somer him Selfe, Likewaies I have Spoken to Cantell and hee hath Promest mee to Satifise according to your Accompt.
Sir as for what I Brought with mee of youers I thinke I shall despise of littell of itt Except the dufells butt if you will Lett mee trust it outt for Next yares Pay I will bee bounde to Secquer your debts my Selfe, and your Pay will bee In Porke and tobacko: with good Advance if you are Soe minded then Send mee by the first opportunety 2 or 3 Peeces of Sarge and one Peecce of Peneston* and one peece of Red Cotton and Some Ozenbr† and Axes and Howes if you have aney

Pray Sir lett mee heare from you by the first, Nott Ellc att Present butt my Sarves to youer good Wife and all my Freinds

Sir heare is Nothinge of Sir youer Humbell Newes heare
Sir youer Humbell Sarvent to Comand
John Shakerly

[ADDRESSED:] For Mr. Frances Rombult Marchant In NeWyorke These Present

[27:54 & 55a]
[COUNCIL MINUTES: TO BE PUBLISHED IN A VOLUME OF COUNCIL MINUTES]

[27:55b]
[WARRANT TO ANDREW NORWOOD TO SURVEY LOTS ON STATEN ISLAND FOR MARTIN HADDAWAY, DANIEL PERRING, AND CLAES SMITH]

Where as Informacon hath beene given that Marten Haddaway, Daniel Perring and Claes Smith, have had Grants from the Governor each of them for a single Lott of Land upon Staten Isl. on the South side of the Fresh Creeke or Kill, the which hath not beene granted to any other person nor is hitherto layd out for them otherwise then in the Front, with the rest of the Isl. To the end that no Inconvenience may hereafter happen, but that every mans due proporcion and propriety may bee knowne, These are in his Majesties name to require you to survey and lay out an equall proporcion of land upon Staten Isl. for a Lott, to each of the above

* A coarse woolen stuff or frieze from the village of Penistone, Yorkshire (Century Dictionary).
† A coarse cloth made of flax and tow, first manufactured at Osnabrück, Germany.
named persons, where their Grants are according to the Regulacion made by the Go. of which you are to make a Retume to the Secr. Office in order to their having patents for the same, and for so doing this shall be your warrant. Dated in N. Y. this 6. day of April 1678

To Mr. Andr. Norwood
Surveyor of Staten Isl.
These

[ENDORSED:] A warrant to Mr. Andr. Norwood Surveyor of Staten Isl. to lay out 3. Lotts to 3. persons for which they have already Grants. April 6. 1678.

[27:56]

[LETTER FROM JOHN TALCOTT, CONNECTICUT ASSISTANT, TO CAPTAIN SALISBURY REPORTING ON VARIOUS UPRISINGS, WARS, AND PLAGUES, TOGETHER WITH A PASS TO TWO INDIANS]

Capt: Salisbury

Sir: my service beeing [ ] hoping your prosperity have sent only to acquaint you that two Indians Viz: Wonchoqum and Wopray, cam from your parts as they say and beeing taken up heer were examined, and now at their desyres, have given them a passe for ther retume, and commend it to your wisdom, whether it may not be a prudent way, when any of the Indians of your parts shall desire to Jorney into these parts, that they receave your passe or a Ticket from such as you shall appoynt, and wee shall doe the lyke, for the treuth is in such a Criticall tym, wee are at a loss to know how wee shall behave our selves among the Indians, thar wayes are so full of Tricks, and know not freinds from Enemyes, when wee meet them, Especially in the woods, our peoplle are at a losse, I make bold to Suggest it to your consideration for preventing anie Inconvenieniec that other wyes may happen to them or our selves, Knowing that [ ]ord from your self will bee a Sufficient cheke to [ ] Indians, wee h[ ] no newes only a Catch [ ] Into Boston, wi[ ] Telligence that a French [ ]rested ane Island called Tobagoe, Situat 60 or 70 Leagues from Barbadosse, that was planted by the Dutch, and Cutt off all Men, woman and childrin, sparing non, which if true is most barbarous and Inhuman, creultie, so to serve a Christian peopell, although ane Enemie in repute, people are
generally weell with us, the Small pox yet remanes in Boston, beeing spreid upon the Skirts of the Toun, and no Infection in the Manstretts and body of the Toun, 18 families Infected in Charleston, it being Latley Increased thar, I sent you a letter the last August that I might have given you a visit, bot our Indians weer frighted and returned, and now is out of daite, it was in reference to one muntow that the Mohaukes, alias Moquas carried off from Boston, that belonged to our Indians and with request of his return, and that the Moquas wold keep thar promise mad[ ] our Gent: befo[ ] honorabel Governor Andros [ ]erth [ ]nd [ ] Reles[ ] Freinds, bot Damnifie our Enemy[ ] what they plea[ ] of that I shall not Trobule you with at this tym, I heare the Moquase are in the Narraganset Cuntry and have Killed one of the Surrendring Indians, that Live by Norwich Toun, first shott him through then Cutt of his Scalpe and run away, and yet remane Squelking up and doun in our Cuntrey, I hard Major Pinchon say that Uncass would have sent Wampam to the Maquass, but the Gent: of our Collony forbid it, and that the said Uncass had fomented this amongst the Moquase which I thought good to acquant you that it is a most grose Lye; for this I can assure you that our Gov: and counsell have given Uncas advyce from time to time that he should keep his covenant with the Mochaues to pay wampim in Case he had made anie Covenant with them, wee alwayes Told him it was his Intrest and saftie so to doe, and Sundrie tymes wold faine have had him send to them what Wampam was due by Covenant, and he [ ] slighted our Motion, saying nothing [ ]ght [ ]e Unjust reflection or Imputation that may be [ ]pon us by Uncass, and that the Moguase may not bee disgusted at us, for Councelling Uncasse about keeping of his Wampam peay from them, Knowing that hee needed no such counsell his covetous heart beeing such a great freind to that litell pairt of the world hee haith in possession, but I am sorry I have being so troublsome to you, hooping yea will grant me excuse for all Erratas of this Natur, shall only add that I am your affectionat Freind and Servant

Subscribitur John Talcott

For the Honorable Capt. Salisbury Commander in Cheif at Fort Albany
These may Enform any of [Collony] that the Indians Beawonchoquin, and Wompray bee[Lately cam from Fort Albany] upon thar desyres, have hereby Li[ ] to return to the place from when[ ] without any Lett or Disturbance they[ ] them selves peacably and Suitably to wa[ ] English

per John Talcott Assistant of his Majesties collony of Conecticutt

Double of Mr Talcott Letter to Captain Salisbury 8th Apryle 1678

[ENDORSED:] Copie of Major Talcott Letter to C. Salisbury April 8th. about two Indyans of the Maques seized on, forwart of pasport and releas’t

Arrived here the 25th 1678. 14.
To bee answer’d

The proposall of Tickett approved of, and signifyed to C. Salisbury
AGENDA OF A COUNCIL MEETING, THE RECORD OF A TRIP, AND AN ORDER ABOUT LONG ISLAND MILITIA FINES

For the Council. April 8th, 1678.

The business of Mr. De Meyer, and Mr. Palmer about his horses at Staten Isl.

Mr. Minvielle complaines against the Sheriffe for Non Service of an Execucion against Mr. Bedloo.

A General Complaint from the officers of the Militia on Long Isl: (more particularly at the East End) that the Const. and Overseers refuse, or neglect to doe their dutyes in Levying the fines, due from Defaulters in Trainings, Thy desire therefore on such occasions to bee empowered to levy such fines themselves, or absence or defects, engaging to bee accomptable as the Law directs.

They desire if this granted A Speciall Order to the Towne Officers vizt. Const. and Overseers to levy what is past.

Letters of Administracion granted by the Court to Joseph Fordham and Eliz. his Moth. of the Estate of Robert Fordham the Father deceased: Confirmacion desired by the Council.

Mr. Bonnetts Complaint about the vendue of the 2 negroes. sold by C. Sandford Administrator of Robt. Sandford.

April: 10th Wed: I came out of Towne in the Evening, The wind so high and boisterous all the morning that my horses could not get over till toward night I spent at Mr. Corbetts comming away with Capt. Brockholes etc. 2s and came over the Ferry about sun sett, and between 7, and 8 a Clocke came to Mr. Natha. Dentons at Jamaica where wee lay.

April 11 To the Farmes, Flushing and Cornells neck. It was a very rainy night, and morning, which kept us within doores.

At Jamaica I gave Mr. Higby his deed recorded.

* So numbered in the calendar. It has been rebound as 27:57a.
Whereas Complaint hath been made by divers of the Military Officers upon Long Island that the Constables and Overseers of the several Townes there doe Neglect or Refuse to Leavy the Fynes due from defaulters in Trainings, whereby the Lawes in that behalfe made are seldom attended as they ought, The Constables and Overseers of the respective Townes are hereby required in his Majesties name more carefully to doe their dutyes herein as the Law directs, and that they forthwith Collect or destraine upon the Neglecters or refusers for all Arrearages of fines due since the 1st day of November 1674, when this Government began, untill the holding of the next Court of Sessions in the severall Ridings in the mo. of June which they are not to fayle of giving an Account of the same to the Justices who are desired strictly to examine thereinto and to put the Lawes relating to Training in due and full Execucion: Dated in N.Y. the 8th day of Apr. 1678.

To the Const. and Overseers of the Severall Townes of the East Riding

By order of the Councell

[ENDORSED:] At a Councell
April. 8. 1678

[27:59,60]*

[ORDER TO RANGER JOHN PALMER TO ALLOW NICHOLAS DE MEYER TO REMOVE HORSES FROM STATEN ISLAND]

At a Councell held in New Yorke

Apr. the 8th 1678.

Upon applicacion of Capt. Nicholas de Meyer of this City concerning a parcell of Horses and Mares of his upon Staten Island, which Capt. John Palmer as Ranger refuses to Let him take off, the time being long since elapsed wherein it was ordred to bee done, or They to be forfeited. The said Mr. De Meyer urging Mr. Palmers promise to him in Excuse together

* Rebound and renumbered as 27:57b and 27:59. These are two copies of the same document: the draft by Secretary Nicolls, which is transcribed here, and a fair copy by the clerk, which has been damaged, affecting the text.
with the Go: favourable answer upon his request at his departure.

The same being taken into Consideracion Ordered, That the said C. De Meyer have liberty to take off his old stock off all horses and Mares from the Island with the encrease of the first 3 yeares and for the remainder to bee left there untill the Governors returne, for his order and determinacion concerning them.

Mr. Palmer consented.

By order of the Councell

M. N. Secr.

[ENDORSED:]* Order of Councell
Apr. 8. 1678
Mr. Nica. de Meyer

New Jersey patent
to mee

Songs†

* The fair copy (27:59) is endorsed: Order about Mr. Demeyer horses. April 8. 1678.
† Apparently referring to another document, not present.
To the Honored Captain Brookes Debite Governor at New y[ ]

Since after my humbell respectes premised I am sorey I have ocatione to trouble you with these uncomfortables Lines: but the case is such I cannot well avaide it: sire the case is heare is one of our naigbours: John Straton senere by name: hath a neger maid being with childe unknowne to me till after delivered, it semes questioned by her master and mistresse: but she deneying: it was delivered in the night abrod Ether in the yard or an out house: for bloud was found in both and in the Cowe troufe wheare was mutch water the water was found verie bludye: the next day mutch questian arose how that blud came: the neger was questianed being observed not well: she denieed haveing any Child: the next day after whitch was the second day after her delivery a man in the house minded a place behind the house where he went and removed a littel earth and see the toes of a childe left and aquainted the said John straton her master: immediatly aquainted mee: I forthwith: by warant to the cunstable ordered a jury of wimen: when tooke up the Child and brat[ ] to the neger she owened the Child: and laid it to a Englis[ ] mane a servant to be father of it he then and doth still den[ ] she saies the child was borne ded: it was borne as [ ] in due time and a Lustie child: no emenent harme[ ] found on it: but I question her drowning it in the trofe as [ ] I have not madee more proges in the mater then heare[ ] till I heare from your selfe whitch I humbely intreat [ ] or two in derectian: most sober neigbouers thinke undouptably the child was murdered: and it being soe borne and buried I thinke we ought to beare due witnes against sucht behaver thus desiering the Lord to derect your honore and all of us to Descharge our duty as to Aproves our selves to god: Remaine

your Humble servant

Easthampton

11th aprall 1678.

the child was borne 1 Aprall 1678

[ADDRESSED:] To the Honored Captaine
Brookes Debite
Governor at New yorke
[seal]

present with
Spide and Trust

[ENDORSED:]

A Letter from Mr. Tho: Backer Justice of the peace. Easthampton. April. 11. 17.*—1678. About the murder of an Infant by her mother a Negroe woman. Referr’d to the Sessions May. 1st 1678.

[27:62]

[LETTER TO CONNECTICUT GOVERNOR WILLIAM LEETE CONCERNING TWO MISSING RIVER INDIANS]

Honorable Sir

By an Express This Day from the Comander at albany am informed that 3 of our River Indians (Yong men) who were hunting Eastward, in their progress Fell near Winsor in your Colony And having Exhausted their small stock of shott, for a New supply in order to the prosecution of their Bever killing; Two of the 3 went To the Town of Winsor with a Bever skin or Two for a Recrute of Shott, the third Remaining at the Indian Fire, and in Expectation of his Companions Return wayted five dayes, but in that Time Neither seeing nor hearing of them, under some apprehention of Fear hasted home, and made Relation of the matter: which hath a Little amused† our Indians, whereupon the Father of the absent (wattayt by name) the bearer hereof immediately Repaired to me at York and made application, desireing This my Letter To your honor To Returne his sons, if Taken by any of your people as is by Them suppos[ ] and fear’d, which if so These are to Request your most prudent favor and friendly asistence in Freeing and Returning Those two Yong men Excusing their mistake if Through Ignorance they have Extended there Rang too Far or intrenched‡ on your Limits; Yet if detain’d may prove very Ill Consequence and kindle afflame not soon to be Extinguished; Therefore my

* document number, not a date
† bewildered, puzzled
‡ invade, encroach
Desires and further Request to your honor is, For the preservation of the Generall publique peace That you will be pleased to Give such orders for Their Release (if with you) as may in your wisdome and good Neighborhood be fit and Satisfact[ ]ry to theire Relations and Nation, who as Yet Continue Both our and your Friends, I have ordered this Bearer To Take a Christian with him from albany to your Colony, and pray that if the said Two yong men bee at any other Town in your Government than whats mentioned, you will afford th[ ] your assist­ance, or Farther as occasion (with safety) may Require, an[ ] in all things of the Like nature as Formerly, shall be still Ready willing To Retaliate; and alwaise desirous of holding and maintaining a Good and Amicable Correspondance with your honored self and all the wort[ ] Gentlemen of your Colony while I am and Remaine

Fort James in New York Honorable Sir
Aprill the 16th. 1678. Your honors most affectionat[ ]
Friend and humble

To the honorable Will. Leate Esquire A. B.
Governor of Coneticutt Colony
These

[ENDORSED:] 67. Copy
To the Governor of
Conecticote Sent by
an Indian overland
Apr. 16. 1678

[27:63]*

[PETITION OF WILLIAM BOWDITCH FOR AN ORDER FOR THE DELIVERY OF TWO KETCHES AT PEMAUQUID]

To Capt. Anthony Brockholes and the Rest of the Councell of Goverment of New Yorke.

The Humble Peticon of William Bowditch of Salem in New England Merchant

Sheweth

* Now called 27:63a.
That your Peticoner being bound for Pemaquid in the Month of [ ] past, to receive his Ketch, brought there by the Indyans, for which he had an Order of Council, he made Purchase from the Owners of two Other Ketches Lying there, that had likewise been brought in by the said Indyans, which said Ketches, if some Speedy care be not taken about them will be altogether Spoyled and useless, having Layd flyed up in a Creeke all this winter, where they are also Subject to the Hazard of being fired, by some Malicious Indian of Whome there is too much Suspicion.

Your Peticoner doth therefore most humbly pray, that hee may have an Order to be Possesst of the said two Ketches, in like Manner as he had for the former, and he shall give Security to pay all such Salvage and Charges as they shall be adjud[ ] at the returne of the Governor

[ ] Your Petioner Shall ever Pray etc.

The Peticon of William Bowditch

Granted

[ENDORSED:] The peticon of Wm. Bowditch about 2 Ketches at Pemaquid.

Granted. Apr. 20th. 15* 1678

[27:64]†

[ORDER TO CAESAR KNAPTON, COMMANDER AT PEMAQUID, TO HAVE THE ABOVE BOATS DELIVERED]

At a Council held in New Yorke the 20th day of Apr. Anno Domini 1678.

Upon the Address and Request of Mr. William Bowditch of Salem in

* document number
† Now called 27:63b.
New England Merchant, setting forth his having purchased two Ketches from their Owners, the which were brought into Pemaquid by the Indyans upon the Agreement of Peace made the latter end of the Summer, and hee desiring an Order for their delivery unto him tendring security to pay Salvage, or other Charges, they may bee lyable unto.

The same being taken into Consideracion together with the great Damage the said Ketches are like to sustaine by lyeing longer in the Condicion they are: Ordered That they bee delivered unto the said Mr. Bowditch or whom he shall appoint to receive them together unto their Appurtenances now belonging unto them Hee giving Security here, to pay or make good what salvage, or other Charges the said Ketches shall bee lyable to and adjudged to pay by the Go: at his Returne; The which Capt. Caesar Knapton the Commander at Fort Charles is hereby desired forthwith to cause and give Order and cause to bee done

By order of the Councell

[ENDORSED:] Order of Councell
Mr. Bowditch Apr. 20. 1678

[27:65]

PETITION OF BENJAMIN ALFORD FOR PERMISSION TO SHIP OIL DIRECTLY FROM SOUTHAMPTON]

To Capt. Anthony Brockholes and the rest of the Councell of the Government of New Yorke

The Humble Peticion of Benjamin Alford, of Boston in New England merchant

Sheweth

That, your Peticioner having bought a Considerable quantity of Oyle at Southampton, at the East end of Long=Island, the which he hath intent to send for London in Old England;

Hee Humbly Prayes, that he may be excused from bringing the said Oyle hither, in regard of the Hazard of the Voyage and Leakinisse of that Commodity, but that he may have Liberty to Ship it there, and Sayle Directly for that Place, Hee engaging to performe all Dutyes, and pay all Dues, belonging to the Custome house here.
And Your Peticioner Shall ever pray etc.

The Peticon of Benjmin Alford.

[ENDORSED:] The peticon of Benajamen Alford for liberty to ship off Oyle for London from Southton etc. Granted. April 20. 1678

The Peticion of Benjamin Alford. Granted.

[27:66]

[ORDER GRANTING THE ABOVE REQUEST; WITH A DRAFT OF THE PASS]

At a Councell held in New Yorke the 20th day of Apr. Anno Domini 1678.

Upon the Addresse and Request of Mr. Benjamin Alford of Boston in N. E. Merchant, who having this season with ready money purchased a considerable quantity of Whale Oyle at the East End of Long Island, desires that he may have liberty to transport the same from thence directly into Engl. for London without being obliged to bring it hither, in regard of the great hazard and damage by Leakeage that might thereby accrew, Hee Engaging to pay all dutyes and Dues which any ways doe belong or may appertayne thereunto.

The same being taken into Consideracion, and thought to bee no prejudice to the government. Ordered That the said Mr. Alford have the liberty hee desires, performing what is proposed, of the which the Collector of the Customes in this place is desired to take notice, and to give him such Clearings, as are usuall, and may bee a furtherance to him in his intended Voyage

By order of the Councell
Permitt and suffer the good [blank] of [blank] A. B. Commander, bound for the Port of London in Engl., to passe from the Harbor at the North sea neare Southton at the East End of Long Isl. with her loading of Oyle and Whale bone, without any manner of Lett, Hindrance or Molestacion, shee having beene cleared by order from the Custome house here and given security accordingly. Given under my hand in N.Y. this 20th day of Apr. in the 30th year of his Majesties reign Annoque Dom: 1678.

To all Majesties Officers whom this may Concerne.

[ENDORSED:] Order of Councell and Passe. April 20th 1678.
Mr Alford.

[27:67]

[PETITION OF RICHARD PRETTY, COLLECTOR AT ALBANY, APPEALING A DECISION IN HIS SUIT AGAINST HARME RUTGERS. TRANSLATION]

To the most honorable and highly esteeemed lord governor general (or whomever is representing this office) and council.

Humbly shows Richert Pretty, collector of the great excise at Albany, how he, Herman Rutgers, master brewer, has complained before the court here that he has sold unexcised beer to two Indians, as may be seen by the attached declaration No. 1. which the aforesaid Rutgers admits in his reply No. 2, but offers as an excuse that the Indians said that it was for a sick child.

Whereupon a definitive judgment was handed down that whereas I, together with J. Becker, citizen here, supposedly acted with cunning and the aforesaid Rutgers was innocent; therefore, my complaint was referred and I was condemned to pay the costs of the proceedings as appears in No. 3. However, because I find myself injured in the same capacity, I have resolved to appeal to you, your highly esteemed honor, with a most humble request that your honor be pleased to consider the

* See ARS, 2:311 for these proceedings dated April 9, 1678.
following earnestly:

1. Whether I am not in conformity with the law, if I alone know beyond a shadow of a doubt, that someone is selling here and near the jurisdiction of this place, unexcised strong drink by the small measure, be it to Indians or Christians, to use Christians or Indians in order to find this out and sufficiently prove the same without being considered a cunning cheater?

2. Having discovered the smuggling (as happened in this case), whether such transgressors should not suffer the penalty even though they provide this excuse or none at all?

3. Whether the contrived designation of mercy for a sick child can excuse Rutgers from the penalty and costs? Whereas even if it were for a sick child, he could not be excused because it was indeed not mercy but excessive greed to sell the_vaan_of good beer [unexcised] for 24 stivers, where here, one place or another, the_vaan_is sold for 20 stivers, of which large and small excise is paid in order to sell it by the_Kan_. From which it necessarily follows that not only are both imports being shorted but also those who have been assessed double.

4. Whether he can excuse this statement, for having been merciful according to the teachings of Christ, because the same Lord teaches to give Caesar what is due Caesar?

5. His (contrived) innocence (which he claims); whereas he is an old burgher, and no one here is so ignorant who does not know that such is not done unexcised.

6. Whether I do not have sufficient reason to be diligent when I am completely accused that much good beer is still being sold unexcised to the Indians by the measure, although it is held up to me as a disgrace and a crime?

7. If Rutgers replies, and the judgment thereon is upheld_[]_whether _[]_follows, that all inhabitants here, and _[]_do not receive the privilege to sell unexcised good beer to the Indians by the small measure, if they just say that the Indians said that it was for a sick child, Whereas one is entitled to have as much privilege in this matter as another.

8. Whether it also does not follow that the collector or farmer should keep quiet _[]_be satisfied with the receipt of the excise money which is entrusted to him, without being alert to fraud? Because when such has been sufficiently established (as in this case) something is contrived for
innocence to absolve from the fine and costs.

9. Whether the farmer’s rights would not be greatly abridged by the continuance of this whereby the excise would not and the collector or farmer his right.

Follows now an observation on [the defend]ants reply.*

Among other things, it is worth noting states in his written reply that he has sold unexcised good beer to the Indians by the small measure; however, he says it was done without fraud. To which I reply that things cannot exist at the same time, because to sell unexcised good beer by the small measure without committing fraud is a contradiction.

His assertion that the Indians told him it was for a sick child is unprovable; also he cannot just do whatever he wants, because it can be sufficiently obtained here from others who pay the large and small excise.

Also, there is no basis to the claim that even others, indeed, the best of this place are moved by such means (to sell without excise) for reasons stated above; or unless it was greed for money that also moved the aforesaid Rutgers, although he is a man of considerable means.

And because it is certain that there are many here who sell it without excise, we have good reason to be on guard in order to catch the same, although it is considered here a crime.

And whereas, he says, that I and J. Becker surely know how strongly he has resisted those Indians (in order not to sell them drink), then we cannot neglect giving our truthful declarations about it. This is essentially the same as what is to be understood under declaration No. 1. And we also truthfully say: if we had preferred it in a pitcher or a calabash, we would have gotten it, but we were trying to tie everything firmly together.

And he also had to admit finally on the 10th of February (through persuasion) that he not only sold a vaen of good beer in a calabash to the Indians but also 2 pints which they drank while still in his house, and paid 12 stivers for it in his presence, while we were standing before his

* See 27:70(2) which includes a translation by court secretary Robert Livingston.
door waiting for the Indians to come out. All of which we are prepared to confirm, if required.

He also withholds the truth (as in many other cases) when he replies that he took the Indians’ beer from the remains of a fetid barrel (for although he does not do it as a principle, because he may sell here unexcised good beer by the small measure to no one) then I say that it came from a half barrel, about half empty, and also good, merchantable beer, which could be confirmed by the schout J. Provoost, if required.

I am rather surprised how he dares to claim innocence in this matter, considering that he felt himself to have committed fraud on the 10th of February, offering us [ ] f100 in sewant, and 7 to 8 days later f150 a tun of good beer with expenses charged to him, and finally 50 more when we neither fetched nor sought him, to which the schout J. Provoost can bear witness, as we have informed him about it.

He is, for certain, an old smuggler because it is well known that he has been doing it for years, but we never have had the opportunity before to catch him. And there are certainly many more who know about it but no one will admit it publicly; therefore, our sufficient proof in this case ought to take its effect.

That he complains that we sought to catch him and to cause him trouble requires in response that not we but rather he has deceived us [ ] otherwise we could not have trapped him. And because it is the collector’s or farmer’s [ ] (as we see it) to guard against such swindlers, and they being sufficiently discovered as happened in this case, they owe a fine. Therefore we have done so.

Now, whereas Rutgers (on the 9th of this month) has declared before this court that he has nothing else to submit by this reply; therefore we herewith conclude and hand over these to your honors, and commend myself to your honors’ protection, doubting not about proper maintenance and prevention of great injury and blame that I suffer here in this capacity by both great and small on behalf of my special lord and master; but nevertheless I am and remain

your honor’s most
humble and obedient servant

Rich: Pretty
True Copy†

To the Honorable Court of Albany etc.

Richard Pretty, collector of the great excise, plaintiff
against
Harme Rutgers, master brewer, defendant

The plaintiff complains that the defendant (among other things) has sold good beer to two Indians on the 10th of this month, being Sunday evening about 7 or 8 o’clock, for 24 stivers the vaen which beer he did not report for excise to the plaintiff. Whereupon he summoned the defendant and confronted him with it, which he strongly denied. When the plaintiff informed him that the beer was in his custody and that he had seen everything pertinent, he finally confessed to having done it. However, he justified himself by saying that the Indians had said that they intended to go out of this place with it.

Item, that there were still many others who sold good beer to the Indians.

Whereupon the plaintiff replied in substance that the defendant himself, on the 8th of this month of February, being on Friday towards evening, had sold to the same Indians at his house two pints of good beer, which was drunk there, and received for it 12 stivers.

Item, on the 9th of this month, being Saturday, in the early evening, his wife sold a pint of beer at his house for six stivers to the same Indians, which they drank there. They were invited to come back that evening at the ringing of the bell in order to sell them more in a jug or calabash. And that they did return, but neither the defendant nor his wife were at home.

Item, that on the 10th of this month, being on Sunday towards evening, his wife sold to the same Indians two pints of good beer which they drank

* Now numbered 27:69a.
† See 27:73 for translation by Robert Livingston.
at his house. The Indians paid 18 stivers for it on the condition that they were still due a pint, and that he would sell them more good beer in a jug or calabash that same evening.

Item, that these same Indians came to his house that same evening about 7 or 8 o'clock with a calabash and 30 stivers of sewant, among which was a string of 8 stivers blue. That when he received the sewant he then gave the Indians two pints, which they drank in his house in his presence, and then a vaen in their calabash, being 6 pints altogether, with the pint credited to them also figured in. And that the defendant opened the door himself, and as the Indians left, he recommended that they leave by the middle street.

When the defendant heard these pertinent facts from the plaintiff, he decided to settle; however, it was expressly stipulated by the plaintiff that if such an agreement were reached it should be divulged to no one in the world for important reasons moving the plaintiff thereto, which he also revealed to him.

To wit, that he firmly believed that he would catch many others who were also selling good beer to the Indians without paying the excise, and if such were divulged by him, then his plan would be destroyed. But, as the defendant offered what was insufficient for such a crime, they parted without settling matters. And whereas the plaintiff finds himself very interested in such smuggling, in his capacity as collector for his master the lord governor general in the name of his Royal Highness the duke of York; so is it that he is grievously injured, and requests in the name of his Royal highness to have proper maintenance, and that the defendant be condemned to pay a fine of £800 in sewant on behalf of the plaintiff, with costs.

Done in N. Albany
the 8th if April 1678

your honor's humble servant,

Agrees with the original,
in witness whereof,

Ro. Livingston, Secr.
Mr. Pretty decl:
contra
H. Ruttgers
Alb 9
April 1678
No. 1
Duytch

Extract

Rich. Pretty, in his capacity of collector
of the great excise
against
Harme Ruttgers, brewer, defendant

The plaintiff complains that the defendant has defrauded the great excise by selling (according to his own confession) good beer to the Indians without reporting the same, claiming that if this is not prevented and the delinquent is not heavily fined, it will hereafter tend to the disadvantage of the aforesaid great excise. Therefore, he concludes that the defendant be condemned to pay a fine of £800 in sewant for the benefit of the plaintiff, with costs.

The defendant denies that he has defrauded the excise, having only sold a calabash of beer (being the remains of a fetid barrel) to the two Indians, who implored him, complaining that they had a sick child, and whom he could not refuse out of pity because they visited him so often. From which it clearly appears that he resisted the Indians, but did not defraud the excise, as the collector well knows, because (according to his own statement) he hired the Indians for several days to do it, bribing them with money, which is a case of misleading an innocent burger and getting him into trouble. He claims that it is a fiction that he has done this on

* in English
many occasions. Therefore, he requests that the plaintiff’s charges be dismissed, all with expenses.

Their honors of the court having considered the case, adjudge and decide that whereas the plaintiff hired the Indians as well as the farmer of the burger excise to perform such deceitful work, according to his own confession, and the defendant having done so innocently; therefore, they dismiss his complaint and condemn him to pay the cost of the proceedings.

By order of the court
Ro. Livingston, secr.

[ENDORSED:*] the sentanse of the Court to R. Pretty Complaint agianst H: Rutgersz

No. 2 Duytch

[27:70] [GROUND FOR RICHARD PRETTY’S APPEAL] To the Honored Capt. Anthony Brockholes Deputy Governor and Council at N: York etc.

Richard Pretty Coll. of the Great Accys at Albany, humbly shewet[ ]

How that he Complaind to this Court against on[ ] Harme Rutgers Brewer for selling of strong Bier to twoo Indians without Paying of Excye, as appeares by the Declaracon annexed No 1, which the said Rutgers has Confessd in his answere No. 2, but excus[ ] himselfe that the Indians should have said that it was for a Sick Child.

Whereupon a Sentence followed; and was gro[ ] that whereas I as well as the Burger Packt[ ] should have Performed such a deceitfull [ ] of Work and the foresaid Rutgers made [ ]cent, therefore my demaund Denyed and C[ ]demnd to Pay Charges as appeares No. [ ]

And Whereas I in the said Quality finde my Self wronged I have Resolv’d to Appeale to your honors humbly desireing that your honors would be

* in English
Pleased to take the Processe into your Consideracion.

Whether I am not according to Law grounded, if so be I know certainly that there are here or in the Jurisdiction who Sell Strong Beer by Retail to either Christian or Indian without Paying Excise, may not make use of Christian or Indian to finde out the Same without the Repute of being a deceitfull cheater.

2ly. The defrauding of the Excise being found out, as is in this, whether the Contraveiner is not Lyable to Pay the fine, not withstanding of any Excuse or Pretence they have to the Contrare.

3ly. Whether the feigned name of Compassion upon a Sick Childe can Release Rutgers of the fine and charges supposing it were for a Sick Childe yet cannot excuse him, because it is not Compassion but Rather Covetousnesse to Sell a fanne of Strong beer for 24 stivers unexcysed where others doe sell it usually for 20 stivers Who Pay both great and sm[ ] excise to sell it by Retaille, whereby of [ ] cessitie it must follow, that not only [ ] Packts are wronged, but Aseway[ ] who must Pay both Excyses.

4ly. Whether his Saying in this can Excuse[ ] his Compassion to have been done after C[ ] Example, whereas the said Lord Sayeth [ ] to Cesar that which is Cesar.

5ly. It is feigned Innocency which the Sentence Speakes of, hee being an old Burger in this Toun, and none here are So ignorant but that they doe know, that they must not sell Beer without Paying the Excise.

6ly. Whither I have not Sufficient Cause to Search this diligently I being as[ ] red that there are many that sell Strong bier to the Indians by Retaille without Paying the Excise notwit[ ] ding it is Accounted to me here as a [ ] and a Cryme.

7ly. If the said Rutgers Answer and the Sentence thereupon Pronounced take effect; whither or not that all the Inhabitants here may not have the Priviledge to Sell Strong beer to the Indians, without Paying Excise, if they but say the Indians said it was for a Sick Child, because the one in this case, ought to have as much Priviledge as the other.

8ly. Whither that doth not follow that the Collector or Pachter then must be quiet, and Rest Content, and take what money People Please to give them, without takeing any notice of them that doe defraud the Excise, because the same being sufficiently Proven as this is now, are Released
from there fine and Charges, by findeing some Escuse or Answer.

9ly. Whither by such upholding and mentaining the Pachter, is not Prejudged in his Right, the Packt hereby Prejudiced and the Collector or Pachter in hazard to Loose his Credit and Reputacion

Here follows Some Observations upon the

It is to be observed (amongst the Rest) that doth mention in his answere that he sold Strong bier by Retale to the In without Paying excyse but sayth he not defrauded, whereupon I answere that Contradictions cannot agree, for to sell Bier by Retale, without Paying excyse and not to defraud, Contend one against another.

That he sayth that the Indians said to him it was for a Sick Childe cannot neither can it give him any Libertie cause it is to be had in Plentie by them that Pay both great and small Accy.

Neither hath it any ground that by means the best in the Towne might sell without Paying the Excuse, by Reas as above Specified, Except it were out Covetousnesse of money the which moved the said Rutgers, notwithstanding of his being a man of good Estate, because it is Certain that there are many here that doe sell without Paying Excuse, We have therefore good Cause to look out Sharpe to Catch these; for all that is is Reckond to us hear a Crime,

And Because he sayth that I and John Becker doe well know what great Resistance he made to the Indians, in Refuseing to sell them drink, we can not forbear to give our faithfull Testimonie thereabout, which is mentioned in the Declaration No. 1 and doe say further that if we had desired ere now to have had beir in a Jugge or Callabass, we might have had it, But we sought to make the knott fast in every thing.

And he did upon the 10th of Feb. at last Confesse not only to have sold a fanne (that is 2 quarts) of Bier, in a Calabass to the Indians, but likewyes that to Pintes at that time were drunk in his house where he was Present, and did Receive 12 Stivers Z. when we were before his door waiting for the Indians Comeing out, all which we are willing to Declare upon oath,

He likewayes spares the Truth as in many other things, as he sayth in his answere that he let the Indians have the bear out of an Oil Cask for notwithstanding this is not materiall none being here Permitted to sell
strong bier without Paying the Excyse, I say it was of an half vatt half emptie, an Strong bier, which I can Proove by J Provoost sherrife.

I doe admire how he can call himself Inf in this because he did finde himself to have defrauded, the 10th of february Proffering us £800: Z. and 7 or 8 days after he Proffered us £150, and a Tonn of Strong Bier with Charges, and lastely 50g more when we neither Sent for him nor soug him, whereof Johannes Provoost can give sufficient Testimonie, we calling him to us to be Wittnesse to his Proffer, He is an old defrauder of Escyse for tainly know that it hath been his many Yeares agoe, but never could finde out before now, and there are many more know it likeways, but none will Publ vulge it, Therefore our Sufficient in this case ought to take its Effect

He Complaines that we sought to Surprise and bring him, into trouble whereupon we Answer not we him, but rather he to cheat bring us into trouble other ways we could not have so called Trapannd him, and because it is the Collectors and Pachters Pairt as we humbly Conceive to take notice of such Persones, as defraudes the Packt, and they being found out as in this case, they are guiltie of a fine, Therefore we did soe.

Now whereas Rutgers did declare the 9th of this Instant before the Court that he had nothing else to bring in, but this his answer Therefore doe hereat Conclude and deliver up these to your honors and my self under your honors Protection, and doubt not of sufficient maintenance, and the Preventing the great Injurie and blame that I doe here suffer in the Said Quality by both great and small in the Performance of my Masters Service, but nevertheless I am and shall Remain

Your honors most humble and Obedient Servant

Sic Subscribitur Rich: Pretty

Translated out of the Dutch per me
Rot. Livingston Secr.
[ANSWER OF HARME RUTGERS TO THE COMPLAINT LODGED AGAINST HIM BY RICHARD PRETTY]

To the Worshippful Commissari[ ] of Albanie Colony R[ ]selaerswyk etc.

The humble Request of harme Rutgers humbly sheweth, how that I am Summoned by Johannes Provoost by warrant to answer an action that Mr. Pretty and Mr. John Becker have and shall Commence against me, (as they say) concerning the defrauding of the Packt, Therefore doe make my addresse to your Worships to excuse my Self and declare my Innocencie, seeing I never did Defraud a[ ]y Packt, but the case was as followeth

Upon friday, Saturday and Sunday being the 8, 9, and 10th of this month, there came twoo Indians to my house, Pressing hard for a fann or 2 kans of beer, which I did Constantly Refuse, but at last by there hard impor­tunity; and great Complaint of haveing a Sick Childe, I did (out of Pitty and Compassion wee being bound t[ ] doe good to every one according to Chri[ ] Lesson) Lett them have a Callebas what Beer, being the last of an Ulidge* Cask which was to fill up other Cask, by which it cannot appear that I defrauded the Exceyse but to the Contrare it doth Clearly Appear what means I did use to Resist the Indians as the said Collector and Pachter well know, Seeing the did, (as they say themselves hire these Indians, and spent upon them $30 Zewant to Accomplish this Piece of deceitfull bussinesse to Circumvent a Poor Innocent Burger, Yea I say the best burger of the Place may be soe Served, But whether this be honest and Tollerat to serve and handle a Burger soe, I Leave to your Worships Discretion, On the Other side I did see in the Collectors and Pachters Declaration that I should at other times have sold Strong Beer to the Indians, which is false and feigned for there are none in the world can Proove, that as is shewd above how many Subtile and Deceitfull meanes the forsaid Mr. Pretty and Becker have used to Circumvent me and others, as they doe Relate in there Declaracon. Verily it is a bussinesse me thinks, neith[ ] Honourable nor Creditable, for to seek to bri[ ] one in trouble by such a meanes, Therefore doe humbly Request that the said Collector and Packters Demaund may be denied, Cum espressis

* The amount which a cask lacks from being full; also the amount lost through leakage.
Aclamination
Actum in alb.
the 19 feb. 1677/8

Your Humble and
obedient Ser[ ]

Harme Rutgers

This is a true Copy
Translated and Revised
per Me
Robt. Livingston
Secr.

[ENDORSED:]
Harme Rutgers
Against
Mr. Pretty etc.

No: 4
English

[27:72]

[NOTICE OF APPEAL BY RICHARD PRETTY]*

Extract

Out of the Record
Albanie the 22 [ ]
1678.

Appeared before me Ro: Livingsto[n] of Albernia Colonie Ren-
selaerswyk and shaenhech[ ] etc. Mr. Richard Pretty Collector of the
gr[ ] Excys, who declares himself appealant to [ ] Governours
Councell at N: York, because of a certain Judgement Pronounced to his
Charg[ ] by the forsaid Court of Albany the 9th Aprill in which case Mr.
Pretty was cast, and Putts [ ] for security by these Presents (for the
Pros[ ]tion of this Appeale and Paying of damm[ ] and Charges if the

* Another translation of the Dutch transcript by Charles Gehring appears at 27:76, and one
by A. J. F. van Laer of the original court record in ARS 2:314.
appealent loose the C[ ] his Person and goods and likeways the Pers[ ] of Tim: Cooper, and Arnout Corn: Viele [ ] and Severally, there goods moveables, and i[ ]moveables Present and to come, Submitting the Same to the Constraint of all Courts and Judges, Actum in Alb. den 22 Apr[ ] 1678

Was Signed
Rich: Pretty
Tim: Cooper
Arnout Corn: Viele

This is a true Coppy Translated [ ] Revised per me,

Ro. Livingston

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Pretty’s
Appeale
English
No. 5

[27:73*]
[COURT PROCEEDINGS AT ALBANY AGAINST HARME RUTGERS]

To the Worshipfull Commissaries of Albany etc.


The Plantiff Complaines that the defendant (hath amongst the Rest) on the 10th of Feb. Last Sold Strong Bier to twoo Indians for 24 stivers per

* Now numbered 27:69a. For a modern translation see 27:68.
Fann; being upon Sunday night about 7 or 8 of the Clock which Beer he did not enter nor Pay the Excise to the Plaintiff:

Whereupon he sent for the Deft. and told him this, which he Stiffly denyd, but the plaintiff acquainting him, that the Beer was in his Custody, and that he knew and had seen all, then he at last Confessd, excusing himself [ ] the Indians should have said, that they [ ] to goe our of the toun at it.

Item that there were many more that [ ] Strong Bier to the Indians. Whereupon the Plaintiff Replyd, that the Defendant himself did upon friday being the 8th of Feb. sell to the said Indians in his own house 2 Pints beare, which was drunk there, and Received therefore 12 stivers.

Item the 9th of this month being upon Saturday in the beginning of the Evening, his wife sold to the said Indians, one Pint of Beare for 6 stivers which was drunk there, and appointed them to come again that night about Bell Ringing and offered to Sell more Beer in a Callebass or Jugge, which Indians came, but neither the Defendant or his wife were at home

Item upon the 10th of the foresaid month being upon Sunday Towards Evening, his wife sold the foresaid Indians twoo Pints of Beer, which was drunk there, for which they Payd 18 Stivers Conditionally they were to have one Pint more, and said shee would sell more beer in a jugge or Callebass that evening.

Item that the said Indians came that Evening to the Defendants house about 7 or 8 a Clock with a callebass and 30 stivers zewant amongst with there was a chain of 8 stivers black Zewant, which he Received himself and gave the Indians two Pints of Beer, which they Drunk in his Presence, and gave them a fann in the Callebass, being in all six Pints, (the Pint they had to good being Reckond one,) and that the Defendant opend the Door himself, and desired the Indians to goe in the midle of the Street,

The Deft. hearing this so Punctu[ ] of the Plaintife Resolved to aggree[ ] it was expressly bargaind by the Plantiff that if they did aggree, it should not be divulged to no Person in the world, for severall Reasons moveing him thereunto; w[ ] he did Likeways Reveale; to witt: that he did firmly beleeve that he would finde out some others, that sold Strong bier to the Indians, without Paying Excye, and if such were Rumord, his dissign would be broke.

But seeing the Deft. did bid that which was not Considerable for such a Crime no aggreement was made; and seeing [ ] Plantiff doe finde
himself much [ ] by such Defraud, he being Collector for his Master the Governor Generall in the name and behalf of his Royall highnesse the Duke of York, So it is that he is Grievously Wronged, desireing in his Royall highnesse name to have due maintenance, and that the Defendant may be Condemnd in a fine of $800: Z: for the Plantiff with Costs of Suite,

done in N [ ]
the 8 April 1678  Sic Subscribitur —

Your most humble Servant

Rich: Pretty

This is a true Copy Translated and Revised per me

Robt: Livingston Secr.

[ENDORSED:] Mr Pretty Decla[ ]
against
Mr. Ruttgers
N. 1
English
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[27:74]*

[Judgment of the Court at Albany in the Suit of Richard Pretty against Harme Rutgers]

At a Court held
in Albanie the 9th of
April 1678

Richard Pretty Collector of the Great Accys
Complainant Contra

Harme Rutgers brewer Defendant

The Plaintiff Complains that the Defendant hath defrauded the great Accys by selling of strong Bier to the Indians without entring of the Same (according to his own Confession) alledging that such things be not Prevented and the Delinquent Severely fined it will tend to the great Prejud[ ] the forsaid Accys hereafter Therefore Concludes [ ] the Defendant shall be Condemned to Pay unto the [ ]tise the fine of eight hundred gilders Zewant, Cum Expensis.

The Defendant denyes to have defrauded the great Accys, but only to have sold a Callabass of Bier[ ] to twoo Indians, being the Remainder of an Old Cask who did hard Press upon him, urgeing they had a Sick Childe, which he out of Commiseracion could not denie, because of there Importunity, whereby it clearly appeares that he Resisted the Indians, but not defrauded the Packt, as the Packter well knows, b[ ] he Employed the Indians thereunto as himself by giveing of them money which is the way to bring an Innocent Man to Ruin and great Trouble, holding that to be false and feigned, that he should have done soe formerly therefore desireth, the [that] he may be free of the Plantifes Suite, Cum Expensis

The Worshipful Court haveing taken the Case into there Serious Consideracon, doe Judge, whereas the Plantife hath Imployed the Indians as well as the Burger Pachter to Preform such a deceitfull Piece of work, according to his own Confession, and the Defendant haveing done it innocently Therefore doe Deny to give the Plantife his demaunds, and Condemnes him to pay Costs of Suite

By order of the Court

Rot: Livingston
Sect.

Translated out of the Dutch
per me,

Rot: Livingston Sect.

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Rich: Pretty
Complainant Contra
Harrie Rutgers
Deft.
9 April 1678
Albany
No. 2.
English

[27:75]

[ANSWER OF HARME RUTGERS TO THE COMPLAINT LODGED AGAINST HIM BY RICHARD PRETTY. TRANSLATION]*

True Copy

To the honorable lords
magistrates of Albany,
Colony Renselaers-Wyck etc.

Harm[e Rutgers] humbly makes known how I was summoned by a warrant of the schout Joh[annes Provoost] to [answer] a certain action that Mr. Pretty and [John Becker] have and shall bring against me (so [they] say) concerning the defrauding of the excise. Therefore I present myself to your honors to excuse myself completely, because I have never defrauded any excise, but that the matter happened as follows:

Upon Friday, Saturday and Sunday, being the 8th, 9th and 10th of this month, two Indians were at my house on these aforesaid days, pleading strongly for a vaen of beer, which I [constantly] refused them, but finally by their strong pleading and great complaint of having a sick child, I did (out of pity) because one is obligated to do good to everyone (according to the teachings of Christ) sell them a calabash with beer from the dregs of a fetid tub, by which it cannot appear that I defrauded the excise; but on the contrary, it clearly shows with what might I resisted the Indians,

* See 27:71 for Robert Livingston’s translation.
as the aforesaid collector and farmer well know, because (as they themselves say) a few days later they hired these Indians, and gave them $30 to carry out this deceitful business, which is truly a matter of leading an innocent burgher astray, indeed, I say the best [burgher]. But whether it is honest and lawful to treat a burgher in this way, I leave to your honors’ discretion. On the other hand, I saw from the declaration of the collector and farmer that I frequently sold beer to the Indians, which I consider contrived, because no one in the world shall be able to prove it. As is shown above, how many deceitful and cunning means the aforesaid Mr. Pretty and J. Becker have employed in order to lead me and others astray, as they say in their declaration. Truly, it is a business (I think) neither honorable nor useful to try to lead one into trouble by such means.

Therefore, I humbly request that the charge of the aforesaid collector and farmer be denied, all with expenses.

I remain your honor’s humble [ ]
Was signed H: [ ]

Done in N. Albany,
the 19th of February 1677/8.

Agrees with the original,
witnessed by me,
Robt. Livingston, sec.

[ENDORSED]:* Harmen Rutgers: answer
to Rich: Pretty Complainant.
No. 4

Duytch

Harm——
to Rich——

No. 4

Duytch

* in English
[27:76]

[NOTICE OF APPEAL BY RICHARD PRETTY. TRANSLATION]*

Extract from the Protocol of Albany,
the 22nd of April 1678

Before me, Robert Livingston, secretary of Albanie, colony of Renselaerswijck and Schanheghtady, appeared Mr. Richard Pretty, collector of the great excise, who entered an appeal to the grand council at New York from a certain judgment pronounced against him by the honorable court here on the 9th of April 1678, and in favor of Harme Rutgers, and he hereby offers security for the judgment pronounced, and to be pronounced, his person and property, real and personal, present and future, without exception, as well as the persons of Thymot[y Cooper] and Arnout Cornelise, jointly and severally as principals, together with their properties, submitting the same to the control of all lords, courts and magistrates. Done in Albany the 22nd of April 1678.

Was signed:

Richard Pretty
Thymonty Cooper
Arnout Com. Viele

[ENDORSED:]† Mr Pretty
Appell
Duytch
No. 5

[27:77]

[LETTER FROM WILLIAM LOVERIDGE COMPLAINING OF A FINE IMPOSED BY THE COURT AT ALBANY]

Honorable Capt: Brockhost Albany Aprill 23: 1678.

Sir

I Cannot but aquaint you with The great saverity heare shown me: as also The small ground and Reson Therof: I occasionly being Consarned with

* A translation by Robert Livingston appears at 27:72.
† in English
some others in The setting Up of A tree or mayboome before A sartain bridegrooms dore: as here in Albany it being the manner and Custom of The place for which I with The Rest of The Company ware by The scout procicuted against and all Condemned as offenders and Ajudged To pay as a boot* to the scout 30 odde gill: but The sentance past Against me was To pay six Times as much as either of The Rest who ware equaly active and first promoters of the designe: but the Reson of That I know not except being an englishman Sir I Conclude you may have allready heard The full of what was done or actted and Therfore shall not Truble you with The unnesesary Relation of That frivolous action: it being only intended To make some small mireth and for noe other end or designe in the Least: but if it shall be asteemed an offence I shall Then be freely willing To give Justiffaction to The parson against whome the offence is Committed if he shall desire it: but to pay 8 or 10 bevers to the scout who is noe ways Concerned I Cannot but accounpt it A very hard sentance and as I may say The Taking The meat out of my mouth To feede others: and That I who am noe more guilty then others shall be Condemned and Ajudged To pay six Times as much as Those duch men who ware equall offenders with mee is a thing which I Cannot well Understand: neither have I ever seen any Rule In our english Laws here established for such manner of proceedings: but if I shall be Ajudged and Condemned by duch laws or Customes to pay to scouts ther unreasonable demands I Then Conclude I [ ] not the Liberty of Those good and houlsome english Laws under which I owne and Acknowlidge my self subject: which if I have Through Ignorance in the Least broken I shall willingly and freely give what sattisfaction The law Requires: but not The Unreasonable scouts demands: if by any means I Can avoide it: who I be [ ] I humbly desire you would be pleased To Take This my address into your sarious Consideration it being The earnist Request Sir of your honnors most humble Servant.

William Loveridge

[ADRESSED:] These For The Honorable Captain: Anthony Brockhost Commander I[ ]lief In Fort James att

* Dutch boete, fine or penalty
New York

[ENDORSED:] Mr Wm. Loveri[ ]
jun. [       ]
To Captain Brockholes
April 23.
A Letter writte to
C. Sailsbury hereupon
April. 30
1678.

[27:78]

[JAMAICA CONSTABLE'S BILL OF CHARGES FOR
THE CARE OF A DYING INDIAN]

The Constables bill of Charges that he demandeth for trouble with and
Charges about an Indian that dyed in the town of Jamaica as followeth,
For sending A man and horse
to Flushing to the Sherriffe
Calling the overseers and witmesses
to Inquire how the Indyans
demained himselfe

for going to yorke to the
Governor about the Indyan

For going to Rockway to
summons the Sachem and
Summoning a Jury

Necessary Charges for the
Justices

For Victualls and Drinke to
the Indyans

Nathaniell Dentons Demand
for the trouble of his house
and family with the dying
Indyan two dayes and one night
and his tending of him that time
more for nine Indyans that
came to looke after the dyeing Indyan
and trouble of his house with them,
a night and almost a day and their
victualls and drink
for foure men to watch with
him a night

Samuel Riscoes demands
for his going to Rockway
for 2 gallons of Syder [by
the Justices]* Order

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This bill being 3.13.0. is to bee allowed
out of the Rates.

M: Nicolls. Secr.
April 25th 1678.

[ENDORSED:] A Copie of the bill
of Charges about the
Indyan that dyed
at Jamaica, being
proposed to the Councell,
and allowed.

I underwritte it by Order
and gave it to Mr. Nath. Denton.
Apr. 25. 1678.

* Canceled.
[AN ORDER TO EASTCHESTER CONFIRMING THAT MAJORITY VOTE SHOULD RULE]

At a Council April 26, 1678

Whereas there issued forth a warrant dated the 20th day of March past, directed to the deputy Constable of Eastchester, the which by misinformation from Richa. Shute was since contradicted, The same being taken into Consideracion, It is now ordered, That the former Order of the 20th of March doe stand good and bee observed in every particular, and the latter to bee Null, which the Dep: Const. is to returne back hither, and the Inhabitants are to take notice, that in all Votes tending to the publick Good of the Towne, the major vote is to carry the matter, and the minor therein concluded, [Dated in N.Y. this 26th day of April 1678]*

By order of the Council


[OPINION OF MATTHIAS NICOLLS AS ARBITRATOR IN A SUIT BETWEEN ISAAC DES CHAMPS AND JACOB TEUNISSZ KAY]

There hapning lately a difference between Mr. Isaack des Champs and his next neighbor Mr. Jacob Teunis Kay, concerning the Limitts or bounds betwenee their houses and Lotts, about the which not agreeing they were content to put the same to Compromize betwenee indifferent persons of which I was desired to bee one, yet no definitive determinacion being made by them upon their meeting, the one standing to his purchase as it stood in fence and did for divers yeares before, as ever since so hath remained, the other urging the street bounds of the Transport though never before prest upon neither in his or the time of Jonas Bartle his predecessor, Being desired, I make bold to give my opinion that there being no Exception or reservacion at the bargaine making, that the fence ought to bee removed nearer to the house, but the whole sold as enjoyed by Jonas and the Ground not measured out nor the Transports shewne for several months after Mr. Des Champs ought

* Canceled.
to enjoy the Land as it stood and still stands which Jonas did enjoy and though in Mr. Jacobs assignacion to him it refers to the measure mentioned in the Transport from Jonas, the same being never declared what it was, It seems to bee a fallacey, and if the exact measure and dimensions of all other houses and Lotts should be so strictly examined into, many Cavills would bee amongst Neighbors, which long possession and Custome by the Law doth put an End unto and looke upon Mr. des Champs right to begin from the time of the first setting up of the fence between Jonas and Mr. Jacob, which if these were [illegible] in it ought long before this to have beene rectifyde

Matthias: Nicolls

N.Y. Apr. 30. 1678.

[ENDORSED:] 1678
Mr. des Champs
about the difference
betweene him and his
Neighbors
Apr. 30. 1678.*

[PROVISIONS FOR THE SAFETY OF NANTUCKET AND MARTHA'S VINEYARD]

At a Councell held in New Yorke
September the 28th 1675.

Upon the Receit of a Letter sent expresse from the Island Nantuckett, setting forth their small number of People, and the Great number of Indians upon their Island, whereby they apprehend themselves to be in some danger, if their Indians should joyne with those upon the Maine, and did therefore desire two Great Guns and a few Souldiers, —

The Condicion of that Island and likewise of their Neighbours on Martins Vineyard being taken into Consideration;

Resolved, That a great Gunne shall be sent to each of the Islands of Nantuckett and Martins=Vineyard, and likewise the Proclamation concerning the Indyans for Watches, Blockhouses etc. the which are to be punctually observed, but for sending any Souldiers it is not thought Convenient.

* The preceding material was written on the back of the following, which was canceled.
By Order of the Governour
in Councell.

Matthias: Nicolls. Secr.

[LETTER FROM GOVERNOR FRONTENAC OF CANADA TO CAPTAIN SALISBURY ABOUT RETURNING ENGLISH PRISONERS. TRANSLATION]†

Sir,

Mr. de Lusigny, one of the household servants who will deliver this letter to you, I am sending to Boston to command the escort that brings back the English prisoners whom [the savages?] had brought onto [the territory?] of the King of France, my master, with orders to return them, in your presence at Orange, to the hands of Mr. Benjamin Waite, one of the deputies whom Monsieur the governor of Boston sent to me to reclaim them.

I am very pleased, Sir, that this occasion gives me the means to assure you of the fine correspondence I hope to maintain with you and enables me to request the honor of your friendship, in begging you to believe me, Sir,

Your very humble servant,

Frontenac

At Quebec 30 April
1678
Mr. de Salisbury

I would have been upset, Sir, if Sergent Champagne had taken any longer in coming back; he arrived just at the moment I was dispatching the one who brings you this letter. Your letter is so obliging in the offers of friendship that you make me and the care that you took to share with me

* Now numbered 27:81b.
† Translated from the French by Linda J. Pike.
the news that you had received from Europe that I scarcely know how to thank you for it, entreating you to indulge me by repeating the same favor, should the opportunity present itself, and attach a Latin translation to the English as I have done to the French.*

F. F.

[27:82]†

[PASS FOR M. DE LUSIGNY TO ESCORT ENGLISH CAPTIVES TO BOSTON. TRANSLATION]‡

The Comte de Frontenac, Governor and Lieutemant General for his Majesty in Canada, Acadia Isle Troisneuve, and other territories of New France

We have given leave and passport to Monsieur de Lusigny, one of the gentlemen of our household to whom we have given command of the escort of the English prisoners taken by the Sacoquis§ whom we are sending back, to go to Orange and from there to Boston to negotiate with Monsieur the Governor the affairs with which we have entrusted him; we order all those who are under our jurisdiction and beg all others to leave in peace and [illegible] pass the said Monsieur de Lusigny with the escort and the English he is escorting without making any difficulty or obstruction that hinders him, to give them all manner of aid, protection, and assistance, in witness whereof we have signed the present passport to here make him [illegible] the seal of our arms and countersigned by one of our secretaries. At Quebec, the thirtieth April, one thousand seventy eight.

[illegible] Subscribitus
Frontenac
By Monseigneur
[illegible]

[ENDORSED:]** Copie of the Governor of Canada’s

* The present French document is accompanied by a Latin version.
† Now numbered 27:81a.
‡ Translated from French by Linda J. Pike.
§ Sokoki: an Algonquian tribe frequently mentioned during this time period in the Jesuit Relations
** in English
Passeport for Monsr. Lusigny
who convey’d the English prisoners taken
by the Indyans at Hadley, Hattfield etc.
Apr. 30th 1678

[STATEMENT OF M. DE LA CHAMBRE OF THE
STRENGTH OF VARIOUS CANADIAN POSTS]*

Being in a discourse with Monsieur de Cha[ ]bre, (one of Count de Frontenacs Guard) did relate that they had 25 men Officers and all, in Garrison of Quebec and 33 guns in th[ ] Fort, and in the Battery that is below the Fort, whereof 4 of the biggest (of [ ]† bull[ ] were not mounted; At troy Riviers som[ ] very few Gunns and 6 men with a serjean[ ] At Mont Royall likewise a small Fort with 8 men, both Towne[ ] having Governors placed by Frontenac:There are 6 or 8 Captains belonging to the place, who have the Command upon occasion of the Companyes belonging to the Colonye which are rayed in time of Warre and are to bee in readiness[ ] the Fort at Quebec [ ] not now strong, the one of the Bastions being blowne up with pouder last St. Johns day,‡ with the losse of 9 men, and is not yet built up. Hee sayes they have not a strong Fort in Canada, but the Fort Cadarachqu[ ] is strong: The Go: Frontenac hath some 8 or 10 Gent. who doe keepe him Compa. and doe eate at his Table daily, hee hath 16 men to bee his Guard, and all other officers in his house, as our Earles have in England This is what I have learn’t at present having not yet fully discoursed with him, the rest you shall have per the next.

[ENDORSED:] A Relacion of the force at Canada.
from one of the French=men in May—1678.

[COUNCIL MINUTES: TO BE PUBLISHED IN A
VOLUME OF COUNCIL MINUTES]

* The document is in the handwriting of Matthias Nicolls.
† A scribble; possibly “10.”
‡ The Feast of St. John Baptist, June 24, to which a number of pagan Midsummer traditions and customs have become attached, including all night bonfires.
[AGENDA FOR A COUNCIL MEETING]

To be considered by the Council May 1st 1678.

Mr. Backer's letter from Easthampton about a Negro woman's supposed murder of her child.

Capt. Billop about going up the River above Newcastle.

Capt. Cantwell in his Justification about what he was accused of from the whorekill.

C. Mannings petition about what is due in his Sheriffalty, audited, and already allowed.

Mr. Des Champs petition for an Appeal.

Mr. Leete called upon by desire of Mr. Wells, about payment for the Tappers Licences.

Notice of French upon this Isl: suspected to be Rogues or Spies.

Probability of war with France.

Ordered.

[ENDORSED:]

At a Council.
May 1st 1678.

The orders to be written out.

about the Negro don[ ]

[ORDER FOR THE APPEARANCE AT A COURT OF SESSIONS OF THE NEGRO WOMAN ACCUSED OF KILLING HER CHILD]

At a Council held in New Yorke. May 1st 1678

A Letter from Mr. Tho: Backer of Easthampton Justice of the peace dated Apr. 11. 1678. relating the great suspicion that a Negro woman belonging to John Straten of the same place, had murdered her Infant Child which was found dead The same being taken into Consideracion, Ordered That the Master of the Negro woman do give security for her appearance at the next Court of Sessions to be held for that Riding, where she is to
answer the Fact, and to abide the Judgment and determinacion of that Court.

By order of the Councell

[ENDORSED:] At a Councell.
May 1st. 1678.
Easthampton

[27:87]

[ORDER TO SUSPEND PAYMENT TO JOHN MANNING FOR EXPENSES AS SHERIFF]

At a Councell etc. May 1st. 1678.

Upon applicacion made by Capt. John Manning that in all respects having attended his honor the Go: orders as to the stating and auditing the Accounts of his sheriffalty, and the Countrey there in found to bee in his Debt to the Value of 100£ and upwards, the which being reported back by the Auditors to the Governor, was likewise by him allowed of, under his hand and order’d to bee paid out of the Countrey Rates, Whereupon hee desires a speciall warrant to the high Sheriffe of Long Isl: for payment of the summe allowed that thereby hee may bee in a Capacity to discharge other debts, past where of are of publikk Concerne although hee hath beene molisted and Judgment past against him for the same. Upon Consideracion had hereupon and finding the accounts so stated, audited and allowed as presented, but knowing not affaires of the Country Rates soe stand, Nor having any particular direction or Instructi­on to dispose of any part thereof or impose any taxe in the Governors absence. Order’d that the payment of the said summe due unto Capt. John Manning bee deferrd to the Go: returne, which is shortly expected, when the Councell will recommend it to his honor, for a speedy dispatch and Issue.

By order from the Councell.

[ENDORSED:] Order of Councell about C. Mannings debt from the Publick
May 1st. 1678.
LETTER FROM EASTCHESTER DEPUTY CONSTABLE WILLIAM HAIDEN RETURNING A WARRANT (NOT PRESENT)]

Worshipfull Sir

According to your last order sent up ordred by the Counsell in new yorke baring date 26 of April 1678 [ ] make return of that sent by [ ]icherd Shute accordingly inclosed in this paper, not trubling your worship further I rest youre obbliged

William Haiden
debuty Counstable

from East Chester
This 6 of may 1678

[ADDRESSED:] To The Right
Worshipfull
Mathias
Nichols
   in
New Yorke

[ENDORSED:] A returne of the
last warrant from the
Depu[ ] [seal] Const. of
Eastchester
May 6. 1678.

[ORDER FOR SETTLING A BOUNDARY BETWEEN FLUSHING AND JAMAICA]

At a Councell held in New Yorke
May the 7th 1678.

Upon a Complaint from the Constable and Overseers of the Towne of Flushing in the North Riding of Long Island, that their Neighbors of Jamaica having with them appointed a Meeting to perambulate and run the line of the Sounds betweene their Townes, according to the directions of the Law, their said neighbours when they mett on the place refused to attend the Order of the Generall Meeting at Hempsteed, which sett forth their Limitts, but rather chose to stick to an old Indyan purchase, Whereupon they brake off with out effecting what they came about.
The same being Taken into Consideracion Ordered That the Officers of both Townes—doe appeare at the Court of Sessions to bee held in June next where each of them are to shew their rights and pretences, and the Court are desired to put a finall determinacion to the matter in difference hereupon

By order of the Councell

[ENDORSED:] An order of Counsell about the difference between the Townes of Flushing and Jamaica, referr'd to the Sessions.

May. 7. 1678.

[27:90]

[ORDER REFERRING A SUIT BY FLUSHING OFFICIALS AGAINST WILLIAM LAURENCE TO THE SESSIONS]

At a Counsell held in N.Y. the 7th day of May. 1678.

The peticion of the Constable and Overseers of Flushing in the North Riding of Long Isl. complaining of Capt. William Laurences fencing in a Highway belonging to the Towne to the great prejudice of the Neighbourhood, and desiring a stop may bee put to the fencing in of the same untill the next Court of Sessions, when they intend to prosecute their complaint It being taken into Consideracion,

Ordered That a stop bee put to any farther fencing in the place alleadged but to remaine as it is untill the Court of Sessions to bee held at Jamaica in the month of June next, where each party have liberty to put in their Claymes and pretences and the Court are desired to put a period and finall determinacion to the difference in Controversy betweene them

By order of the Counsell

At a Counsell held in N.Y. May 7, 1678.

[ENDORSED:] An Order of Counsell the Const. and Overseers complaining against Capt. Wm Laurence about his fencing in their High way.

May. 7. 1678.
[SENTENCE OF WILLIAM LOVERIDGE BY THE COURT AT ALBANY. TRANSLATION]

Extract from the Register of Court Minutes of Albany, the 7th of May 1678.

Willem Loveridge was also summoned to court and ordered to satisfy the judgment handed down on the 8th of January concerning the erecting of the May tree. To which he answers that he cannot make any and dares not steal, so that they can do with him as they like.

The honorable court hereby expressly orders him to satisfy the judgment to the schout within the space of 24 hours; and if he is unwilling to pay within that time, the schout is hereby ordered and authorized to attach his property and in default thereof to take his person into custody until the time of payment.

By order of the court,
Robert Livingston, secretary.

[ENDORSED:] Judgment concerning the May tree erecters.

21†
May 7th 78.
An order for the Releasement of the prisoner and no farther proceedings to bee hereupon, untill the Go: returne [ ]
further orders from the counsell.

* This document was removed and placed with 27:7 after the 1911 fire. A translation of the original record appears in ARS 2:321.
† The following endorsements are written in English.
[PETITION OF RICHARD OSBORNE OF WESTCHESTER FOR PERMISSION TO FENCE IN HIS LAND AND HAVE TITLE TO A SWAMP]

To Captain Anthony Brockholes, and the rest Off the Coun-cell of the Province of New Yorke.

The Humbly Petition of Richard Osborne.

Humbly Sheweth

That, your Petitioner [ ]ng bou[ ] Certain [ ]k of land Call’d Bates’s Necke, And there being a Peice of swamp adjoying to the said Necke, not yet layd out for any one, the which is very Convenient for watering your Peticioners Cattle, He not haveing any place as yett for that Purpose. Your Petitioner haveing also a great desire to fence in his land to himselfe and to live peaceably and quietly, amongst his Neighbours

Therefore your Peticioner most humbly prayes that your Honors will bee pleased to give your Petitioner Liberty to fence in his land from Sea to Sea leaving a high way from the line that Comes from Westchester to the Passage and Hang a gate, as was granted by Governor Lovelace to your Peticioners predecessor, And that your honors will be pleased to grant unto your Peticioner the said peice of Swamp for watering his Cattle, without which he is not Capable of fencing his land as aforesaid, which if not will be a great damage to your Peticioner, also that your Honors will please to Order the said Towne of Westchester to fence in their feild, Leaving your Peticioner a high way from their said feild to the Common, for his Cattle, Your Peticioner being willing to pay poundage and Damage for any of his Cattle, legally proved to be in their feild they keeping it Sufficiently fenced, Your Peticioner not desiring any Commonage in the said feild so long as fenced, Nor Poundage or Damage for any of their Cattle found in his ground provided they be not unruly.

And your Humbly Peticioner pray for your Honores Prosperity etc.

[ENDORSED:] The Petition of Rich Osburne
[ORDER ON RICHARD OSBORNE'S PETITION]

At a Councell etc. May 8th 1678.

Present
C. A. Brockholes.
The Secr.
Mr. Fr: Philips.

The occasion, a petition from Cap. Richa. Osburne, about a Swampe belonging to the Towne of Westchester neare his Land, said to bee convenient for him. To the which upon summons being sent to the Const. and 2. of the Overseers they appearing pleaded their Interest, and the convenience of it for themselves.

C. Osburne pleades of severall little purchases made by him, as well as of his Int. from his Predecessor with great difference, about Fences and difficulty about their Commonage, C. Osburne saying hee is debarr'd by the Towne.

Upon Consideracion had hereupon

Ordered, That it bee refer'd to the next Court of Sessions to appoint some knowing indifferent Neighbors to judge of their fences and proportion them, and if either shall find themselves aggrieved, to bee heard and determined there.

[ENDORSED:]

A petition from
C.R. Osburne

By order of Councell
to bee refer'd to the next Court of sessions.

May the 8th 1678.

* Drafted on the back of 27:92.
At a Councell held in N.Y. May 8. 1678

Upon a Peticon from Capt. Richa. Osbume, requesting that for his Convenience hee might have the liberty to enclose a lake in a small swamp adjacent to his land almost round about it, which hee pretends will bee no prejudice to the Towne. The Const. and Overseers of the place being likewise summoned to give their attendance here this day, for the better Understanding of the matter, Upon hearing of the Case debated on both parts, and the Allegacions of the peticioner more particularly about their differences as to Fences and his want of his being to the Contrary Ordered That the whole matter in controversy both as to the swamp Commonege and Fences bee referr’d to the next Court of Sessions to bee held at Jamaica to whom it is recommended to appoint some Knowing indifferent persons of the Neighbourhood as a Committee to View and adjudge the matter in difference and ascertain their bounds, and to make returne thereof [__]† two Justices of the Peace of that Riding to bee recomended in court that there may bee a finall determinacion of the Matter, [and if either the Petitioner or Officers of the Towne doe find themselves aggrieved upon any other Concernes betweene them that the same bee presented by way of Complaint to the next Sessions Court who will likewise heare and determine the differences concerning the same

By order of the Councell]‡

[ENDORSED:] An Order of Councell
May. 8. 1678.

A Difference betweene
C. Osburne and the
Towne of Westchester

[MEMORANDUM:] Letters of Adm: granted to Dirck van Clyff for and on behalfe of Greetje Dircksen

* Now called 27:93a(2).
† Faded and indecipherable.
‡ The material in brackets was crossed out in the original.
The like to Hendrick Willems and David Wessells in trust for the persons he hath bequeathed his Estate unto.

[27:94]

[SUMMONS TO MR. WANDALL FOR REFUSING TO RELEASE A HOUSE TO SUSANNAH GARLAND]

The order for the Negroe woman of [*] about the murder of her child.

Huntington Orders of Councell.
Oysterbay and Muskitoe Cove Bills.†

Mr. Wandall

Upon the Complaint of Mrs. Susannah Garland that having hired a house of you[*] in this Towne, the which shee was to enter in[*] upon May day, shee is kept out upon pr[*]tenc[*] of its being hired to another, the which [*] Very much to her detriment, I am ord[*] to give you notice to bee here in Towne [*]morrow being Thursday to take some Order therein, of [*] which you are not to fayle.

May 8. 1678.                           Your Very Lo. friend

This was to have beene sent on Saturday last.

[ENDORSED:] My notice for Mr. Wandall about Mrs. Susannah Garland.

May. 8. 1678.

* It appears to say “Southate,” perhaps intended for Southampton. However the case mentioned elsewhere in these records occurred in Easthampton. Another possibility is that it represents the name of the owner, [John] Stratton.

† All the material down to here was crossed out in the original.
Worshipfull Sir my humbell respeckt to you yesterday in the evening the Cunstabal and overseeres haveing Ameeting John Graedg being one of the overseeres haveing denieed a publicke order and himsellfe consenting to it now refuesing the sayed order soe that the constabell and my sellfe toald him that thare must be made adestrane dost to make satisfacktion his answer to the cunstabal and my sellfe was that if the cunstabal or any one should com to destrane it should be upone thare perill with many other thretining words soe that if wee should let it pas others would give us the same answer soe that wee should have noe towne order cept tharefore I thoft it very convenyant to aquant your worship with it, leving of it to your sellfe
I rest your abledged Friend to Comand

Richard Stillwell

Gravesand
MAY the 11. 1678.

[ADDRESSED:] This Fore his worshipfull frend Captin Mathias Nickalls Att his howes in New yorke

[ENDORSED:] C. R. Stillwell May. 11th Gravesend. Answer sent by Wm. Compten to prosecute the destrain.

* The reading is uncertain; perhaps it was intended for John Griggs (see Andros Papers, 1674–76:174).
Honored Sir.

Captain Salisbury hath shown us your Letter of the 30 April Last Past, wherby we understand your discontentment of our Proceedings in the Case of Wm Loveridge, which we humbly Conceive doth arise by the misinformacion made to you by him, and others, Therefore we have thought Convenient to give you a Right understanding of the bussinesse, and to that end doe hereby send down all Proceedings thereanent which when Perrused and Rightly Considerd, how that he was the only Inventer and Master Contryver of said bussinesse, as they all Confesse, intended only in Derision, which if tolerated and not Punishd, would Proof of bad Consequence for the future, We doe not doubt, but you maintain and Approve what we have boute, which was to Prevent all such misdemeanours herefter, and we all doe well Know that he hath been a turbulent and troublesome Person formerly, which we could Proof and Produce severall Testimonials of how that he accused us, of not doing of Justice, and not Practiseing the English Law, Not only now but in the former Sherriffe or Scoutes time (as Mr. Sistons Commission is worded by the Governor) who had a Judgement of Court against him did then [ ] dared Putt the same to[ ] is his father’s Sonne, Therefore we [ ] you will not Lay so much hold of any Private Persones Writeing, and so dissanull a Sentence Pronounced by us, which would for the future occasion much trouble to you and us both, and to show our Impartiality in the Case, we Sent for him Last Court day to [ ] he would not fulfill the Sentence, whose backward and stoutt answer, we have here likeways sent Inclosed whereupon we gave order, that if he would not give Satisfaction to the Sheriff or Scout in the time of 24 houres that he should be Secured as was accomplishd the 10th Instant, and Confined in a Chamber of the Court house till he make Satisfaction, A[ ] Concerning the Sheriff or Scout who is not only Putt in by us, but by the Commander alsoo, and that Conditionally upon his hon the Governors Approbation, and if not now Confirm’d, that then another may be Putt in whom you think Convenient Therefore to Conclude we desire that, that which we have herein Acted, may not be ill Resented by you [ ] Rather Confirmd, as we doe not doubt [ ] (in his honors absence) maintain [ ] all our Priviledges and legall Proceedings we would have ordred the Inclosed Papers to be translated but the Sloop would not Stay, noe more at Present we Remain
Alb. the 17 May 1678

Your honors most humble and Obedient Servants the Commiss: at A[

By Order of the same

Rot: Livingston Secr.

[ADDRESSED:] Capt. An: Brockholes
Deputy Governor
at
Fort James
in
N: York

[ENDORSED:] from Albany
from the Comes[ ]
at Albny the 22
[ ] May 1678

[ ] the Commissary[ ]
[ ] Letters
[ ]
Brockholes
May 13 [seal]
1678

To bee answered as
not approved of.

[27:97]

[PETITION OF TEMPERANCE LOVERIDGE ON HER SON WILLIAM’S BEHALF]

To the Honorable Captain Anthony [

Governor

The Humble Petition of Temperanc[

sheweth that it is absolute necessity by[ ] hus[ ]and is absent that make mee in ab[ ]implore your honours tender compassion o[ ] my Sonne William: whoe in steed of wee [ ] benifitt by your honours ben[ ]volent retur[ ] Capt. Salisbury [ ] Capt. [ ]

by the Arbitrament (for soe I must needs call [ ] of Capt. Salisbury and Comissaries or boots, Therefore in this condision (by the wilfull
misunderstanding of your hon[ ] Advice on their parts) I humbly Begge your hon[ ], to order the matter (which your honour has [ ] dersed of) that my distressed Child in a[ ] enlarged from bodilye thr[ ] I dom and have a Car[ ] Superior Authority then the[ ] deale wit[ ] Ret[ ] on[ ] Serveant [ ] at all wayes d[ ]

Albaney the: 13: Maye 1678. Temperance Lover[ ]

13 May
1678 *

[27:98]

[NOTE TO ANDREW NORWOOD TO SURVEY A LOT FOR PETER CROISSONS ON STATEN ISLAND]

May 14. 1678.

I writte a note (upon Peter Croissons peticion to C. Brockholes to Mr. Andr. Norwood, the Surveyor to lay out a Lott for him up[ ] Staten Isl. neare the Long Neck by the [ ] Kill, he having beane formerly abated b[ ] Robert Rider therein, and his old neighbo[ ] of Harlem having beene unkind to him, [ ] ring his returne of what's due.

M. N. S.

[ENDORSED:] [ te writte to Mr. Andrew Norwood to lay out a piece of land at Staten Isl. for Pieter Croissons etc.

May 14. 1678.

* Date pencilled in a modern hand.
WOODBRIDGE 15 MAY 1678.

Honored Sir

Understanding that there is one Delloryee by name a frenchman haveing absented himselfe from the place of his aboade at Woodbridge Last night and gonn towards Long Island in your Government being suspected to bee runn away there fore my earnest Request is that you would bee pleased to assist the Bearer heere of Mr. Shampaine in what you may in doing which you will much oblige

Honored Sir

Your most humble Servant

Laprairis

[ADDRESSED:] For
The Honorable
Captain Brockers
Governor at
New York

[ENDORSED:] Monsr. La Prairé
to Capt. Brockholes
about one run away
from Woodbridge

May. 15. 1678

JOHN SHAKERLY, GREETINGS

Your letter of the 28th of April was duly delivered to me. This serves as a reply that I am not inclined to loan out one stiver there. Therefore I request that you be pleased to follow the written orders that I have given you. Whatever you are unable to sell for cash, bring back; and I shall be most satisfied to receive the payment obtained for my goods, because
the goods here have risen 25 percent in the meantime. Please ship those in the South River for my account so that Mr. Griffit or others should not think that you paid me the best [price]. According to your instructions I have paid, to wit: to Pieter Pietersz 150 gl. and to Hendrick Fredricksz 127 gl., together £277 for their monthly wages.

Pieter Bayard, who has arrived here today, reports that your intention was to go directly from there to the Hoerekill, and then to come here. Therefore I have not sent the requested goods, and shall wait here for your further instructions. Please constrain Swager* Alrichs for my payment as per account, or by failure of this I shall be obliged to send a procuration in order to demand the same from him by means of legal action, which, I think, he certainly can prevent. I took care of the errand with Mr. Griffit, who seemed to be satisfied. Until your arrival here, I presently have nothing more than cordial greetings. Commending you to God's protection,

New York, the 16th of May 1678

I remain

Your devoted friend

Francois Rombouts.

[ADDRESSED:]†
To Mr. John Shakerly
Merchant present att
N: Castell
In
Delware

* Brother-in-law. Records of the Reformed Church in New York show that Pieter Alrichs married Maria Wessels. Francois Rombouts married Maria's sister Aeltje, and after her death married in 1675 Anna Elisabeth Mascop, widow of Wamaer Wessels the brother of Maria and Aeltje.
† in English
[REPORT OF THE ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING BY WILLIAM TELLER
OF A CATSKILL INDIAN WOMAN]

Upon the 16th day of May 1678

There is a certain Katskills Indian Woman shott dead at the house of Mr. Wm. Teller Burger in t[ ] town, when[ ] the Sheriffe the Secretary and Co[ ]staple by or[ ] of the Court [ ]ent to the hous[ ] to take Information which way it came to [ ] So it is, that the said Wm. Teller Senior Confessed to [ ] Shott the said Indian squaa Innocently as follows.

Vizt. Whereas his sonne Johannes came in, and did Report, that the Sergeants and Corporalls were going about to Visit the armes, whereupon Mr. Teller steps to the Room, where his armes were, and said are not the Gunns fix’d, and took a gunn from the wall which was the gunn his Sonne Paulus had had abroad that Morning shooting Pigeons which was loaden with Pigeon Shott, which he did think to be his own gunn which he verry well knew was unloaden, and Pulling back the Cock, it slip’d out of his hand, as he was standing in the Inner Room, of his littell house, at which time the Indian Squaa came in att the Utter door, and when shee was near the door of the Inner Room, the G[ ]nn went off he[ ] owing that there were any [ ] there [ ]ing about him did see to his [ ] that a Indian Squae was there, who said, I am d[ ] I am dead, whereupon another Indian Squae took he[ ] by the hand but she fell down to the Ground, and [ ]o his [ ] great Sorrow dyed immediatly in his house, all which he Confesseth to have come to Passe, declareing that it was Verry Innocently done, and humbly Submiteth himself to the Judgement of the Court

Actum in Albany at the house of the said Wm. Teller, datum ut Supra

In Presence of me
Robert Livingston Secr.

[ENDORSED:] Alb. 16 May 1678
Information
about Wm. Teller
and the Squaa that is killd
N. 1.
[VERDICT OF THE JURY IN THE ABOVE CASE]

Whereas we underwritten Jury men are sent to the house of Wm. Teller to take Information how it came to Passe that this day a Certain Catskills Indian Squaa is soo Wounded with Shott, out of a gunn, that shee Immediatly dyed upon it; in his house, and [ ] as there were none Present but the Nege[ ] and his Sonne Johannes Teller, The negerin sh[ ] declares as followeth vizt.

That shee was gone up the Stares in the fore Room with a bagg to the Garritt, and as shee was Comeing down, heard a gunn goe off, but not knowing from whence it came, and heard immediatly a Indian Squa Cry out.

Johannes Teller declareth that hee came in and told his father, that the burger officers were goeing about, to Visit the armes, whereupon his father immediatly went to the gunns to see that they were clear and takeing a gunn in his hand, went off Immediatly, but did not see there about any Indian Squaa, nor any body else

Wm Teller Confirmes what his sonne hat[ ] only that in lookeing to the Gunn, did think[ ] had his oun gunn in his hand, which he [ ] not loaden.

His wiff and daughter Mrs. Susanna, dec[ ] that they were in the fore Room of the G[ ]house and did hear the shott, and further knoweth not.

Alb. the 16 May 1678

We underwritten Jury men doe declare to have Ripely Considerd and Perrused the Papers deliverd to us, and doe Judge in Conscience, and can finde nothing else bot that the Case betwixt Mr. Teller and the Indian Squaa is donne, in all Innocence.

Sec Subscriptur
Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst foreman
Gerritt Swart
Jan Verbeek
Adriaen Gerritse
Hans Hendrix
Jan Vennagen
Pr. Bogardus
Timo. Cooper
MINUTES OF A COURT HEARING IN THE ABOVE MATTER

Att a Speciall Court held in Albany
the 16th of May 1678.

Whereas [ ] a certain Indian Woman Shott deat att the house of Mr. Wm. Teller burger in this toune, whereupon the Sheriffe Secr. and constaple were fortwith sent there to take Information what way it came to Passe, who doe Report that it is done Verrie Innocently; by the said Wm. Teller, according to his own Confession, seeing he did not know that the Gunn was loaden, which went off Unnawares, neither did hee See any bodie when it went of, as can be seen by said Informacion.

Whereupn the Court fortwith orderd a Jury of Inquest to be calld, who were Sworne, to Search, Inquire, and try, what way it came to Passe, and give in there Verdict to the Court that the Law may be fullfilled, and doe Consist of these 12 men

Gerrit Van Slichtenhorst foreman
Gerritt Swart
Jan Verbeek
Adriaen Gerritse
C: hans heynndrix
Johan Vinnagen
Pr. Bogardus
Tim: Cooper
Barent[Ry]nde[rse]
hend Cu[yler]
Jan Becker
Aernout Cornelise

* Latin, agrees with original
And whereas the Court are Inform'd that there were 3 Indians Present they though good to Examine them in the Presence of Mahikanders Sachems, and Jury

Cassorachkenit a north Indian being examind doth say that he was in the Entrie of the Small house, when the Gunn was fyred Whereupon he forthwith went to see the Wound, hearing the Indian Squae crye out, I am dead; I am dead; who was held up by my squae, and soe fell to the Ground, but says that there was never any difference or quarreling word betwixt the said Teller and the Squae.

P[ ]herro squa[ ] to the forsaid Cassarochkenit, Conformes and agrees with all that her husband sayth, and saith that there was never no badd words Past betwixt Teller and the said Squaa,

Wampieroask a Mahikander Squae being examin'd doth say that shee came by Mr. Tellers door, in Companie with the Indian Squae that was shott, who was calld in by his daughter, because shee had Indian Corn, who went in att the Utter door of the litle house, and soo Passed through to the middle door, and the Indian Squa which was shott followed her, and being just oppositt, to the Inner door received the Shott but never did hear that there were any quarrell or difference betwixt Teller and the Squaa

The abovesaid Examinacion being done in Presence of the Sakamakers and propounded to them how innocently the Indian Squaa was Shott, Therefore Require them forthwith to bury her, and doe give £50 zewant.

The Indians doe answer and say that they are well Contented and have good Satisfaction, because they know well that it was not done willfully.

The Jury men Comeing to Court, doe declare they have tak[ ] full Informacion of the matter and have Examined every one in the house, as is to be seen by there Examinacio[ ] at Large, and haveing Ripely Considerd all the bussinesse, doe Judge in Conschience, that the matter betwixt Mr. Teller and the Indian Woman is done most Innocently.

The Worshipfull Court, haveing taken the matter Concerning Wm. Teller's shooting of an Indian[ ] into there Serious Considercon, do Confirm and [ ] the verdict of g[ ] that is [ ] can be term'd nothing els but chanc[ ] medling, ha[ ] therefore Sent for the Indians, and Propounded th[ ] Case to them, who are Verry well Satisfyed, Not Withstanding the Court doe think good, to Referr the whole matter to the Governors Councill in N: York, and to have your
Judgement in the Case, in the mean time Wm Teller is orderd to be Confind In his house, till such time as the Court shall have Receiv’d answer and orders from: N: york how and what way they shall Act in said bussiness, which is expected by the very first;

By Order of the Court
R[ ]bert Livingston Secr.

[ENDORSED:] Alb. 16 May 1678
Proceedings at a
Speciall Court
at Alb.
about Wm. Teller.
Referrd to the
Councell
N. 3

[LETTER FROM RICHARD WOODHULL REPORTING A RUMOR OF AN INTENDED ATTACK BY FRENCH AND INDIANS]

I thought it my dutie to informe you of what Mr. Tomson and the wife of John Coe hath declared to me concerning an Indian who lives on the maine land being a proprietor of Setak that the french at Cannada and the Indians on the maine have made a combination this Summer to cut of the english I have not had the Indian in examination as it, but desire to acquainyt you with it first, and know your advics in it before I stire in it to disturb the Indians, I suppos the Indian might Speak it in hops to geet drink, I humble request that you would be pleased to send som directions about it that it might stop the mouthes of timeroos people that are redy to tak up every report for truth though ther may be little in it Thus with my service presented to Capt. Brock[ ] I rest

Your humble Servant
Rich[ ]d [ ]ll

Recd. May 1[ ]678
brought yesterday

M M*

* The final note and initials are in Matthias Nicolls’s hand. Of course he intended to write MN.
[ADDRESS:] For Capt. Mathias Nicols Secretary at New York these

[ENDORSED:] Mr. Richa. Woodhull Seatalcott May. 17. 1678

23.

Thought fitt by the Councell to examin[ ]
the Indyan [ ]
grounds of the Report without troubling
the other Indyans answered

May. 22. 1678

[LETTER FROM THE ALBANY MAGISTRATES ABOUT THE CASES OF WILLIAM TELLER AND WILLIAM LOVERIDGE]

May it Please your Honors

The Occasion of our now troubling your honors is because a Certain Accident fell out here in Toun the 16th Instant, by one Wm. Teller who by Chance killd an Indian Squaa, and after due Inquisition (as is usuall in those affares) can find it nothing but chance medling,* but we have though good [ ] doun all the Papers, to your honor Expecting [ ] an answer and orders what way to act in said bu[ ] and have confined said Teller in his house, till fu[ ] order, as can be seen by our Proceedings at a Speciall Cour[ ] calld to that Intent herein Inclosed.

We have answerd Capt. Brockholes Letter to Capt. Salisbury dated 30

* An error for “chance medley”: a homicide by misadventure, the act being unintended and unpunishable although perhaps not entirely guiltless. The writer is Robert Livingston, who makes the same mistake in 27:103.
April, the 13 Mey last and sent it by Mews Hoogeboom, but doe hear he is no farther yet than Catskill, there haveing been a hitherly* winde here ever since, we hope that your Honors will take the Case into your Serious Consideracion, for if soo bee that our Judgement in this matter of Wm. Loveridge doe not take its effect, but bee disanulld by your h: (which we are Confident of the Contrare, if your h. Peruse the matter will be of our Opinion) we should be in a Sad Condition, and threatened by every body, who have not there oun desire and Satisfaction, would forthwith make there addresse to you, and if they should come Speed, as Wm Loveridge thinks he shall being soe stout, and will stay there and dye there and several worse Expressions, it would be off bad Consequence, for he says he is assured on What groundes he Stands, and that he will be Released in such a short time honorably etc. Therefore we desire to be maintaing in what we have herein done, and that he may be severely cheerd† for so Complaining with out a Cause, to prevent all future missdemeanours of that nature, No more at Present but shall Remain

Alb. 20 may your Honors 1678.
Most humble and obedient Servants
the Commissaries of Alb. etc.

Philip Schuyler
Richd: Pretty

[ADRESSED:] Capt. Antho. Brockholes
and Councell
at
N: York

[ENDORSED:] The Commissaryes to
C. Brockholes and the
Councell
Alb:
May 20. 1678.
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* Toward this place. The wind is blowing northerly and Hoogeboom, of course, is trying to sail south.
† We find no evidence of this word ever having been used as a synonym for discipline or chastisement. Perhaps he has in mind chare (variant spellings chere, chearre), to change one's course.
At a Council May 22d 1678.

Upon the receipt of letters from the magistrates of the town of Newcastle in Delaware about the alterations begun to be made by Major John Fenwick on the east of the river where contrary to his engagement and parole he hath acted by assuming a pretended power to himself, the same being taken into consideration, to prevent any mischief that may happen upon that account.

It's ordered that a messenger be forthwith sent express to the commander and justices at Newcastle in Delaware who are to give notice to the said Major Fenwyck, that according to his parole, he forbear the assuming any power of government to himself, on the east side of Delaware River, or any where else in those parts, unless he can produce more authentic power out of England then he hath yet done, which ought first to be made known to the governor in this place and in case of refusal, the said commander and justices are hereby required to order the said justices to come to New Yorke within the [ ] of 28 days to make answer of all that shall be alleged against him on that behalf and for breach of his parole which if he deny to do that then the said commander and magistrates doe use force, to secure his person and send him hither without delay.

By order of Council
M. N. Secr.

[ENDORSED:] A copy of the
Order of Council
concerning Major
Fenwyck.
May 22, 1678.

The order of Council
about Major Fenwyck
May 22th, 1678.
ORDERS RELATIVE TO THE CASES OF RICHARD PRETTY, WILLIAM LOVERIDGE, WILLIAM TELLER, AND JOHN FENWICK]

At a Council etc. May. 22. 1678.

Upon Consideracion had of the Meritts of the Case, concerning Mr. Richa. Pretty's Appeale to th Go: and Council, from the Judgment of the Court of Commissaryes at Alb. about the Informacion brought by him as Collector and John Becker as Farmer or Pachter of the great Excise there against Harmen Rutgers Brewer, It is order'd That the whole matter bee deferr'd untill his honor the Governor retume, who is more particularly concerned therein, and may bee daily expected All farther proceedings therein to bee stopt in meane time.

By order etc.

At a Council etc. May. 22th. 78.

Upon a Complaint of Wm. Loveredge a prisoner committed a prisoner into the Custody of the Officer at Albany by the Commissaryes for Non payment of a fine imposed upon him for a misdemeanor of scandall, the which was recommended by the Council for a Mitigacion as seeming to them to bee an unusuall if not an arbitrary proceeding but no Notice taken thereof.

Upon Consideracion had of the Case, although the Fact is not allowed It is ordered That the said Wm. Loveredge bee forth with releast out of prison, hee giving sufficient security to bee of the good behaviour and to answer the Fact hee stands accused of before his honor the Governor, In meane time no fine to bee levied, or farther prosecucion of this matter against him.

By order etc.

At a Council etc. May 23.

The Case of William Teller of Albany concerning the shooting of an Indyan Squaw of Cattskill out of a Gun whereof shee dyed immediately, being transmitted hither by the Court of Commissaryes who having made due Inquisicion into the matter and manner thereof by Examinacion of all persons both Christians and Indyans who could give any Testimony

* Now numbered 27:108b.
therein, and also by the Verdict of 12. good men upon their Oathes, as a Corners Inquest who did Acquitt the said Wm. Teller of the fact, to bee other than a meere accident and the Court adjudging it likewise to bee Chance Medley, however have Confined the said Teller to his house untill a Returne from hence, the Councell upon due Consideracion doe Concurr with the Judgment of the Court at Alb., of w[ ]ich proceedings here[ ]n they doe approve, and thinke it reasonable the said Wm. Teller bee releast of his Confinement, but that hee pay all Charges occasioned by this unhappy accident.

By order

At a Councell. etc. May. 22d.

Upon the Receit of Letters from the Magistrates of the Towne of Newcastle in Delaware, about the alteracions begun to be made by Major John Fenwyck on the Eastside of the River where contrary to his Engagement and Parole hee hath acted by assuming a pretended Power to himselfe, the same being taken into Consideracion, To prevent any Mischeife that may h[ ] that account.

It is ordered That a Messenger bee forthwith sent expresse to the Commander and Justices at Newcastle in Delaware, who are to give notice to the said Major Fenwyck, according to his Parole that hee forbeare the assuming any power of Government to himselfe on the East side of Delaware River, or any where else in these parts unlesse hee can produce more authentick power out of Engl. so to doe then hee hath yet done which ought first to bee made knowne to the Governor in this place, and in Case of Refusall, The said Commander and Justices are hereby required to Order him to come to New Yorke within the space of [blank] dayes to make answer to what shall bee alleadged against him on that behalfe and for breach of his parolle which if hee deny to doe that then the said Commander and Magistrates doe use force to secure his person, and send him hither without delay.

By order etc.

At a [ ]ell etc.

[ENDORSED:] Orders of Councell etc.
Alb. and Newcastle
May 22. 1678.
27:
Delivered to the Prisoners that came from Canida some Beefe and Pork from the Garrison to witt

30 lb. Beef @ 10st. per lb. \(f15:-:--\)
15 lb. Pork @ 15 quarts of Pease \(f15:-:--\)
\(f30:-:--\)

Alb.

Ao 1678

May 22th

The french men that came here with the Prisoners of N: England from Canida had ane anker of wine at Severall times when here and upon there Voyage to Canida, is 3 Beres. 

\(zf72:-:--\)

and Beefe and Pork amounts too \(30:-:--\)

Somma in Z \(f102:-:--\)

Silve: Salisbury

[ENDORSED:] Capt. Salisburys
Accompt
Accompt of Charges upon the French Gentlemen
that Dyet at my house

Ao.
1678

May
Wednesday 22 To one meal for 8 men @ 50 stivers Z is 20
Thursday 23 To 2 meales for 8 men @ 50 stivers per meal 40:
Friday 24 To 2 meales for 8 men @ 50 stivers per 40:
Saturday 25 To 1 meal at noon for 8 men 20:
      25 To 1 meal at night for 6 men 15:
Sunday 26 To 2 meales for 6 men at 50 stivers 30:
Munday 27 To 2 meals for 6 men 30:
Tuesday 28 To 1 meal for 4 men 10:

Accompt of wine which they drunk at table

May 22 Of Armount Cornelise Viele 8 ¾ kans
   seck @ 4 gl zewant 35:
Of Jurian Teunise 46½ kans french wyne
   at 2 gl 10 stivers per kan 116:5:
Of frederik Phillips 1 kan of seck 3:
of Jurian Teunise 3 kans Brandywyn @ 6 gl 18:
To 2 half vatts bier f 33:

Accompt of Bread delivered to the New England
people that came from Canada

May 22 To 12 Loaves whyte bread at 7 stivers f4:4:
To 3 Loaves broun do 32 lb. weight 8:
   5 stivers per pound
To 6 loaves white bread a 7 stivers per Loave 2:2:
     14:6

The frenchmen Dyet f205.
Fort Albany 30 Mey and Drink 205:5:
1678 Somme in Zewant 424:11

Anthoine Lespinard
Antho. Lespinard  
Accompt of  
Charge  

Several accounts of  
Charges at Alb: by  
the french that came  
with the English Captives. 
sent downe hither  
July. 15. 1678. 

Accompt of Charges of three french  
who Lodged at my house  
May 22  
For 3 mens dyet 1 week @ 1 bev: per week  f 72:-:-  
For 22 kans wyn of Jurian Teunise @  
2 gal 10 stivers per kan  55:-:-  
For 4 mutches Brandy  04:-:-  
For 2 Kans Rom @ 5 gl Z  10:-:-  

Somme in Zewant  f141:-:-  

Omy La:  
Grang mark  

Omy La Grangie  
Accompt  

The frenchmen that came from Canida with the  
Prisoners at ther Arrivall had 8 kans seck  
by Capt. Salisbury order is  
Z f32:-:-  

May 22.1678  
Arnout Corn: Viele  
in Alb.  

Aernont Corn:  
Accompt
Fort Albany the 24th of May 1678

Captain Brockhols

Sir I have here in Closed all that I Cold gathere from one of the french as he haith Relaited it from his one moath, what strength and how stronge thay Are in Cannada, heere is noe new thing to Acquainte you with, more then what I have witten to you by the Expres only the Laste night Young Craven that Liveth with John the Trumpeter RUNe away from hime the Laste night. and haith took with hime all his Cloethes, but what the Acation is betwixte his master and hime I Cannot Lerne, I have Given hime an order to pershew hime, he thinking that hee is gonn Into New England and if founde to bring hime backe, the bearers of this Letter being tow of the Company that Came from Cannada haith: a: Desire to Goe to New Yorke and to speake with you, which Have a desire to Come and Live in these partes, soe you may give them what answer you see Conveanent there Names is as folloeth—

Gylion Davis: Peter: Montray and those that doe the goe to New England doeth Intend to goe forwards on munday folloing with the people that was taken prissoners and the Reste Retornes againe to Cannada: I having noe more at present but that I am your humbl Servant

Silve: Salisbury

* See 27:115.
‡ Jan van Loon
Gent.

I received yours of the 13th directed to mee alone, and another of the 20th to mee and the Councell. Your former seemes in part to make answer to what I writte to C. Salisbury April 30, which hee as directed communicated to you, wherein I did signify not to bee well satisfiye in your Proceedings against William Loveredge, it likewise was the opinion of the Councell The which it seemes you tooke little notice of, but on the contrary prosecuted your former Judgment to the height by Imprisoning the person you had condemn’d for Non-payement of the full Fine instead of a Mittigacion recommended to you by several Arguments justifying your Proceedings therein and aggravating his Offence, The latter part of your 2d letter is to the same p[ ] least the other should have miscarryed [ ] not come timely enough, In both pressing to bee maintained in what you have done least your representacion should bee diminished and to avoide trouble to your selves and us too; The whole matter having beene consider’d of by the Councell, upon mature deliberacion they have thought fitt to remitt the matt[ ] to his honor the Go: determinacion as by the enclosed Order [ ]ill find, Not that they doe approve of the idle scandalous Action, hee and the rest were guilty of, nor to justify him in any Neglect of paying you as a Court the re[ ] hee ought to give, neither are his impertinen[ ] and presumptuous speeches of being a[ ] hand from [ ] imprisonment allowed of, but will rather prove aggravacion against him, when a farther hearing of the Case shall bee but the Councell haveing given their opinions in the Matter before that it should bee referred to the Go: determinacion and being a Case somewhat extraordinary, they see no reason to alter it now. In the meane time doe not condemn you in what you have done or in the least undervalue the proceedings of your Court being assured of your Integrity to ayme to doe right and equall Justice to all men, but probably there being some differences in the administracion of Justice betweene as to some particulars betweene the Engl. and Dutch Lawes and Customes No person can sooner bring the matter to Rights then the Go: himselfe who
is acquainted with both And Wm. Loveredges Releasement [ ]ll not bee so honorable [ ]* the good behavior and to give security which are the Condicions of his being Releast.

For the buisness of your Schout or Sheriffe the Councell did thinke it being a place at the Go: disposall, that they might have been worthy the making acquainted there with in his absence before your settling him with the advice of the Commander but the Go: will shortly judge of that himselfe, so shall no farther Concerne ourselves thereof

The proceedings you have sent downe about the unhappy accident of Wm. Teller killing the Indyan Squaw, are approved of, especially since the Indyans related to her are so well satisfyde, but whether will not expect some further satisfaction you know bes[ ] and it is left to your discrcion to consider therein so I take leave and remain

your most humble servant

[ENDORSED:]

Copie of a Letter
to the Commissaryes
of Albany.
May. 24. 1678

In answer to
theirs of 13th

[27:114]

[LETTER FROM GOVERNOR FRONTENAC, WITH THE RETURN OF SOME FORMER PRISONERS OF CANADIAN INDIANS]‡

Sir,

The letter you did me the honor to write me on the 28th of February is so civil, and the offers you make me so obliging that I was delighted that the return of the English taken prisoners by the Indians, whom I am having conducted back to Orange, gave me an earlier opportunity than I might have hoped for to thank you for it.

* Parts of this sentence are indecipherable.
‡ The first is a modern translation by Linda J. Pike; the second is a contemporary translation in Secretary Nicolls's handwriting.
I learned form the return of those I had sent to Boston, and by the letters of Mr. Levret, * the governor, and the gentlemen of the Council that the Frenchmen whose return I was seeking had been released, and Mr, Salisbury's letter informed me that Governor Andros had arrived in good health in London in five weeks' time.

I wish him a similarly fortunate return and to find opportunities to be able to prove to him (and to you) my desire to maintain always an active correspondence, in showing both of you how much I am, your very humble sevant

Frontenac

To Mr. Brockholes,
Commander of New York

[ENDORSED:]†
Copie of the Go. of Canadas Letter to C. Brockhols.

without date.
Received May. 31. 1678.

Sir.

The letter you did mee the honor to write mee of the 28th of February Last, is so civill and the offers you make mee so obliging, that I am very glad this occasion of my sending backe those English taken Prisoners by the Indyans, to Albany now present, the sooner to retume you my thankes, then I could have thought.

I understood by the return of the persons I sent to Boston as also by the Letters from Go: Leverett and the Councell, that the french men, I sent to enquire after, were releast, and by that from Captain Salisbury that Go: Andros arrived well at London, in 5 weekes time.

I wish him a retourne as happy, and that I may finde meanes, to shew both to him and you, the desire I have always to hold a good Correspondence, in testifyeing both to the one and the other how much I am

* John Leverett
† In English on the French copy.
Sir

Your thrice humble

Servant

Frontenac

That I am glad, the sending back of the English taken prisoners by the Indyans, (who I cause to bee conducted to Orange) hath furnisht mee with an opportunity to return you thankes sooner than I expected.

[ENDORSED:]* Copie of the Go: of
Canada’s Letter to
C: Brockholes translation into Engl:

[27:115a]

[LETTER FROM CAPTAIN SALISBURY REPORTING THE ARRIVAL OF THE FORMER CAPTIVES, AND INFORMATION ON CANADIAN MILITARY STRENGTH]

Captain Brockhols

Sir Upon the 22th of this Instant Come to this place Bejaman Wayt and Stephen Genings with 19 of those people that where taken at by the Indians at hadferde and hadly and have for there Convoy 11 French men 3 of them belongs to the Governor of Cannada garde and those 3 with other 2 gochte with those people to Boston, The other 6 staye heere untill the 5 Doeth Come backe having passes and Letters of Credence, and to Detaine them I Coude not see any strenght to doe it, therfore I Desire your spedy answer by this Exspresse, wheather I shall Detaine them, and sende them Down at there Returne, soo I woude be punktiall in my Dewty and not wil[ ]ing to Committ any Erars soe yo[ ] spedy answer of my Laste, as well a[ ] of this will be a very greate he[ ] to Let me see how I shall Gov[ ] selfe, I have Descoused with Bej[ ] Wayte, Consam­ing there Liveing in Cannada and how strong in men and in there Fortifications, and as to there Liveing its very meaine for the Commanal­lity are very much oppresed with greate taxes, but the Governor and the Reste of the greate ones, Lives hy after the french manner, and to there strenth of men thay Cane make 1000 or 2 but thay Live in Littell villadges haveing Little plantations, here and there som 20 and 30 miles from villadg to villadg and in som vil. there is 20 and some 30 houses, thay Live as Indians and gett there Liveing by Hunteing [ ]nd there fortifications ar not very stronge I woude know[ ]h weather I shall beare there

* on the English copy
Exspences while there aboad is heer and I pray you Let the bearers be furnished with provitions at ther Retorne having no Ferther to Inlarge but Remaine your very humble Sarvant

Fort Albany the 23th
May 1678

Silve: Salisbury

Poescript the Commasarys Desire to Know you[ ] answer Consarning Will Teller and Will Loveridg the one in Prissen and the other in Areste and Remaine as abov[ ]

[ADDRESSED:] For Capt. Brockholes
att James Forte
In New York
these

haste hast

[ENDORSED:] Capt. Salisbury to
Capt. Brockholes
May. 23. 1678.

About the french coming
with the Captives of Hatfield, Hadley etc.
19.

[27:115b]

[CONTRACT BETWEEN THOMAS GIBBS AND GEORGE RENALS]

[ ]enture made the twentyeth day of March in [ ]ar of our lorde God thousand six hundred and sevin and in the nine and twentyeth yeare of [ ] raigne of our sovering lorde Charles the Second by [ ] grace of God King of England Scotland France and Irland, by and betwene Thomas Gibbes of [ ] Citty of New Yorke Marchant of the one party and George Renals laborer of the Island of barbad[ ] of the other party, witneseth that the said George Renals doth Covinant promis and grante to and wit[ ] the said Thomas Gibbes his Heyres Executors Administrators and Asignes from the day of the date her[ ] of till the first and next arivall in the C[ ]try of Ne[ ] Y[ ] or the Agasent places therabouts and Aftar During the full time and terme of three yeares Fully to bee Compleated and einded and to Sarve in such servis and Imploy-
ment as the said Thomas Gibbes or his Asignes shall Impl[ ] him in, and in Consideration wherof the said Thomas Gibbes hath paid to him the Said George Renals Alredy in hand two hundred and sevinty pounds of good Moscov[ ] sugar, and doth further promis and grante to and with the s[ ]d George Renals to pay for his pasiadge and to find and allo[ ] him sofesiant Meate drinke and App[ ]ll during his said time in wittnis whereof the said partyes have Entercangeably set to their h[ ]nds and seales the day and year abovritten

The Mark of

George Renales

Testis Abil Gay Basill Gibbes
May 24. 1678 George Renales acknowledg[ ] before me that the above instrument [ ] writing was his Indenture, and that the m[ ] with [ ] was signed was h[ ]

J Pa[

[ON THE BACK:] I underritten doe Asigne over to Mr John Brigen the within servant man for the time within mentioned from the day of his Arrivall as wittnes my hand this 24 day of May 1678.

Thomas Gibbes

Arrivall was the 21 day of this Instant May

Thomas G[ ]

[27:116] [NO CALENDAR ENTRY OR DOCUMENT]

[27:117] [LETTER FROM ANTHONY BROCKHOLES TO SYLVESTER SALISBURY IN RESPONSE TO HIS LETTER]

Capt. Salisbury.

Sir I received yours Yesterday in the Evening of the 23th with the enclosed Copies of passeport and Letters from the Governor of Canada,
wherein you intimat[ ] the comming of 11 French men to Albany to convey [ ] in Waite and Stephen Jennings with the people that were taken [ ] ers by the Indians the last Fall at Hatfield and [ ] ley (who without doubt are joyfull to returne back to their habitacions) withall that 5 of the 11 french were gone forward to Boston with those people, the other 6 remaining behind with you untill the returne of their Camerade[ ] Jerning your Carriage to whom you desire to b[ ] I have communicated what y[ ] writte and [ ] Council who are [ ] ion [ ] no need to have con[ ] hose [ ] Then Albany, from w[ ] you m[ ] persons with them to their homes, The Communica[ ] the French with the Indyans as they passe being to bee suspected, at this time of so great a likelihood of warre with them, and it would have beene well to have knowne what buisnesse they had to negotiate with the Go: of Boston, but since they are past, it cannot bee helpt and it is hoped they will doe no great harme, and [ ] being as yet no declaracion of warre knowne to [ ] coming also upon so charitable an Account as the Redemption and bringing back of poore distressed Captives of our Nation so that I know not well upon what pretence they could be stoppt It is therefore the opinion of the Counsell, that when the other 5 shall bee returned back, you use them with all Civility and permit them quietly to returne back to Canada about their occasions, As for their Expences at Albany [ ] likewise thought fitt that you defray their[ ] present and that they bee cleared from it [ ] you take[ ] and sent [ ] hither where Care wi[ ] bee ta[ ] ly is to the Go: of Boston who ough[ ] to allow th[ ] it being for people of his Government There was a[ ] nswer went yesterday to the Comiss[ ] yes of Alb: before the receit of this, concerning the [ ] buisnesse of Will. Teller and Will: Loveredge, with [ ] else was written about by them.

Your Messenger being dispatch’t, returns [ ] noone, Having not further I remaine

N. Y.

Sunday May 26
1678.

Your very humble serv[ ]

A. B.

[ENDORSED:]
Copie of Letter to C. salisbury from Capt. Brockholes.
May. 26. 1678.
In answer to his
about the french coming
with the Captives etc.

[NOTES:]
An order of Councell
May 26. 1678.
[ ]day
Received in the Evening
yesterday
May 25
[ ] 300 sticks of
[ ] from John Benea
[ ] Bassett upon
[ ] if his patent
[ ]hn is behind still

[27:118a]

[ORDER TO JOSEPH CARPENTER TO FURNISH
PLANKS FOR THE FORT]

Mr. Joseph Carpenter

There being present occasion for the use of the Fort for fifteen hundred
foot of Planck of two inch, more then what is already writte for, I desire
you'l provide it with all Expedicion, I having sent a boate expresse to
fetch it who I have ordered to stay till it bee ready, Therefore I pray by
no meanes fayle herein, I am

New Yorke. Your very Loving
May 27. 1678. Friend

[Matthias: Nicolls] *
A. B.

[ENDORSED:] Note to Mu[ ]
Cove for 1500 foot
of planck. more the[ ]
the former
May. 27. 1678.

* Canceled.
[27:118b]

[ORDER OF THE SOUTHAMPTON COURT OF SESSIONS GRANTING LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION TO THE EXECUTORS OF THE ESTATE OF OBADIAH PALMER]

Whereas John Pallmer and Brethren of West Chester did present to this Court of Sessions at Southampton A petition to Administ upon the Estate of their late deceased brother Obadiah pallmer: the Court having taken the same into Consideration: they haveing given In Sofficient Security According to Law: the Court grant the said Pellmer and Brethren to Administer upon said Estate according to Peticion performing the same According to Law In all Respects.

by order of Court per mee
John Howell Clark to the Sesions

[ENDORSED:] the ordar of Corte

[27:119]

[PETITION OF JOHN PALMER AND WILLIAM BARNES, EXECUTORS OF OBADIAH PALMER'S ESTATE]

To the Honorable The Commander and Councell of the Province of New Yorke etc.

The humble Peticion of Jno. Palmer and Wm. Barnes of Westchester

Sheweth

That one Obediah Palmer their late Brother Deceased haveing left Some Estate within this Province your Peticioners as the Next of Kin made Applycacion att the Court of Sessions held att Southampton for the East rydeing of Yorkshire on Long Island where most of his Estate Lay for Administracion there upon where they were approved off and Security was Given for their Due Administracion according to Law.

The Peticioners therefore humbly Pray your honors that Letter[ ] of Administracion may be granted them on said Estate accordingly

And they shall pray etc.
[ENDORSED:] May
Peticion of John Pal[ ]
and Wm. Barnes for
Letters of [ ]
Estate of [ ] Pa[ ]er
Deceased.

[27:120]

[COUNCIL MINUTES: TO BE PUBLISHED IN A VOLUME OF COUNCIL MINUTES]

[27:121]

[WARRANTS TO THE CONSTABLE AT HEMPSTEAD TO SUMMON JOHN ELLISON AND (?) HOPKIN ALIAS ROBERT WILLIAMS TO ANSWER CHARGES BY JOHN SMITH AT THE JAMAICA SESSIONS]

These are in his Majesties name to require you to summon Hopkin alias Robert Williams of your Towne to make his appearance at the next Court of Sessions to bee held at Jamaica for the North Riding of Yorkshire upon Long Island beginning the 2d. wednesday of this inst. month, then and there to answer the Complaint of John Smith, Mr. Stricklands son in Law, in an action of Trespasse on the Case to the value of 10£, Hereof you nor hee are to fayle at your Perills: Dated in N. Y. this 3d day of June 1678.

To the Const. of Hempstead
or his Dep.

M. N. Secr.

These are in his Majesties name to require you to summon John Ellison of your Towne to make his appearance at the next Court of Sessions to bee held at Jamaica for the North Riding of Yorkshire upon Long Isl. beginning the 2d Wednesday if this inst. month then and there to answer the Complaint of John Smith Mr. Stricklands son in Law for non performance of an agreement betweene them, but dealing deceitfully with him. Hereof you nor he are to faile at your perills: Dated in N. Y. this 3d. day of June 1678.

To the Constable of Hempstead [ ] his Dep.

M. N. Secr.
Two Warrants to the Sessions. Jamaica
Jun. 4. 1678.
A warrant May the last— to Mr. Archer for C. Coe to bee at the Sessions at Gravesend.

[27:122]
[REPLY TO SYLVESTER SALISBURY’S LETTER, WITH A PASSPORT FOR TWO FRENCH AGENTS]

Captain Salisbury June 6. 1678.

Yours of May 24th with th’ enclosed account concerning their strength and way of living at Canada I received by the two frenchmen who are returning back to meeete their Comerades as they shall come from Boston so to accompany them home. They have beene so kindly entertained by their friends here, that they intimate a great Inclinacion to returne and bring their familys with them, which I tell them if they have Leave from their Governor, they shall bee welcome to, (that is if there bee peace) but either in peace or warre they will not obtaine such Leave I know few or none comming from thence but by stealth; They goeing up by themselves in a birchen Canooe I have given them a Passeport, that they may not bee molested, They have likewise a Letter from mee to the Governor of Canada in answer to his Complementall one brought by them, wherein I also applaude his Charity, to our poore Countrey people, who hee redeemed out of the hands of those barbarous Salvages their Ennemyes: I hope your warrant will overtake or meete with that idle young lad Craven, whose fickle humor knowes not when hee is well: For Newes here is none at all stirring, nor no absolute certainty of the warre being proclaimed yet, not any thing farther of our Go; but [*] we daily expect him, and propably hee may bee the first that will bring the Newes from Europe, which wee so much long to bee satisfied in, I have not farther, but that I am.

New Yorke Sir
June. 6th 1678. Your humble Servant

A. B.

* illegible
Permit and suffer the bearers hereof Guillaume Davy, and M. Pierre Monterey two french men, quietly to passe up the River from this place to Albany, and from thence to Canada, without any lett, hindrance or molestacion, They behaving themselves, peacably and civilly as it doth become them; Given under my hand in N. Y. this 6th day of June 1678,

A.B.

Sir,

I received your letter by the hands of Guillaume Davy and Pierre Monseray, two of your servants who accompanied Captain du Lusigny to Orange when he was escorting back the Englishmen who had been taken prisoner by the savages and came here, on their way back to see their wives’ relatives. Your great benevolence in the redemption of these poor unfortunates from the hands of their enemies deserves much praise and recognition from all Christians and for which God will reward you.

I have entrusted to your servants this letter, in which I must send you many thanks for your civility and generosity in the obliging expressions you were pleased to address to me in your letter.

We have received some letters from Monsieur Andros (our governor) in London, in which he informs us that he will be returning at about this time; thus we can expect him any day.

The desire you express to maintain a good correspondence is reciprocated on our part, and if in any way I am able to serve you I shall glory in it and consider myself very fortunate to be able to do good. I am, Sir,

* Translated from French by Linda J. Pike.
From New York
This 6th June 1678

Your very humble and
very obedient servant,

A. B.

[27:124]

[LETTER TO CAESAR Knapton AT PEMAUQUID, BRINGING HIM UP TO
DATE ON VARIOUS MATTERS; WITH AN UNRELATED NOTE
ABOUT THE NEW YORK WEIGH HOUSE]*

Captain Knapton.  

N. Yorke. June 7. 1678

Sir.

Yours of the 23rd of the last month came to my hands the beginning of
this weeke, at the arrivall of Harmanus Sloop who brought Corporall
Carew Tho: Mathews and C. Roades with him. I am sorry for the
misfortune of the former the Drs. extraordinary Care of him and others
attendance deserves a Requitall soone. Mathews I committed to the Hole
in the Fort, (who had received his Meritt if you had immediately run him
through upon the affront given you) and Roades hath taken Possession
of the State house where Insolence and Impudence is beyond Compare,
hee standing still in his Justification though hee hath Very little to shew
for himselfe to beare him out, If hee were at Boston probably they would
trusse him up, but I thinke it will bee best to keepe both the one and the
other in durance untill the Go: retume (which wee daily expect) when
they may bee made Examples, I hope hee will approve of what wee have
done in ordering the delivery of those Ketches to Mr. Bowditch upon
security, however wee thinke wee have done for the best, and that without
any sinister End.

The Newes hee brought you of letters from the Go: and a Packet in Mr.
Taylers hands for New Yorke, was very true, and it arrived here from
thence in little time by Tho: Lewis Sloop who was then there and ready
to come away: The Go: Letters were dated Feb. 10th. The ship hee went
in gott, in 23 dayes, to the Soundings off the lands End where the wind
proving contrary, they put into Ireland, from thence went to Milford
Haven in Wales so overland to London where they arrived the 5th of
January, There were great Rumors and preparacions for a warre with
France, The K. proposing to the Parliament to have a supply for the

* The draft is unsigned but is entirely in Matthias Nicolls’s writing, including changes and
corrections. Nonetheless, one is tempted to assign authorship to Brockholes, simply because
the tone of the letter reminds us that Brockholes and Knapton served together in the dragoons.
maintenance of ninty Capitall shipps, and thirty or forty thousand soul-
dyers The Go: was knighted and dispatch't away for Guernsey, there to
make but little stay to returne in Order to his comming back hither but
when hee writte hee had effected nothing of the buisnesse hee went in
Engl. about, So know not what delayes hee may have mett with since
There was little more of Newes that hee writte about.

Wee have not yet any certayne Newes of the Warre being broken out,
though more then propable it is, yet Letters from Engl. of Mar. 26 say
No warre then, As to a supply of men you mention in lieu of those that
are dead and that you now send, Truly wee are not in a Condidion to doe
it but expect the Go: will bring recruits both for you and us too, or wee
shall bee ill provided against an Enemy, Wee have fitted up the Fort pretty
well, with new plattforms and Carriages, which were much out of
repaire, The Mayor and Aldermen are employing their Companyes of
the train bands about their Fortificacions.

The Agreement of Peace made by the Gen[ ] of Piscataway and the
Indyan Sachems betwee[ ] them and the Westside of Kinnebeck River I
thin[ ] is a good piece of worke, for that it will remov[ ] the apprehensions
you had of them before, The Articles you sent, as also the Examinacion
and other papers about Roade[ ] and Alden, I shall reserve for the Go:

It seemes the Pinnace had better hap* then the Dt† sloope that was out
a Cruising and Leit. Sharpe did well in bringing the Ketch and Roades
into Pemaquid, their trading there being expresse against the Go: orders:
The Master is well knowne here having lost a Ketch formerly to the
Dutch and had this given him in Exchange (as I am informed) when hee
comes, wee shall heare [ ]hat hee will say in his Justificacion, but I
admire hee should run such a hazard and suffer himselfe to bee deceived
by such an Impostor as Roades, hee himselfe being likewise a Member,
where [ ] was condemned to bee hanged for Piracy, so the[ ] thinke
hee will have but little thankes from the brethren, to joyne Interest with
such a Cheate. It was kindly done of Madack[ ]anda to give [ ] the
notice of their a trading

As for Mr. Sturts Informacion, hee did neither wisely nor civilly in it,
however the matter being past and hee expressing his being troubled for
it, I shall passe it by without saying more of it, but hee may bee advised

* luck
† perhaps an abbreviation for Dutch.
for the future not so buisily to intermedle in other peoples buisness

Thus having as neare as may bee answered the particulars of your Letter, I remaine

[ ] Y       Sir

[ ] June 7th. 1678

Your humble Servant

[ORDERS ABOUT THE WEIGHHOUSE]*

[... ] or warehouses upon pretence of having them weighed another time, and to passe by the Weigh=house without being brought to the Scale then or it may bee ever afterwards The which is contrary to the Orders and Customs of the place, That positively say Tobaccoes and all other Weighable Goods, shall bee weighed at the Common weigh=house of the City, as in the said Orders is more particularly sett forth, It is therefore hereby Ordered That no such abuse or neglect, bee for the future practised [ ] Guard as the[ ] upon the bridge bee Weighed according to the Orders already sett up, of which the Weigh=Master is to take particular Care, and all others in like manner concerned, are to take Cognizance thereof, at their Perills,

By order etc.

The same being taken into consideracio[ ] the prejudice of the present Farmer, and may [ ]bly bee the occasion of undervalueing the future Letting to Farme of the Weigh=House.

[ENDORSED:] [ ]

Pemaquid

[27: 125a]

[ORDER FOR THE RESTORATION TO JOHN ALDEN OF HIS SHIP AND CARGO AT PEMAQUID]

At a counsell held in New Yorke Beginning of the 12thday of June 1678.

The order given
Upon Applicacion made by John Alden Master of the Ketch the Guift of

* This page was crossed out and the preceding letter written on the back.
Boston, That his said Ketch and Cargoe being under Arrest, as having beene seized upon and brought to Pemaquid by order of the Commander there, upon pretence of having traded in those his R. H’s. Territoryes contrary to the Orders of this Government may bee releast and deliver’d back unto him, In regard of his want of knowledge of any such orders, or bounds of the Government [his trading in those parts when hee was taken being not any way out of presumption to contradict the Orders of this Government but by misinformacion of others innocently thinking hee was beyond his R. Hs. Limmitts or bounds of his Government that way:]*

Hee the said John Alden—having given good security etc. as in the latter part of the other paper

[ENDORSED:] At A Councell etc. June: 12th 1678.
Mr. Aldens Case

[27:125b]
[MEMORANDUM OF LETTERS FROM QUEBEC TO THE JESUIT MISSIONARIES AMONG THE IROQUOIS]
A Letter from Quebecq to P. Bruyas.
Another from the same to the first of the Jesuits amongst the Iroquois.
And another Common Letter to the farther Jesuits with the Iroquois.
The two first signed by.

[27:126]
[ORDER CONCERNING THE SHIP OF JOHN ALDEN]
At a Councell etc. June: 12.1678
Present
The Councell

Mr. Mayor
C. De Lavall

The occasion of Meeting was the Arrivall of Mr. John Alden of Boston,

* The material within the brackets was canceled.
whose Case and Examinacion had beene returned here before by the Commander from Pemaquid, His Ketch having beene seized upon in St. Georges River to the Eastward, by order of the said Commander for trading in those parts with the Indyans or others, contrary to the Orders of this Government, and shee lyeing thereupon under Arrest together with her Cargo at Pemmaquid, Whereunto the said Mr. Alden pleading Ignorance of the said Order, and beleeving not to have infringed the same, supposing those parts where hee had trade and then was in, were without the bounds of his R: Hs: patent, and within the Conquest made by the dutch upon the French in those parts, in the yeare 1674. As hee was informed by John Roades, who hee had hired to bee with him as being knowne in those parts and acquainted with the Trade and was one of those that accompanyed the Dutch Privateer in that Expedicion, The said Mr. Alden likewise representing the great losses hee had formerly susteyned in the late Dutch warre together with his great Charge at home and innocence farre from presumption in what hee has acted, Therefore desiring the favor of the Councell that hee might have his Ketch and Cargo restored unto him:

Upon Consideracion had of the Case and the good Character received of the party It is ordred, That the said Ketch and Cargo now under arrest at Pemmaquid as aforesaid bee delivered back to the said John Alden or his order (the which C. Caesar Knapton Commander of Fort Charles in Pemmaquid is desired to see done upon Receit hereof, Hee the said John Alden* giving good security here to the Value of the Ketch and Cargo, to bee paid to the Go: if at his Returne shee shall bee condemned as a Prize for breach of the Orders aforemenconed.

having given security of 240£ for the payment of 120£ here, if at the Governors returne she shall bee condemned a Prize for breach of the Orders aforemencioned; the said summe of 120£ being by Merchants adjudged to bee the Value of the said Ketch and Cargo.

By order of the Councell

* The last paragraph is apparently intended to replace the remainder of this paragraph.
At a Court of Sessions held at Jamaica June 12. 1678.

Wed:

The Court call’d over before noone

Afternoone.

The bench call’d over. all appeare but Mr Cornell. who is not well.

The Constables call’d over.

All appeare.

The Causes call’d over to the which most answer.

A Jury empannel’d with out summons and sworne

The New Const. calld onely Westchester and Flushing legally chosen and sworne. Oysterbay excused, another to bee chosen by free choice of the towne: Hempstead the like to bee sworne by the Justices. Jamaica to returne their Overseers names, and the Court will appoint one.

John Nelson Plt.
Robt. Hudson Deft.

The Plt. nonsuited for want of a declaracion. the deft. being a stranger also.

C. Richa. Osbume Plt.
Edwa. Waters Deft.

The plt. declares for a bull taken away from his predecessor Roger Townesend, by an affid. by order of the deft.

The Deft. produces the proceeding at a Towne Court at Westchester in a difference betweene Tho: Veale and Roger Townesend for damage done by Hoggs which hee confess, and the bull was taken in Execucion for it after his death, whilst his wife a widdow.

Nich. Baily
Tho: Whitlock

sworne relates

what they heard, Jos. Palmer tell C. Osbume when hee demanded satisfaction for the bull, and so acquainted him with the proceedings.
Lt. John Palmer sworne, relates how hee acquainted the Plt. with the truth of the whole matter, and that hee bought the bull afterward in Exchange for a white heifer.

Roger Townesend by the Copie of the Record, confesseth Judgment.

Referr’d to the Jury.

Tho: Stattham Plt.
C. R. Osburne deft.

A declaration put in for 3–2–yeares-old heyferr in lieu of 2: 3.years old steers. The steers the Plts. the heyfers the defts.

He proceeds to prove it.

A bill from Peter Simpson for 3 2.yeare old heyfers assigned to the Plt. by the deft. being due to him.

The Deft. saith the plt. kept the bill 3. quarters of a yeare before Peter Simpson ran away.

Roger Barton sworne saith the deft. Promis’t to warrant the delivery of the heyfers, it being objected by the plt. that hee knew not the said Simpson.

Another testimony written sworne to at Rye but not so full.

John Skidmore sworne saith That the plt. desired him to call upon Simpson for the heyfers, hee having call’d some time before himselfe, and the said Simpson promis’t to deliver the heifers in 3. dayes, but ran away in meantime.

The assignement was for the heyfers to bee paid within 10 dayes after the date being mar. 20. the payment the last day.

Referr’d to a Jury.

C. R. Osburne Plt.
Miles Okely deft.

For a pretended trespasse, hee being condemned to pay. 12 s by the towne Court for damage done by the plts hoggs.

A Nonsuite—as not of sufficient value.

A note also produced under his hand that hee was satisfyed before.
The two Causes recommended to the Jury.
The Court dismis’t till to morrow 7 a Clock.

Thursday: June. 13th 1678.

Before Noone.

the Jury call’d over; that went out upon the two Causes.

C. R. Osburne Plt.
Edward Waters deft.

They find for the deft. with Costs.

Thomas Statham plt.
C. R. Osburne deft.

They find for the plt. that the steeres bee returned to him.

To consider of it, The Court being most of another mind.

Tho: Smith one of the two old Overseers chosen by the Court in default of the Townes choice.

Their Neglect fineable to bee oversway’d by jurymen to make another Choice.

Simon de Rouens will proved in Court, by his wife. Magdalen Lodwyck Ver Straate
Shee to have letters of Adm.

Wessell Wessells plt.
John Gates deft.

The plt. putts in a declaracion—It is upon an Indenture claymed of service for 2 yeares, upon wages, in Consideracion of 5£ debt and 6£ per ann.

The deft. pleads his being surprized when hee signed the Indenture.

The Plt. demands his debt and Charges. A bill of Charges to bee brought in to the Court afternoone, who will Judge thereof and determine the same.
Dan: Whitehead plt.
John Oldfield  }  deft.
Sam: Smith  }  

A declaracion read.

4. of the Jury being excepted against (3. of Jamaica and 1. of Hempstead —Mr. Jackson). and as many put in their places and sworne.

Joseph Thurston  
John Skidmore  }  sworne
John Everet  

Joseph Thurston saith, That being at a Towne Meeting, It was agreed upon that the Common Meadow upon the farther E. neck should bee layd out to the Inhabitants.

John Skidmore saith, That being there it was absolutely agreed upon to bee layd out.

John Everet to an Agreement and a vote in the Towne Meeting for the laying it and hee was so confident it was recorded that till hee search't hee would have layd ten pounds to ten shillings it had beene there, and it may bee it might bee cutt out as severall other Leaves of the backe were.

Joseph Thurston saith further hee hath made demands of his right and purchase often.

severall persons assignments of their Interest 13. in Number

John Skidmore saith farther That hee hath since refused to give his vote knowing D. Whiteheads right.

The defts. put in their Answer by Mr. Tender to evade the suite—they being appointed surveyors etc. Referr’d to a Jury.

C. John Palmer plt.
John Scudamore  }  deft.
Tho: Bayles  

Upon an Obligacion of 23£ 9s 3d
Judgment to bee entred for what is unpaid.
Richard Ponton and wife  }  defts
Edwa. Waters and wife  }  defts.

Upon a Complaint that the Defts. had Reported the plt. had curs’t his Father and Mother.

They pretend to have reported it from Fr: Lee.

Five persons sworne to prove that Fr. Lee.

Gabriel Legate sworne saith* That in Jan: last. Fr. Lee came to his house upon a Sunday, there being divers other persons there and said hee heard the plt. say to his father god perish your soule I am not beholding to you or my mother but = for bringing him into the world.

It was about a pair of Tobacco Tongs.

John Bugby sworne saith Fr. Lee reported at Edw. Waters the same day that he cursed both his father and mother

Joseph Hadley sworne. saith as Mr. Legate being then present.

John Richardson. sworne saith That being at John Hunts house hee heard the same as related from Henry Earle who was with Fr: Lee.
Tho: Desbrough. sworne saith that hee heard the same as John Richardson.

Tho: Hunt senior disclaimes that hee ever heard any such words from his son, either at that or any other time

The Mother said the like to Capt. Hicks.

Wm. Collard sworne, Relates his being present at the pretended time of his cursing his father and Mother, but heard no such words.

John Warfoote sworne Relates his being likewise present but heard no such thing.

Mr. Jackson relates that being at Westchester about the time of this Report. Hee met Edwa. Waters who tells him the story of this cursing: The Court will give their Judgment

*  in the margin: 25
Tom: Hunt judged cleare.

The Court dismiss till 2 a Clock afternoone.

In the case of Dan: Whitehead  plt.
John Oldfield and Sam: Smith  depts.

The Jury find for the Plts. and that the deft. (or those that employed them) to pay the Costs of suite.

A Complaint from Mr. John Laurence and severall others, who have subscribed thereunto against John Hinchman. Read, It is about his enclosing the Towne commons without Leave.

Another Long Narative of Mr. Jo: Laurence read.

The Towne Records of Flushing produced by Mr. Hinchman who pleads in his Justification.

The Clarke being absent ordered to bee sent for to bee here in the Morning by 8 a Clock.

A Committee proposed to view and report the matter in difference.

That a prevention may bee to any ones fencing in the Highwayes and Commons of the Towne.

John Hinchman  plt.
John Terry  deft.

Each party by Consent having chosen a party to referre their Case to, if the Court will name a third, to end the difference, It is ordred, The persons chosen are Mr. Tho: Hicks, and Mr. Elyas Doughty. The Court thinke fitt to name [left blank]

John Smith Mr. Sticklands  Plt.
Hopkin alias Robert Williams  deft.

A Complaint. A declaracion put in about Scandall and felony.

William Osburne  sworne
John Tredwell  
Adam Mott  
Wm. Osburne—declares to have heard Hopkin say the Plt. was a liyer and his wife had deceitfully kept several things from him. John Tredwell—that the whole Towne knew him to bee a liyer.

Adam Mott as Osburne, and more that the Plt. said money was due from Hopkin to him, to which hee said his booke were false, and other leaves of a godly booke etc.

Hee came to the plts. house in his absence and tooke out severall things.

They appeare to bee of small Concerne so referr’d to the Towne Court and the Justice to bee present having notice of it.

John Smith Junior plt.
John Ellyson deft.

A declaracion upon a Complaint Concerning the former Hopkin, for whom hee had entred into bond of 20£ to Mr. Osburne; who claymed the fellows service as run away from Coll. Uty; and being a shooemaker was to worke it out.

Referr’d likewise to the Const. and Overseers with the Justice.

John Skidmore plt.
Henry Mott deft.

A declaracion for a debt of 20£ due from the deft. to John Westcot who by letter of Att. is empowered. It is for the summe of 20£ to bee paid at 2. payments of which one is due.

The deft. alllegest that part is paid the which is to bee deducted.

Referr’d to a Jury.

C. Wm Laurence Complainant
The Constable and Overseers of Flushing Defts.

A declaracion put in by the plt. upon a Complaint concerning the defts. plucking up his sons fence, wherein hee charges them to have done it riotously.

The Defts. urge his prooife of his declaracion touching the Ryot.

The matter having (upon Complaint) beene orred to bee heard and determined at this Court by the Councell, It is to bee heard to morrow morning first of all.
The other Complaint to the Councell of the difference of their bounds, betweene the Townes of Flushing, Complainants and Jamaica taken up by Consent and ordred to bee Perambulated according to the Law.

The Court dismist till to morrow morne by 8. a Clock or beate of drumme.

Fryday. June 14th 78.

The jury Called over.

John Skidmore  plt.
Henry Mott     deft.

The Jury find for the plt.

The Const. and Overseers of Flushing  Plts.
C. Wm. Laurence deft.

By order of Councell to bee heard this Court.

About a highway stop’t up.

John Foster sworne—cannot say, but that there was a fence there before.

Referr’d to the Jury.

C. Wm. Laurence Complainant
The Const. and Overseers of Flushing Deft.

For plucking up the Fence etc. riotously.

The Court will consider of it.

They condemne the defts. but advise a Reconciliacion in a friendly way.

Wm. Brinckley plt.
The Const. and Overseers of Jamaica deft.

The Plt. to enjoy what hee hath in fence, being more then was granted him by the Towne, but recommended the giving him more land in another place.

In the Case depending betweene
the Constable and Overseers of Flushing plts.
C. Wm. Laurence deft.
the Jury find for the Deft.

The Court give Judgment accordingly and recommend a friendly Com­posure of all other differences between them.

A Review granted C. Jo: Palmer against Dan: Beedle.

A Review granted to C. R. Osbume against John Statham.

Wm. Brinckley
Const. and Overseers of Jamaica

Plt.

deft.

The Plt. to enjoy the Gift of the Towne of one acre etc., hee having fenc't in above two.
But to pay Costs.

Severall Orders upon petition and Mocions.

The Court dissolved about 6. a Clock in the Evening.

[ENDORSED:] Jamaica Sessions
June: 12th 16[ ]

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[ANOTHER VERSION OF THE PRECEDING DOCUMENT]

Referr'd to a Jury who bring in for the Plt. with Cost of Suite


C. Jno. Palmer Plt.
John Scudamore
Tho: Bayley

Deft.

A Judgment for what is unpaid

Tho: Hunt Junior Plt.
Richa. Ponton and wife
Edwa. Waters and wife

defts.

Tho: Hunt acquitted of the Charge against him.

* Now called 27:163. Pages 1–2, the first leaf, were reversed in rebinding: we have corrected the order here. The document lacks a beginning and end.
The defts. prove Frank Lee to bee the Reporter who to pay Costs.
The defts.

Mr. John Laurences Complaint against John Hinchmans ingrossing of Land.
An order to bee upon it. and that Mr. Hinchman performe his Engagement of the Towne, and that hee desist from any farther Pretence of laying clayme to any Commons in the Eagles Nest Neck by the right hee pretends by the hands that subscribed his paper.

John Smith Plt.
Hopkin alias —deft.
The Charge of this Court to bee paid by the deft.

The action being judged under value to bee tryed at the towne Court of Hempsteed, the Justice to have notice and bee present.

John Nelson Plt.
Robt. Hudson deft.
The plt. Nonsuited for want of a declaracion or notice, what the debt was, the deft. also a stranger. so to pay Costs.

Richa. Osborne plt.
Edwa. Waters deft.
Referr’d to a Jury, who bring in for the deft.
The Court give Judgment accordingly.

Tho: Statham plt.
Richard Osbourne deft.
About the steeres and bill for the Heyfers. Referr’d to a Jury, who bring in their verdict for the Plt., but the Court unsatisfyed therewith.

A Review granted.

R. Osborne plt.
Miles Okeley deft.
The plt. non=suited, as being not of sufficient value for the Sessions.

Wessell Wessells plt.
John Yates deft.
The debt of 5£ to bee paid as offred, and Charges which to bee adjudged by the Court which is 2£ 8.3s 0d
Dan: Whitehead plt
John Oldfield and { deff. 
Sam: Smith Referr’d as the former.
The Charge of the action to bee paid by the deff.

John Skidmore plt.
Henry Mott deff.
Referr’d to a Jury who bring in their Verdict for the plt.
The Court agree with the Verdict of the Jury

The Const. and Overseers of Flushing plt.
Wm Laurence deff.

By order of Councell to bee heard.
Referr’d to a Jury. They bring in for the deff.
The Court give Judgment accordingly

An order of Councell about the difference of the bounds betwenee Flushing and Jamaica
Agreed upon to run the lyne and to bee recorded.

A new choice of Const. for the Towne of Oysterbay, upon the representing of it by the Justice there, allowed of, out of the whole Towne for this present yeare

Hempsteed the like upon the representing thereof likewise.
Choice, [ ] fitt to nominate a Const. out of the old Overseers.

The Towne for their Contempt of Orders [ ] in, this yeare and the last, and the Const. and Overseers being swayed by the giddy headed unruly Inh[ ] tants to bee fined:
The summe ten pounds.

John Hinchman plt.
John Terry deff.
This Case referr’d by Consent of both partyes to C. Tho: Hicks and Mr. Elyas Doughty, The Court Desired to nominate a third man. Mr. Cornell appointed. The time at the discretion of the persons nominated, provided it[ ] within one moneth
Gravesend Sessions
Wed. June. 19th 1678.

The Bench called over.
The sheriff and Justices all present.

The Constables all present, Staten Isl. and alb.

A Jury empannelled without summons.

Seven Const. lawfully chosen and sworn.

Staten Isl: last yeares overseer to bee Const. and not the person, chosen being none of the Overseers. C. Palmer the Justice to give him his Oath.

The Court adjourne till after dinner.

Afternoon.

All the Actions call'd over.

Capt. John Palmer
The estate of Major Nath: Kingsland

A declaracion put in.

Its about a servant woman named Eliz: Burton

The debt—30£ 4.s l.d /½ taken out of the booke by John Peirce;
The booke proved true by Mr. Pinhornes Oath.

The Particulars paid to Major Kingslands Attorneys or Agents successively which read.

Referr'd to a Jury. After Mr. Tud[ ] pleading for the said Eliz: to bee no se* having Mr. John Kingslands release.

Paulus Richards
Att. of Meynd: Journee
Dirck Storme

Plt.

* perhaps an abbreviation for non sequitur or nonsuit
A declaracion for 1000G. [for which a piece of land was sold at Bedford and Breucklyn for 14 years or more age as the plt. says, but a later agreement.]*

A deed of sale for a piece of land at Bedford etc., near Breucklyn for a summe of 1000G to bee paid at 3. payments as by a [unfinished]†

The deft. pleads hee hath paid about a third.

The plt. pleads in the name of Meyndert Journee (who is dead but saith hee is for the Children now, The wid: consents likewise.

Some other objections concerning the wid: now marryed to another, being put in, to bee consider’d tomorrow.‡

Sam: Ruscoe plt.
Dirck Storme deft.

About a matter of Account of 5£ 7s 9d due from Sam: Bowery and his Adm[inistrators] of which the Deft. is one.

Judgment (by order of Court with out a Jury) against the Deft. and partners in the Admininistratorship for the summe and with Costs.

Wm Morris plt.
Geo: Wood deft.

A declaracion for 12 sheepe sold by Mr. Doughty to the plt. (8 old 4 young) taken with others in Execucion about John Holdens debt, from the deft. and 2 others. all mark’t with the plts. marke, but said to bee retaken and the markes cutt out.

Jonathan Hazard swome saith to the same.

Edwa. Stevens (upon the jury) declares hee came into Geo: Woods yard when hee was shearing, and saw some of them mark’t by him for Mr. Doughty and sold to Mr. Morris and tells severally Circumstances, with the markes given by him, as a Crop in one Eare the right and a hole through the other.

Sam Fish. That help’t to sheare at the time for the deft. relates Geo: Woods driving the sheepe into the barne while Mr. Morris etc. went for

* The material in brackets was crossed out.
† in the margin: A Non=suite
‡ in the margin: An order hereupon
the Constable, and comming out divers of them were bloody.
The young man sworn.
Mr. Justice Betts relates his double answers when examined and now again.

the deft. very insolent.
The Cause refer'd to a Jury.

Jan van Rosse    plt.
Elyas Baily      deft.

Not right service No declaracion put in.

It's about a Cure pretended for setting the defts. shoulder alleaged by the deft. never to have beene done by him.

The Deft. urging for a Nonsuite
To bee referr'd to the Court or whether to bee heard by the next Court.
To bee referr'd if not agreed in meane time.

Severall Overseers sworn.

The Court dismis't till to morrow morning 8 a Clock.

Sam: Spicer—objected against for an Overseer being a Quaker

Thursday morne. June 20th

In the Action betweene Capt. Jo: Palmer    plt.
The Attorneys of Major John Kingsland    defts.
The Jury bring in their Verdict for the Deft.
That the Attachment is not well layd upon the woman, Shee not appearing to bee the servant or any of the Effects of the deft., and having a discharge from Mr. John Kingsland, the Attorney then in possession.

 Judgment of the Court agree In the Case betweene Wm. Morris plt.
 Geo: Wood deft.

The Jury bring in their Verdict for the Plt. with Costs etc. Judgment of
Court agrees etc.

princip:*  
5.15.0  
2.0.0  
7.15.0

Obediah Holmes makes proofe of the Will of Ambrose Sutton of Staten Isl. and an agreement made betwenee them. To allow the said Sutton 16£ per annum during his life and Obediah Holmes to take his Estate into his possession of 22 head of Cattle

The testimonyes were sworne before C. Jaques. Hee sueing for Administracion—It is allowed him

The returne of the sheriffe, of the Coroners Inquest that enquired after the death of Jan Garret Van Butten hosen the Miller at Peter Cornelissens Mill, near the poore Bowery

Order’d to bee recorded, The matter of Charges to the Sheriffe and Jury to bee recommended by the Court to the Go: how to bee paid

A presentment brought in to the Court by the Const. of Staten Isl. against Boswell Lisle Beau Soleil alias Francois Loupine and Elizbeth the wid. of Maillard Journee, now his wife.

The will of the deceased proved wherin upon the remarriage of the wid. the Estate to bee divided betwenee her and the Children.

Two Overseers appointed Dav: des Marets and Joost Oblinus of Harlem. They not minding the buisnesse, 2 others of Staten Isl. to bee named by the Court and the other buisnesse brought in by P. Richards to bee adjudged also by them, as to his power

John Archer  plt.  
John Coe  deft.

The declaracion for 2. Oxen etc. An old Cause and said to be deter

Its alleadged to have to been determined by Arbitracion at N.Y.

* This line and the following arithmetic appear in the margin next to the preceding paragraph.
The Award not produced, nor other allegations proceed to be referred to the next Court, to have a final determination.

Hendr. Jansen plt.
Laur. Cornelys deft.

A declaration put in about one of the Lots at Mespath Kills by Goverts plantation etc.
Several grants patents etc. produced by the plt.
The deft. pleads being disturbed in the possession of this land by being forewarned by the Const. Jonath: Hazard, employed by Mr. Hallet senior so to do.
The Constable blamed for his forewarning without warrant or prosecution.

Referr’d to a Jury.

A Complaint from Geo: Wood against Jonathan Hazard and other Const. of Newtowne, with divers false suggestions.
To be considered whether his troubling the Court, with the same and other frivolous businesses is not finable: To pay 4s fine and charge of the whole action.

A petition from the Const. and Overseers of Boswyck about a highway, complaining of Hendr. Barents.

Hendr. Barents petition, offering to make a Gate at each end of the highway through his land towards New town etc., a double fence being very chargeable.
The Court judge his Request Very reasonable.

Another petition that people may be forbidden cutting timber on his Ground without Fence.
Being considered of the Law to be attended, that those that cut timber, carry away lop and top, or burn it on the Ground.

A third Petition that a highway may not be suffered through the heart of his land and Meadow to the water side,—Another way but little about proposed by C. Betts and C. Jaques—Its thought convenient.
The Court adjourned till afternoone.
Afternoone.

In the Case of Hendrick Jansen plt. and Laur. Cornelys Deft.
The Jury find for the plt.
The deft. to pay Cost.

Paul Richards as Att. of
Maillard Journee plt.
Dirck Storme deft.

The plt. Non-sued having no power to sue after the death of the
Attorney. But being a friend of the deceaseds to be one of the Overseers
of his Will. as in the Order is sett forth at large.

Jan Van Rosse plt.
Elyas Baily deft.

To bee heard at the next Court if no agreement betweene them in meane
time The want of Entry and Declaracion past by in regard of his being a
stranger and unskillfull in the Lawes.

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June 20.

Thursday afternoone.

The Juryes Verdict about Henryck Jansen plt.
Laurence Cornelys deft.

Paulus Richards Att.
of Mallyard Journe plt.
Dirck Storme deft.

Jan Van Rosse plt.
Elyas Baily Deft.

George Woods Complt.

The Prisoner Robert Johnson, that’s run away to bee call’d and prooofe
of the fact to bee made.

To recommend the Enquiry after this fellow, to the people of the severall
townes present—as Hemsteed, Jamaica, Flushing and Townes of the
Riding. £5 to bee paid by the harbourer and £1 to the discoverer.

Ralph Cardall came to accuse him who claymes the Goods stolne, of
which a note of particulars delivered in. They are brought into Court

The Court by proofes, Circumstances, and his flight. Condemned to bee Guilty

Upon suite of Ralph Cardall, His Goods ordred to bee redelivered. 

Some Petitions put in.

Mr. Hubbard refuses to stand to the determinacion of the Justices

John Lour van Sconderwort Complainant against Tho: Lambert and Geo: Jacobsen
The Complainant non suited for Not appearing

John Aertse Compl. against Justice Hubbard about a horse etc. hee refusing to stand to the Arbitracion of C. Jaques Cor.* and C. Rich. Stillwell

The Court orders the said John Artse. and the rest concerned to prosecute the matter at the next court.

The Court dissolved.

[ENDORSED:] Gravesend Sessions 
June 19. 1678.

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[DEPOSITION OF WITNESSES IN THE SUIT OF THOMAS HUNT AGAINST ROBERT PENOYER]

The Test: of wilyaum Crise, age About 38 upon othe he saith that Robert Penoyer did say that he did know what Thomas Hont was for: the said Hont: father was faint to Give A payr of fat oxin as A bribe or Else the said hont had be hangd: before now stanford July 1 (78.

Richard Law Comissioner

* Probably Corteleau the surveyor and justice of the peace.
The Test: of Joseph Webb age 28 (years—upon othe he saith that Robert penoyer did say that Thomas Hunt was A Roog and a Theef and it is well known that [*] soe and further they said penoyer sayd he wood prove the said Hunt was A Roog and a theef:

Richard Low

Joshwah webb age 22 years upon othe he saith he was present at the sam tim with Joseph Webb: and witnesith to the above wreton Test: verbatem

Stanford July the first (78.

Richard Law
Comissioner

[ENDORSED:] A Warrant upon this for old Pennoyer. June [blank] 1678 Tom: Hunt Jamaica Sessions

* illegible abbreviation
Severall passages during the absence of his honor the Governor

A Letter from the Governor of Connecticut to the Governor dated November 15th 1677 nothing of extraordinary business, but expos- tulatory if not cavilling [as to divers passages].† My Lady‡ hath the Letter. It came in Nob.

A Letter from the Gov: of Boston to the Governor or in his absence to [ ]puty, about the Ketches at Pe[ ]uid, brought by M[ ] da[ ] No: 13[ ]7.

Up[ ]his[ ]st [ ] of h[ ]s[ ]elfe [ ] Wm. Da[ ] Il, (to whome [ ]ne of [ ]n did belong) [ ] their Ketch might bee delivered, offering to pay what salvage or other charges should bee demanded, shee was ordred to bee deliver'd upon giving security to stand the determinacion of the Governor therein Jan. 5th.

George Heathcotts business, about his Fine and Court Charges, taken into Consideracion by the Councell, for which the sheriffe had Execution, but suspended, upon his allegacions that hee had some things to tender from his Owners to the Governor, desiring some Respite etc., setting forth hee had Effects enough in the government to make satisfaction, if it must at last bee paid. Dec. 6. 10. 12th.

A Complaint from the Magistrates of the whorekill, about abuses in Capt. Cantwell concerning some surveys; It was first directed to the Go: afterward to Capt. Brockholes Dated Oct. 13th Notice sent to C. Cantw:§ An order hereupon m[ ] May 1st 1678.

Severall papers se[ ] by the Commander and Commiss[ ]f Albany [ ] ut the [ ]ydes [ ] ans, upon [ ]ir d[ ] of y[ ] hicander boy

* Another copy of this document can be found in 27:163. The items in the present rough copy were numbered and renumbered by Secretary Nicolls as he tried to decide on the best order.
† Crossed out.
‡ Mrs. Andros
§ In the margin: vide p. 5th. (In the manuscript, page 5 includes items 16 through 19).
2. A pet[ ] Letter from the wid. Cooper of [ ]thton, about her Indyan Whalers pret[ ] to be taken from her. No. 22—Referr’d to the Justices. Dec. 1st 1678.

6. An order for the appearance of Paulus Marlette and others to answer to a Complaint made for a disturbanc[ ] on Staten Isl., and carryeing away a woman servant of Capt. Billops, for the which they were bound to the goo[ ] behavior and to answer it at the Court Assizes. Jan. 19. 1677.

A Letter from Mr. John Topping of Southton, one of the Justices, about a small Vessell cast a shoare at North Sea (within their precincts), supposed to bee a Wreck Jan. 6 1677

An answer that Care bee taken about her shee did belong to Mr. Lord of Hartford. Jan 29th.


8. An order for the ship Mary of Leverpoole to come fom Delaware to cleare here. Feb. 25.*

9 Two Letters from the Go: of Canada to the Go: dated Nob. 18., and Jan. 8. 1677. arrived here Mar. 8th following.

The [ ]was of his sending to enqui[ ]ter some frenchmen cam[ ] prison[ ] to Boston [ ] a pas[ ] over [ ]rd bu[ ] went by [ ] way of Boston with a Passe port for a serjeant and two [ ]ldyers to goe from Quebec to Boston and a list of Letters carryed with them.

My Lady hath the Letters.

10. Copie of a Letter from Tim: Cooper of Alb. to Major Pinchon sent downe by C. Salisbury, with Tim: Coopers Complaint to C. Salisbury C.

* This item and item number 10 were written in the margin.
Salisbury writte to Mar. 18. 1677
11. Order about Mr DeMeyers horses on Staten Isl. April 8. 1678

12. A Copie of a Letter from Major Talcott to Capt. Salisbury, about two Indyans of the Maques, seized upon and detained a while for want of a Passeport or Ticket, but afterwards were releast. April 8. 1678, arrived here and answer'd the 6th

13 Upon the Request of Mr. Wm. Bowditch that having Purchased the two remaining Ketches at Pemmaquid, which lay there in an ill Condition, and as was certifeyd from thence, in danger to bee burn't by the Indyans, of whom then they had some apprehension, that hee might have liberty to carry them away; engaging to pay such Salvage and Charges as should bee adjudged by the Governor. 
It was consented unto upon his giving Security. April 20th 1678.

14. Upon the request of Mr. Benjamen Alford, that having purchased a Considerable quantity of Oyle at Southton and Easthampton, in regard of the hazard of the Voiag[ ] in bringing the oyle hither, and se[ ]sse of that Com[ ]dity, hee might [ ]ermitted to trans[ ]rt it from thence
[ ] London
[ ] It was all[ ]d he performing all [ ]es and dutyes belonging to the Customes. Apr. 20

15. A Letter from Mr. Thomas Backer Justice of the Peace at Easthampton, about the murder of an Infant child by her mother (as it was thought) a Negroe woman. April 11. 
Referr'd to the Sessions. May 1st.

22 Capt. Salisburyes letter to C. Brock. May 23 with Copie of a Letter from the Governor of Canada to Capt. Salisbury in French and Latin, with a Passeport for Monsr. Lusigny to convey the English Captives to Boston, that were carried away from Hattfield and Hadley in the Fall. Dated April 30th 1678.

There was another Letter to Capt. Brockholes from the Go: of Canada, brought by the two french that came here to visitt their wives kindred. no date.

16. Upon a Proposall from Capt. Billop about Sloopes goeing up the River or not, the time of the last permission being expired. Resolved that the former Orders not to goe up shall bee observed, untill the Governors pleasure should bee knowne therein. May 1st.
Some Letters from Maryland directed to the Go: sent expresse arrived the begin: of the month are in the hands of my Lady.

17. Upon applicacion made by William Loveredge of Albany Junior who was fined and committed by the Court there for having with others sett up a pole before Gabr. Thomp[ ]sons doore, not long after his marriage, furnish’t with severall ridiculous th[ ] thereon at which offence taken as a great se[ ] at least that des[ ]fine [ ] mitigated [ ]est [ ]ons hee pretende[ ]
It was order[ ] that no farther proceedings should bee in the Case, un[ ]till his honor the Go: retume or further orders from the Councell, and that in hee should bee releast. May. 7th 1678.

18. The proceedings at Albany of the Comissaryes, upon the unhappy accident of William Tellers killing an Indyan Squaw, upon the which the said Teller stood confined. Hee was ordred to bee releas’t, The Coroners Enquest and Court having judged him guilty onely of Chance Medley. May 20th 1678.

19. A Letter from Mr. Wodhull about an Indyan on the Maine, who being at Seatallcott hee reported That the french from Canada and Indyans on the Maine, had made a Combinacion this Summer to cutt off the English: May 17. 1678. recd. Mr. Wodhull was desired to enquire farther into the matter, but it came to nothing.

18. A Letter from the Magistrates of Newcastle about Major Fenwycks disturbance on the East side of Delaware River, with the deposicions concerning the same. May 9th.
An order thereupon.

[ ] Severall papers sent down from Albany [ ]lating to [ ] Prettyes Appeale from the [ ] Court in a Case [ ]nst Herman. [ ]1678.
[ ][ ] bee[ ] to the Go: retur[n]e.
23. May 24 A Letter [ ] C. Salisbury to C. Brockholes about the [left blank]

24. Another Letter from the Court at Newcastle about Major Fenwyck. June 5th, with a Copie of their Letter to him, and his answer.

25. An Account being given from the Commander at Pemmaquid of the seizure of a small Ketch in St. Georges River to the Eastwar[ ] for trading there with the Indyans contary to order, and John Roades being taken in
her suspected to bee the master thereo upon his Examinacion proving peremptory and abusiv which carriage hee likewise continued in being sent hither for the which hee was committed to remaine a Prisoner untill the Go: returne to whom hee should give account of his Actions. The Examinacion of the said Roades and John Alden, with other papers sent. Afterwards upon the arrivall of said John Alden and addresse for the Redelivery of his Ketch, shee was ordred to bee delivered, hee giving security to her value and Cargo, if shee shall bee adjudged a prise at the Governors returne. June 12th

26* A Letter and Request from Wynant Gerrits Van der Poel about building at Alb: forbid by the Court. Referr’d to the Go: Returne. June 19. 1678

27. A letter from C. Salisb: to C. Brockholes about Mar; June 24: 2 troops of Indyans going out to fight.


31. [most of the material is missing; the only letters are:] Alb.


[ ]alsbury to Capt. Brockholes about the Maques bringing 22 Natick Indyans prisoners to Albany and carrying them into their Land excusing his not stopping them having been ordered to demand the Indyan whilst [ ]ison whilst at Alb: and to bee left with the Mahicanders or keepe them in Towne untill it was knowne what they were. June 27.


33. A Letter from Capt Salisbury giving account of the great Sachem of the Maques comming to Albany to handle his beavers his name Cannonundowa who brought a Letter from the Jesuite Pere Bruyas with a

* This item was written in the margin.
† Perhaps “war” was intended.
An Account also of the Frenchmens Expenses at Albany
Came down July 15.

39. Another Letter from Capt. Salisbury of the arrivall and passing to the
Maques Land of 2 persons nominated in a Commission from the Go: of
Boston, to goe there to treate with them, with a Copy of said Commission,
and Major Pincheons Letter on their behalfe; They had a Dutchman and
2. Natick Indyans with them

35 Another from him relating to the said Natick Indyans. July 25th.

36. Another of Aug. 1st giving Account of the Messengers comming back
to Albany, where the Maques Sachems and their spake [ ] her. Capt.
Brockholes hath the [ ] Jr.

[ ] are a l[ ] B[ ] ton Messengers [ ]
Maques Answer[ ] ug. 1st 1678.

[ ] Court of Newcastle and
their[ ] Major Fenwyck
July 24. 1678.

The farme of the Weigh=house Lett to C. Delavall for 6500 F. sewant.
Dec 3d 1677 for one yeare*

The Licenses for Tapping Lett to farme on the 25th day of March 1678
to Mr. Humphry Davenport for 180£ per annum for one yeare.†

* in the margin: Dec. 3, 1677
† in the margin: Mar: 25 1678
[A RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE DURING THE GOVERNOR'S ABSENCE.]

Letters etc. received and sent since the Go: absence.

A Copie of the Go: Letter to C. Salisbury dated October 30th 1677. sent downe by him.

A Letter from the Go: of Conecticutt to the Go. dated November 15. 1677. my Lady* hath it.

An Execucion given the Sheriffe to levy George Heathcotts Fine, stop't by order.

A Request to the Court at Uplands in Delaware, about Lands at the Falls with their Answer of re[ ]ommend[ ] it to the Go. No. 13th 1677.

An answer was sent from h[ ], th[ ] nothing could bee done in it till the Governors returne, and that divers had made Application concerning it already.

A Letter from the widdow of John Cooper to the Go; or Dep: Go. No: 22th 1677. An order of Councell hereupon.


A Certificate of Mr. John Palmers Marriage to Sarah the widdow of Jno. Winder Dec. 11th—77.

A Certificate of Claes Pietersen's being a Freeman etc. Dec. 22th 1677. Hee went in Fredr Phil: ship the Margaret:

A warrant of Hue and Cry after Capt. Woods man, run away from him, Jan the 3d 1677.


* Lady Andros
An Execucion signed by the Mayor against Mr. Nicha. Blake for 28. 4. 2. Jan 24. 1677. for Non-payment of Vendue Money.

A Warrant for firewood to the Bowery [ ] the Fort. Jan. 31. 1677.

Request from Eastchester brought Feb. [ ] 1677.

An Execucion against Richa. Mann, for Nonpayment of Vendue money Feb. 4. 1677.

Letters of Administracion by order of Councell for Mrs. Martha Cooke of her husbands Estate Feb. 15 1677.


A Warrant of Hue and Cry, after one of Capt. Broades men. Feb. 18, 1677.

An Execucion against Mr. Nicholas Bayard at the suite of Paulus Richards. Feb. 19.

Translated Copies of two letters from the Go: of Canada to de Go: the one dated No. 18, the other Jan. 8. Received Feb. My Lady hath the originalls.

The Go: of Canadas Passeport a Copie to a serjeant and 2 souldyers to goe from Quebec to Boston.

A Copie of a letter from the Go: of Canada to C. Salisbury in french and latine. Do.

A Copie of the Go: of Canada’s letter to C. Brockholes without date, Received May 31.


A Relacion of the Force at Canada.

A letter from the Magistrates at Newcastle to the Go: or Councell about Major Fenwyck etc. May 9. 1678 with severall other papers.

answer’d by the Councell.
The Examinacions of Roads and Alden* at Pe[ ]id Ma[ ] 3. 1678 with the [two lines lost].


C. Salisbury to C. Brockholes. May 24th.

Copie of Letter to the Commissaryes Alb. May 29


A note to Muskitoe Cove for 1500 foot of planck more May 27.

The Examinacion of Roads and Alden taken at Pemaquid May 13. with the Articles made by Piscataway and Indyans and arrived here June 4.

A Mittimus for Roades of the same date.

A letter to C. Chambers by order of the Councell about Geo: Halls Estate deceased June 10.

Copie of a Letter in French to the Go: of Canada. Feb. 28. 1677 in answer to his 2 to the Go.

C. Salisbury was writte to about it.

A Warrant upon the Complaint of C. Osbume against divers of Westchester about an abuse offered him, at their Training Mar 18. 77. They were sent for by the Councell.

An order about Stockadoes for the Fort Mar 21 1677.

An Order of Councell for Letters of Administracion to Mr. Joseph Fordham and his mother.

A letter to the Go: from the Magistrates of the Whorekill about some abuses of Capt. Cantwell. Received Mar 28, 1678.
Hee was written to by order of Councell [ ] sent [ ]

* testimony of Mr. Roades and John Alden
A Returne frome E[ ]stchester by [ ] Heyden, upon some order or warr[ ] Mar 30. 1678. about maintaining of Fences.

A Letter from Mr. Tho: Backer of Easthampton about a Negroe woman murdring her Child.

April 11.—An order of Councell about it.

Copie of a letter from C. B. to the Go: of Conecticutt about 3 of our River Indyans being surprized by them as they were hunting. Apr. 16. 1678.

A peticion of the old Inhabitants to the Eastward abot Pemaquid. (a Copie already sent to the Go: into Engl.) brought by Mr. Pattishalls Apr. 20.

Mr Leveredges letter of Complaint of hard usage by the Comissaryes, to C. Brockholes. April 23.

A Letter writte about it to C. Salsbury Apr. 30.*

A peticion from Eastchester Apr. 23.—

Copie of Major Talcotts Letter to C. Saltzbury, about 2 Injans of the Maques seized for want of Passeport or knowne ticketts, but releast. arrived here— Apr 26.

A Certificate of Mr Peter Smith to officiate as Clarke for the North Riding. April 27.

Copie of the Gov: Canada’s Passeport for Monsr Lusiigny to convey the poore Captives.

30 Apr. A Copie of a Letter from the Go. of Canada to C. Salisbury, in French and Latin

Copie of the Gov. of Canada’s letter to Capt. Brockholes - without date, but received May 31.

Copie of an Answer to the Go. of Canada. Letter dated June. 6. 1678.

* No copy of it has been found; it is also mentioned in 27:113.
A relation of the French at Canada

Capt Mannings petition: May 1. 1678

A warrant to Muskitoe Cove for Planck. May 3.

The Commissaries of Alb. to C. Brockholes May 13. about their commitment of Wm. Loveredge

answer'd by the Council

A petition from Temperance Loveredge concerning her son. in durance May. 22.

An order of Council upon both.

Capt. Salisbury to C. Brockholes about the French coming with the Captives of Hattfield and Hadley May 23th.


[A RECORD OF ACTS OF THE COUNCIL IN THE GOVERNOR'S ABSENCE]

Severall Matters past in Council etc.

At severall Meetings of the Council vizt. the 6th 10th & 12th Dec: 1677.

About George Heathcott.

At a Council Jan. 5th, about a Ketch here Mr. Wm Bowditch sued for, brought by the Indyans to Pemaquid. Recommended by Letter from the Governo of Boston to the Governo or in his absence his Dep. dated No. 23. 1677. with an Answer to it of Jan. 7. 1677.

A Letter by order of Council to Mr Jno. Topping of Southton Justice of the peace, dated Jan. 29. 1677. In answer to [ ] to C. Brockholes and the Council Jan [ ]

Order of Council Jan 15 1677, [ ] answer to the Proposicions made by the Oneydes Indyans to the Commander and Commissaries at Alb.

Order of Council Jan. 19 to bring up Paulus Marlette etc., from Staten Isl.


Order of Council, dated [blank] about a Copie of a Letter sent downe by C. Salisbury, It being writte by Tim: Cooper, to Major Pinchon, and thought to reflect the letter [ ]e Feb. 14. 1677

Order of Council for letters of Administracion to Mrs Martha Cooke of her husbands Estate. Feb. 15. 1677.

Order of Council Feb. 25 1677.

Order of Council Feb. 27 about the wid. Polhemius.

Another of the same date for C. Palmers opening the Pond etc.

Order of Council upon Mr. Prettyes Complaint March 18, 1677.

Order of Council Mar. 18. and 21


[ ]d[ ]s of C[ ]s[ ]ll Apr. [ ] 1678.

[ ] of C[ ] ll Apr. 8: about Mr. De Meyers horses, with s[ ]erall other Orders.

Orders of C. [ ] Mr. Bowditches desire to have the 2 ketches left at Pemaquid and Mr. Alfords haveing Liberty to transport Oyle from Southton.

An order of Council to allow a bill from the Const. etc. of Jamaica for Charges about an Indyan that dyed suddenly there. April [ ]

An order of Council about Eastchester Apr[ ] 26

An order of Council about C. Mannings debt: May 1st 1678.

An order of Council Easthampton, ab[ ] tryall of the Negroe. D[jitto]

Orders of Council about C. Laurence and the officers of the towne of Flushing May 2 1678
Order of Council about a difference between Flushing and Jamaica about their Bounds: May 7.

Order of Council to refer the merits of C. Osburne's petition to the Court of Sessions. May 8.

Orders of Council for Letters of Administration to Dirck van Clyff on behalf of Greetje the widow of Cor: Dircks. May 9.

Another to Hendrick Willimse and David Wessells in trust for the persons the Estate is bequeathed to. Ditto

Order of Council concerning several things. May 22.

More about Mr Prettyes business [ ] Herme Rutgers.
Also about W[ ] Loveredges [ ]ment.

Several[ ]ll Orders of Council. May 1.


The Commissaryes to C Brockholes and Council about the killing of the Indian woman by Mr. Teller. An order of Council upon it. May 20.

Order of Council Alb. and Newcastle May 22th.

A letter by order of the Council to the Justices of Newcastle. May 25.

At a Council June 1st.

Executions by order of Council against Sam: Leete, John Sharpe, and John Henry. June 5th.

C Brockholes to C. Knapton in answer to his about Roads* etc.

LETTER FROM SECRETARY NICOLLS TO CAPTAIN THOMAS CHAMBERS CONCERNING THE ESTATE OF GEORGE HALL

Capt. Chambers

N.Y. June 10. 1678

Sir

Upon notice of the death of your Neighbor Lieut. George Hall, who its said had matters of dealing and account with divers persons, Its the opinion of the Council, and I am ordred to signify it unto you, that you are not to grant nor suffer any attachment to bee layd upon the Goods or Estate Late belonging to or in the possession of the said Geo: Hall, upon any account of Debt or pretence whatsoever, but that (as the Law directs) you cause an account to bee taken of his whole Estate whether reall or personall, [with all Civility to the widdow, and returne the same hither]* together with his debits and Credit in Briefe, lyes with all Civility to the widdow, acquainting her with the Custome in like Cases and by the first oppertunity, that you transmitt the particulars of the same hither, whereupon some Order will bee taken, as shall be thought most just and equitable, both for securing the Creditors and benefitt of the widdow and Children: Thus farre I have in Charge to take leave and you are also desired to take leave if any will appeare, to send downe a Copie.

I remaine
Sir.
your friend and Servant
M. N.

[ENDORSED:]
M. N.
To C. Chambers as a cover to that [ ]† order of Councell about Geo. Hall's Estate
June 10, 1678.

* Crossed out in the original.
† illegible
**[INVENTORY OF DEBTS DUE TO THE ESTATE OF GEORGE HALL]**

An Extract Taken Out off The Boke of Mr. Gorge Hall. Beginning In the yeare 1676 Jun 3 Wereby appaers what the Ballance of Every One’s accoumpts is as Lykewise here under vizt 1678: June 13th.

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† perhaps Richard Cage at Fordham
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Johan Ryder
Lowies du Booys
Capt Chambers
Albert Goverson
Pieter Sopries Son
Johan Adriaenson
Wessel Ten Broecq
Roelof Kiersted
Roelof Swardswoud
Johan Hendrickson
William Beeqman [Beeckman]
Isaacq Grevenraedt

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To Sunddrie brought from the other side 13886.0. 3.

116 Garrad Cornelis
116 Anthony Telba [Tulpa/Telba see Delva]
117 his honners the Governor
119 William de la Montagne
120 Severyn Ten houdt
121 Pieter Gillison
122 Thoomas Matthys
124 Bastiaen Janson Negero
125 Mewis Hoogeboom
126 Johan Ewoudson [evertsen]
126 Jacob Janson
126 Hendrick Aertson
127 William Beecq
128 Touwn of Kingston
129 Gerrit Gysbertson
129 Lennort Barontson Cool
130 Pieter Cornelisson
135 Mattias Tyson
136 William Asforbie
136 George Davits
137 Hendric Jochomson
137 Benjamin Provoost
137 William Fisjer [fischer]
138 Swer Teuneson
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138 Harmon hendrix van Wejen [Weyen/Wyen]

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139 Jan Captain
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139 Aerdt Otterspoor
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140 Femmetie Hendrix
141 Courdt of Sessions
142 Cornelis Barontson
143 Wallerand du Mont
143 Alberdt Janson
143 Jan Cornelisson
145 Anderis Pietersson
145 Jamis Millis [Mills]
145 Michil Modt [de Modt]
145 Wm Martonson alis More
145 Jan Joosten op Marbleton
146 Abraham Haesbroek
147 Pieter Doyoo
148 Lowies Bievie
148 Anthony Crupe1
148 Hendrick Janson

Carried on the Other Side

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the Following are Indias Debtors

Pamierewack fo.4. ----- f 45
Ankerop fo.123 ----- f 227
John the Indian 135 ----- f 235
Cooldt 146 ----- f 16
Pieter the Indian 135 ----- f 18
Wichkawas f75 ----- f 8
Demongus f81 ----- 154
Sawenawenue f81 ----- f 19 (sewakamamie)

* This total is correct although the subtotals on all the previous pages are wrong.
Inventory taken of the goods of the deceased Mr. Hall. Present Dirck Jansen Constabel, Joost Adriaensen, and Jan Willemens, supervisors at Kingston, the 14th of June in the year 1678.

No. 1: A lot of land at Botterfieldt; the widow of Mr. Hall declares that it was given during her husband’s lifetime to her son Thomas. At Marbleton a parcel of land of about 15 morgens.

No. 9: A lot of land at Kingston, about 4½ morgens in size. A lot of pasture in the meadow.

No. 1: A piece of coarse linen.

No. 2: A piece of handkerchief

A piece of dozens
6 blankets
10 blankets
7 pair of red stockings
A piece of kersey of 3½ ells
A piece of stroud 6½ ells
A piece of pennistone 7 ells
A piece of kersey 4 ells
A piece of kersey 19 ells
A piece of kersey 25½ ells
A piece of duffel 21½ ells
A piece of stroud ........................................
A piece of blue duffel 29½ ells
A piece of blue duffel 39 ells
A barrel of rum, about 2 anckers
6 horses
4 cows, of which 2 belong to the children
2 oxen and 5 young stock; an ox and a heifer for the children
3 calves, two for the children
A sow with 4 sucklings
A wagon
A plow
A harrow with iron teeth
Some rope and cords
A chest with clothes
A chest with linen goods
A saddle, bridle, holsters, pistols, sword, carbine
Another saddle
A woman’s saddle
2 beds with accessories
House, barn and courtyard
The house, well furnished with all sorts of household goods
A silver funnel
A silver cup
6 silver spoons
3 sheep belonging to the children
A negro named Tam Teyler
A negress named Bettie
The grain in the field
24 skipples of bread grain
Some brewing grain
A gun

Thus done, dated as above
by us

Dirck Schepmoes
Joost Adriaensen
Jan Willemsen
[ENDORSED:]

An Inventory of
the Estate and Goods
of Mr. George Hall
taken by the Constable
and two Overseers at
Kingston in Esopus.
June 14 1678.

[27:136a]

[DRAFT OF A LETTER, PROBABLY TO THOMAS CHAMBERS, THAT
ABRAHAM DE PEYSTER IS AVAILABLE TO HELP SETTLE
THE ESTATE OF GEORGE HALL]

Capt. Delavall sends up his servant Abraham De Peister to adjust
accounts with John Ward, and [ ]ays if hee may bee any way helpefull
to the widdow with your and her Approbacion, to peruse his bookes and
state the Accounts of persons concerned with Mr. Geo: Hall debited. He
hath direction so to do and probably may give satisfaction in Generall.

June 10 1678

[27:136b]

[LETTER FROM WYNANT GERRITSZ VAN DER POEL SEEKING TO BUILD
A HOUSE AT ALBANY. TRANSLATION]

To the Honorable, highly Esteemed
Wise, and Prudent Lord

My Lord Breckhorst,

Whereas your Honor is representing the office of the lord governor
general in his absence; therefore, I am forced by unusual treatment to
address myself to your Honor as appears in the following:

It is the case that I have a piece of land here, according to patent about
31 feet wide, situated near the house of Mr. Perker, being the farthest
comer, upon which I built a dwelling 15 feet wide about two years ago.
I am now prepared to build the rest and thus enlarge and widen the first;
however, it cannot be done unless it has its own gable. However, it shall,
in fact, be nothing other than one house, standing under one roof.
However, some of the commissaries have expressly forbidden me from doing so (NB that is to say, some, such as Sr. P. Schuyler, because some commissaries say they know nothing about it), claiming that they did not want any cottages, and that the house had to be 18 feet wide. Whereupon I answered that it would not be a cottage but a good proper house; also, that it would not be two but, in fact, one house. Whereupon I received no other answer than to leave it standing empty until his Honor’s arrival here, and if I could receive it [permission] from him, then it would be done.

And whether it be one house in itself or not, there are in any case various people here who have built houses on narrower lots, and some of about 16 feet, which they use for trade as the owner pleases; namely, Henderijk Roseboom, a house of 13 feet wide, of which Mr. William Levendich knows what I say is true.

And whereas I have all the timber ready, and would like to have my share in the trade (which now rapidly approaches), in order to gain some advancement for me and my family through its rent.

Therefore I hereby turn to your Honor with the most humble request for proceeding with it, under the express condition that, if his Honor should come here and view the construction as insufficient, I shall immediately destroy it myself, and do with it as it shall please his Honor. Expecting your Honor’s favorable written response, I remain

New Albany [ ] 19th June 1678

Your Honor’s most humble subject and servant,

Was signed per: Wynant Gerrittse vander Poel

[ENDORSED:]

A Letter [ ]
to Capt Brock[ ]
from Wynant Gerritse van der Poel.
Alb. June 19
29 1678

Not granted
Answer Referr’d
to the Go: returne.
Honorable Governor Anthony Brockhurst

Whereas your honor in the absence of his honor Sir Edmund Andros doe represente his quality; makes me to presume (through necessity and circumstances of Affaires) to apply my selfe to your honor for these following matters (vizt)

It's soe, that I have here a piece of ground according to Patent 31 foot broad, leying about the house of Mr Barker, being the utmost comer; upon which, about 2 yeares agoe, I have buildt a dwelling of 15 foot broad; and am now ready to have the remainder built, and to have alsoe the first made begger and broader; though cannot bee otherwise but must bee a particular front; neverthelesse that it shall bee but one house and stand under the same Roofe.

But, some of the Comissaryes did forbide me soe to doe, as cheefely Mr Philip Schuyler, because some of them say they knew nothing off, Saying that they will have there noe Cottage built; and that the house must bee 18 foot broad; whereupon I answered, that it shall bee noe Cottage, but a good proper house; and it should not bee two houses but a single house; whereupon I received noe other answer; but to Lett it stand, till his honor Governor Andros comes againe, And if I could procure a graunt from him, that then it should bee soe, But though the said building should bee a house by it selffe, as it shall not bee, here are people, which upon Lesser ground have build houses, some of about 16 foot, which nevertheless are not hindred but Enjoy the same and doe trade, Soe as they pleases, as cheefely Hendr[ic]k Rooseboom hath a house of 13 foot broad, which Mr Leveredge knowes very well, that my Saying is very true.

And whereas I have all the timber ready, and would willingly have my share in the trade, which doth approach, therefore would have it ready for to Save Rent, to my and my Familye's benefitt.

Therefore doe apply my Selfe to your honor, humbly beseeching to bee pleased to graunt, that I may goe on with said building; Promising if the said building doth not please his honor Governor Andros at his arrivall, the same to bee presently demolisht; And to doe with the Same as Shall please his honor; whereupon I Shall expect from your honor a favorable answer in writteing; I shall remaine
[ ]ew Albany
[ ]e 19th June
1678.

Your honors most humble
Subject and Servant
Was Signed P: Wynant Gerrittse van der Poel

[ENDORSED:]
A Letter and [ ]
To Capt Brockholes
from Wynant Gerr[ ],
van der Poel
Alb. June 19 1678.

Not granted.

Answer Referr’d
to the Go: returne.

[27:137b]*

[LETTER TO THE REV. MR. PRUDDEN OF JAMAICA ALLOWING A DAY OF PUBLIC WORSHIP]

Reverend Sir.

I must crave your Excuse that I have not ere now returned you an answer of what you desired at Jamaica, touching Liberty of setting a day a part for your Congregacion to assemble together to worship God or more particularly at this Season I have communicated the same to the Coun­cell, who are well content therewith and that you make use of the publicke Meeting house in your Towne any day this weeke or the next to Worship where none are to presume to give you disturbance in your divine Exercise [there being]† you laying no injunction on any but leaving them to their freedom are willing to partake with you theren In which I pray God give you the Comfort and good successe the great peace you ayme at or may desire, for the good of the Church or State.

So I take Leave and remaine.

* Now numbered 27:139b.
† Crossed out in the original.
N.Y.
June 24. 1678.

Your very humble servant
M. N.

[ENDORSED:] To Mr. Prudden
June 24 1678.
N.Y.
about their setting
a day apart etc.

[27:138]

[LETTER TO CAPT. SYLVESTER SALISBURY ABOUT THE EXTRAVAGANT ENTERTAINMENT OF FRENCHMEN AT ALBANY]

Captain Salisbury

Yours of the 15th I received on Saturday by your Brother Peter Jacobs* wherein you give me an account of the Expence of the Frenchmen before they took their Journey for Boston, the which I Communicated to the Councell; we Cannot but admire, at the Extravagance, of those persons, and that we should be so misunderstood, by yourself and Magistrates, when wee gave a Lattitude of entertaining them Civilly in passing, Coming upon so good a worke, as the release of those Captives, not imagining, they would have stayed above a night, or two [or three, at the most in going, scarce two in returning]† and guessing that one hundred Gilders or somewhat more would have defrayed all their Charges, but this is so beyond Measure [only in going (and probably they'll expect same in returning)] that of necessity there must [bee a stop put to it] some other Course bee taken about it for the Governor will never allow thereof [besides it's not wee but our Neighbors have the Benifitt, of their Coming, and a Moderacion would have beeene as reputable as this Excesse which they'll laugh at us for] There might have been a stint of so much a member and a glass or two of wine but not [bee as it were, at rick and Manger] to entertain them like so many Embassadores; I Pray take some Care about it that we may not be blamed by the Governor at his returne [and if any of them are left Let them pay their part, after an allowance of about five pounds upon the Publick and noe more, and if

* Pieter Jacobsz Marius and Sylvester Salisbury married sisters, Marritje and Elisabeth Beeck.
† This and other material in brackets was cancelled.
those that went to Boston are not returned Lett them discharge the remainder themselves at their Coming as I believe they would serve us if we were in their Countrey.

So having not further I remaine]

New Yorke June 24 1678

[Your Friend and Servant]

At the retume of them gone for Boston since they could use no more moderacion whe[ ] they were there before, Let them even be use[ ] there owne Charge, for its not wee but our Neighbors that have the benefitt of their wanting to

So having not further I remaine

Sir your friend and Servant

[A D D R E S S E D:] For Capt. Silvester Salisbury
Commander of Albany
These
At the Fort
In Albany

[E N D O R S E D:] C.A. Brockholes
to C. Salisbury.
Copie June 24 1678.

[27:139]


Capt Brockholse

Sir upon the 20th of present I Received a Letter from Scannexstada, that there is 2 great troopes goeing out of the mauquas, fighteing to the North one troope for the unagoungas, but the other I am in thoughts that thay will goe, to wards major pynchons or that way, to say how many there is, in Each troope I Cannot Learne, and what the Event will be, time muste bring to passe. I have not had noe opperteunitie to writ[e] to major Talkett, since I have Receved his Letter, but if you preas to Let me know
anything, what I shall write to hime if oppertewnity, doeth present, I shall be very Redy, all is well at the present, but my poore Child is at the present very sore, but I hope in god he shall bee well wich is all at present from hime that is your very humbl Servante

Forte
Albany
24th of June
1678

For Capt. Anthony Brockhols
at James forte in New York.
These.

Capt Salisbury
to Capt Brockholes
Alb. June 24. 1678.

answer’d.

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[LETTER FROM CAPTAIN SALISBURY REPORTING THE ARRIVAL AT ALBANY OF A PARTY OF MOHAWK INDIANS WITH NATICK INDIAN PRISONERS]

Albany 27 June 1678

Honored Sir.

This day there arrived here a troop of 60 maquas with 22 Prisoners, to witt 3 men 17 women 2 Boys and 2 Crounes,* who say they are frind Indians of the English, whereupon I calld the Court forthwith and Resolv’d to send the Secretary and Aemout the Intrepreter† to the Prisoners, to examine them from whence they were, who doe say they are Natik Indians frinds to the English and under the Command of major

* crones; the number 17 was written over 15 and the word Crounes over Children.
† Albany court secretary Robert Livingston and Amout Cornelissz Viele
Guggins and say they were taken in a Indian Corn field called Magaehnak 6 mile from Suddberry, whereupon Tahaidons the forefighter of the maguase was told and Reminded of the Propositions made by Major Pinchon and Mr. Richards then agents of N: England, that they should be-friend their frind Indians, and likewayes how the maquase Promised to do them no harm, who answerd and said they were taken about 6 mile from any English Place and therefore did take them to be there Enemies, Neverthelesse Tahaidons Promises that they shall not be damnifyed till further order, but I cannot Rely upon his word. This is that which hath now lattely happend, I Desire that you would send me your advise thereabouts, per first, I doubt not if they be frind Indians (as they say) but you or I will Receive Letters there anent* Speedily, but if not Possiblie they will not trouble Themselfs, but I doe Presume they are of there Praying Indians, because there is one amongst them that brougt the Indian Bible here in Governor Nicolls time, No more at Present I am

Your very humble Servant
Sylve: Salisbury

[ADDRESS:] To Capt Antho Brockholes
at James Fort In Cito N York

[ENDORSED:] A letter from
S Salisbury
Alb. June 27 1678.
To Capt. Brockholes
answer’d.
31.

[27:141]

[REGULATIONS MADE IN 1676 FOR ALBANY, CONCERNING A MONOPOLY IN THE INDIAN TRADE, THE OPENING OF STREETS AND ERECTING OF BUILDINGS. TRANSLATION]

Copy of a reply from his honor the governor general on a request of the burghers of Albanie for the increase of their privileges

All previous privileges are permitted; and on the advice of

* about
the magistrates, these following are to be observed at once.

1. No one, whosoever it may be, shall trade or sell by the small measure, nor trade with the Indians in any way whatsoever, unless they are burghers or free\[men\]; nor anyone [trade with the Indians] in more than one house or place, and [then] on their own account.

2. No new streets or houses shall be constructed until all empty or vacant places in the old streets have been completely built upon; nor any houses constructed before the corner houses on them are. And if the owners will not build, or permit others to do so for a reasonable price, whether from need or necessity, then all such vacant or empty places in the aforesaid old streets shall be assessed, by order of the magistrates, by impartial people, and permitted to such capable persons who request it, on the condition of payment of the assessment to the owner, and of building on it at once without delay.

3. All new constructions fronting on the street shall be proper dwelling houses not less than two rooms square and eighteen feet wide, and brick or stone on the street side, and covered with pantiles.

Dated the 28th of June 1678.

Signed: E. Andros

To the magistrates of Albany; to be put into effect immediately.

Agrees with the original, to which I attest,
Robt. Livingston, Secr.

[ENDORSED:] Alb: 28 June 1678
Gov: Generals:
Privilege

to Albanie.
Honnorable Councell.

All in Paese, and quiertnesse in our Parts

Sirs yours in date the 10th off this Instand is Safe, come to my hand, the which have now before mee, and shall answer the same in brieff, as, Concerning the Estate, off the deceased mr: George Hall; the 14th: off this Instant, the Constable and two overseers, (bye my order) under oat: have taken an Invetary of all mouvable and unmouvable goods off the deceased George Hall, and the 15th Laid an arrest upon his Whole Estate, and the Same Instand have Inployd Abram de Peyster, and William Montangne (under Oats,) to state his bookes, the which they have donn as neare as they Could, and have drawne out a List out off his booke of all his debtors, the which with the Inventory are here Included the Bookes and Papers after they where Nombred, are in my Presence Laid in a Chest and the Chest Sealed up.

I Would Intreat your Honnors to Send Mee by the first oppurtunity a Line or two by Reason the Widdow is desires* to have the disposall off the Estate and booke, because she thincks, there is Estate Enough with and (overplush) to Pay all debts, and she thincks that itt is moore Profittable for her to Improve itt as that itt should Lye in hand; Soo Having Not Else at Present to Inlarge onely Presenting My Sarvice, to Your: annors I take Leave and Remaine

Sirs Your Most Humble Sarvent
Thomas Chambers

[ADDRESSED:] For: the Honnorable Councell
               att New Yorke In Fort James.
               These

[ENDORSED:] Capt. Tho: Chambers [seal]
            Esopus
            June 28 1678.

* He intended “desirous.”
Capt. Knapton.

Having Received a letter from Capt. Salisbury of the 24th past, concerning some preparacions and intended designes of the Maques against their Ennemyes, I was willing to advertize you of it by this oppertunity of Gabriell Thompsons goeing to Boston (who hath promist to take Care of the Conveyence, of this to you the rather give you this Intelligence being informed that the Unnagoungas are the Indyans neare your parts, which if so, propably your giving them notice to bee upon their Guards, will lay some obligacion of friendship upon them, the which you may advize with Mr Jocelyn about and accordingly act therein:

Wee are all well here, but no farther Newes from the Go. yet, nor of any certa[ ]ty of Peace or Warre. Having nothing more to comunicate I take leave and remaine

Sir

your Friend and Servant

A copie of that
[ ] of C. Salisburyes letter
[ ]lating thereunto, I have sent here inclosed
and the rather etc.

My Service to mr Jocelyne.
C. Nicolls desires his may bee July 1st 1678

presented to you both.

Copie of a Letter

to C. Knapton
from C. Brockholes
July 1st 1678.
[ORDER OF THE COURT AT ALBANY, PROHIBITING ANY PERSONS BUT BURGHERS FROM TRADING WITH INDIANS]*

At a Court held in Albany the 2d.
Annoq. Dom: 1678

Whereas there are severall Persones, who doe come up from N: York hither, and drive a great trade with the Indians, to the great dammage and Prejudice of the Burgers of this town and them that are free, Contrarie to severall Statutes and former orders made thereabouts, Especially that Privledge graunted to this Toun by the Right honnored Maj: Edmond Andross Governor Generalli dated the 28th of June 1676, So it is that the Court for the Reasons aforesaid, doe expressly forbidd to all Persones whatsoever The tradeing with Indians in this Toun, Directly or Indirectly except they be Burgers and doe keep Fire and Candle, watch and ward here, the whole year throu, which all Persones may and are to take notice at there Perrills too default,

By order of the Court
Robt. Livingston Secr.

[ENDORSED:] Alb. 2 July 1678
Orders Prohibiting
Trade with Indians
except Burgers.

[LETTER TO GOVERNOR THE COMTE DE FRONTENAC OF CANADA. TRANSLATION]†

Sir,

Having had the pleasure of the company of Monsieur de Lusigny (one of the gentlemen from your household) for a day or two here on his return from Boston, during the absence of Chevalier Andros (our governor) and emboldened by the honor you did me in writing to me, I take the liberty

* This order confirms the Governor's ordinance of July 5, 1676, and the court's ordinance of August 7, 1676 (ARS 2:135–138).
† Translated from French by Linda J. Pike.
of presenting you my respects and of kissing your hands by this occasion. It has been a long time since we had news from Europe; I hope that it will be good when it arrives. The journey that Monsieur de Lusigny has made, and is still making, has been and will be arduous in this season. I wish him a good and safe passage.

Sir, you may rest assured for as long as there is friendship between our kings that you will have all manner of sound intelligence between us as neighbors, but if the contrary should happen, you will find that we will act honorably and will have great esteem for your person and quality; thus I shall sign myself, Sir,

Your very humble and obedient servant,

A.B.

New York
4th July
1678

[ENDORSED:] Three letters to the Comte de Frontenac, Lieutenant General and Governor of Canada, etc.:
28th Feb. '77
of 6th June '78
of 4th July Ditto

[27:146]

[LETTER FROM CAPTAIN SALISBURY CONCERNING THE BILL FOR HIS ENTERTAINING FRENCH VISITORS]

Capt Brockholse

Yours of [ ]e 26 of June Laste paste I rece[ ] the 2 Instant wherby I unde[ ]stand your deslikeing of the Excespences of the french, when h[ ] and your Discontentment of my proseedings in the said bisnesse, by not understand of you, I should be very sorry, if I had not to the beste of my Capacity followed your order and advis punctually there about Daited the 26 of May Laste where in is mentioned, that I ame to Defrae the Charges and thay to be clered from it, and to sende the accompt Downe to you, where Care will be taken to Convay it to the governor of boston, whoe ought to Reimbours the same, it being for people of his Goverment, but noe Limetation or time staying, or since mentioned therefor I could not soe with out orders to hast[ ] in the Despatch sooner, no[ ] make any stinte of there me[ ]s, thay being more willing to pay
for there Expenceis themselves, then I could ef Immadgin, only Did follow your order in hindering them and Dought not when you have perused the Inclosed papers or pertickeler [ ]omp[ ]t you will have better satisfact[ ]n wherein I Cannot perceive such Extradinary Extravagance Especially Accordin[ ] to your Letter that the Governor of boston [ ] and not his honor, and [ ] you that I was not in the l[ ]ste [ ]aton of there Extravagance [ ]f any vesed for I never did so much as drink or eat with them at any of there quarter[ ] therefore doe thinke my selfe, to be without blame, in that poynt and I doe not know what forther Care Can be taken in that bisnes but to sende you the persp[ ]ketive Accompts which you may see and to sende them forward to boston as [ ] shall thinke fitt, amounting to the sume of $699–11 Neather Can I see wherin the Goveror at his Retorne [ ] blame anybody therein I shall obay and follow your orders, punctually, in Letting them bare there one Charge[ ]f ther[ ] Retorne, and all oth[ ] to the utter moste [ ]assio[ ] and Ever Remain[ ] humb[ ] Servant

Forte Albany
the 6th of July
1768

Silve: Salisbury

[27:147]

[MEMORANDUM OF A REQUEST FROM HENDRICK CORNELIS OF HURLEY FOR PERMISSION TO BUY LAND FROM INDIANS]

Hendrick Cornelys now living at Hurley in Esopus, having made suite to the Justice of Peace Sheriffe and Const. at Kingston that hee may have liberty to purchase a piece of land of the Indyans or accept of the same from them, they having made him offer thereof; The said land lyeing over against the land granted to Jacob Rutgers, conteyning about 18 Margen.

Hee received for Answer the 19th Dec. 1677. That it must bee left to the Go:

I have promised at his returne to present it to him for his approbacion

July 6. 1678.

Claes Burding came with him.
A Request from
Hendr. Cornelis of
Esopus to have liberty
to purchase a small
piece of land there of the
Indyans

Reffer’d to the Go:

[27:148a]

[PROTEST OF JAN HENDRICKSZ BRUYN FOR BEING DENIED TRADING
PRIVILEGES AT ALBANY. TRANSLATION]

True Copy

The notification given to me, the underwritten, by the officer that, according to the ordinance, those of N. York are not permitted to trade with the Indians here,

Evokes the response that such is directed against the foreigners and not the burghers from here, because I have been a burgher here for 20 years and have helped to support the civic burden; also, I do not know why I have been denied residency, as it appears here:

First, my immoveable possessions are here.

Second, my moveable possessions are here, and my house where I have chosen to sleep in order to preserve them, which was indeed done.

Third, I have paid tax on the same possessions; indeed, for the Indian houses and the rattle-watch. In addition, a day ago I even paid a soldier who worked for me to the benefit of the inhabitants. If there may be something that was not made known, it is not my fault rather but [the fault] of those who failed to give notice.

Therefore, as far as I am concerned, it does not detract a bit from my residency, which I shall maintain with its burdens.

Whereas I conclude that I have neglected nothing that could deny me my residency; nothing according to the aforesaid laws, or nothing according to the laws of England, also nothing according to the laws of Parliament. Therefore, I remain your honor’s obedient and devoted burgher and servant, as always.
Albany, 6 July 1678
Was signed:

Jan Hendrick Bruyns
Agrees with the original, to which I attest,
Ro: Livingston, Secr.

[27:148b]
[RESPONSE OF THE COURT AT ALBANY TO ALLEGATIONS MADE BY JAN HENDRICKSZ BRUYN. TRANSLATION]*

At the court held at
Albany, July 6, 1678.

A certain document of Jan Heyndrik Bruyns was submitted, in which he makes known how the sheriff has forbidden him to trade with the Indians, according to the ordinance thereon, alleging that he has been a burgher here for over 20 years, and has helped to bear the civic burden, daily paying taxes and other charges on moveable and immovable property here. Therefore, he still presumes to be entitled to the privileges of a burgher in every respect.

Their honors of the court, having taken the matter into deliberation, refer him totally to their posted ordinance, dated the 2nd of this month. Therefore, we forbid the aforesaid Monsr. Bruyn (who was a burgher here) now to have any trade with the Indians directly or indirectly, because he did not keep fire or light throughout the entire year. At the same time we forbid him to trade by the small measure with the Christians, unless he settles with our secretary, to whom we have given instructions concerning this matter.

By order of the court
Ro: Livingston Secr.

[ENDORSED:] John Broun's petition submitted with the court's reply.
Albany, 6 July 1678.

* For a translation of the original court minutes see ARS 2:337.
[PROTEST OF JAN HENDRICKSZ BRUYN
TO THE COURT AT ALBANY]

True Copy

The honorable lords magistrates
of N. Albany etc.

Whereas I, the undersigned, have responded to the honorable officers’ summons dated the 5th of this month, which your honors have been pleased to answer in writing that I may not trade in the small [measure] either with Christians or Indians, by virtue of the ordinance dated this year the 2nd of this month.

And I still cannot see that the aforesaid ordinance forbids me to do so, because I am ready to obey the contents of it. This I informed the honorable president as well as the honorable Andries Teller on the 6th of this month, and in addition requested that the matter be reconsidered.

Whereupon the president answered in substance that it was just lost money because nothing more would be done than had already been done. I requested an appeal which was denied.

Whereupon I further asked what I should then do so that I might trade, and received in reply that I must keep fire and light here. I responded that I intended to do this, however received no further answer that pertained to the matter. Therefore I do protest against it for all the expenses and damages which I have already suffered and may yet come to suffer, and hereby take recourse to a higher court; remaining

Albany
the 7th of July
1678.

Your honors’ servant
Was signed:
Jan Heyndrik Bruyns

Compared by me,
Ro: Livingston, Secr.
At a court held
in Albany, July 9, 1678.

Jan Heyndrik Bruyns presents to their honors a certain writing, complaining about the document dated the 6th of this month, sent to his house, whereby he is forbidden to trade with the Indians according to the ordinance and also to trade with the Christians by the small measure unless he comes to an agreement, saying that he is willing to observe the contents of the aforesaid ordinance; namely, hereafter to keep fire and light during the entire year, etc., if they will grant him permission to trade with the Christians and Indians like any other burgher. He says further that last Saturday he asked some of the magistrates that the matter might be reconsidered, to which they gave for answer that nothing else could be done in the matter than had already been done. He thereupon asked permission to appeal, which was refused, and against which he protests for all expense and damage which he has already suffered or may hereafter suffer, and appeals to the higher court.

The honorable court having taken into consideration the document presented by Jan Heyndrix Bruyns, refer him to their delivered decision regarding this matter, dated the 6th of this month, according to which he is ordered to regulate himself. As to his protest, it is resolved that he is to furnish sufficient security at the secretary’s office in the sum of two hundred pounds sterling for his appearance before his honor and council, and for his good conduct in the meantime.

By order of the court,

Ro: Livingston, Secr.

[ENDORSED:]  John Broun’s petition
with the court’s reply
Albany, 9 July 1678
Capt. Tho: Chambers.

Sir Wee have received your Letter of June 28 together with the Inventory of the Estate and Goods of Mr. George Hall deceased taken by the Constable and two Overseers of Kingston a[ ] also an Extract of Debts taken out of his bookes by the persons employed by you under Oath, [in all which you have done very well;]* Wee understand likewise, that you caused the bookes and papers to be sealed up in your presence, [and desire some direction how to proceede farther in the matter] signifying the widdowes desire to have the Disposall of the Estate, bookes etc. supposing there is Estate enough (with an Overplus) to pay all, and that it would bee more profitable for her to improve the Estate then to lye in any ones hand;

The Councell doth well approve of what you have done in this matter and Having taken the same into Consideracion after a Perusall of the Inventory and Extract of Debts wherein wee judge the rest sufficient Estate as also having discourst with C. De La [ ]ll and Mr. Minvielle here of the principall Creditors who have no objection against it. Wee doe thinke it reasonable that the widdow should administer upon her deceased husbands Estate and that shee have all[ ] bookes and papers delivered up into her h[ ]ds, shee giving security to administer according to Law, and if shee can find no other wee suppose you may safely enough take her owne obligacion and an assignacion of her Last Estate for the due performance of her Trust: Having not farther, wee take Leave and remaine

[ ] 8. 1678. Sir.

[ENDORSED:] Copy of a Letter to C. Chambers from the Councell.

July 8. 1678.

* This and other material in brackets is crossed out in the orginal.
May it Please your honors

We cannot forbear but acquaint your honors what hath happend here Lately, fearing there might be them which will strive to missinform you for there own Particular Interest:

Seeing that Severall Poeple come up here Yearly from N: York, with Intention to trade with Indians, and to Christians by Retail who within a month or 2 after the Cheif time of handling is Past doe carry away great stors of Bever, and never keep fire nor licht watch nor ward. The Court thought Convenient to make an order Last Court day, being the 2d Instant, Prohibiting the trade with Indians to all except burgers, and them who keep fire and Candle watch and ward here the whole year throw, which order (or Renovacion) we did make by virtue of the Governors order dated the 28th of June here inclosed, but it seems that John Hendrick Broun, did think this took no Influence on him, Pretending all the Privileges of a burger, and soo kept one handling and does yett Still whereupon the Sheriffe went and told him, that he knew Verry well, that there was an order of Court that no New Yorke Poeple who did not keep fire and Candle watch and ward etc. here the whole Year throw, were to trade with Indians, and he not haveing done soo Last winter therefore must not trade

John Brown foresaid deliverd a Writeing [  ] whereby he seemes to stand upon his Burger [  ] but the Court answerd him that he should not tr[  ] Indians, Directly or Indirectly, because he had not don[  ] as above, the whole year throw neither to sellby R[  ]tail till he aggrees and Payes a st. per gl. [  ] which is 6* per £ sterl. At which As when he seemd [  ]pleased, and deliverd a 2d writting which we have likeways sent here Inclosed, Protesting against us, for hindring him to Proceed in his trade, Promiseing for the future to keep a man in his house etc. upon which we answerd and Referrd him to what our first order was, and ordered him, for his Protestacion to give in bond of 200 [ ] sterl. to answer

* The "6" is followed by an indecipherable symbol, probably representing a coin equal to a Dutch guilder, if f6 = £1 sterling.
said Contempt, before the Gov: genl: when he arrives and your honors; and bee of the good behavior, for we doe humbly Conceive, it is a great boaldnesse and Arrogancy to Protest against a Court, without any Cause, for keeping and mentaining there Priviledges, especially so Lately graunted by his honor, for if we graunt it him; we cannot deny it to any burger of N: York, who have as much Privilege here as he, We doubt not but this will Enter into your Serious Consideracon and soo mentain us in all these Priviledges which if not Prevented, everybody would stryve to depyreve us off, No more at Present but doe Rema

Your honors most humble and Obed.
Servants The Commiss: of Alb. and

Philip Schuyler
Richard Pretty

Gentlemen

John Broun denies to signe the bond of 200 lb sterl because his good behavior is mentiond therein. we desire your honors Opinion in the Case per the first

[ADDRESSED:] To
Capt. Anth. Brockholes
and Councill at
James Fort
N York

[ENDORSED:] The Commissaries
To Capt. [seal] Brockholes
[ ] July 10th 1678
De Bruyne

33.
Honorable Governor
Anthony Brockhorst

May it Please your honor.

It's soe, that by reasons mee thereunto moveing, am forced to trouble your honor and to acquoynt of such affaires as hapned here twixt the worshipppfull Comissariss and mee, concerning the Liberty of a Burger as may appeare by the Declaracions delivered unto my wife; The Substance thereof being that the said Worshippfull Comissariss will persuade that my Borgers Right is Lost, because that the Last winter (they say) I never kept neither fire neither Candle; whereupon I did answer that then here was none such comand, or order; as appeareth by the Placaat of the Last yeare

Therefore the usuall speech may have his way Where there is noe Law, there is noe tresspass.

And Concerning your honors Placaat of this yeare mencioning to continue fire and Light here.

Thereunto I am condesiending as to any Subjection whatsoever And therefore humbly Suppose that there is noe Lawfull Cause whey the treade should bee more denied to mee, then to any others dwelling here.

Therefore (in all Submission humbly conceaving that your honor in all Equity may Redresse me in this Respect) humbly pray to bee favorable unto my wife on that behalfe; as For further Satisfaction to have the transactions made here to bee perused; And in case your honors Leasure is not pleased to attend that time, nevertheless to graunt me a licence no[ ] to bee hindred of my intents and trading her[ ] as I have done these many yeares, Promising hereby to satisfye what your honor and the honorable Councell shall direct upon me, if upon infringing of Law or Laws.

Acquyessing upon your honors mature consideracion remaine Y* per John Hendricke Bruyn

* The pronoun "I"
Capt. Brockholes.

I have Received yours having Daite the 4the of July, Concerning Tyador the Maques forefighter, and his prissoners of the Natisk Indians which I doe believe, that the Moste part of them Are burnt Eare this time as I have hard from others Indians that Cometh Every Day, out of the Lande, you do say that I should sequare* them in my hands, or be put to be kept in the hands of our frends the Mehecanders, all this reads well what you write, but the Mauquas, Are not those sorte of people that dlivers up ther prissoners for nothing, I Doe beleve I Coude have Released them for f200 or there abouts, but neaver had any orders to Disburse any mony for another Collnyes Indians and if I shoulde then, the Governor would be angerry we haveing nothing to Doe with them, nor Receve any proffitt by them, and with your Leave my thoughts is that if the New England people had any Kindness for them, thay woulde have sent a man in time anoffe to have bene at Albany to have spoken with Tyadori[ ]for he was long anoffe on his wa[ ] but about 14 Days after sends me a Letter to Desire me to threaten the Mauquas for them, but I doe think such sort of Implyment will becom themselves better, the Copy I have sent to you in

* secure
my Laste soe instead of sending of such a Letter, if thay had sent me order[ ] to have Disboursed for them $500 or $600 Gilders to have Given the Mauquas, then perhapses ther Eyers might have bene open but other ways thay be as Deaffe as a stone there are more Troopes of the Maqu[ ] out as I Doe here but Come not ny[ ] our towne but goe over by the halfe moone, I here that one Troop[ ]e Containes of 30 North Indians and but one Mauquas in ther Company what it will produce god knows but I fere it will not be good, this is all at present from hime who Desirs to be Esteemed your frend and humble sarvant

Fort Albany the 11th of July 1678

Silve: Salisbury

[ADRESSED:] For the Governor Capt Anthony Brockholse at James Forte In New Yorke These.


[27:154] [INSTRUCTIONS FOR A MASSACHUSETTS EMBASSY TO THE MOHAWK INDIANS]

Orders and Instructiones for Mr. Samuell Ely and Benjamin Waite with Pieter de Vos their Interpreter,

Imprimis

1. You are heerby ordered (according to your Comission) by the first opportunity and as Spedely and by the best way You Can go Traughe to the Macquas Cuntry

2. As Soon as yea cane Speake with any of the Macquas tell them yea are sent from the Governor and Councell of the Massachussets, and with a Message of great Concernment, which you are to impairt to the
Seachems and therefore desire a full meeting of all their Seachems, or as many of the chief of them as can be procured to whom when mett declare unto them from whom you are sent and show them your Commission.

3. Then tell them that the Gov; and all the English in these parts have being (ever since their first coming hither) good freinds to the Macquas, and have never don them any wrong, and have Estemed the Macquas to be their Freinds, and so have alwayes Used them when upon any occasion they have com amongst us, as they well know and may remember, And Therfor that they think it strange and can not but tak it very Ill that Latt act of Hostilitie at Maguncog where they killed three and caried away Captive Twentie four of our freind Indians, who are his Majesties Subjects without any Cause given by them that we know off, or any Complaint made to Use by the Macquas and so contrary to their agreement and promise to Major Pinchon at Albany the last yeare and at Boston afterwards by a party of them that Cam to Major Pinchon at Hadley and to Mr. Salisbury at Fort Albany as hee Informes us, that they wold not Kill or hurt anie of our Indian Freind[ ] Especially any of those belonging to Natick, which these did, and therefor tell them you are sent to know the Cause and resone of ther thus acting as enemies and contrary to so many Reiterated promisses; and be verie Carefull to understand all that answeres clearly and fully, which you are to sett down in wryting.

4. If thay allege that our Indians have done them anie wrong, you may Tell them that if that cane bee made appear, the Governor and Councell will cause them to make due satisfaction, and so wold have done befor upon Complaint and prooff.

5: Tell them as the Inglish use to keepe ther word and promise with all Indians so they expected the Like from them, above other Indians as seeming more generous and Ingenious and having Till now off Laitt Never found it otherways; but have now great Cause to Complain and be offended, That instead of restraning our Indians Enemyes which are come amongst them, from doeing us or our Freinds any hurt or Injurie, as they promissed Major Pinchon at Albanie, they should Joyne with them to Destroy kill and Captivat those that are our Freinds and subjects and under our protection, which wee may not suffer, for as wee will not willinglie wrong the least company of Indians that have not Injuried us, so wee cane not beare so g[ ] ane injurie and Indignitie from the greatest and proudest of them all.

6ly You are to propose to them that if they bee willing and desirous (as
the Inglish are) that Peace and Freindschip may bee preserved and continued betuixt us and them as formerly, that then they wold send som of thar Sachems or cheife Men to Great and conclu with our Commis sioners and those of the other Collonyes who are also heirin concerned at Hartford about the midle of September nexit, or at Hadley if they lyk that place better, or rather then faile at Boston, if they chuse it rather, that so thare may be a right understanding had off all thinges betuixt us and them, offences removed, and a firme Peace setled for tym to Come which if they accept and will Ingage to attend, and in the Mean tym promise to forbear any further attempts against our freind Indians, that need litell mor be said to them but freindly discourse (when you may take occasion to tell them, that all the Inglish in this Cuntry are King Charles his Subjects (Tho under severall Govrments.) and tharfor what wrong is done to any of them he will account it as done to all, and to himself also, who haith Multitud of men to revenge it if there should be Need) and you may promise them a save conduct for thar coming and returne whatever the conclusion should bee, But if they absolutly refuse to attend any meetings in any of the places propounded, then you are to demand of them what thar Intention and Resolution is for tym to Come, in reference to our Freind Indians, and declare unto them that wee cane not distinguish them from other Indian Enemyes, nor Look at them other then such if hereafter they com so near to the Plantationes and habitationes of the English and that against thar Consent and to distroy our Freinds who have subjected themselves under our protection

7ly In the generall you are to understand that wee must rather desyre peace and Frindschip with the Macques then to have them our enemyes if it may bee obteained upon just and honorable tearmes and therefor yea are to treat them accordingly, Forbearing all threatening and provoking spechees, nor are yea tyed exactly to declare unto them the particulars of your instructiones in order as they are sett doun, but as may best suite with ther ansers and preciding discourse.

8ly If you finde them Inclyned to a Complyante and shewing any reluc tancy for wehat they have done, and any reall desyre to keepe Frindschip with the Inglish then yea are to propose to them the releasing of all the Capatives they have of our Freind Indians which yea may Tell them, will bee taken as a reall pledge of thar Love and good will, and not forgotten by the English when opportunty serves to Testifie thar Love and kynd acceptance therof But if yea finde they Carry themselves highly and proudly as bent to Quarells, Fighting the English and refusing all former proposalls tending to peace, you may then tell them if it bee thar myndes and resolutione to break peace and Freindschip with the English and to
become their Enemies, without any Cause given by them, that then they should do[ ] well to declare it, that so we may know how to Esteem of them hereafter.

9ly You are to avoyd as much as possible yea Can the speaking with the Macquas in the presence of any Frier, Jesuits or other French or any of our Indian Enemies that are amongst them. Given at Boston in New-England 11th July 1678 and Signed by

Edward Rawson
Secretary

by order of the Councell

This is a true Copy
Examined by me
Ro[ber]t Livingston Secr.

[ENDORSED:]

Copie of Instructions to Mr. Sam:
Ely and Benj: Waite from the Go: of
Boston, for them to act by at the
Maques Land.
Received Aug. 5. 16[ ]
in N. Y.

[27:155]

[COMMISSION OF SAMUEL ELY AND BENJAMIN WAITE BY THE GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS AS ENVOYS TO THE MOHAWK INDIANS]

John Liveret Esquire Governor of the Massachutts Colony in N. England with the Consent of the Consell there,

Mr Samuell Ely and Benjamin Waite

You are appointed and hereby Commissionate and fully Impowred by the Governor and Councill of the said Colony with all speede, to take your Journey, and by the best ways and meanes you can to Repaire into the maques Countrey and find out some of the maques Shewing this Commission, and acquaint them, that you are sent by the Gov: and Councill aforsaid with a message, of great Concernment, which you are to Impairt faithfully unto the Sachims of the said Maques, there frinds, in as full a meeting of them all or cheefest of them as you can Procure according to the Instructions herewith given and Committed to you, and
your Prudent managememt therof And when you have attayned a cleere and full understanding of the said Sachems Mindes, about what you are Sent, by you and your Intrepreter, Peter de Voss, best skill and knowledge you are at all Possible Speed and diligence to make your Repaire to the Gov: and Councill in Boston, and declare to them, in writeing and what you have had and Received from them In testimony whereof the Gov: of the said Colony hath hereto affixed the Seale thereof and subscribed his name, 12 July 1678

The great
N: England
Seale

Sic Subscribitur*

John Leveret Gov:

This is a true Copy Examined by me

Ro: Livingston Secr.

[ENDORSED:] Copy of the Go: of Bostons Passeport to Mr Samll. Ely and Benjam: Wayte to goe to the Maques Land.

July. 12. 1678.

* Latin: Thus signed
From Tionnontoguin,† this 13th July 1678.

Sir,

I am giving this brief letter to this Sakemake to inform you that a party of Mahingans Taraktons passed through here with two Algonquin prisoners who are subjects of the Comte de Frontenac. Major Andros had prohibited these Indians from making war in that area, and I do not doubt that he will disapprove of an action so shameful and will snatch these prisoners back from the hands of those treacherous people. You will infinitely oblige the Governor of Canada by contributing to the maintenance of peace in those lands under your control and by treating these mutineers with the same severity he only recently exhibited in the case of the Mahingans living in Canada who had brought English prisoners from Boston. This is the special entreaty made to you by he who is

Sir

Your very humble and very obedient servant,

J. Bruyas
Of the Society of Jesus

Sir

I give this small letter to this Sakemake to Let you know, that a party of the Mahigan[s] Taraktons, have past this way with two prisoners of the Algonquins, who are subjects under the Conte of Frontenac: Major Andros did forbid those Indyans to make warre in those parts, and I doubt

* Translated from French by Linda J. Pike.
† Thwaite, Jesuit Relations, places this Mohawk village “on a hill just south of Spraker’s Basin” on the Mohawk River, before its destruction by the Marquis de Tracy in 1666, and north of the river after that (8:300, 51:291).
‡ There is no indication as to who made the translation. Both the French and English have been copied here by Secretary Nicolls.
not but hee will disapprove so unworthy an action, and will cause those prisoners to bee returned back out of the hands of those treacherous persons; you will infinitely oblege the Governor of Canada in your endeavors to maintaine the peace in those parts under your obedience, and that you will use those mutinous ones, with the like severity hee hath lately shewne towards those Mahingans inhabiting about Canada, who brought away those English prisoners from Boston: It is the prayer which in particular is made by him that is

Sir

Your thrice humble and
thrice obedient servant

J Bruyas
De la Compe de Jesus*

The superscription
was

Monsieur

Monseur Salisbury Gouverneur

Albanie.

[ENDORSED:] Copie of the Letter
sent by the Jesuite
Pere Bruyas to Capt.
Salisbury. dated
July 13. 1678.
with its Translacion.

* of the Society of Jesus
Capt. Brockhols

I have not Anything to Aquint you with since my Laste, only upon the 12 of this mounth Come to this towne the Greate Seacham of the Mauquas, Called by the Name Cannonundowa, came to this place to handel the hand his beavors and with all he brought me, a Letter from peer, Brouyas, the which I have here in Cloesed, that when you have peruesed, I pray you to give me your Advise and Let me have Againe, I likewis tould thes greate Sacham what an Evell thing thay have Done In Takeing the Natticke Indians and Did Demande them as you Did advise, in yours, he toulde me that thay was there olde Enemis and Coulde say Little at the present, but when he Came into the Lande he woulde Call the woulfe the beare and scellpott† meaning there 3 houses togeather and woulde see what woulde bee Don and he woulde Let me here by the ferste, I have written to mr. welse[ ] the Last month for provition for the Garrisson but Doeth not Let me here from him neather by provition, or Letter, I pray you take some Care in it and Let there be som sent up by the ferst for I have bought 3 barrells and now its up, and here is not any to be gotten, soe haveing noe more to trouble you with but Desires to Remaine your humble Sarvant to Command.

Fort Albany the 15 July 1678‡

Silve: Salisbury

Sir. I have spoken to the Catkils Indians that haith there 2 prissoners aboute them, and thay have promised me, that the Indians shall be forth Coming

[ON THE BACK:] That Mr Wells hath sent two barrells already and sends two now by Tho: Verdun for pork Mr. Wells

* from the Dutch handel: trade
† from the Dutch Schildpad: turtle
‡ in the margin, upside down: kild ane
sayes they had enough before
for fresh provisiones
fitting to [seal] [ ] to save
and old and req[ ]t to bee
gott

[ADDRESSED:]
for Capt. Anthony Brockhols
at James forte in
New York.
These.

[ENDORSED:]
Capt Salisbury
to C. Brockholes
Alb: July 15, 1678
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[27:158]
[LETTER TO JAN HENDRICKSZ BRUYN THAT HIS PETITION
WILL BE REFERRED TO THE GOVERNOR]

Mr. de Bruyne.

I have received your request, together with the severall papers of
proceedings betwixt you and the Commissaryes touching your Burgers
right at Albany, the which I have Com[ ]ated to the Councell, and
having [ ] the same into Consideracion cannot but t[ ] your Case
very hard, yet the Commissaryes s[ ]ing to ground their proceedings
upon the Go: order and having for your protesting against their ordere
you to bee bound over to answer the matter before him, who we expect
daily, It is our advise that you submitt to their orders without any farther
Contradiction untill the Go: arrivall when wee shall favourably represent
the matter to him and I doubt but he will doe you right therein, according
to the Equity of the Case, I am

July 18. 1678. Your Loving friend

[ENDORSED:]
C Brockholes to
Mr. de Bruyne
July. 18. 1678.
Capt. Salisbury

I have received yours of the 6th and 4th instant. In the former were the particular bills of the Frenchmen's expenses at Albany, which you excuse upon occasion of the order from hence [ ]ly had it been imagined that it [ ]ld have admitted such a latitude, we should have been more cautious in giving it, for I am very confident it will be scrupled at, if not downe right found fault with by the Go: and I know not how it can now bee put upon the Governor of Boston to pay it, Except wee could have had it time enough to send when those gents were there, for they have already concluded with them and paid all their pretences and disbursements so that this a[ ] bill will hardly [ ] acceptance we thinke it more convenient to Let it rest till the Go: comes. As to your own enhansing the reckoning or countenancing any extravagance to occasion it, I cannot thinke any of the Councell are of that opinion, but doe believe you will doe your best to render a good account of all matters with you to the Go:

In the other of the 11th concerning Tyados the Maques forefighter and his carryeing the Natick Indyan prisoners to their Castles where it's said they have burnt the greatest part of them, If the letter from hence came to you before they went away and you demanded those prisoners according to the directions therein mee thinke they should not bee so perverse to deny it, and it seems very strange that the Peace betweene us should bee held upon such unequall and ticklish Termes, that not withstanding wee deale with them in all friendship yet they shall presume to breake it when they please without controule as now particularly their falling upon our Neighbours friend Indyans, contray to their Engage­ment, and to expect money for their delivery. They deserve rather a Check for their Insolence, then to bee soothed up in it. If they have such Encouragement their next attempt may be upon Christians, so they may bee paid for their Ransome. I suppose that Consideracion hindred the New England men from sending money, neither could it bee expected you should have disbursd it for them, but its a wonder they neglected them so much as not to send after them sooner, when they [ ]mselves might have come and spoken with them and heard th[ ] reasons and not to impose the trouble [ ] you, Howe[ ] not thought amisse, [ ]hat they sho[ ] bee made acquainted of their breach in thi[ ]
particular with our Neighbors which is not to be endured: The troope of 30 North Indyans with one Maques onely gone out, as you mention, seemes to portend no good, and having begun this by a party of Maques greater mischeife may bee expected from these others probably against Christians as well as Indyans, which I pray God divert.

I have a Letter from Mr. Griffith complaining of Christopher Scaffe, who insteed of making him payment of what hee owes him gives him ill words, which is an unreasonable thing, I pray take some Order for Scaffes making Mr. Griffith satisfaction, or Let him have his Remedy at Law against him.

Thus having answer’d the particulars of your Letter I conclude, remaining

your humble Servant

July 20 1678.

[ENDORSED:] C. A. Brockholes
to C. Salisbury
July 20th 1678.

[27:160]

[LETTER FROM MAJOR JOHN PYNCHON TO CAPTAIN SALISBURY REQUESTING HIS GOOD SERVICES TO THE MASSACHUSETTS EMBASSY; ALSO THE RETURN OF AN INDIAN MURDERER]

Capt. Salisbury
Springfield July 20th 1678

Sir Having Received order from our Governour and Council to send away from hence Mr Samll. Ely and Benja. Waite who are Comissionated to treate the Maquas in behalfe of the Natick Indians, Two where off are goinge upon that designe, with an Interpreter sent from our Councell Peter Van Vorss a dutchman who formerly Lived at Albany: so that there are five in all viz a Dutchman 2. Englishmen and the 2. Natick Indians: I am advised and ordered to acquaint you with the affaire and to crave your favorable aspect towards them, and promoteing of the designe which is quietness and Peace among the Indians and Consequently with the English

In order to which a right understanding betweene us and the Maquas is needfull and that they may know and understand our Praying Indians are our subjects and that which is more his Majesties; whole corporation in
London for propagating the Gospell in NE (some whereoff are of his Majesties Privy Councell) have deyred and advised to the securing and reciving of them, and It will not be well resented by his Majesties right Honorable Corporation whereoff Mr Boile is Governour That the Maquas who are under governement and order of the English should without any cause destroy and captivate such his majesties Good subjects, which I hope when known and considered will occasion a stop to further proceeding and procure release and delivering up of the Captives that they have taken, I request your furtherance of our messengers therein and that they may as our Councell judges it best treate the Maquas in theire owne land, your civillity toward these our messengers and furtherance of them, that they may have free Passage to the maquas, will I hope tend to settlement of Peace and quiet and promote all our Interests: And unanimity among all the English and setting Peace and quiet betwixt all our Indians may be of great concernment, should the french make any Incursions which off war goe on betwixt our King and them they maybe like enough to attempt Greate preparations for war are in England, and expectations that it will be with france yet it is by some conceived to be a measuring Cast whether it will bee or noe, for the Dutch Boggle at an Inhibition of french goods for 3 yeares which our King requires of them and all the Confederates

a ship with french goods at Weymouth in England was Burnt according to Ordinance of Parlament etc: I suppose you have these things at a better hand then I: Sir Edmund Andros is coming over and at Sea so that you may expect his happy arrivall at Yorke spedyly, which I Pray God Grant: Sir I have not to adde at present but begging your excuse for this Troble With my endeared Love and reall respects to your selfe and Mrs. Salesbury I am Sir

Sir it is reported that one Nathaniel Panumpum an Indian Murdered an English man nere Braintry last Sept (by stabbing him in severall Places, and then Run away:) is at or about Albany, If it so prove that he is there, Please to deliver him to our Messengers to bring away that he may answer for so horrid an act;

Your assured freind and servant

John Pynchon
Capt. Brockhols

These Are to Let you Know that yesterday, Did Arrive here 5 people from Major Pynchon, by order of the Governor of Boston, as you will see by the Letter and the Commishtion In Closed, and Are ordered to goe to the Mauquas Land, and to trea[ ] with them and to see if Thay Cane gett the Natick Indians again[ ] but I am very much afeard that thay will Come to Laite, for as I have hard, that the moste part of them Are burned, thay Desir[ ] noe Assistance from me, only that thay might have Liberty to Goe which I have Given Leave not seeing how I Coulde avoyde it and have sent Amolt* alonge with them, into the Lande, but not to Assiste them, only to goe along to heere what there Demandes [ ] of the Mauquas, soe that I m[ ]y by the Next give you An Account of there proseedinges, but my thought is that the Mauquas will not Answer, them any thing there in the Lande, because that thay have, Desired that if any body that was strangers should Come for to speake with them that thay muste speake at Albany, thay Demand of the mauquas that thay will Live in quiet and not to molleste, any of these nations of Indians as followeweth viz.

Mawyk Indians
Punquapok Indyans
Hasanamasasitt Indians
Wamasit Indians neere Concord

* Amout Viele, the interpreter
Unkus Indians and
Martins vinyard Indians

soe that if thay Doe preudice* to any of these nations in Confedresy
togather and if the mauquas will not be still then thay will fall upon the
Mauquas with 800 Indians and soe as one troop Coms in another to goe
f[ ] if thay will be quiet Untill our governors good Arrivall thay will
bee Content, and then to make a good pease, I Doe not understand that
the English will have anything to Do in the warr, but if it Cane posab[ ]
to make peace, soe Sir I desire your Advise if that the Mauquas shoulde
not Consent to there Demands, what I shall Doe or behave my selfe in
such a Casse soe haveing noe more at present but I Remaine your very
humble sarvant

Silve: Salisbury

[ADDRESSED:] For The Hon. Capt.
Anthony Brockholse
at James Forte in
New Yorke.
These.

[ENDORSED:] Capt. Brockholes
from C: Salisbury
Alb: Aug: 8th. 1678.

[ORDER TO JORIS STEVENS TO VACATE SOME LAND]
The Merritts of the within written peticion having beene taken into
Consideracion. It is order’d That Joris Stevens doe forthwith remove his
Fence and surrender the slip of Land, which by the survey is certifyed
to bee part of that bought by John Passall of Burger Joris, or that hee
make his appearance here before the Councell upon Saturday next in the
forenoone being the 27. inst. to shew his reasons for the detayning
thereof: Hereof hee is not to fayle as hee will answer the contrary at his
Perill: Given under my hand in N[ ] this[ ]

[ENDORSED:] Burger Joris [ ]
Wid:

* perhaps an error for “prejudice”
An order of Council
Shee to pay f[  ]
[  ]

[ON THE BACK:] The Certificate about
Capt. Wm Dyre and Mr. Cole

Geo: Wassen 6d.
Mr. Ward 1.9.0
Mr. Mott 1.0

[27:163]*

[A RECORD OF CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTS OF THE COUNCIL
DURING THE GOVERNOR'S ABSENCE]†

An account of business during [he] absence of his honor
the Governor[r]

1. A Letter from the Governor of Connecticut to the Governor, dated
November 15th–1677 nothing of extraordinary business but expository (if not cavilling) It arrived here the same month. My Lady hath
the Letter.

2. A petitionary Letter from the widow Cooper of Southton about her
Indyan [whalers pret][3sp] to be taken from her [  ] 1677,

3. George Heathcott’s business, about his Fine and Court Charges, taken
into Consideration by the] Council, [for which the sheriff had ex-
ecution, but suspended, upon his] allegacions that[ ] hee had some things
to tender from his Owners to the Governor, desiring some Respite etc.,
setting forth hee had E[ff]ects enough in the Government, to m[ake]
satisfaction, if at last it must be paid]. Dec. 12th 1677.

4. a letter from the Go: of Boston to the Go: or in his absence to his
Deputy, about the Ketches at Pemmaquid, brought by Mr. Bowditch,
dated Nob. 13th 1677.

* The present binding of the record has 27:130 as the first two pages of 27:163. We have
published these documents in the order given in the calendar.
† The material in brackets is from another copy in 27:130.
Upon his Request, on the behalfe of himselfe and Mr. Wm. Darvall (to whom one of them did belong) that their Ketch might bee delivered, offering to pay what Salvage or other Charges should bee demanded, shee was ordred to bee delivered, upon giving security to stand to the Determinacion of the Go: therein. Jan 5th 1677.

5 Memorand. the Farme of the weigh=house was lett (upon the Expiracion of Mr. Sidenhams time) to Capt. Thomas Delavall for 6500 Guilders sewant Dec. the 3d for one yeare to bee paid quarterly as before.

6. Severall Papers sent downe by the Commander and Commissarys of [A]lb: about the Oneydes Indyans [upon] [heir] delivery of the Ma[hicander boy] [A]swer’d J[an. 15.]

7. An Order for th appearance of Paulus Marlette and others, to answ[er] to a Complaint made against them, for a disturbance on Staten Island, and carryeing away a woman servant of Capt. Billops for the which they were bound to the good behavior and to answer it at the Court of Assizes: Jan: 19th 1677.

8. A Letter from Mr. John Topping of Southton, (one of the Justices) about a small Vessell cast ashore at North Sea (within their precincts), supposed to bee a Wreck; dated Jan. 6th 1677. shee did belong to Mr. Lord of Hartford.

Answer was sent that care should bee taken about her, that nothing was embezled, but not thought a Wreck being in a Harbor and by distresse of weather driven from her Anch[ ] Jan. 29. 1677.

9. An order for the Ship Mary of Leve[r]poole, to come from Delaware to cleare he[re] at the Custome house, according to the Go: former Orders. Feb. 25.


Answer writte to Capt. Salisbury. Mar. 18th.

11. T[wo] Letters fr[om] the Go: of Canada to the [Go:] [dated Nob.] 18th [and Jan. 8. 1677. arrived here Ma]r: the 8th follow[ing] [The] [ was of his se]nding to enquire [ ][ter some frenchmen cam[ carried prisoners [to Boston] The other about a passage for some of his people
over from this Port for Engl. and France, to give notice of the death of a principal person in Canada, but they went by the way of Boston. With a Copie of a Passeport for a serjeant and two Souldyers to goe from Quebec to Boston, and a List of Letters carried with them. My Lady hath the Letters.


13. Memorand. The Licences for Tapping were Lett to Farme to Mr. Humphry Davenport for 180£ for the yeare ensuing, the time for the former being expired: Mar: 25 1678.

14. A Copie of a Letter from Major Talcott to Capt. Salisbury, about two Indians of the Maques seized upon and detained a while, for want of a Passeport or Ticket, but afterwards releast; dated Apr. 8th arrived here and answer’d the 16:th.

15. Upon the Request of Mr. Wm. Bowditch that hee having purchased the two remaining Ketches at Pemmaquid which lay there in an ill Condition and (as was certified from thence) in danger to bee burn’t by the Indyans, of whom then they had some apprehension, that hee might have liberty to carry them away, engaging to pay such salvage and Charges, as should bee ad[ ]judged by the Go: it was[consented u]nto upo[n his] givin[g] secur[i ty. April 2]0.

16. Upon the Request of Mr. Benjamen Alford, that hee having purchased a considerable quantity of whale Oyle at Southton and Easthampton, in regard of the hazard of the voyiage in bringing the Oyle hither, and Leaksiness of the Commodity, hee might bee permitted to transport it from thence for London, the which was likewise recommended by the Justices.
It was allowed him hee Performing all Dues and Dutyes belonging to the Customes, after having made Entry. April 20.

17. A Letter from Mr. Thomas Backer Justice of the Peace at Easthampton, about the murder of an Infant Child by her mother (as it was thought) a Negroe woman. dated Apr. 8th Referr’d to the Court of Sessions May 1st.

18. A Complaint from the Magistrates of the Whore=Kill, about abuses concerning the alteracion of some Surveys, of which they taxe Capt. Cantwell:; It was first directed to the Go: afterwards to Capt. Brockholes, and dated Oct. 13th. Notice sent with a Copy to Capt. Cantwell and an
order sent to them both. May 1st.

19. A Copy of a Letter from the Go: of Canada to Capt. Salisbury in French and Latin with a Passeport for the sieur [Lusigny] to convey the English Captives [to Boston, that were carryed away from Hattfield and Hadley in the Fall. dated [April 30th 1678.] ] Capt. Salisburyes letter to C.] Brockholes. May 23d.

[There was another Letter] to Capt. Brockholes [ the said Go: brought by [the two french] that had Capt. Salisbury [ ] come here and visitt their wives Relacions (being dutch) whilst their Camerades went to Boston. The Letters were brought in May. 23d.

20. Upon Capt. Billops proposall, about Sloopes going up the River above Newcastle, or not, the time of the last permission being expired.

Resolved That the former Orders not to goe up are to bee observed, untill the Go: pleasure shall be farther knowne therein. May 1st.

21. Some Letters from Maryland directed to the Go: sent from thence expresse arrived the beginning of this month; are in the hands of my Lady. Chancellor of Maryl: Letter date. Apr. 16

21. Upon application made by Wm. Loveredge of Alb: June† who was fined and committed by the Court there, for having with others sett up a Pole before Gabriel Thompsons doore, in the night, not long after his marriage, with several ridiculous things thereon, at which offence was taken as a great scandal, Hee desiring at Least (and pretending no malitious or ill Intent) that his fine might bee mitigated equall to the rest of his Companions.

It was o[r]dered That no farther proceedings sho[u]ld be in [the] Ca[s]e until his [honor] the Go[r]turn[e] or [further orders] from [the] Councell [and that in he should] bee re[leas]t. May.] 7th 16[78].

An order thereupon. May 9th

* This version is worded somewhat differently from the version in 27:130.
† Junior
23. A Letter from Mr. Wodhull about an Indyan from the Maine, who being at Seatallcott, reported, That the french from Canada, and Indyans on the Maine, had made a Combinacion this Summer to cutt off the Engl. It was received May 17, and Mr. Wodhull was desired to make farther enquiry into the matter, but it came to nothing more, then a small alarum amongst the Indyans on Long Island.

24. The proceedings at Alb. of the Commissaryes about the unhappy accident of William Tellers killing an Indyan Squaw, by the accidental firing of a Gun, upon which the said Teller stood confined.

The Coroners Inquest and Court above having found and certified him to bee innocent of any ill Intent and judging it to bee onely Chance medley, Hee was ordered to bee at liberty, yet to beare all the Charges of her funerall etc., and to give somewhat to the friends of the deceased, as is usuall.

25. Severall papers sent downe from Albany relating to Mr. Richard Prettyes Appeall from the Judgment of the Court there, in a C[ase] [ ] his [ ] ag[ ]t Herman[ ] breach of the [ ] may 22th [ ] [to the Go:] retume.


27. Another Letter from the Court at Newcastle, about Major Fenwyck. June 5th with a Copie of their Letter to him and his answer.

28. An account being given from the Commander at Pemmacaud, of the seizure of a small Ketch in St. Georges River to the Eastward, for trading there with the Indyans contrary to order, and John Roades being taken in her (suspected to bee the Inciter thereunto) upon his Examinacion proving premtptory, and abusive, which Carriage hee likewise continued in, being sent hither for the which hee was committed a Prisoner untill the Go: retume, to whom hee should give account of his actions.

Copyes of the Examinacion of the said Roades and John Alden the Master of the Ketch, with other papers sent here likewise. The beginning of June.

Afterwards upon the arrivall of the Master John Alden, hee making his Addresse for the Redelivery of his Ketch unto him, pretending great Ignorance of his breach of any Orders of the Government, in trading in those parts, shee was ordred to bee delivered, hee giving security to her
value and Cargoe, if shee shall b[ee a]djudget a pr[ise] at the Go: [ ]
return[e Jun]e 12.

some building at Alb: for[bid by] the Court.
Referr'd till the Go: comes. June. 19.

30. A Letter from Capt. Salisbury to Capta. Brockholes, about
two troopes of the Maques goeing out to fight. June 24t[ ]

31. A Letter from Captain Salisbury to Capt. Brockholes about the Maques
bringing Natick Indyans, prisoners to Albany, who they tooke with them
into their Land. June 27.

32. A Letter from Capt. Chambers about Lt. George Halls, with an
Inventory and Apprizement of his Estate. June 28.

33. A Letter from C. Salisbury in excuse of the Frenchmens Expences at
Alb: July 6.

33. Mr. de Bruynes Case at Albany with his Request, and the Commiss-
saryes account of it, to Captain Brockholes. July 10th

34. Capt. Salisbury to Capt. Brockholes about the Natick Indyans carryed
prisoners to the Maques land, excusing his not stopping them, having
beene orded to demand those Indyan prisoners whilst at Alb., to bee Left
with the Mahicanders or kept there in Towne, untill it was knowne what
they were. July 11th.

35. A Letter from C. Salisb: giving Account of the great Maques Sachem
Canno[nun]dowa's [ ] at Albany to handle [ ]e beav['] ith
him, Hee brought a Let[er from the] Jesuite, Pere Bruyas, Toget[ ]
Account of the Totall of the fre[nchmen]s Expenses at Alb: July 15
[ ] It came downe.

36. Another Letter from C. Salisbury of the arrivall and passing to the
Maques Land of 2 persons nominated in a Commission from the Go. of
Boston, to goe there to treate with the said Maques, with a Copy of such
Commission, and Major Pincheons Letter on their behalfe. They had in
Compa. with them a Dutch man and 2 Natick Indyans. July 23.

37. Another from him relating to the said Indyans. July 25th.

38 Another of Aug. 1st or 2d giving Account of the Boston Messengers
returning to Albany, where they shewed their Instructions, a Copy
whereof, and what past between them and the Magistrates was likewise sent.

[LETTER FROM CAPTAIN SALISBURY ABOUT INDIANS, FRENCH, AND A FOUNTAIN]

Captain Brockholse.

Sir These Are to Let you Know that at the present, wee bee at quiat, but how Loneg it will Continew God Doeth know, the Mauquas, Are very much troubled Semeingly, at ther[ ] Laste Action in takeing [ ] buring of thos Natick Ind[ ] prissoners, for Contrary to wha[ ] thay promised me, thay have burned, the moste parte, of them, if not all, and since thay have hard that new England people, are very Angery with them, which makes th[ ] feerefull, that thay shall Come and fall on them, but I doe here that the Mauquas, Are providing beavers and zeawant to give toth[ ] people, of New England, and make, An, Excuse, for ther[ ] Misstake, this is all the New[ ] at the present, the fren[ ] that Came from bosten [ ] york staide here 3 Days [ ] affter on the 4th day tooke there Jomy towards Cannaday and was very well sattisfied, with the Entertainement that they Receved at New Yorke, and this plase, but not sattisfied, with boeston Entertainment and thay tould them, at boston how kindly, thay was, Entertained at albany, soe thay of boston gave them the answer, that its nothing but Reason, for what was Exsppended, Thay muste pay it againe, this Descovry I had from Mr. Delesignys one mouth, I like wis Let you know that with the helpe of the people of the towne and the bours I ha[ ] brought into the fort the founta[ ] that Lay with out, affter 14 Day[ ] hard Labour, and Doe hope it shal[ ] proove a very Excelent piece of work, for the wellfare, of the garrisson and Doe hope that all will be Compleated, this weeke, but not with out Charges to his Ryall hynesse. Soe haveing noe more but Remain your humble servant to Command

Fort albany the 25 of July 1678.

Silve: Salisbury
For the Honorable Capt. Anthony Brockhols at James Forte in New York These

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[POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM GEORGE MOORE TO JOHN SHAKERLY TO SELL THE CONTRACT OF HIS SERVANT JOHN GRIFFIN]

Sir I have maide bould for to toubell you with the a few lines consearing a man searvont of mine sir If you be pleased for to do your best in geting of him for me I will give you the one halfe of what you cann despose of him for sir I have sent you a letor of attorney and his Indenters he has 3 yeares for to searve besid his ruening away 3 yearse he Is a whelshman a red haure full frickelles none more at present but I hop you will doue your best I rest yours for to Command

Gerge Moore

Know all men by these present that I george Moore of Deleuer rever have assigned ordained and made and In my stead and place by these presents put and constituted my trusty and well beloved friend Mr. John Sehakerle of the sety of new yorke to be my true and lawfull attumey for me and In my name for to teake my one man searveant named John geirfin giveing and granting unto my said attumey full power to sell or despose of him as he my saide attumey shall thinke fit ratifying allowing and holding firm and stable all and whatsoever my said attumey shall lawefully do or [ ]ause to be done In or about the execution of the premisses by veatue of these In witness wheare of I have heareunto set my hand and sealle this 27 day of July In the yeare
[LETTER FROM DEPUTY GOVERNOR BROCKHOLES TO CAPTAIN SALISBURY ABOUT INDIAN AFFAIRS, PROVISIONS, AND THE GOVERNOR'S EXPECTED RETURN]

C. Salisbury

I have received yours of the 15th currant [ ] the enclosed Letter from the Jesuite fat[ ] Bruyas, who col[ ]laines of the wrong done [ ] the Indya[ ]hich hee calls Mahinga[ ][ ]k[ ]tons m[ ]ng and carring away [ ]aine who are subjec[ ] Count of [ ]tenac, They having beeene [ ] by our Governo[ ] to make warre in those parts, Hee speaks some what of punishing those who have done this, Injury as the Governor of Canada hath Lately beeene severe with those Indyans of Canada, (whom hee calls Mahingans likewise that brought the prisoners away from Boston Government: As wee ar[ ] rans wh[ ] seventy hath beene, so[ ] but its [ ]hought requisite [ ] ther secure the two prison[ ] in the [ ] which I take to bee the same complained of Catskill Indians and take them out of the[ ] hands, that (if understood to bee friends they may bee sent againe to their people[ ]

[ ]he Letter I have here enclosed sent you[ ]

[ ] discourse with the great Sachem [ ] M[ ]ques Cannonundowa who brought [ ]er, and the demand of those [ ]k Indyans taken and carried away by them, you did very well in it, and

* Latin testes, witnesses
they'll I hope advise together for their returning them back again.

I have spoken to Mr. Wells about some provisions for the Garrison with you, who tells me he hath already sent you up [ ] barrel[ ] and now sends two more by Tho[ ] hee says you had enough before[ ] there had been fresh provision sent, but th[ ] weather its not fitting to bee kill'd[ ], save, and old provisions are very scarce, but [ ] ever Care will bee taken you shall not wa[ ] Here is a Vessell arriv[ ] from London [ ] had 12 weeks passag[ ] Major bring[ ] Newes of the Governors[ ] prepa[ ] away when hee came [ ] was [ ] Aprill, no warres then [ ] great preparacions I shall conc[ ] ude having not further at present and remaine

Sir

your humble servant

[ENDORSED:] C. B[ ]
to C. Salis[ ]
July 24 1[ ]

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[RESPONSE OF THE MOHAWK INDIANS TO THE PROPOSITIONS OF THE NEGOTIATORS FROM BOSTON]

The names of the Sachims
Cumachkoo
Soriwezee
Karahize
Kaowannere
Auworongee
Turie
Intrepeted by Arnout Corn:
Viele

The Maquase Answer to the
Propositions Propounded to
them this day by Mr. Samuel Ely
and Ben Wait Messengers sent
by the Governor and Councill of
Boston etc. in the Court house of
Albany this 1st day of August

1  They doe say, that the English of N: England and they have always been good frinds, and are so still, and must Acknowledge to have been always welkom and well Received by the English in there Plantacons, but nevertheless that this is the ordained Place to hear Propositions in, lett them come from what part they will, to speak with them, and were spoke to here Last year by Major Pynchon etc. in the Presence of the Governor Generall.

2  You say there is a fault Committed in taking away of those Indians
at Magoncog, tis time we acknowledge it, Butt in Who Lyes the fault? 't may be in our young Indians who are like wolves, when they are abroad; Possibly in the North Indians that live among us, and the Indians of Magoncog are not the lesse to blame, they not dwelling as frind Indians in the woods, haveing a Castell so well fortified with Stockadoes, which frind Indians need not have, therefore did Imagine them to be Enemyes, for these Indians that live in or about the English Plantations, without fortificacons, we did never any harm too.

You have Spoke to us by way of discourse without giveing of any Presents (thogh usuall upon bussiness of Consequence) and we shall answere you the same Way, that never by us is Practised.

3 That which is now done by our Young Indians or Souldiers Vizt. the takeing of those Indians at Magoncog, we give them no thanks for, neither was it by your order, but it is as we have said, when they are abroad are like wolves in the woods.

4 Brethren You had warrs with the Indian Enemys before we, for when diverse of your touns were burnt doun, then our Governor General did Incourage us, and told how his frinde in N: England were Involv’d in a great warr with Indians, and that some of your Enemys were fledd to hosack, Incouraging us to goe out against them, and we and our Governor generall being as it Were on body, went out, upon his desire against them, and killd some and Putt the Rest to the flight, and soe have Continued in the warr ever since, and if we came to nigh to your Praying Indians, why were not we warned and bid hold op and goe no further, Th[ ]fore the Brethren may be assured of our good hear[ ] and the Continuation of Peace and Vrindship on our sides.

5 The Brethren desire that we should Restore all the Capt[ ] that we have of your frind Indians taken by our folks, w[ ] we doe not Refuse to doe, Your desire likeways that [ ] may come to Hartford hadley or Boston, to treat ou[ ] your Commissioners there, to that end there might be a Right understanding of all affaires betwixt us etc. which we cannot Resolve upon to come and treat in your Government, This Place being thereunto ordained, but let Major Pynch[ ] (or any other whom the Brethren Please to send) come here as he did last year, we shall then in his honor the Goovenr generals Presence deliver up the Demaundd for Prisoners and treate
of all Affares, seeing this is the house to heare Propositions in, as Major Pynchon well knows. The governor General and you of N: England and we are one in one triple Alyance with an other.

Upon this following Proposition we cannot forbear (according to our Custom) but give a small Present thogh of litle value being a faddom of zewant.

6 Brethren the Covenant that was made here last year betwixt Major Pynchon and us in the Presence of the Governor Generall is as fast firm and Inviolable as ever it was, and if our warring against the Indians of the North in Generall doth not Please you, Pray acquaint us here therewith.

7 They doe Repeat again that the Covenant made with the Brethren is as firm as ever it hath been, and doe Present Some Zewant made Round as a Circle Which they Compare to the Sonne, saying that there alyance is firm and Inviolable as the Sonne, and shall have such a Splendor as the beames thereof, and say furthermore that if any will speak with them, that this is the appointed Place, as they of Maryland have done, and that in the Governor Generals Presence.

Brethren There is a troop or 2 of our Indians out against your and our Enemies, who know nothing of this, and if they should come to your habitacions, let not them be kept fast, or any harm done to them and if they should ignorantly take any of your frind Indians, there shall be no harm done to them but Restored again to any whom you shall Commissionatt to Receive the Same, with the Rest, Provided our Governor General be Present.

Alb. Datum ut
Supra.

This is a true Copy Translated
Compared and Revised per me
Rot. Livingston Secr.

[ENDORSED:] Albany primo Aug. 1678
The Maquas
Answer.

Mr. Saml. Ely and Ben:
Wait Messengers sent
from Boston upon
their Propos:
38
Capt. Brockholes
hath the Letter
from C. Salisb:

[LETTER OF CENSURE TO CAPTAIN SALISBURY FOR HIS HANDLING OF INDIAN AFFAIRS]

Capt. Salisbury  Aug. 2d. 1678.

I received Two Lettres from you this morning by the hands of Mr. Hambleton, with the enclosed Letter from Major Pinchecon to you, and a Copie of the Go: of Bostons Passe to two of his people to goe by the Maques Land. The Letter of greatest Concerne was without date but doe guesse it varyed not muc[ ] from the [ ] other being the 25th past. The matter being of more then ordinary importance I forthwith communicated it to the Councell, and upon seriou[ ] and mature deliberacion doe find that you have done unadvizedly, and quite contrary to the Governours practice and positive Orders (which you cannot bee unacquainted with,) to suffer persons of another Government, to goe to the Maques upon any account whatsoever to treate with them in their owne Land, and if at this push they [ ] them as to refuse to give those Messengers any answer there, but to putt them off, both to the making of the demands, and receiveng their Answer at Albany (as you intimate) It will bee very well (but no thankes to you for it) who permitted them to goe on [That have given them much farther liberty to spy into the country]* Certainly you cannot but remember this ver[ ] thing of goinge to treat with them hath allr[ ]:

Her [ ]persons from th[ ] G[ ]nm[ ] Con[ ]ticutt upon the same Errand, (of which [ ] them by name Mr.— Willis one of the [ ] the Councell) who used many Arguments that [ ] might bee permitted to goe to and treat with these p[ ]ple for a future good understanding betwe[ ] them and to give them thankes for the diversion they had made of their Ind[ ] Enemyes Armes from them, by their falling on and engaging against them then that after came their deputy Governor [ ] Treate to reinforce what formerly had been prop[ ] who though [ ] Ill civilly treated by his honor went [ ] with flatt denyalls of their making any treaty with them since Albany, with the governors approbacion [ ] in his presence, which afterward you very

* Crossed out in the original.
well know h[ ] admitted when Maj[ ] Pincheon and Mr. Richards appeared there on behalfe th[ ] two Colonyes (whose Interests are lincked) and Coll. Courcey upon another subject from the Go: of Marylan[ ] The Go: being allways present, and managing the disco[ ] on all hands that they might not prove prejudicial to t[ ] Interest of his R. Highness in this Province:

It is a thing of extraordinary C[ ] Insequence and most uncertai[ ] how the promise[ ] those off[ ]reats on the other, may worke with those Indyans, who formerly look’t on none but our Go: for their Patron and now w[ ] find him slighted by these Gent. of boston who sett up for themselves, and would make warre or peace with our Indyans witho[ ] our Consent or privy, wee are all troubled to thinke [ ] the Go: will resent this, especially when hee shall reflect on the Vast Expences hee hath beene at, in obliging these people which now will probably bee to litle or no purpose, and if the Maques should bee tempted to seeke [ ]tion Its somewhat also to bee admired wh[ ] Go: of Boston [ ] Cons[ ]nes for [ ] Indyans, knowne sufficiently to bee in this government and in his passe hee takes no notice of our Governor or Deputy by whom they are to passe but directs them to goe to the Maques land and In [ ] pass there is mention made of Instructions given them but you particularise no[ ][ ]t you suggest that the English will have nothing to doe with [ ] of them, wee hope they had the good manners to shew them you or that you dem[ ] the sight and copy of them which would have beene well to have beene [ ] us for the out plantacions at least, will bee lyable [ ]trages and Mischeif on one side or the other, and it [ ]ee the whole G[ ]ermment ruce for it:

Major Pinc[ ] plausible pretences to you [ ] [ ] of as[ ] anse in[ ]igne of sending their Messengers forward, [ ]ght [ ]dmitted of some longer Consideracion, and it would hav[ ] beene more acceptable to have sent them downe hither, or [ ] have kept them there, untill you had some advice or directions from hence, then the sending Benjamen Wait and his Camerade downe was, who went in Quest of their wi[ ] neither is your saying understood, that you could not avoyd their goinge when but that one word of your mouth [ ] would [ ]on have put a stop to it. Their number or force was not so great. but the businesse so farre gone, w[ ] knows not what [ ] doe in it now. [ ] the [ ]ent and the Go: Judg[ ] and determinacion who will not bee absent much longer.

As to what you mention in your Last Letter of the incertainty how long
things will bee quiet with you, and the Maques being troubled about the Nattick Indyans, who you thinke are most burn’t by them, what is past cannot bee recalled but doe wish you had more Vigorously demanded those prisoners out of the Maques hands whilst with you (as directed) which might have prevented this apprehension but there is no living with the Maques at this rate that they shall take what prisoners they please [ ] hether friend or foe and without a ransome destroy them: I [have not further but]* shall and heartily wish there may bee [ ] right understanding of these matters, that the Go: at [ ] Returne bee not too much displeased therewith, w[ ] am not willing to question but you have done to the best in your Judgment so I remaine,

[ON THE BACK:]

By the Governor

Permit and Suffer the Good Ketch the Thomas and John whereof Samll: Chester is Master Freely and quiettly to pass out of this Port with her goods Merchandize and Loading being bound for the Island Barbadoes, and to proceed on her Intended Voyage Shee having Cleared and given Security according to Law Given under my hand in [ ] da[ ]

[ ] The Office

[ ] his Majesties Officers or other
[ ] may Concerne.

[ENDORSED:] Pasport fo[ ] Thomas and John Mr. Sam: Che[ ] Master for Barbadoes

* Crossed out in the original.
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[RETURN OF SURVEY OF A HOUSELOT IN ALBANY FOR JOCHIM WESSELSZ BACKER. TRANSLATION]

I, the underwritten Harmen Bastiaensen Roeymeester, acknowledge to have surveyed for Joachim Wesselsz Backer a lot upon which a house stands; situated and located at the hill here within Nieuw Albany, north of Dirck Albertsz Brat's house. The aforesaid lot with house was found to be three rods and two feet long on the south side as well as on the north side, and twenty-one and a half feet wide in the back as well as in the front. Everything done in Rhineland measure.

Harmen Bastiaens R[oeymeester]

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[ORDER OF THE COURT AT ALBANY AUTHORIZING THE DEACONS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH TO TAKE POSSESSION OF THE ESTATE OF BASTIAEN DE WINTER. TRANSLATION]*

From the register of court minutes kept in Albanie on the 6th of August 1678.

The deacons of this city, appearing at the session and showing the testament of Bastien de Winter, in which he leaves and bequeathes his estate or surviving goods to the deaconry of this city; however, it was not signed because of the suddenness of his death. Nevertheless the two deacons, Messers. Jan Janse Bleeker and Jacob Staes, have deposed that it was his last and final will [ ] attest as per Book W. A. fol. 10 that Bastiaen de Winter requested that the deacons and notary be called on the day before he died in order to make his testament with the intention of leaving his estate to the poor of the Reformed Church here. The honorable members of the court having inspected the testament, approve the same and order that the deacons shall in the meanwhile be sent a warrant in order to take possession and dispose of the estate; and as soon as his honor comes to request of him letters of administration.

By order of the court
R. Livingston

* A similarly worded statement appears in ARS 2:347.
THE WILL OF BASTIAEN DE WINTER. TRANSLATION*

In the name of God, Amen. Know all men by the contents of this present public instrument that in the year of the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, one thousand six hundred and seventy-eight, in the 29th year of His Royal Majesty of Great Britain, King Charles the Second, on the 24th day of the month of July, about 9 o'clock in the forenoon, before me, Adriaen van Ilpendam, notary public residing in Nieuw Albany, appointed by the Right Honorable Edmond Andros, in behalf of His Royal Highness James, governor general over all his territories in America, pursuant to nomination for the places of Nieuw Albany, colony of Rensselaerswijck and the district thereof, and before the hereinafter named witnesses, came and appeared the worthy Bastiaen De Winter, born in Middelburgh, to me, the notary well known, at present sick in body but having the full possession and use of his reason, memory and understanding according to all outward appearance; which appearer, considering the shortness and frailty of human life, the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time and hour thereof, and wishing therefore to dispose of his temporal effects to be left behind while through God’s grace he is able as he does of his own free will and inclination, without persuasion or misleading of anyone, has now ordained and determined this his testament and last will in form and manner following: First and foremost commending his immortal soul whenever it shall be separated from his body to the gracious and merciful hands of God, his Creator and Savior, and his body to a Christian burial, and furthermore revoking, canceling and annulling all and every such testamentary dispositions and bequests as he heretofore has made and executed, holding the same as null and of no effect and now disposing anew, he, the appearer and testator, declares that he has instituted the deaconry of the reformed Christian Church of New Albany as his sole and universal heirs of all his property to be left behind, as well personal as real.

All that is hereinbefore written the appearer declares to be his last will and testament, desiring that after his death it may have complete force and effect. Thus done and executed at the house of the appearer at the

* A translation of the notary’s copy appears in ERA 3:452–53.
Steenenhoeck, the year, day, month and hour aforesaid.

Although the testator has not subscribed the foregoing, inasmuch as immediately after he had heard it read and approved of it he acknowledged it to be his last will and testament and that it must be thus written, therefore we, the undersigned witnesses, are ready (if need be) to confirm these by oath, he having suddenly died in our presence after the reading of the foregoing. Done at the Steenenhoeck,* dated as above.

below was written

    Jan Jansz Bleecker

    Jacob Staets

lower was written:

    in my presence

    Adriaen van Ilpendam, Not. Pub.

After comparison this was found to agree with the original (kept by me).

In New Albany, the 25th of July 1678

Quod attestor

    Adriaen van Ilpendam,
    Not. Pub:

[ENDORSED:] Copy of the
    Will of
    Bastiaen De
    Winter

* Stone Point. De Winter's plantation there was sold to Philip Pietersz Schuyler and was thereafter known as Schuyler Flats.
DECLARATION OF SURGEON CORNELIS VAN DYCK CONCERNING BASTIAEN DE WINTER'S INTENTIONS FOR BEQUEATHING HIS ESTATE. TRANSLATION

At the request of the deacons of our Reformed Church in Albany, I the undersigned declare that I was at the house of Sr. Bastiaen de Winter on the 23rd of July of this year in order to visit him because he was sick. Among other matters we discussed the fragileness of human life and the certainty of death, and the uncertainty of the time, and having discussed several other matters he requested me to ask Mr. Jan Blycker, deacon, and Adriaen van Elpendam, notary, to be pleased to come to his house on the following day, because it was his intention to dispose of his possessions if God were coming to take him, and to give the same to the poor of our Reformed Church of Albany. This desire and these words I immediately made known to heer Philip Schuyler. All of which I declare to have happened in this way and am prepared to confirm it by oath if necessary. Albany the 6th of August 1678.

Cornelis van Dijck, surgeon

[LETTER TO OFFICIALS AT ALBANY CONVEYING THE GOVERNOR'S ORDER ON TRADE]

New Yorke Aug. 8th. 1678

Gent:

I am ordred by the Governor, to acquaint you with his Resolucion in Councell this day touching the Trade in your parts, which is That for the future the Orders bee observed concerning such as goe up to trade at

* Bound by mistake as 27:176.
Albany etc., as it was in Governor Nicolls time, when none went up from hence for some yeares, nor without his Passeport, so that now none bee permitted to goe up to trade there but setled* Inhabitants† and shall bee allowed and approved of by the Governor and Councell‡ Amongst whom in particular Mr. John Robinson now above, is look’t upon to bee excepted from that priviledge, as not being of that Capacity, of which you are to take notice and order that hee doe not trade contrary hereunto; I have not farther but that I am

Gent:

To the Commander and Commissaryes at Alb:

Your Very humble Servant

Matthias: Nicolls.

[ENDORSED:] A Letter by the Go:
order to the Commander and Comissaries at Alb. about Trading there
Aug. 8. 1678.

[27:176]§

[COUNCIL MINUTES: TO BE PUBLISHED IN A VOLUME OF COUNCIL MINUTES]

[27:177]

[LETTER FROM SYLVESTER SALISBURY TO MATTHIAS NICOLLS ON THE BIRTH OF A CHILD, INDIAN AFFAIRS, AND REPORTING RUMORS OF A MILITARY BUILDUP IN CANADA; WITH A NOTE ABOUT A VISIT TO THE GOVERNOR BY TACKPOUSHE]

Deare Sir.

I have not Anything Worth Aaquinteing you with onely on the 5 of this mounth about 5 in the affter Noone god was pleased to bestoe and blese me with a doughter and as to other News is this that Takaghkaratt afore fighter of the Mauquas has bene in the North whith 20 men, and has met

* Replaces the word “antient.”
† The following words were canceled: “or who have continued housekeepers here for the space of three yeares.”
‡ The following words were canceled: “to be certifyed unto you.”
§ Bound by mistake as 27:175.
with a Neste of Roges of the North Indians that hath Lived [ ]is 2 year [ ] themselves [ ]ithout any [ ]aspondeancy [ ]ll with Crist[ ] Indian and have Kiled 5 and have tooke 6 a Live, and yesterday Mr. Windall of this towne being at Scannecstada spoake with a Mauquas that Came from Cannada and he toulde him that there was Arived from france Five Shipes with 2000 men and that thay had found a Sylver mine and that thay was building by it a greate fort to Containe 80 great gouns and that thay was bildeing another fort betwixte Cauderaque* atop† th[ ] Lake Neere to the Senneche[ ] to get all the trade and to hinder all thay Cane for Comming heere this is all the Neues at present from him that is your Loveing freinde and servant

Fort albany the
8th of August 1678. Silve: Salisburry

[ADRESSED:] For Capt. Matthias Nicolls at James Forte In New Yorke These


[NOTE ON THE BACK:]‡
[ ] 15 1678
[ ] oushe the Rockway Sachem for themselves and the Sachem of Merico[ ] to welcome the Go: home and are glad that the God of the sea as well as Land hath protected him and brought him well home againe To present the Go: with a string of wamp of 50 or 60f

They say they come not to make Complaint all things being well

The Go: is glad to see them, and as long as all behave themselves [ ] and well [ ] have [ ] all bee present.§

* Catarakoui, site of Kingston, Ontario (Jesuit Relations)
† reading uncertain
‡ Written by Matthias Nicolls with a red crayon.
§ Part of this sentence is smudged and unreadable.
Capt. Brockhols

Sir Yours I have Received bareing Daite the 20th of the Laste mounth wherein you hint that the Governor will bee Downe Right angry Consaring the Exspence of the french when heere if he be it Cannot be helped, for it is too Laite to Call yesterday againe

Sir The 5 of this mounth God has bene pleased to Increase my fammely with a Little Doughter, and on the 7 Came from the North a forefighter with a troo of 20 Indians under his Command his name is Called by the mauquas Takaghkarta and he haith Light on a Company of 15 North Indians that has bene from all maner of sosyaty of Eather Christians or Indians [12 years]* they have brought alone 2 men 1 woman and 3 Litell boy, and have kild 5 and 4 maid an Eskape soe that moste of murderars is broken, the Mauquas Come through all the English plantations and was very Glad of the Enterpris I had Likewis an Accompt given me by Mr. Windall one of this town that he being at Scannechstad[ ] Spoke with a Mauquas that Came from Cannada Lately and he toulde hime that there was 5 shipes Arrived from france with 2000 men and that they had found a silver mine not far from Quebeck and that thay was going to make a greate forte and to put in 80 peece of ordenance, and more that thay Are makeing Another forte a great way above Caderrrockque neere to the Sennickes to ingrose all the traide possable thay Cane This Is all the News that I have at present from hime that Remaines Your very humble sarvant

Fort Albany
the 8th of August
1678

Silve: Salisbury

* Written in the margin.
Right honorable lord general Edmond Andros

With all due humility and reverence, after welcoming your honor and
thanking God for your honor’s arrival in America, we make known to
your honor how a certain person named Bastiaen de Winter (born in
Middelburgh in Zeelandt) informed us, the underwritten deacons, as well
as the notary Adriaen van Ilpendam in the evening of the 23rd day of the
month of July that we should come to him on the following morning at
the Steenen Hoeck (where the aforesaid Bastiaen de Winter lay sick) in
order to bequeath all his earthly possessions to the deacons of the
Reformed church of N. Albany. Therefore, on the 24th of the aforesaid
morning at about nine o’clock, having come before him, we found him
to be of sound mind and understanding according to all external ap­
pearances, and for reasons too long to tax your honor, he said, among
other things, “I would like to bequeath something to Schanechtade, but
let it all stay together for the deaconry of the great church at Albany; and
I still do have some friends, but they live so far away that they shouldn’t
receive anything of it.” And we asked him further whether he wished to
make a gift to anyone, whereupon he answered, no; and as soon as his
testament was written and read to him (except the conclusion as indi­
cated), he approved of the same, as appears by the accompanying
authentic copy. However, at that moment he was overcome by dizziness
so that he didn’t sign it. After which, in the same dizzy spell, he suddenly
passed away in our presence. And we had him brought to earth here in
Albany with a proper burial. We do not trust that very much will be left
over (after the burial expenses and some other expenses which might
present themselves here have been paid). But whatever might be left
over, we request, according to our bounden duty, that your honor be
pleased to approve it for the poor, or approve the aforesaid testament.
We hope that (with your honor’s leave) it may meet with your honor’s
order or approval as soon as possible.

Commending your highly esteemed honor with your honor’s entire
family to God’s protection, which we pray that He will be pleased to
grace your honor with lasting health and prosperity in your honor’s
esteemed administration until salvation.

Done in New Albany,
the 13th of August 1678.

Your honor’s humble
and dutiful servants,
Jan Jansz Bleecker
Jacob Staets

[ON THE BACK:] Petition to the
Right Honorable and Esteemed
Governor General
of the regions of America

[27:181]

[LETTER OF JOHANNES PROVOOST REQUESTING CONFIRMATION
OF HIS OFFICE AS SHERIFF. TRANSLATION]

Honorable, Valiant and Right Esteemed
Lord Governor General

The patient desire, which stood between hope and fear, the Almighty
God has been pleased to hear our prayers, and to let it turn out favorably
according to our wishes that your honor has arrived in the desired place,
for which the Lord God is to be praised; therefore, I have, with all due
humility, taken the liberty to congratulate and welcome your most
esteemed honor with all dutiful humility with these few lines; and to
introduce myself and inform your honor how Captain Sallisberry and the
aforesaid magistrates have been pleased to favor me with the office of
sheriff or schout, and that upon your honor's approval. Therefore it is
my humble request (although belated) to acknowledge your honor in the
first place, praying that I be favored with the retention of the aforesaid
sheriff's office, so that the one longing may be joined with the other,
bringing my entire desire to perfection. I await your honor's favorable
determination and remain obliged, as I am,

The 14th of August
Anno 1678 in Albany.

Right honorable esteemed Lord,
your honor's servant

Johannes Provoost

[ADDRESS:] [seal]
His honor [at] Manhatten
the Right Honorable
Lord
the Lord Edmond Andros
Governor General
residing
at Nieu Jorck
LETTER FROM THE MAGISTRATES AT ALBANY ACKNOWLEDGING THE GOVERNOR’S ORDER AND WELCOMING HIS RETURN

May it Please your hon:

We Received yours of the 8th Instant writt by Capt. Niccolls, Sunday Last, and were gladd to hear of your honors Safe Arrivall, which hath been much wished and Longed for by us all; and have Reason to thank God for his Goodnesse in Conducting your honor safe hither again.

We shall for the future observe those orders Concerning the trade here as was formerly in Gov. Nicolls time, as per your honors orders, and we ha[ ] Accordingly forbidd John Robison to trade here (which he did forthwith obey). This goes by Mr. Dirk Wessells Mr. Marte Gerritse Commissariu[ ] and Ro. Livingston our Secretary whom we have sent doune to Congratulate your Honor in to the Government and give your honor an Accompt off all Occarrances and Transactions Past in our Pairs since your honors Departure, and like ways to Informe your honor about the Present state of affaires now, therefore shall not Insert any thing but Referr your honor wholly to them on whom we doe Rely, and have Commission[ ] them to act and doe wholly for this Jurisdiction as there may be occasion, we shall not trouble your honor any further at Present but Remain

Albany 14 Aug: Sir
1678
Your most obliedged
Servants the Commissaries
of Alb: etc.
Philip Schuyler
Richd: Pretty

[ADRESSED:] To His Excellency
Sir Edmund Andross
Governour Generall of all his
Royall Highness Territories

* Written in pencil by the governor.
Humbly these Present

[27:183]

[INDENTURE OF KATHARINE JEFFREYS TO SERVE CHARLES AND SARAH BRIDGES]

This Indenture made the 13th day of August in the yeare of our Lord God 1678, betwenee Charles Bridges and Sarah his wife of Flushing upon Long Isl: of the one part, and Katharine Jeoffreys newly arrived to this port in the ship the Blossom of Charles Towne: Richard Martin Commander of the other part, Witnesseth that the said Katharine Jeoffreys, for and in Consideracion of the payment of her passage by the said Charles and Sarah out of England hither, and for divers other good Causes her thereunto moving, doth by these presents bind herselfe to bee a servant unto the said Charles Bridges and Sarah his wife or the longest liver of them [ ] their Assignes for and during the space and [ ]me of five whole yeares from the 13th day of August aforemencioned untill the said time shall bee fully compleate and ended, [ ]ring which said time, shee the said Katharine [ ]th engage to do them or either of them [ ]e and faithfull service as becommeth a [ ]rvant to the utmost of her ability and power, and the said Charles Bridges and Sarah his wife are to provide for her meate, drinke, washing lodging and apparell fitting for a servant, according to the Custome of the Country: In witnesse whereof the partyes to these presents have [ ]unto enterchangeably sett their handes and seales the day and yeare first above written.

[ ]d and delivered in
[ ]nce of
[ ]

[27:184]

[MINUTES OF A MEETING WITH LONG ISLAND INDIANS]

Aug. 15th 1678.

There came Tackpouche the Sachem of Massapeag, and the Sachem of Rockway and one from him of Mericock to bid the Go: welcome [ ]me, and to tell him they were all glad that the God of the water and land had
brought him safe.

They had no Complaint to make or any other buisnesse then to see him.

They presented the Go: with a string of wamp of about 50 or 60\f.

Aug. 24th

The Go: gave order that an ancker of Rumme should bee sent to every one of the Castles of the Maques, Sinnekes and Mahicanders Indyans as a token from him, they being 9 in all.

Aug. 27

This day came the Wickers Creeke Indyans and 2 other Nations towards the highlands, to bid the Go: welcome home, and to tell him their intent of goeing up the River to visitt the Mahicanders and Maques and present 2 bands sewant. Hee presents these 3. nations with an anker of about 40 \f of Rumme and some Tobacco.

A while after came the 3 sachems of Southold Unchechaug and Sequetauke, to bid the Go welcome also, and presented about 60[ ]

[ENDORSED:] Sever[
Appearan[
15.24.27.
Aug. 1678

[A SEPARATE DOCUMENT:]

Aug. 15. 1678

This day came Tackpouche the Sachem of Marsapeage and the Sachem of Rockway to salute the Go: and to bid him welcome home, They come also on the behalfe of the Sachem of Mericock, and say they are glad that the God of the Sea as well as of the Land hath beene favourable to him and brought him safe home againe, so present him with a string of wamp. of about 50 or 60\f. They say thay have no Complaints to make but come to welcome him home.

The Go: returns them thankes, and sayes [ ]t as long as they behave themselves civilly [ ] quiet they shall bee sure to bee protected [ ] friends

[ ] they parted
[ENDORSED:]

Takpousha's
appearance with
Indyans:
Aug. 15th. 1678.

[27:185]

[NOMINATION OF MAGISTRATES FOR SCHENECTADY. TRANSLATION]

Extract from the court minutes of the village of Schaenectade, the 19th of August 1678.

Whereas election time has passed, it has been found advisable to form another nomination, being namely:

- Sander Glen
- Sweer Theunisz
- Jan van Eps
- Theunis Cornelisz Swart
- Daniel Jansz*

These following have been nominated in a double list so that the right honorable lord general may select from it a single number for the execution and administration of justice:

- Barent Janssen
- Herman Vedder
- Gijsbert Gerrittsz
- Meyndert Wemp
- Willem Abrahamsz
- Adam Vromans
- Johannes Pootman
- Claes Laurnsz
- Sander Glen junior
- Sijmon Volckerts

* Perhaps Daniel Jansz van Antwerpen, former Albany official and early Schenectady settler.
[COVERING LETTER FOR THE ABOVE NOMINATIONS. TRANSLATION]

Schaenhechteade, the 23rd of August 1678

Right Honorable Lord Governor General

We applaud your honor’s safe arrival from England, for which we sincerely thank God Almighty. Regarding the state of the place, everything is (praise God) well; we have dispatched our schout Lowies Cobes with the nomination list of a double number, from which your honor will select a single number for the administration of justice. Also, we have given the same some private instructions in order to give your honor a fair appraisal of them. We have no doubts that your honor will be pleased with them.

We request with all due humility that your honor may be pleased to favor our schout and his son-in-law with the fourth flat on the other side of the river, for which have promised him our recommendation. Nothing more than remaining

Your Right Honorable’s
devoted and willing
friends and servants,
The magistrates of Schaenhechtade

Sander Glen

By order of the same

Ludovicus Cobes Gerretsen

[ADDRESSED:] To the Hon. and Highly esteemed Lord

* Now called 27:186.
My Lord Ed[ ] Andros Governor
General of N. Yorke etc.
residing In Fort James

[ENDORSED:]*
The Returne of
new Commissaries fro.
Schanectade.
Aug. 22. 1678.

A Commission given
Sept. 6th. 1678.

[ ]78
1st of September Sconex-
tedis papers.†

August 20. 1678

Two of the Commissaries of Alb: Marten Gerrits. and Dirck Wessell. and
Mr. Livingston the Secr. were with the Go: to represent, That they do
apprehend and find that the Indyans both Maques and North Indyans
with the River Indyans, are like to bee drawne away from us by the french
who come frequently amongst them give great Encouragement to them
by giving them Land and Forts, divers being already gone to them, to
whom they have given 4 Forts and put a head over them done by the Go:
of Canada one Cryne is made their Sachem, a Maques Their opinion is
That the Maques may bee underhand advised to giv[ ] all Encouragement
to draw back the Indyans that are gone to Canada whether Maques, North
Indyans or Mahicanders by proposing to make them Forts by themselves
and to have liberty to chuse a Sachem or head over them as the others
have, the which the Governor will also countenance them in.

There was discourse whether it bee proper that those of Alb. who trade

* in English
† This last note is in a different hand, perhaps the governor’s. The preceding endorsements
were written by Matthias Nicolls.
‡ The present 27:187 is actually 27:186b.
direct into Engl: should handle with the Indyan, and thought not convenient.

[ENDORSED:] Aug. 20.1678.
Albany.

[27:187]

[NO DOCUMENT OR CALENDAR ENTRY]*

[27:188b]

[COUNCIL MINUTES: TO BE PUBLISHED IN A VOLUME OF COUNCIL MINUTES]

[27:189]†

[EXPENSES AT ALBANY]

Anh: Lispinard  $424.11:
Omy Lagrange  $141.:
Aenout Corn  32:
Cap Salisbury  $102.:
Zewant  $69.11:

NB: The Commissaries bestowd on the Prisoner 2 half vatts Beer which is not charged Cost $48.2 which makes 14 in all $74.71:Z

[ON THE BACK:]

Delivered To the English Prisoners

[ENDORSED:] A liste of the Pertickeler bills 1678

* The present 27:187 is actually 27:186b.
† This document is not listed in the calendar. The people named all lived in the Albany area. The English prisoners are perhaps the former captives of the Indians who were returned by the French to Boston.
OUT OF THE BULKE TOBACCO IN HOLD 10 MLLS WT. AT THE WEIGHHOUSE WITH ONE BUNDLE 1100 LB. DUTY THE MASTER ORDERED NED TO STOW AWAY AND THE MATE WITH THE SEAMEN AND HIMSELF IN THE STERNE SHEETS OUT OF THE LOOSE TOBACCO IN THE HOLD AFORESAID BY COMPUTACION LB. 400 DUTCH OF TOBACCO DUTCH PICKING THE BRIGHEST OF IT OUT.

MORE OVER 5 BAGGS OUT OF THE HOLD MORE WEIGHING ABOUT 50 LB. PER PIECE DUTCH FARTHER 2 HOGSHEDS TOBACCO STOWED IN THE HOLD MORE THAN 150 HOGSHEDS ONE OF WHICH WAS RECEIVED FOR 1 BARRELL OF MOLASSES AND THE OTHER FOR RUM AND SUGER

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400
250
1750
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11
25 | ld.
25 | f275
wt. 140 lb Per Parcell at 2lb. per

NOTA PORKE 3 HOGGS ETC. 1 BARRELL 400 LB.

SLOOPE HIRE PAID IN GOODS EXCEPT A BARRELL OF METHEGLIN;
PAID FOR FATHER EDSALL 1 BARRELL BEERE TO MRS. HOPEWELL
FOR THE FISH THE WHOLE WATCH GLASSE

NOTA BULS
NOTA THE TOBACCO HE CARRIED ON SHORE OUT OF THE KETCH VIZT.
10 MLLS AND 1 BUNDLE 1100 LB DUTCH AND 1 BUNDLE
ABOUT 40 LB. GIVEN THE WAITER
2240
56 BUNDLES AT 40 LB THE BUNDLE
1100
5 BAGGS AT 10 LB PER PARCELL
250
2 HOGSHEDS
700

* This document is not listed in the calendar.
† This is possibly John Shakerly, assuming this undated document is in the correct volume.
‡ mead; an alcoholic drink made from honey.
The Master gave his Doctor Linen of his other peice

Nota 130 hogsheads sold Came whole on board in all the Bulke-Goods the Master had to purchase. 1 piece holland which Allen cut away 2/3 parts and the rest the master made 2 shirts of—for which he gave 14 lb. sugar for making Metheglin sold henry hardy 3 pairs stockins none sold, 2 dozen spoones—and lace none sold—this in the sloope When the Tobacco came Charles County the rest being all mine.

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135 lb. 340

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Nota B to Turbervile 14 Galls rum at 30S per Gall we carried the Rum and received 420 lb. of Tobacco

[27:191]†

[**BUSINESS ACCOUNT OF THOMAS DELAVAL AND WILLIAM DERVALL WITH ISAAC MELYN**]

New York Ao 1671

Capt. Thomas Delavall and Mr. Wm. Dervall are Debtors

Janu 16  
To John Quigly—  
To 8 barrills of beefe

150:*  
608:*

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† This document is not listed in the calendar.
1672
Octob 14  To 2 lb. of Indigo  30:* 
       To lb. 31 of Sugar  31:* 
Nov. 2  To 2 poinchons of Sugar conteyning lb.  
1673  1667 at 15 stivers per lb.  1250:5 
May 24  To 10 tunns of fraight from Barbadoes at 
       50 s Starling per tunn is at 50s 4 per shell.  1250:NB 
June 21  To Mr. William Crisloo, paid  1000:NB 
       To your account of the boat Prince, 
       due to me by Ballance as appeareth 
       by the account here annexed £24:16:4: 
       is at 40 per £  992:14:NB 
       To fraight of 5 hides from Standford  10:NB* 
       To 1 Cann of trane oyle for Capt. Delavall 
       to John Underhill  1:10 
       to 3 Barrills of Cider at 18s is f2:14: and 
       2s 3d custome; is  112:1[ ] 
1677  
Novemb 1  To fraight from Esopus of 48: sch: of corn  14:[ ] 
1678  
May  To fraight from East=Hampton of 31 barrills 
       of trane oyle at f5: a piece is  155:[ ] 
14th  To fraight from Esopus of 66 Sch. of corne 
       f5[ ]  

New York Ao 1671

Per Contra Creditors
By Sundry goods received†  f 757: 
By one tearce overcharged  20:16½ f 777:16½ 
By Ballance Rest due to me  4847: 6½ 5625: 3: 

New Yor[ ] this [blank] of august Ao 1678 
Errors Excepted 

[ENDORSED:] Capt. Delavall and Mr Wm. 
Dervall their account current 
from and for Isaac Molyn 

* The asterisks appear in the text, including this one; their significance is unknown.
† Written in the margin; Ballanced dese 2: Post*
Appendix

[ACCOUNT BY SIR EDMUND ANDROS OF HIS ADMINISTRATION OF THE COLONY OF NEW YORK FROM OCTOBER 1674 UNTIL NOVEMBER 1677]

A short Accompt of the Generall Concerns of New Yorke from October 1674 to November 1677.

In October 1674 the Governor received New Yorke and Dependences from the Dutch, settled that part neare New Yorke, and in December reduced the East End of Long Island, and some turbulent in other places having been questioned, the Government hath been very orderly and quiett since.

In May 1675 the Governor sent to demand of Conecticutt Generall Court thatt part of His Royall Highnesse Colony in their possession, exprest in his Majesties patent to His Royall Highnesse, sending them an Attested copy of said Patent, and att the same time went by land to Delaware to settle things there, particularly as to New Jersey Indyans of which great apprehensions, composed by their submission, observed by them since during all the troubles round us.

In June following, upon news of Indyan troubles Eastward, the Governor did without delay, of which he sent notice by expresse to Hartford, repaire himself with a supply of ammunition and spare arms to the mouth of Conecticutt river, as the properest place to advise and act, but said supply (as informed) then wanting were refused, and after four days attendance without seeing Magistrate or Officer of Note, and others prohibited communication with him, a severe protest was made against his coming.

Upon which without delay he went over to the East End of Long Island, and dispatched ammunition and Arms to Martin’s Vinyard and Nantuckett, with necessary order for preserving them and Neighboring Islands; and to satisfy the great jealousy of our neighbours, hee proceeded by land through Long Island to Yorke, and disarmed our own Indyans in all places, and saw all our own militia.
Att the Governors returne to New Yorke, hee sent for all the neighbouring Indyan Sachems of New Jersey as well as other parts, most of which had been with him afore, and all againe renewed their submissions and Engagements.

In August, all being well settled in New Yorke and parts adjacent the Governor went up Hudson’s River to Esopus, Albany and most warrlike Indyans neare a hundred miles beyound Albay, which Indyans (and Associates to about four hundred miles further) applyed, declareing there former Allyance, and now submitted in an Extraordinary manner, with reitterated promisses accordingly after which all things being settled, for the Magistracy, Militia and defence if occasion, hee returned to New Yorke and sent up his first Lieutenant with more recruites, to commande att Albany, and upon notice of Indyans in warre coming more Westward, prohibited sale of powder on penalty of ten pounds for each quarter of a pound of powder, or Corporall punishment extending to life; And upon notice of want, though unasked, sent six barrels of powder and some match to Roade Island, which they thankfully accepted, and afterward lent part of it to New England Forces in want, att their fight in Narrogan-sett country.

Upon Massachusetts Declaracion of warre in print in the beginning of winter, in which they allege thatt Indyans were supplyed with powder att Albany, Hee sent two gentlemen to Boston to complaine of such an aspersion, demanding itt might bee made appeare, or falce informer punished; They by a letter cleare the Magistrates butt nott Generalty, still asperced without any known cause, complaint, or notice.

In November and December Phillip and other Indyans, about a thousand in two partys armed, went up into the country, and came within about forty miles of Albany, of which notice by our Indyans to the Comander att Albany, and by land expresse to the Governor att New Yorke, the rivers all frozen; The Governour imediately dispatched reitterated orders to the Commander for said Phillip’s etc. remove, if not effected afore the receit of said Orders, and sent an Expresse with Letters and Ample Instructions to Conecticutt, desiring Liberty for our Forces, Christians or Indyans, to pursue such the Enemys of said Conecticutt into their parts as occasion etc. and the like after to Boston; but being denied, and the River opening unexpected the beginning of February 1675/6 he tooke the first opportunity to goe up with an additional force and six sloops to Albany, and found att his arrivall aboutt three hundred Maquaas Soul-diers in towne, returned the Evening afore from the pursuite of Philip
and a party of five hundred with him, whome they had beaten, having some prisoners and the crowns, or hayre and skinne of the head, of others they had killed; At their setting out the Commander had furnished the whole party with store of Amunicion, and all sorts of arms and necessaries they wanted, and received their Old Sachems, wives and children into the towne; butt now upon our neighbours refusall the Governor was putt to a farre greater charge, as well as authority to stop their prosecuteing the said Indyans into our Neighbours Colony, which would else have proved of a farre worse consequence; and presently built a new stock-adod Fort with Four Bastions, each capable of six gunns, said Fort so seated as to Defend and Command the whole towne of Albany, and att said time sent an officer through the woods to see, and if any strange Indyans to demand all Christian captives and command such Indyans out of the Government without delay, said officer mett with five nations together, being about four hundred men in arms, which readily obeyed: The Governor also ordered small Forts for the retreats of women and children, to bee made in all the towns or villages through the Government, and Row boates all along shore, and kept sloops out as occasion.

In the Spring and beginning of Summer 1676 the Indyans having committed great outrages and spoyles in almost all parts, upon which Conecticutt Colony sent two Commissioners to New Yorke upon said Account, pretending full power, though none, however not to loose time; The Governor with out delay assured them in writeing, hee would nott be wanting upon so extraordinary occasion, itt importing all his Majesties subjects and interest in those parts, and thatt if they pleased hee was ready to endeavour procuring them an honorable and safe peace with all Indyans or use force and joyne against said Indyans as occasion, and to remove all jealousy would forbeare all Claimes or Demands of any part of his Royall Highnesse territoryes possessed by said Conecticutt till orders from England, butt had no answer, however continued to keepe downe all Indyans in warre with them from the Inland Country.

In the latter end of Summer and beginning of winter 1676 the Easterne Indians aboutt Kenebeck prevailing much and att last destroying the whole country, driving away all Christians from the Fishing Islands as well as Continent as farre as Black point [Scarborough, Maine], which they tooke, and burnt and destroyed all houses Eastward; In December the Governor sent his Royall Highnesse sloop to Boston and Piscattaway, offering free passage and releife to any droven from his Royall Highnesse territoryes aboutt Pemaquid, of which hee gave notice to the Government of the Massachusetts, in whose country they then were, butt were by them prohibited to come to New Yorke.
Upon returne of said sloope in January 1676/7 being more particularly
informed all said Easteme parts were wholly deserted by the Indyans,
and then neglected by Boston, who had usurped it, butt now lost it, and
told the Inhabitants 'twas the Dukes and nott their businesse, and dayly
heareing of the number of captives, sloop and vessells taken by the
Indians, doing mischeife as farre as Piscattaway; The Governor resolved,
and in June 1677 sent a force and strong fram’d Redoutt in four good
sloops to take possession and settle in his Royall Highnesse right at
Pemaquid, and defend or secure the Fishery giving notice thereof to the
Massachusetts and our other neighbours.

Immediately upon Notice said Massachusetts presse vessells and men,
and ship aboutt a hundred and twenty to send that way, and proclaime a
day of prayer etc. in print; and their said forces comming to Black Point,
they land and attack some Indyans, butt lost aboutt sixty men, so Major
Clarke with the remainder went on to Pemaquid, where finding his
Royall Highnesse forces already posted, made onely some questions and
so returned.

A few days after some Indyans came and, being informed who were there
settted, offered submission, butt nott to include the Massachusetts, which
nott being accepted they went away, butt within a few days returned, and
in lesse than a month all submitted to include Boston and all his Majesties
subjects, and deliver to us all Christian captives and ketches taken,
which were in their possession; which being signified by expresse to
Boston, and in their choice whatt to do, they assented, submitting (as
they said) to Providence.

The Indyans brought presently some, and so as fast as they could all
prisoners at hand, of which neare forty, and one Ketch, the rest dayly
expected, and all likely to continue very quiett.

The Post att Pemaquid [on a neck of land on Sheepscott river, now called
Newcastle] is a wooden Redoutt with two gunns aloft, and an outworke
with two Bastions in each of which two greatt guns, and one att the Gate;
Fifty souldiers with sufficient ammunicion, stores of warre, and spare
arms, victualled for aboutt eight months, and his Royall Highnesse
sloope with four gunns to attend the Coast and Fishery, which and other
charges upon the accompt of the New England Indyan Warre, hath been
very greatt, as may appeare by his Royall Highnesse accompts from New
Yorke.
The latter end of August, the Governor having sent two Christians to the furthest nations of Indyans, and Orders to meet Coll. Coursey sent as Embassadour from Maryland to treatt with said Indyans; The Governor went also to Albany to receive any addresses, or whatt they might have to say to him: Coll. Coursey hadd answers to his sattisfaction, and the Governor reitterated assurances from said Indyans of their faithfullnesse, and att thatt time and place the Governor received leave from his Royall Highnesse to goe for England if hee still desired itt, butt with the last shipps, and to be Ready to returne to his Government with the first in the Spring, of which hee said nothing 'till att the setting of the Generall Court of Assizes in October, and then all being quiett, he then shewed said Letter, first to the Councell, then whole Court, desiring their opinions of the state of the Country, and his goeing if itt might be withoutt prejudice or inconvenience to his Duty or Country, and upon their Resolves and answere thatt all was in peace and Countrey as well settled and quiett as could bee expected att any time, and therefore as likely as any other time for his being spared; the Governour presently resolved and declared his goeing as soon as a vessell then intended for England could be ready, and by their advise gave directions for all parts of the Government and all Magistrates and Officers to bee very carefull of their Duty, and also acquainted all our Neighbours with itt.

November the 16th the Governor parted from New Yorke, and went to take his leave of Governor Carterett in New Jersey, and lay there all night; the 17th went aboard neare Staten Island, weyed and went down in the Bay neare Sandy point, whence hee sayled.

[ENDORSED:]

"A short Accompt of late passages at New Yorck.—Received from Sir Edm. Andross. in March 1678. Concerning the Indians."*

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* From the transcription in Documents Relative to the Colonial History of the State of New York, 3:254–57.
New-Yorke.

Heads of Inquiry to the Proprietors of the English Plantations, delivered to Sir John Werden Secretary to his Royal Highness for Sir Edmund Andros knight Governor of New-Yorke.

Answers to Inquiries concerning New-Yorke, made by Sir Edmund Andross Governor there for His Royal Highnesse.

1. Councils.

What Councils, Assemblys, and Courts of Judicature are within your Government and of what nature and kind?

The Governor is to have a Council not exceeding ten, With whose advice to act for the safety and good of the Country, and in every Town, Village or parish a petty Court, and Courts of Sessions in the severall precincts being three on Long-Island, and Towns of New Yorke, Albany, and Esopus, and some small and poor Islands and outplaces. And the General Court of Assizes composed of the Governor and Council, and all the Justices and Magistrats at New York once a yeare. The Petty Courts judge of Five pounds, and then may appeal to Sessions, they to Twenty pounds, and then may appeal to Assizes; and from the Assizes to the King all said courts as by Law.

2. Admiralty.

What Courts of Judicature relating to the Admiralty?

The Court of Admiralty hath been by speciall Commission, or by the Court of Mayor and Aldermen at New Yorke.

3. Legislative Power.

Where the Legislative and Executive power of the Government are seated?

The cheif Legislative Power there is in the Governor with advice of the

* The questions were submitted in writing to Andros on or about April 8, 1677. His responses were received by the committee on April 16. The questions and answers are recorded on facing pages in the committee's book, "New York Papers I." Public Record Office. C.O. 5/1111: 18–33.
Council the Executive Power of Judgements given by the Courts is in the Sherifs, and other Civil Officers.

4. Laws.

What Statutes, Laws and Ordnances are now made and in force?

The Law book in force was made by the Governor and Assembly at Hempsted in 1665, and since confirmed by his Royall Highnesse.

5. Militia.

What number of Horse or foot are within your Goverment; whether they bee Trained Bands, or Standing forces. How they are armed, divided, and exercised.

The Militia is about two Thousand, of which about one hundred and forty horse in three Troops. the Foot formed into Companys, most under an hundred men each, all indifferently armed with fire armes of all sizes; ordered and exercised according to Law, and are good firemen. One standing Company of Soldiers with Gunners and other Officers for the Forts of New Yorke and Albany, always Victualled in October and November for a yeare.

6. Forts.

What Castles and Forts are within your Goverment, and how situated and fortified; as alsoe what stores and Provisions they are furnished withall?

Fortresses are James Fort seated upon a point of New York towne, betsixween Hudson’s River, and the Sound. It’s a square with stone walls, four Bastions almost regular, and in it forty six guns mounted, and Stores for service accordingly. Albany is a small long stockadoed fort, with foure bastions in it, twelve guns sufficient against Indians; and lately a wooden Redout and Outwork at Pemaquid with seaven gunns, said Garrisons, Victualled for a year with sufficient stores.

7. Pirats

What number of Privateers or Pyrats doe frequent your Coast; what their burthens are, the number of their Men and Guns; and the names of the Commanders?

There are noe Privateers about our Coast.

What is the strength of your bordering Neighbors, whether Indians, or of any other Nation by Sea and Land. And what is the state and condition of their Trade and Commerce?

Our Neighbors westward are Maryland populous and strong, but doe not live in Towns, their produce Tobacco. Northwest the Maques etc. Indians, the most warlike in all the Northern parts of America, their Trade Beavers and Furrs. Northward the French or Cannada trade as wee with our Indians. Eastward Connecticut in a good condition and populous, their produce Provisions of Wheat, Beef, and Pork, some Pease. Our South bounds the Sea.

9. Correspondence.

What Correspondency doe you keep with your Neighbors?

Wee keep good correspondence with all our Neighbors, as to Civil, Legal or Judicial proceedings but differ with Connecticut for our Bounds, and mutual assistance, which they, nor Massachusets will not admit.


What are the Boundaries, Longitute Latitude and contents of the Land within Your Goverment. What number of Acres patented, settled, or unsettled. And how much is manurable Land?

Our Boundarys are South the Sea; West Delaware; North to the Lakes or French; East Connecticut River, but most usurped and yet possessed by said Connecticut. Some Islands Eastward and a Tract beyond Kennebeck River called Pemaquid etc. New York is in 40d. 35m. Albany about 43d. the Colony is in several long narrow stripes of which a great part of the Settlement made by Adventurers before any Regulation, by which Incroachments without Patents which Towns have lately taken. But by reason of continuall Wars noe Survey made and wilderness noe certain computation can be made of the planted and unplanted, these last two yeares about Twenty thousand Acres taken upp and patented for particular persons, besides Delaware most of the land taken up, except upon Long Island, is improved. And unless the Bounds of the Dukes Patent bee asserted noe great quantities at hand undisposed.

11. Trade and Building.

What are the principal Townes, and places of Trade. And what manner
of Buildings are most used in your Colony, as to the strength and largeness of them.

Our principal places of Trade are New Yorke and Southampton except Albany for the Indians. Our Buildings most Wood; some lately Stone and Brick, good Country=houses and strong of their several kinds.


How many Parishes, Precincts, or Divisions are within your Goverment?

Wee have about twentyfour Townes, Villages, or parishes in six Precincts, Divisions, Ridings, or Courts or Sessions.

13. Rivers etc.

What Rivers, Harbors, and Roads within your Goverment: and of what depths, and soundings they are?

Wee have several Rivers, Harbors and Roads. Hudson’s River the cheifest, and is about four fathom water at coming in, but six, ten, or more within, and very good Soundings and Anchorage either in Hudson’s River, or in the Sound, the Usual Roade before the Towne and Mould.


What Commodities are there of the production, growth, and Manufacture of your Plantation, and of what Value yearly either exported, or consumed upon the place, and what Materials are there already growing, or may bee produced for Shipping: as alsoe what are the Commoditys Imported, and of what value yearly?

Our product is Land=Provisions of all sorts, as of Wheat exported yearly about sixty thousand bushels, Pease, Beefe, Porke, and some refuse Fish, Tobacco, Beavers, and Peltry or Furrs from the Indians, Deal and Oake, Timber, planks, Pipe=staves, Lumber Horses, and Pitch and Tarr lately begun to be made. Commodities Imported are all sorts of English Manufacture for Christians, and blankets, Duffells etc. for Indians about fifty thousand yearly. Pemaquid affords merchantable Fish and Masts.

15. Salt=peter.

Whether Saltpeter is or may bee produced within your Plantation: and, if soe, in what quantity, and at what rates it may bee delivered in England?
Wee have noe experience, or skill of Salt=Peter to be had in quantities.

16. Planters.

What number of Merchants and Planters, English, or Forreigners, Servants and Slaves, and how many of them are Men able to bear Armes?

Our Merchants are not many; but, with Inhabitants and Planters, about Two thousand able to beare Armes, old inhabitants of the Place, or of England, except in and neer New Yorke of Dutch Extraction, and some few of all Nations; but few Servants, much wanted, and but very few Slaves.

17. Number.

What number of English, Scotch, Irish or Forreigners have, for these seaven years last past or any other space of time, come yearly to Plant, and inhabit within your Goverment. And alsoe what Blacks and Slaves have been brought in within the said time, and at what Rates?

Noe persons whatever are to come from any place but according to Act of Parliament, which the Magistrats and Officers of the several Towns or places are to take care of accordingly. The Plantation is, these late years, increased; but noe general account hath been taken, soe is not known how much nor what persons. Some few Slaves are sometimes brought from Barbados, most for Provisions. and Sold at about Thirty pound, or thirty five pounds Cuntry=pay.

18. Christnings.

What number of Whites, Blacks, or Mulattos have been bom and Christned, for these seaven years last past, or any other space of time, for as many years as you are able to state an account of?

Ministers have been soe scarce, and Religions many that noe account can bee given of Childrens Births or Christnings.

19. Marriages.

What number of Marriages, for seaven years last past, or any other time, for as many yeares as you are able to state an account of?

Scarsity of Ministers and Law admitting Marriages by Justices, noe account cann bee given of the number married.

What number of People have yearly dyed within your Goverment, for seaven years past, or any other time, for as many years as you are able to state an account of?

Noe account can bee given of Burials, forms of Burials not being generaly observed, and few Ministers till very lately.


What Estimat can you make touching the Estates of the several degrees of Merchants and Planters within your Goverment. And how you may compute the Wealth of the Island in general?

A Merchant worth 1000 lb., or 500 lb. is accounted a good substantial Merchant: and a Planter worth halfe that in Moveables accounted rich. All the Estates may bee valued at about 150,000 lb.

22. Shipping.

What number of Ships, Sloops, or other Vessells doe trade yearly to and from your Plantation, and of what built and burthen; and whether there bee any belonging to the Country?

There may lately have traded to the Colony in a year, from ten to fifteene Ships or Vessels of about, togeather, one hundred Tuns each, English, New England, and our own built; of which five small Ships and a Ketch now belonging to New Yorke, foure of them built there.

23. Obstructions.

What Obstructions do you find to the Improvement of the Trade and Navigation of the Plantations of your Goverment?

Obstructions to Improvement of Planters, Trade, Navigation, and mutual assistance, are the distinction of Colonies for our owne produce, as if different Nations and People, though next neighbors upon the same Tract of Land, and His Majesties subjects; Wee observing Acts of Trade and Navigation etc.


What advantages and Improvements doe you observe that may be gained to your Trade and Navigation?
Advantages, incouragement, and improvement of Planters, Trade, and Navigation would bee more if next Neighbors of our own nation the Kings subjects upon the same tract of Land, might, without distinction, supply each other with our owne produce, punctually observing all Acts of Parliament for Exportation and would dispose all persons the better for mutual assistance.

25. Duties.

What Rates and Dutys are charged and payable upon any Goods exported out of your Plantation, whether of your owne growth or manufacture, or otherwise: As alsoe upon Goods Imported? And likewise what other Revenue doth or may arise within your Colony, and how the same are applyed etc.

Rates or Duties upon Goods exported are two shillings for each hogshead of Tobacco and one shilling threepence on a Beaver skin and other Peltry proportionably. Provisions and all else paye nothing. Goods Imported pay Two per cent except Liquors particularly rated something more. And Indian trade going up the River pays three per cent. There are some few Quit Rents, as alsoe Excise or License money for retailing strong drink, and a way house or public Scale all applyd to the Garrison and public charge, to which it hath not hitherto sufficed by a great deale.


What persuasion in Religious matters is most prevalent; and, among the Varieties which you are to express, what proportion in number and quality of people the one holds to the other?

There are Religions of all sorts, one Church of England, severall Presbiterians, and Independents, Quakers, and Anabaptists of several sorts, some Jews, but Presbiterians and Independents most numerous and substantial.

27. Churches.

What course is taken for the instructing of the people in the Christian Religion? How many Churches and Ministers are there within Your Governement, and how many are yet wanting for the accomodation of your Colony? What provision is there made for their maintenance, as alsoe for Relieving poor, decayed, and impotent persons? And whether you have any Beggers, or idle Vagabonds?
The Duke maintaines a Chaplin, which is all the certaine allowance or Church of England, but Peoples free gifts to the Ministry. And all places obliged to build Churches and provide for a Minister, in which most very wanting: but Presbiterians and Independents desirous to have and maintaine them if to be had. There are about Twenty Churches or Meeting=places, of which above halfe Vacant. Their allowance like to bee from forty, to seaventy pounds a yeare, and a House and Garden. Noe Beggers, but all poor cared for. If good Ministers could be had to goe thither, might doe well, and gain much upon those people.
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