day & year first above writen, signed sealed & delivered in y prents of

EDWARD HIGBY

ye mark of

JONATHAN X CHICHESTER

Hanah kellam ye wife of ye above sd. Robart kellam hath without flattery or thratening consented to ye primese and sale above sd. and set to her hand.

Robart Kellam Hanah Kellam

This is a true coppy by me John Corey Clerk.

Jene. 13. 1684. (Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 181.)

[LANDS OF THOMAS SCIDMORE AND JOHN GOLDING.]

[1685, Jan. 13.]

this is my knowledg and ye knowledg of John ffinch sent yt Thomas Skidmor gave unto his Son in Law John Golding sunken medow farme and delivered to him by ye Custom of our English Nation by turfe and twig without any Refermation after gaind by Mr. Smith; lost yt farme; In consideration where of ye town upon ye Request of Governour Andrews gave this farme yt he now posseseth unto him which is in Length on ye North side from Crabmedow neere ye sd. Skidmores Spring on ye South East with ye high hill unto a spring yt is in ye high way: yt comes from Crab medow to Jonathan lewes: the west side with ye hill towards Crabmedow: Layd out by my self and Thomas powell which is forty acres:

January ye 13, 1684, there is belonging to this farme twelve acars of medow next ye beach bounded with thomas skid-

mors medow on ye East And ye west side with ye medow of Edward Bunch.

This is a true Coppy extracted out of ye original by me John Corey Clark;

huntington Jane. ye 27, 1684. (Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 178, b.)

[1685, Jan. 14.]

Samuel Griffen and Elizebeth platt ware maried ye 14th day of Jeneuary 1684.

(Court Rec. p. 289.)

[BOND OF NICHOLAS SMITH.]

[1685, Jan. 28.]

know all men by these presents yt I nicolas Smith of fresh pond neck within ye bounds of Huntington upon Long Island in ye County of Suffolk in america, carpinter Am bound & firmly ablyged unto John Golding of ye same place & County planter ye just and intire sume of Eaighteen pound eleven shillings in good marchantable pay of this Countery viz beefe pork winter wheat sumer wheat or Indean corn, winter wheat at five shillings p bushel: summer wheat at four shillings six pence p. bushell Indean Corn at two shillings six penc p bushell, pork at three pence p pound: beefe at two pence p. pound Round: That is to say seaven pounds eleven shillings at or before ye first of march which will be in ye year 1685 And ye other eleven pounds at or before ye first day of March which will be in ye year of our Lord 1686 And for ye true performence here of I binde my selfe my heirs executors and assighns to pay ye

Pattent wee Resur you to yo old Pattent which I left with you and as for quitt Rent wee have all Redy signified in writing to yo worship.

now sir our dependance is upon yor worship and hops in you: yt you will doe for us in ye pemises as if ye cace ware yoe owne and if you please to serve us with a Ruf draught of it yt wee may see it wee shall send up soan to have it confirmed and wee yor servants shall not for gett your kindnes butt hope wee shall make honest satisfaction to yor worship for yor pains and care in ye premises not else att present butt Rest your humble servant in behaulfe of ye towne.

ISAAC PLATT
Towne Clarke.

(File No. 6.)

[THOMAS SCIDMORE'S LAND.]

[1687, April 28.]

Thomas scidmore 7 acers of Land Lying by y^e west side of a hollowe that Leadeth to eatons necke with a Rocke in y^e entering of y^e hollowe.

A true coppy of what Capt. Baily gave mee in writting

to Record for Thomas Scidmore.

April ye 28th 1687.

p mee

Isaac Platt, Rec^r

(Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 132)

[LANDS OF PHILIP "UDALL" AND JONATHAN LEWIS.]

[1687, April 29.]

Wee whose names are under written have Land out for

At a town meeting.

September y^e 20th 1687 it was voated and granted that what parcels of medowe are at y^e harbor of either side shall be sold at an out cry to y^e hiest bider to defray. Publicke charges y^t is to say soe much of them as shall bee ajudged by men apointed for y^t purpose to be convenient to bee sould.

(Town Meetings, Vol. 1, p. 157.)

[RECORD OF LANDS OF DAVID SCUDDER AND THOMAS SCIDMORE.]

[1687, Sept. 26.]

Septemr ye 26th 1687.

A Record of ye medowe of david scudder att Crab medow a peece of medowe bounded one the east with ye meadowe of Jonas Vallentine and the west side by Thomas scidmores medowe, Runing from ye beach to ye maine creeke.

A nother peece of medow of david scudders att Crab medowe bounded with Thomas scudders medowe one y^e west side and by Thomas scidmores medowe one y^e east side, Runing from the upland to y^e maine Creeke.

A Record of the medowe of thomas scidmore at Crabmedowe ye day above sd. Septem: ye 26th 1687.

A Peece of medow Runing from the beach to the maine Creeke bounded by david scuders medowe of each side east and west: A nother peece of medow of Thomas Scidmores upon y^e south side of Crab medowe bounded by y^e medowe of Jams batte one y^e east side & by y^e medow of david scudder one the west.

A True Record of what was given in to mee by ye above

sd. david scudder and Thomas scidmore the day and yeer a bove written.

Isaac Platt Reco^r

(Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 235.)

[A BILL OF ITEMS OF CHARGES.]

[1687, Oct. 5.]

Huntingtons due from ye Countie Octobar: ye 5th 1687

An acount of what charge hath been expended about y^e souldiers y^t came with Cappt: seardam: att: 6^d : p. meall & 2^d p. nights Lodgin: 6^d p. horse for one night: att their Return these y^t brought backe the horses: for: 2: nights and a day 1^d for each horse Pastering and for a horse going neer to Hemsted with them prest for y^e servise 2^d :

neer to fremstea with them prest for y service	· - ·		
due to Captt Platt upon ye acount above men-	lb.	s.	d.
tioned	03	00	02
due to Leutt Jonas Wood	00	09	04
due to Insighne Jonathan Scudder	00	09	04
due to SargentTho: weeks	00	03	04
due to John weeks	00	07	02
due to Mr Jonas wood	00	04	IO
due to Isaac Platt	00	03	04
due to Thos. Whitson	00	03	04
due to John Brush	00 .	07	04
due to Joseph Wood	00	03	04
due to nicolas smith	00	10	08
due to Joseph Whittman	00	08	04
due to Thos. brush	00	05	04
due to Richard brush	00	02	10
due to Samuell Wood	00	03	04
due to Robart kellam	00	02	10
due to Saml. Kicham	00	02	02

or convances widoe Right or any incombrence what soe ever and I y° said James bate my heairs executors administrators and asignes doe further covenant promise & grant too and with the afore sd. John Ingersolle his heairs executions administrators and asignes y' the sd. James Batte his heairs and successors shall and will from time too time and for ever heare after save harmles and endemnified the afore sd. John Ingersolle his heairs and succesers of and from any person or person whoe may or shall Lay any Just claime Right title or interest unto y° afore mentioned Land or any part or parsell there of in witnes wheare of I have hear unto set my hand and sealle y° day and year above written.

JAMS BETS

signed sealled and delivered in the Presence of Samuell Ketcham Syman Lane.

1688

Aprill ye thirtie apeared before mee Jams Batte and acknowledged the above sd. indenture to bee his ackt & deed.

EPENETUS PLATT

Justice peace.

A True Coppy of y^e origanall deed compared by mee Isaac Platt

Jully ye 19th 1688 (Deeds, Vol. 1, pp. 243-4.) Recor

[TOWN MEETING.]

[1688, April 2.]

At a towne meeting Legally warned Aprill ye 24 1688, the day above sd Abiel tittus was chossen Constable, the day above written Joseph whittman John Samis and Isaac Platt weare Legally chossen commissions.

the day above written Joseph whittman was chossen to bee a sealler of Leather that is Putt to saile.

the day above written John wood was chossen a gager of casks.

the day above written Robert Kellam did propound to the towne for twentie acars of Land joing to his land upon ye cove necke on ye west necke frunting east ward ty ye harbor it was granted yt noe other person should have it from him.

the day above written was granted to Captt fleett Mr wood and Samuel wood to take up their division of Land seven acars and a haulf to a hundred wheare thay shall see cause to doe it: not to hinder hie wayes & wattering Placees for Cattell: allsoe ye same grant is to all yt have not taken up acording to ye division mentioned.

The day above s^d was granted to Richard Gildersleeve twentie too acars of land six or eight acars of it at the head of Claboard hollowe and y^e Remainder of it beetwixt william broderton and his owne Land facen against Crab medowe.

The day above written was granted to thomas Scidmore twentie acars of Land in bred en cheese hollow joining to the north side of Phillip udalls Land and twentie acars more of land was granted the same day to thomas scidmore one the north side of the hoge pond upon Crabmedowe necke.

(Town Meetings, Vol. 1, p. 159.)

[DEED. EDWARD HIGBEE TO JOSEPH WOOD AND STEPHEN JARVIS.]

[1688, April 4.] [Abstract.]

This Indenture made the 4 of Aprille 1688 Betwene

from mee & my heairs unto ye sd. Jonathan Luice to have and to hold to him his heairs or asignes for ever and have Reseved content ffully for ye same to my content, witnes my hand & seale this first of August 1688.

signed Sealed de-

RICHARD SMITH

livered in presence of: William francy

his×mark Mary×Arthor

her mark

A true Coppy of y^e origanall compared by mee this 12th of Septem^r 1688

Isaac Platt Rec^r.

(Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 125.)

[THE DONGAN CHARTER.*]

[1688, Aug. 2.]

The People of the State of New York by the Grace of God free and independent, To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting: Know ye that we, having inspected the records remaining in our Secretary's Office do find

[*Though clothed in a mass of veribage, much of which, under a change of government, has become in a measure obsolete, the Dongan charter was an important paper to the town. It confirmed the title acquired under the Nichol's grant of 1666, giving the same boundaries. Those who occupied lands under former grants by the town were to hold them. Lands not granted by the town to individuals were to be held in common. The town was erected into a public municipal corporation, invested with all the rights of a township; nine trustees were named who were to hold title to the town's common lands and were given power to manage and convey the same. The town was to pay the Governor annually twenty shillings quit-rent, and a sum was exacted by him for the grant of the charter, which was afterwards the subject of much contention. This is the beginning of the office of Town trustees, none having previously existed and no proceedings of trustees are found in this book.—C. R. S.]

there recorded in Lib. Pat. 6, page 360, certain Letters Patent in the words and figures following, to wit: Recorded for the Towne of Huntington, Thomas Dongan, Capt, Generall and Governour-in-Chief of New Yorke and Territories depending thereon, in America under his most sacred Majesty, James ye second, by ye Grace of God King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, Defender of ye faith, and to all to whom these presents shall come, sendeth Greeting:

Whereas Richard Nicolls, Esqr., Governor-Generall under his then Royall Highness James, Duke of Yorke and Albany, etc., now his present Majesty of all his Territoryes in America, did by a certain writing or patent under his hand and seale bearing date ye thirtyeth day of November, in ye eighteenth yeare of the reigne of ye late Soveraign, Lord Charles ye second, etc., of blassed memory, etc., in ye year of our Lord God Sixteene hundred sixty-six, by virtue of ye com'n, and authority unto him given by his s'd then Royall Highness now his present Majestie as aff'd, I ratifie, confirme and grant unto Jonas Wood, William Leveradge, Robart Seely, John Ketcham, Thomas Scidmore, Isaac Platt, Thomas Joans, and Thomas Weeckes, as Patentees in ye behalfe of themselves and their associates, the Freeholders and Inhabitants of ve Towne of Huntinton, scituate, lying and being within this Governm'nt upon Long Island in the County of Suffolk, now in the Tennoure and occupation of severall Freeholders and Inhabitants there residing, who having theretofore made lawfull purchase of the lands thereunto belonging, have likewise manured and improved a considerable part thereof and settled a competent number of familys thereupon all yo lands y't already had been or thereafter should be purchased for and on the behalfe of ye s'd Town of Huntington, whether from the Natives Proprietors or others within ye Limitts and Bounds herein expressed; that is from a certain river creek on ye West

commonly called by the Indians by ye name of Nackquatack and by the English the Cold Spring, to stretch eastward to Nesaguas River, on the North to be bounded by ye Sound, runing betwixt Long Island and ye Maine, and on ye South by the Sea, including therein nine severall Necks of meadow ground, which tract of Land, together with ye said Nine Necks thereunto belonging within ye bounds and Limitts afores'd, and all or any Plantations thereupon, are to belong to the said Towne of Huntington as allsoe all Havens Harbours, Creeks, Quarries, Woodlands, Meadows, Pastures, Marsh's, Lakes, Fishing, Hawking, hunting and fowleing and all other proffits, Commoditiys, Emoluments and Hereditamts to ye said land and premises, ye Limits and Bounds aforementioned, described belonging or in anywise appertaining, to have and to hold all and singular, ye said Lands and Necks of Lands, Hereditam'ts and premissess with their and every of their appurtenances and every part and parcell thereof to ye said patentees and their associates, their Heires, Successors and Assigns forever and did likewise thereby confirme and Grant unto ye sd Patentees and theire associates, their heires Successors and Assigns all ve privledges belonging to any Towne within this Governm't and yt ye place of their present Habitation should continue and retaine ye name of Huntington, by wch name it should be distinguish'd and knowne in all Bargains and Sales Deeds, Records and writings, they ye said patentees and their Associates, their Heires, Successors and Assignes rendering and paying such Dutyes and Acknowledgments as then were or thereafter should be constituted and established by ye Lawes of this Collony under ye obedience of his Royall Highness his Heires and Successors, as by ve said patent entered and recorded in ye Secretarys Office att New Yorke, relation being thereunto had, may more fully and att large appeare, and whereas ye free holders of ye said Towne of Huntington have made application unto

mee yt I would Grant and Confirme yopremises by Patent under ye Seale of ye province to them their Heires and Assigns forever: Now know yee y't I, ye said Thomas Dongan, by virtue of ye power and authority to mee d rived from his most sacred majestic affores'd in pursuance of the same for and in consideration of ye Quitt rent hereinafter reseived and other good and lawfull considerations mee thereunto moving have Given, Granted, Ratified and Confirmed, and by these presents doe Give, Grant, Ratify, and Confirme unto Thomas Fleet, Senior, Epenetus Platt. Jonas Wood Senior, James Chichester Senior, Joseph Baily, Thomas Powell Senior, John Joan, Isaac Platt, and Thomas — , Freeholders and Inhabitants of Huntington, herein erected and made one Body Corporate and publique and willed and determined to be called by ye name of ye Trustees of ye Freeholders and Comonalty of ye Towne of Huntington and their successors, all ye above recited Tracts of Land within ve Limits and Bounds aforesaid, together with all and singular ve Houses, Messuages, Tenements, Buildings, Mills, Milldams, fencing, enclosures, Gardens, Orchards, fields, pastures, woods, underwoods, trees, timbers, feedings and Common of pasture, meadows, marshes, swamps, plaines, Rivers, Rivoletts, waters, Lakes, Ponds, Brooks, Streams, Beaches, Quarries, Creekes, Harbours, Highways, and Easments, fishing, hawking, hunting, and fouling, mines, mineralls (silver and gold mines excepted) and all franchises, proffits, commoditives and Hereditaments whatsoever to ve said Tracts of Lands and premises belonging or in any wise appertaining or therewithall used, accepted, reputed or taken to belong or in any wise appertaine to all intents and purposes and constructions whatsoever, as alsoe all and singular ye rents, arrearages or rents, issues and proffits of ye said Tract of Land and Premises heretofore due and payable: to have and to hold all and singular ve before cited Tract of Land and premises within y

bounds and limits afforementioned, with their and every of theire appurtenances unto ye said Thomas Ffeet senior, Epenetus Platt, Jonas Wood senior, James Chichester senior, Thomas Powell, senior, Joseph Baily, Thomas -, John Samnes and Isaac Platt, Trustees of ye Freeholders and Comonalty of ye Towne of Huntington and their Successors forever to and for ye severall and respective uses following and to noe other uses, intents and purposes whatsoever, that is to say as for and concerning all and singular ve severall and respective parcell of Land and Meadows, part of ye granted premises in any wayes taken up and appropriated eighter by Pattent under ye hand of any of his Majestys Governors in this Province and sealed with ye seale thereof or by perticular divisions and allotments before ye day of ye date hereof unto ye severall and respective present Freeholders or Inhabitants of ye said Towne of Huntingtown by vertue of ye before recited Deed or Patent to ye use and behoofe of ye said Freeholders and Inhabitants respectively and to their severall and respective Heires and Assigns forever and as for and concerning all and every such parcell or parcells, Tract, or Tracts of Land, remainder of ye granted premises, not taken upp or appropriated to any perticular person or persons by vertue of ye before recited Deed or patent, to ye use and behoofe of ye present Freeholders and Inhabitants and their Heires, Successors, and assigns forever in proportion to their severall and respective settlements, Divisions and allotments as Tenants in common without any manner of Lett, Hinderance, or Molestation to be had or reserved upon pretence of joynt Tennancy or survivorshipp, anything contained to ye contrary in anywise notwithstandin, alwaies, saveing to his most sacred Majestie aforesaid, his Heires and successors, ye several rents and Quitt-rents reserved, due and payable from severall persons inhabiting within ye Limitts and Bounds afforesaid by vertue of former Grants to them made, and Given and alsoe saveing to his most sacred majestic aforesaid, his Heirs and Successors, all ye Necks of Land yt lye to the South within ye limitts and Bounds aforesaid, and ye Lands to ye Northward of ye same, yt remaines unpurchased from yo Native Indians, anything contained hereinto ye contrary in any wayes not withstanding to bee holden of his said majestys, his Heires and Successors, in free and common soccage according to ye manner of East Greenwich in ve County of Kent, within his Majesties Realme of England, yielding rendering and paying therefore yearly and every yeare from henceforth to our Soveraigne Lord ye King, his Heires & Successors or to such officer or officers as shall be appointed to receive ve same, one Lamb or five shillings lent money of this province upon ye five and twentyeth day of March att New Yorke, in full of all rents or former reserved rents, services, acknowledgements and demands whatsoever, and further by vertue of ve power and authority to mee the said Thomas Dongan, Given as aforesaid, and in persueance of ye same, and for ye reasons and considerations above recited I have Willed, determined, declared and granted, by these presents, due, will Determine, Declare and Grant vt ve said Inhabitants and Freeholders ye freemen of Huntingtown afforesaid, comonly called by ye name of ye freeholders and Inhabitants of ve Towne of Huntington, or by whatsoever Name or names they are called or named, and their Heires and Successors forever henceforward are and shall be one Body corporate and Politique in Deed and Name by ye name of ye Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonalyty of ye Towne of Huntingtown one Body Corporate and Politique in Deed and Name, I have realy and fully for his said Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, erected and made Ordained, Constituted and Declared by these presents, and yt by ye same name they have succession forever, and yt they and their Successors by ye Name of ye Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonallity of ye

Towne of Huntingtown be and shall be forever in future times persons able and capable in Law to have, perceive and receive and possess not only all and singular ye premises, but other meassuages, Lands, Tenements, priviledges, Jurisdictions, Franchizes and Hereditament of whatsoever kind or species they shall be, to them and their Successors in fee forever or for ye tenure of a Yeare or Yeares or otherwise whatsoever manner itt bee, and also Goods, Chattles and all other things of what-soever Name, Nature, Quality or Species they shall bee and alsoe to Give, Grant, release, aliene, assigne and Dispose of Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments and all and every other thing and things, act and acts, to doe and execute by ye Name aforesaid, and yt by ye same name of Trustees of ye Freeholders and Comonality of ye Towne of Huntington to plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended, they are and may be capable in whatsoever place and places and before whatsoever Judges and Justices or other persons, officials of his said Majestyrs, his Heirs and Successors in all and all manner of Actions, Plaints, Suites, Complaints, Causes, Matters and demands whatsoever of wt kinds, quality and species ye same bee in manner and forme as any other of his Majestys Leidge people within this province can or are able to have, require, receive, possesse, enjoy, retaine, Give, Grant, release, aliene, assigne and dispose, pleade and be impleaded, answer an be answered unto, Defend and be defended, doe Permitt and Execute and for ye better Inableing ye Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonality of ye Towne of Huntingtown aforesaid in doeing and executing all and singular ye premises, I have Willed, Granted and determined, and by these presents Doe, Will, Grant and determine that from henceforward and forever hereafter ye said Trustees of the Freeholders and Commonality of ye Towne of Huntingtown Doe and may have and use a Comon Seale wih shall serve to execute ve causes and af-

fairs whatsoever of them and their Successors, and further I will and by these presents in ye behalfe of his said Majestye, his Heirs and successors that henceforward and forever more there be and shall be Trustees of the Freeholders and Commonality of ye Towne of Huntington aforesaid to be chosen and elected in these presents hereafter is mentioned who shall bee and shall bee called ye Trustees of the freeholders and commonality of ye town of Huntingtown and they and their Successors shall and may at all convenient times hereafter upon a publique summons from any three of ye trustees aforesaid for the time being, assemble and meet together in ye Towne House of ye said Towne or in such publique place as shall be from time to time appointed, to make such Acts and orders in writing for ye more orderly doing of ye premises as they, ye said Trustees of ye freeholders and Commonality of ye Towne of Huntingtown, afforesaid, and theire Successors, from time to time, shall and may think convenient, soe always as ye said Acts and orders be in noe way repugnant to ye Laws of England and of this province weh now are or hereafter may be estab. lished, and that they be not in anywayes against ye true intent and meaning of these presents, and alsoe I Will, Ordaine and Determine yt all and singular ye affore id acts and orders, from time to time, shall bee made and ordained by ye vote of ye major part of ye said Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonality of yo Towne of Huntingtown, aforesaid, or at least by ye major part of such of them as shall from time to time assemble and meet together in manner as afforsaid, so allways as there be not fewer in number than six of the Trustees present at such meetings soe to be holden as afforesaid, and for ye better Execution of this Grant in this Behalfe I have assigned, Nominated, Created, Constituted and made, and by these presents Doe Assigne, Nominate, Create, Constitute and make Thomas Fleet, Senior., Epenetus Platt, Jonas Wood, Senior, James Chichester, senior, Thomas

Powell, senior, Joseph Bayley, —, John Sammes, and Isaac Platt, to stand to bee the first Modern Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonallty of ye Towne of Huntingtown, to continue in ye afforesaid office from and after ye date of these presents untill ye time yt others bee elected and chosen in their stead, according to ye manner and forme hereinafter expressed, and morever I doe by these presents, for and on ye behalfe of his most sacred majesty afforesaid, his Heirs and Successors, appoint yt ye Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonality of ye Towne of Huntingtown and Clerke within ye Towne of Huntington aforesaid, ye yearly chosen on ye first Tuesday of May forever, viz.: Nine Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonallity of ye Towne of Huntingtoun, one Clerke, one Constable, and two Assessors in such publique place as ye Trustees for ye time being shall appoint and direct, and yt ye Trustees, Constables, and Assessors be chosen by ve majority of Voices of the Freeholders and freemen of ye Towne of Huntington afforesaid; and whereas there is an Act of ye Generall Assembly of this province entiteiled an Act for defraving of ye publique and necessary charge of each respective Citty, Towne and County throughout this province, etc., wherein amongst other things it was enacted and provided yt annually and once every yeare there should be elected a certaine number out of each respective Citty, Towne, and County, throughout this province, to be elected and chosen by ye major part of all ye Freeholders and Freemen, which certaine number so duely elected. should have full power and authority to make a assessment or certaine Rule, within their respective Cittyes, Towns and County annually, and once every yeare, which assessment and certaine rate soe established as afforesaid should be paid unto a certain Treasurer, who should be chosen by ye Major part of all ye Freeholders and freemen of each respective Citty, Towne and County as afforesaid, and whereas ye said Towne of Huntington is to be regulated

in ye premises according to ye Tennure and effect of ye afforerecited Act of Assembly: Now know ye likewise yt I have given and granted and by these presents Doe Give and Grant, for and on behalfe of his said Majesty, his Heires and Successors, unto ye sd Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonallity of ye Town of Huntingtonn, and their Successors forever, yt said Trustees for the time being shall be Commissioners of ye said Towne to execute and officiate in ye sd. office to all intents, constructions and purposes whatsoever, and further yt sd. Trustees, as Commissioners of ye said Towne shall have forever from time to time and at all times hereafter, and by such wayes and means to Leavy and Impose such sume and summes of Money as they shall think fitt for ye defraying ye necessary and publique charge of ye said Towne, and for ye more Orderly doeing thereof, they shall and may from time to time give such directions unto ye Assessors Yearely to be chosen for the sd Towne, how and after yt manner to proceed in their Assessmts for such sumes of money as afforesaid, on ye Estates of each of ye respective inhabitants and freeholders of ye sd. Towne, and ye sd Sumes when soe raised and unto ye hands of ye Treasurer of ye sd. Towne as afforesaid, to Order ye payment, Disbursement and Disposall of to such persons and to and for ye uses aforesaid, in such manner as to them shall seeme convenient, and further yt all and singular ye Acts and Orders of ye said Trustees in ye premises shall be certified under ye said common seale signed by ye President of ye said Trustees tor ye time being, who is allways first to be chosen of ye said Trustees, or in his absence by any other two of ye said Trustees of w'ch ye Treasurer and ye Assessors of ye said Towne, for ye time being and all other persons, are to take due notice, and lastly, I Give and Grant for and on behalfe of his said Majesty, his heires and Successors, by these presents to all and every person and persons and to whatsoever person subject to his said Majesty, his Heirs, and

Successors, free and lawfull power, and abillity and authority that they or any of them any Messuages, Tenements, Lands, Meadows, feedings and pastures, Woods, Underwoods, rents, reversions, services, and other Hereditaments whatsoever which they hold of his said Majestie, his Heirs, and Successors, unto ye aforesaid Trustees of ye freeholders and Commonality of ye Towne of Huntingtonn, and their Successors, shall and may Give Grant, Bargain, Sell, Allienate, to have and to hold and enjoy unto ye said Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonallity of ye Town of Huntingtonn, and their successors forever, yielding and paying therefore unto his said Majesty his Heirs and Successors, on ye said five and twentyeth day of March, yearely and every yeare forever, ye full and just sume of twenty shillings, curr't Money at New Yorke; wherefore by vertue of ye power and authority aforesaid, I doe Will and Command for and on behalf of his said Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, yt ye aforesaid Trustees of ye Freeholders and Commonallity of ye Towne of Huntingtonn and their Successors, have, held, use and enjoy all ye liberty, Authority, customes, orders, ordinances, franchizes, acquittances, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, Goods and Chattle aforesaid, according to ye Tenoure and effects of these presents, without ye lett or Hinderance of any person or persons whatsoever. In Testimony whereof I have signed these presents with my Handwriting, caused ye same to be recorded in ye Secretary's office and ye seale of this his Majestys province to be thereunto affixed, this second day of August in ye fourth year of his Majestye Reigne and in ye yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred eighty and eight.

May it please your Excellency, The Attorney Generall has perused this Grant and finds nothing therein contained prejudiciall to his Majesty Interest. Examined August ye 1688 W. NICOLLS. Att a Councill held att Fort James in New York, August ye 2. 1688, Present His Excellency ye

Governour, Major Antho Brockholls, Major Gervis Baxter, Major Frank Philips, Major S. V. Cortlands. This Pattent was approved of Geo. Brewerton.

All which We have Exemplified by these presents.

In Testimony whereof We have caused these our Letters to be made patent and the Great Seal of our State to be hereunto affixed. Witness our trusty and well beloved George Clinton, Esquire, Governor of our said State General and Commander-in-chief of all the Militia and Admiral of the Navy of the same, at our City of New York the thirteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety three and in the Eighteenth year of our Independence.

GEO. CLINTON. [L. S.]

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