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To Nathan^l Harrison Esq^r 12000 acres in Surry County between the lines of his own land and those of David Crawley, Will^m Wych, Rich^d Parker, James Vaughan and Ambrose Jackson, and to include the same together with the land formerly granted him at that place in one patent.

To Thomas Randolph Gent 10000 acres near the mountains of Willis's Creek in Henrico County.

To Edward Booker 2000 acres on the fork of Nibs Creek and on Blackwells Island in Henrico County.

To David Walker 1500 acres joining on his patented land on Buckskin Creek in Prince George's County.

To Thomas Randolph 800 acres in Henrico County joining on the lines of Turpin Pleasant & the pet^r own land between Fine Creek and upper Manican Creek.

To John Parsons 1500 acres in Surry County lying between the lines of his own land, and those of Rich^d Wiggins, William Cooper Washingtons, Edward Scarborough & William Proctor with leave to include the same in one patent with his lands thereto adjoining.

To John Parsons 1000 acres in Isle of Wight County between the lines of his own land and those of John Hill, Rich^d Hill, Robert Hill & Robt Hill Jun^r with leave to include the same in one patent with his other lands thereto adjoining.

To Henry Anderson 1000 acres joining on his patented land on Swem Creek, and on the branches of Deg Creek on Appomattuck River in Henrico County.

At a Council held at W^mburgh the 15th day
of December 1725

Present

The Hon^{ble} Hugh Drysdale his Mat^t'^r Lieutenant Governor

James Blair
Philip Ludwell
Nath^l Harrison

Cole Digges
Peter Beverley &
John Carter Esq^r

Richard Fitzwilliam Esq^r producing a letter from their Excellcy^y the Lords Justices directing his being sworn and admitted one of his Mat^t'^r Council in Virginia, South Carolina and Jamaica. The said Richard Fitzwilliam accordingly had administred to him by the Governor and took the oath appointed by act of Parliament to be taken instead of the oaths of Allegiance & Supremacy, the Abjuration oath, subscribed the Test, and took also the Oath of a Counsellor

Richard Fitzwilliam Esq^r producing his Commission from the Hon^{ble} the Commiss^r of his Mat^t'^r Customs, constituting him Surveyor Gen^l of the Customs in South America, and having this day taken the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament to be

taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance & Supremacy, the abjuration Oath, and subscribed the Test, took also the oath of his office for the due observation of the Acts of Trade.

Present Rich^d Fitzwilliam Esq^r

Nathan^l Harrison Esq^r Deputy Auditor of his Mat^{ty} Revenues moving for directions whether he shall now demand the Quitt Rents of all Tracts of land exceeding one thousand acres taken up & patented in the Counties of Brunswick & Spotsylvania It is the opinion of this Board that in regard his Mat^{ty} pleasure upon the memorial sent home concerning the said Lands may be expected in a short time, the Consideration of this motion be referred till the next Council.

On the application of the Court of King William County Ordered that a new Commission of the peace issue for the said County, and that Nathanael West and John Cham be added to the present Justices in the said Commission

On reading at this Board the petition of Anthony Armistead and Simon Hollier Gent in behalf of themselves, and the greater number of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the parish of Elizabeth City, complaining of the great hardships & inconveniences under which the Inhabitants of the said parish have long time laboured by means of the scituation of their parish Church, and other proceedings of a pretended Vestry are still endeavouring to increase the grievances of the people by building a new Church at a place yet more inconvenient than the former, and praying that they may be heard before this Board to shew cause why the said pretended Vestry ought to be dissolved, It is Ordered that a Copy of this petition be sent to the said Vestry of Eliz^a City parish, and that the several parties be heard thereon before this board on the first day of next General Court, and that the said Vestry do not proceed any further in contracting for or building the said new Church untill such hearing.

Thomas Gambrell of the County of Spotsylvania having entred a Caveat for stopping a patent to William Smith Gent for 380 acres of land lying upon East North East River, or Sponsbury Brook in Spotsylvania County, and the said Gambrell having by an instrument in writing this day laid before the Board released unto the said William Smith all his Right and Interest in and to the said 380 acres of land, It is ordered that the said William Smith have a Patent for the same.

Nicholas Meriwether Gent by his petition setting forth that by order of the Governor in Council the 7th of March 1721 leave was granted to Philip Ludwell Esq^r this pet^r and one Christopher Clark to take up 10,000 acres of land in the County of Hannover, beginning at a little mountain on the South side of the River Northanna & extending Southerly along the foot of the little mountains towards the branches of the Southanna &

James River; That the Interest of the said Philip Ludwell & Christopher Clark was soon after transferred to him, who immediately endeavoured to have the said Tract laid off; but upon the Surveyors going to lay out the same, it appeared that the far greater part thereof had been included within the line run for the bounds of the County of Spotsylvania, and that several persons had possessed themselves thereof by virtue of Entries made with the Surveyor of that County, and praying that so much of the said Tract of land as lyes within the County of Hannover may be granted him with liberty to survey in one or more Tracts so much more as will compleat the quantity of 10,000 acres in any other place or places within the said County of Hannover not already granted or entred for by any other person. It is accordingly ordered that leave be granted the said Nicholas Meriwether to survey that part of the aforesaid 10,000 acres which lyes in the County of Hannover; and that he have liberty to compleat the said quantity of 10,000 acres out of any of the vacant lands within the s^d County in as many several surveys as he shall think fitt, provided that within three months from the date of this Order, he make due Entry with the Surveyors describing the particular places where he intends to take up the said lands and the several quantities intended to be included in each survey.

On the petition of Richard Williams setting forth that in the year 1711 he obtained licence from the then Governor to build a Grist Mill on a Tract of land which he had formerly survey'd on the Cypress Swamp supposed then to be within the Province of Carolina and praying that since the said land appears now to ly within the County of Nansemond in this Colony, the Surveyor of that County may be directed and impowered to lay off the same for him, and that he may have a patent granted thereupon. It is Ordered that the pet^r have leave to survey the said Tract of land according to the bounds described in his first survey made by the Officer of North Carolina, but that before he obtain any patent for the same, he pay all arrears of Quitt Rents then due from the time of his first seating thereon according to the Conditions of the licence aforesaid by which he hath hitherto possessed the said land.

The following petitions for taking up wast land were read and granted Viz:

To Daniel Stonar 4000 acres of land in the fork of great Guineae Creek on Appomattuck River in Price George County

To Isaac Winston, William Morris, George Alves, John Syme & John Mackie 5000 acres in Henrico County to be taken up in one or more Tracts joining on the County line where it crosses Deep Creek and Fork Creek which run into Pamunkey River & extending upon the head of the said Creeks and branches of James River.