

information and account of great inroades and massacres committed by the Cannada French and their confederate Indians, and being requested by M^r Iacob Leisler your Maj^{ties}'s Commander in Chiefe at New York to afford that Province some assistance for your Majestie's service, wee resolved and concluded to comply with the same to the best of our Abilities. But since that one James Heath his Lordshipp's Agent sent hither upon the account of his Revenue (who endeavored to impose upon us by his Lordship's Order beyond and contrary to your Majesty's direction) hath used his utmost diligence & endeavors to raise disturbances and dissatisfactions amongst the people and by that means especially obviated what on our parts we thought convenient and necessary for the common safety, butt blessed be God the great & good success of your Majesties' subjects there have rendered our noncompliance therein unprejudiciall An Account of the murder of M^r Iohn Payne your Majestie's Collector by severall messages from hence Wee hope is by this time before your Majestie. The murderers themselves immediately upon the same flying into Virginia became (as still they continue) out of our reach and power of secureing for Iustice; although we have not failed of our duty in our frequent and repeated applications to the Government of Virginia for the same purpose without any satisfactory returns more than that they waite your Majestie's pleasure therein, which wee all in like manner humbly solicit and desire to the great and generall satisfaction of all your Majestie's good subjects here.

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In relation to all which and what else may be proper and necessary for us to offer to your Majesties most princely and prudent consideration, we humbly referr to the severall particular Papers and Letters thereunto relating, and also to the conduct and management of our trusty Friends Captain Iohn Coode, Commdr in Chief of your Majestie's forces here, M^r Kenelm Cheseldine speaker of the late convention of the Representative body of this Province and Major Robert King one of the said Representatives whome for their knowne loyalty and integrity wee humbly recommend to your Majesties gracious Reception, As our Agents and Deputies, humbly praying your Majesty to grant faith and credence to whatever shall by them be offered or laid before your Majestie on our behalfe, which with ourselves our lives and fortunes wee humbly prostrate at your Majestie's Royall Feete, waitinge your most gracious doome on—

Your Maj^{ties}' most dutifull humble loyall
and obedient subjects & Servants

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