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be transmitted unto Us as above directed which he is duly to perform upon pain of incurring the forfeiture of his Place.

You shall not displace any of the Iudges, Iustices Sheriffs or other Officers or Ministers within our said Province without good and sufficient Cause to be signified to Us and our Committee of Plantations nor shall you execute yourself or by Deputy any of the said Offices nor suffer any Person to execute more Offices than one by Deputy.

You shall not erect any Court or Office of Iudicature not before erected and established without our especiall Order and you are to transmit unto Us with all convenient speed a particular accompt of all establishments of Iurisdictions, Courts, Offices and Officers, Powers, Authorities, Fees and Privileges Granted or settled within our said Province to the end you may receive our especiall direction therein. You shall likewise take especiall Care with the Advice and Consent of our said Councill to regulate all salaries and Fees belonging to Places or paid upon emergencies, that they be within the Bounds of moderation and that no exaction be made upon any occasion whatsoever.

And that God Almighty may be more inclined to bestow his blessing upon us and you in the welfare and improvement of that our Province you shall take especiall care, that he be devoutly and duly served within your Government, the Book of Common Prayer as it is now established Read each Sunday and holiday and the blessed Sacrament administred according to the Rites of the Church of England. You shall take care that the Churches already built there shall be well and orderly kept and more built as the Colony shall by God's blessing be improved and that besides a competent maintenance to be assigned to the Minister of each Church a convenient house be built at the common charge for each Minister. You are not to preferr any Minister to any Ecclesiasticall Benefice in that Our Province without a Certificate from the Right Reverend the Bishop of London of his being conformable to the doctrine and discipline of the Church of England and of a good life and conversation, And if any Person already preferred shall appear to you to give scandall either by his doctrine or manners you are to use the best means for the removall of him and to supply the vacancy in such manner as we have directed. And you are to give Order forthwith if the same be not already done, that every Orthodox Minister within your Government be one of the Vestry in his respective Parish and that no vestry be held without him except in case of sickness or that after notice of a vestry summoned he absent himself And you are to Enquire whether there be any Minister within your Government who Preaches and Administers the