Liber K. The aforegoing Petition granted and Commission issued as follows viz^t

p. 67 Lionel Copley Esq^r Captain Generall and Governor in chief in and over this their Majestys Province and Territory of Maryland to Ioshua Barkstead of Somersett County Gent

greeting

Out of the especial Trust and confidence I have in your discretion fidelity and circumspection as well as your skill and Iudgment in the Art of Surveying I have ordained constituted and appointed and by these Presents do ordain constitute and appoint you the said Joshua Barkstead to be Surveyor of Somersett County afd to the utmost bounds Limits and Extents thereof hereby authorising and Impowring you to survey or resurvey for any Person or Persons any Tract or Parcell of Land or Lands in the said County according to such warrants orders and precepts Instructions and directions as shall from time to time and at all times hereafter be directed to you from me, from the Councill Board the Surveyor Generall of this Province or other officer to be hereafter thereunto lawfully authorised and appointed, and in all things you are to act do and perform as to the Place and Office of Surveyor belongeth, or as any Surveyor of a County may or of right ought to do provided that in any new or fresh Survey or Resurvey hereafter to be by you made you intrench not upon nor run within the Lines of any former or more ancient survey or Land reserved for the Lord Baltemores use nor direct your courses contrary to his Lordships late conditions of Plantation of this Province, but in all things duly and regularly proceed as hath been the Custom and Practice of former Surveyors, according to the rules and Instructions to you given and prescribed to have and to hold the said Place and Office of Surveyor of Somersett County aforesaid to the said Ioshua Barkstead for and during Pleasure:

Given under my hand and Seal this 14th day of October in the fourth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord and Lady King William and Queen Mary &ca Anno Dom 1692

sealed

L: Copley

p. 68 Mr Robert Mason and Mr Henry Denton according to a for [mer] Order of this Board bring in their Report of what allowances have been made in the publick Levy, what deductions and what references made to the next Assembly, whereupon the Board proceeds to allot and dispose of the Surplusage of 75444 l of Tobacco towards the Satisfaction of such Persons as had not yet been allowed, and first resolved that Captain