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wee shall alsoe be able substantially to make appear and demonstrate to their Majesties and Council (as we intend) by good and sufficient evidence testimonies and circumstances att the return of the Fleete from hence

A Cobby of the said Articles with several depositions and other papers relating thereto Wee inclosed send your Ldpps & humbly recommend the same to your Lordships most serious considerations, a charge wee conceive of such a nature as will justly warrant his confinement and from whence Wee thought ourselves in duty bound to commit him and alsoe wholly to dismiss him from his place from amongst us, and the Office of a Justice of the Provincial Court, as a person unworthy and indeed incapable of soe great an honor.

Wee have prospect of further discoveries of his base and treacherous actions and proceedings, confederacies and combinations with persons of popish and disaffected principles their Majesties' professed enemies and perturbers of our peace, of which Wee hope to give your Ldpps a more ample account in our next. Wee doubt not but are credibly informed that Sir Thomas has used his endeavors to represent us in the blackest colours he cann to your Lordships and to asperse and vilify the Government in the highest nature imaginable by his false, scandalous and malicious suggestions and reflections, from which imputations wee are well assured wee can easily and fairly cleare ourselves to stand right in your favours and esteem, and therefore wee humbly sollicit and beseech your Ldpps to suspend any hard censure of us at present from what he may have any waies alledged, until such time as Wee may be rightly informed of the matter, and have a convenient opportunity to vindicate ourselves and reputation from any such his aspersions of which he has been very free and prodigal, ridiculing amongst his associates almost all Acts of Government in proceeding for their Maj^s service and interest to the due administration of Law and justice as p cobby of a protest made by him (under the assumed title of publick notary without being sworne, commission or warrant for the same) agst Governor and Council, whereof himself was a member and therein of himselfe suggesting and avering most notorious, false scandalous allegations, matters no waies contained in the depositions or informations of the parties, protesting & complaining as per Cobby of the proceedings of a special Court of Oyer and Terminer for the tryal of a false trader. and some other papers here inclosed your Ldps may perceive. Wee shall (to give your Ldps as little trouble as may be) only nominate the other Officer M^r Randolph, of the like evil principles, inclinations and maner of proceeding, little or no waies inferior to the former in