

Lib. H. D. afores^d such and so many fforts platforms Castles Cities
 p. 6 Burroughs Townes & ffortifications as you by the Advice
 afores^d shall Judge Necessary And the same or any of them to
 ffortifye and furnish with Ordinance Amunicōn & all sorts of
 Armes fit and Necessary for the security and defence of our
 said province. And forasmuch as divers Mutinyes & disorders
 doe happen by persons shipped and Employed at Sea And to
 the End such as shall be shipped or Employed at Sea may be
 the better Governed & Ordered. Wee doe hereby Give &
 Grant Unto you the said ffrancis Nicholson our Captain
 Generall and Governor in Chiefe full power and Authority to
 Constitute and Appoint Captains Leivetenants Masters of
 ships and other Comānders And to Grant such Captains
 Lieutenants Masters of ships & other Comānders Commissions
 to Execute the Law Martiall and to Use such proceedings
 Authorityes punishment Correction & Execucōn vpon any
 Offender or Offenders which shall be Mutinous Seditious dis-
 orderly or any way vnruly either at Sea or during the time of
 their abode or Residence in any of the Ports Harbours or
 Bays of our said province or Territory as the Cause shall be
 found to Require according to Martial Law Provided that
 Nothing herein contained shall be Construed to the Enabling
 you or any by your Authority to hold plea or have Jurisdiction
 of any Offence Cause Matter or thing Committed or done vpon
 the High Sea or within any of the harbours Rivers or Creekes
 of our said province or Territory vnder your Governm^t by any
 Captain Comānder Lieutenant Master or other Officer Seaman
 Soldier or person whatsoever who shall be in Actuall service
 & pay in and on Board any of our ships of Warr or other
 vessells Acting by imēdiate Comission or Warrant from our
 Comissioners for Executing the Office of our high Admirall of
 England vnder the Seale of our Admiralty or from our high
 Admirall of England for the time being. But that such
 Captain Comānder Lieutenant Master Officer Seaman Soldier
 & other person so offending shall be left to be proceeded
 against & Tryed as the Merit of their offences shall Require
 either by Comission vnder our Great Seale of England as the
 Statute of the Eight & twentieth of Henry the Eight Directs
 or by Comission from our High Admirall according to the Act
 of parliament passed in the thirteenth yeare of the Reigne of
 the late King Charles the second of blessed Memory Intituled
 an Act for the Establishing Articles & Orders for the Regu-
 lateing and better Governm^t of his Majesties Navys ships of
 Warr and fforces by Sea and not otherwise Saving only that
 it shall and may be Lawfull for you vpon any such Captain or
 Comānders Refusing or Neglecting to Execute or vpon his
 Negligent or Undue Execucōn of any of the written Orders he