

Lib. H. D. Workmen thereabout; who are now preparing all things Necessary for a quick dispatch; And hoping so good and pious a Work for the Liberall Education of Youth in these Remote and unpolished parts of the World may meet with Severall p^rsons within his Ma^{ty} Kingdom of England inclinable to promote and forward the Same (especially all merch^{ts} holding correspondence here) by their Charitable Guifts and donations to it, when acquainted therewith; And fforasmuch as the s^d Govern^{rs} and Trustees have by an Ord^r passed the day and Year aboves^d fully Authorized and Empower'd his Ex^{ncy} ffrancis Nicholson Esq Cap^t Gen^{ll} and Govern^r in Cheif of his Ma^{ty} s^d Province, S^r Thomas Laurence Baron^t Secry^r and Maj^r Edward Dorsey three of the s^d Trustees for to Act and do in behalf of the rest, as also to Receive any Guifts or benevolences w^{ch} shall be given and Bestowed for and towards Building the s^d Schole or Scholes and a Church within this Port; Now these p^rsents Witness that We the s^d ffrancis Nicholson Esq, S^r Thomas Laurence Baron^t & Maj^r Edward Dorsey do (by virtue of the Power afores^d Unto us given) hereby Authorize and impower M^r Thomas Hastwell of London Merch^t in the Kingdom of England; To be our Lawfull Attorney in this behalf, for to Act and do and in our Names to Receive any Sum^e or Sum^s of money or other benevolences, which Shall at any time be given by any p^rsons of what Ranck or degree soever within his Ma^{ty} Kingdom of England to the Vses afores^d as fully and Amply as if the Same had Actually been Received by Us; And we do hereby likewise intreat and desire the s^d Thomas Hastwell Gen^t to be so farr aiding and assisting in this Affair as to procure what gratuities or Benevolences he Can towards the Erecting and Support of the s^d Schole or Scholes and building the Church afores^d Ratifying and confirming for good whatsoever our s^d Attorney Shall legally doe in the p^rmises. In Witness whereof, We the s^d ffrancis Nicholson S^r Thomas Laurence, and Edward Dorsey have hereunto set our hands and Seals this 17th day of March in the Ninth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King William the Third &^{ca} Annoq Domini 1696/7.
March the 17th 1696/7.

Signed Seal'd & delived	ffr: Nicholson (S)
Read & Approved off in Councill,	Tho: Laurence (S)
in the p ^r sence of Us.	Edw: Dorsey (S)

Hen: Denton Cl Concl. { Heneage Robinson
Sam^{ll} Philips Jun^r
Geo: Nelthorpt
John Cotterrell }