the View of being thereby enabled to Contribute in a more particular U. H. J. manner than I could have otherwise done to the Security and future December 12 Quiet of this Province makes me Receive these testimonies of his Majestys & his Lordships favour, with Infinite Pleasure and enter p. 521 on the Service with the greatest Alacrity, and Gentlemen as my future Reputation will in a great Measure depend on the issue of this Meeting, I cannot help again repeating my hopes that your Resolves will be such, as must demand my acknowledgements and make it my future constant Study to express my Gratitude, by my endeavours to Promote to the utmost of my ability the welfare and prosperity of the People you are here to Represent

The following are the Papers Referred to in the aforegoing Speech

Whitehall 5.th July 1754

Sir

It is with a particular Satisfaction that I herewith Send you His Majestys Commission appointing you to be Lieutenant Colonel of Foot in America, with an Allowance of 30sh p day to be paid you by Mr. Dinwidie Lieutenant Governor of Virginia from the day that you leave your Governm.t to that of your Return, I am likewise to Signify unto you the Kings Orders that you should take upon you the Command of the Combined Forces that shall be Assembled in America to oppose the Hostile Attempts Committed by the French in different parts of his Majestys Dominions. And I am farther to acquaint you with the Kings Pleasure that you should Repair as soon as may be after the Receipt of this Letter to Virginia in order to consert with Lieut. Governor Dinwiddie the best Measures to be taken for the Execution of these his Majestys directions, and as you will find that Gentleman not only Provided with Instructions from hence but likewise with a Considerable Sum of Money to be applied to the public Service upon this occasion you will be best able to Settle with him a Proper Plan of Operations, in the Execution whereof I most heartily wish you all Possible Success, and I doubt not but that you will Carry on his Majestys Measures in manner agreeable to his Royal Expectations

I am sir

Your Most Obedient Humble Servant T Robinson

George R. SEAT.

George the Second by the Grace of God King of Great Britain France and Ireland Defender of the Faith &c. To our trusty & welbeloved Horatio Sharpe Esq.r Greeting We reposing especial trust & Confidence in your Loyalty Courage & Experience in Military affairs Do by these presents Constitute and appoint you to be Lieutenant Colonel of Foot in the West Indies and do give and