Mr Thompsons Lett.
to Gov.r Nicholson touching his
Voyage a Shallop for
his trading &c. &c.
Gov.r appointed Riding
Surveyors to prevent any
Abuses &c. Order for
Commission &c. thereon
Secretary to draw &c.

Produced & read a Lr. from Majr. John Thompson to his Excy dated the 19th day of July 1695. touching his Seizure of a Shallop belonging to James Anderson &c. for Exporting Skins without Entry &c. and (as it is said) was designed to have conveyed away the said Shallop out of this Province into Pensilvania over Land; the which being Road it was thought Absolutely Necessary that a Riding Surveyor or two be appointed and placed somewhere convenient to take an Acct. of all Such abuses committed, as also inspect Yearly what quantity of tobacco is made in those parts; Whereupon Mr Thomas Collyer being proposed to be a proper and fit person for this Imployment who appearing & accepting thereof it was Ordered that Comicon be prepared for him accordingly, he finding Security for his due Execucon of the said place &c. & that for his trouble pains and care therein he be allowed the sume of twenty pounds Sterl. Yearly out of the fines and forfeitures becoming due within this Province. &c.

Mr Collier constituted Navall Officer of ye port of Williamstadt & Mr Walking of Delupant District &c.
J. Whitehall

Ordered that the said Thomas Collyer be likewise constituted Navall Officer for the port of Williamstadt. And that Mr. Sam. Walking be in like manner constituted Navall Officer of Deluxant District and that Comission be drawn for them according &c.

August the 20th 1695.

Mr Walking upon Receipt of his Comission tooke the Oaths &c.
Whitehall

The said Sam. Walking Reads his Comission as above and has Administred unto him the Oaths by Parliament to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance & Supremacy and Subscribed to the Test as also took the Oath of Trade and Navigation &c.

Mr Collier preparation for his imployment &c.
Whitehall

Mr Thomas Collyer being come to fit & prepare himself for his imployment it was Ordered that he should be sworn before one of his Majts Honble Council or one of the Justices of the Prov. Court, before whom he Read his Comission, which according to was performed as by the following certificate appears. Vizt.

Memorandum That this day the date hereof the 29th day of August 1695. Came Mr Thomas Collier before me & took the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament instead of the Oaths of Allegiance & Supremacy as also the Oath of Trade & Navigation as being recommended to me by Mr Henry Duncon one of the Council to Administer the said Oaths and also Subscribed to the Test —

Coll. Groenberry's Certificate of Mr Colliers taking the Oaths &c.