

His Excellency acquaints the Council the Comission
Obtained by Mr Carroll especially that for the
Navall Officer (he being a papist) had given very
great Offence to the Country as they very well knew

wherefore to satisfy the minds of the people
he thought fitt to let them know after what manner
Mr Carroll had obtained those Comissions and communi-
-cated to the board ^{a letter} from the Right hon^{ble} the Lord
Guilford to him dated the Eleventh day of October 1716

wherein his Lordship is pleased to say that the
Governours kind recommendation of Mr Carroll was one
principall motive that induced the Lords to employ
him at all. And further acquainted him that
Mr Low affirmed to his Lordship, after Mr Carrolls
Comission had been drawn and (as he remembers)
ingrossed the said Mr Carroll told him two or three days
before his departure that now his Lordship was restored
to his Government he must have the words Navall
Officer put into his Comission because his Lordship
had now a right to name him, whereupon he told his
Lordship what Mr Carroll had said not at all imagining
the Governours Authority would be lessened or Mr Carrolls
profit raised thereby and thereupon the words Navall
Officer were inserted and his Comission sealed.

whereupon his Lordship observes to his Excellency
that the words Navall Officer were inserted thro' Surprise

As to the incapacity of papists serving in publick
Employments his Lordship (declares he) pays the utmost
(deference)