

be fully vindicated from that false reputation
 which the said Calver intended to lay upon him, the
 in regard our said Secretary hath been known to
 neglect his own private affairs this last year
 very much for the public service of us and the colony
 there, whereby being but lately come thither and be-
 provided of a settled habitation he hath been put to
 great thoughts for the provision of himself and
 family, and had not had the same informed the
 twenty Barrells of powder which were appointed
 he should have had out of our store there, the
 last year of New Do's store for the use of our Militia
 and pleasure to be that he should have the said twenty
 Barrells of powder out of our store there due unto
 there, and also two thousand weight of Tobacco
 of the arrears due and yet unpaid unto us for
 Customs of Dutch Ships which traded there the
 last year and shipping tyne for which we shall
 give allowance upon the receipt of our Commission
 for our Treasury there, unto whom this shall be a
 sufficient warrant and discharge in that behalf
 and who was in regard of our said Secretary
 other employments he can hardly have leisure
 to execute the place of our Attorney General
 there, We do therefore hereby authorize and require
 you our said Lieutenant William Stone to
 appoint some other fit person there to execute the
 place for the present in the same manner as
 said Secretary was empowered to do by his former
 Commission, to that purpose and not otherwise till
 the same other person shall be appointed allowing
 reasonable fees yearly unto him, for his pains
 four pounds and ten shillings there, as you shall think
 fit during his employment therein, But may
 our said Secretary can have leisure and be willing
 to continue the execution of the said Office of
 our Attorney General there in his Will it shall be
 so permitted, so to do without appointing any
 other there in and that he be allowed the said fees
 above mentioned, We have great reason to be
 willing, and ready upon all occasions to gratify
 amongst divers others who have deserved well of
 us there, John Metcalfe gent and Lieutenant William
 Stone who have each of them made suits unto
 us lately to be taken the Sheriff's place of Saint Marys
 upon their respective, and we have thought
 therefore hereby affectionately to recommend both
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