

the act of assembly for the repair of the Publick Records of this Province
 &c. have (pursuant to the power given by the said act) agreed with
 Mr. Evan Jones to be Chief undertaker for the Transcribing and
 Examining the publick Records of this Province at the rate of four
 pounds of Tob. p. side for Transcribing and Examining Computing
 seven words to a line and fifteen lines to a side y^e said Jones be allowed
 and paid every year at the time of laying the publick Levy for w^{ch}
 he shall Transcribe and Examine, and for the said Jones's faithful
 performing the same we have taken Bonds in one thousand
 pounds Sterl. with Major John Bradford his Securites with
 Condition that the said Jones shall well and truly transcribe
 and Examine such publick Records as shall from time to time
 be delivered to him according to the Original Records, without
 diminishing altering defacing or Imbergling the same Originall
 Records or any part thereof or suffering the same so to be nor
 shall the said Jones employ any person or persons whatsoever
 for Transcribing and Examining the said Records but such as
 shall first take their Oaths for their faithful Service in that
 behalf and be approved by us as by the said bond transmitted
 to the Secretaries office, Reference being thereto had may more
 at large appear.

We have likewise administered an oath to the said Jones and
 to the man that he has employed for the faithfully transcribing
 the said Records according to the Cond^o of the bonds aforesaid and
 we have on behalf of the Country signed Articles of agreement
 that the said Evan Jones shall be paid by the publick according
 to y^e agreement made with him aforesaid.

All which our proceedings are humbly certified and laid
 before your Honours for your information and approbation
 in the premises by -

Your Hon^{rs} humble Serv^{ts}
 Sam^l. Young
 Benj^l. Tasker
 Jo. Beale

June the 5th 1717.

Which being read the house approves thereof -
 The House adjourns till one a clock in y^e afternoon
 Post Meridien, The house meet according to adjournment -
 Present as in the forenoon - I brought down from the Committee
 of Laws an Inquest Bill for the Security of Mary Smithson, in the
 payment of a Debt due from the Estate of Cos. Thomas Smithson to
 the free schools w^{ch} was read and ordered to be thus Indorsed viz:
 June 14th 8th 1717.