Duke of York to Lieutenant Brockholes.

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Lieutenant Brockholes.

Since my arrivall here I have had an acc[ of y' result of divers meetings of my Comrs touching y' state of affayres at New Yorke, but untill I come to London (w'ch I doubt will not be till this ship is sailed), I cannot perfect those resoluc[ wh I shall take thereupon; only for y' p'sent, in confirmac[ of w' my Sec'y lately wrote to you I send y' to tell you that I intend to establish such a forme of governem't at New Yorke as shall have all y' adv[ & priviledges to y' inhabitants & traders there, w'ch His Ma's other plantacons in America doe enjoy, particularly in y' chooseing of an Assembly, and in all other things as nere as may be
agreeable to y* laws of England. But y*n I shall expect y*t the Countrey of New Yorke and its Dependencyes shall provide some certaine fonds for y*e necessary support of y*e governem*t and garrison, and for discharging y*e arreares w*ch are or shalbe incurred since y*e obstruccons y*t have lately beene to the collection of y*e publique revenue there. Wherefore you are to use all dilligence to induce y*e people there of best note and estates, to dispose y*m selves and their freinds to a cheerfull comlyance in this point, and you may assure y*m y*t w*e soever shalbe thus rysed, shalbe applied to those publique uses. For I seeke y*e common good and protection of y*t countrey and y*e increase of their trade, before my advantages to myselfe in y*t matter. By the next shipping I intend you shall heare further from mee. I am &

To L*t Brockholes &