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her by Charles II, in 15 Car. II and confirmed in 22 & 23 Car. II " and for which a particular saving is contained in an Act of the last Session," and [praying] likewise that the arrears thereof may be paid by 150*l.* a week. Please take the King's pleasure herein and acquaint him that there is great importunity for this and other pensions and that at his Majesty's last departure from England he was pleased to take a list of pensions with intention to mark such of them as should be paid and then to return same for my Lord's guidance. My Lords apprehend that his Majesty's weighty affairs have occasioned his not remembering the said list. Please therefore take the King's pleasure in that matter also. *Out Letters (General) XV*, p. 141.

Aug. 3. William Lowndes to Sir Leonard Robinson to attend my Lords tomorrow and to hasten the account which you were to send them of the payments made to you on the present 4*s.* Aid within the times limited for taking clipped money and how much was received within the several wards and parishes [of London] before May 4 last. *Ibid.*, p. 142.

Same to the Customs Commissioners. I return your report on Peter Floyer's petition. Please review same and send my Lords your opinion thereupon as soon as may be. *Ibid.*

Same to Mr. Hoare [Comptroller of the Mint]. My Lords have approved of Mr. Vanburg, a person well known to them, to serve as Comptroller of the Mint at Bristol. They are since informed that you have laid him aside in favour of another. My Lords are unwilling to believe that report because it would give them just reason of resentment, for that Mr. Vanburge has instructed himself for that employment and has depended so long upon it. They therefore persuade themselves that upon due consideration you will not refuse to depute him. *Ibid.*

Treasury warrant to the Customs Commissioners to employ John Lunt as waiter and searcher at Stockton *loco* James Grainge preferred to be surveyor at Newcastle port. *Out Letters (Customs) XIII*, p. 277.

Treasury reference to Mr. Hall of the memorial of John Baber, Shreeve Painton and James Pavers offering their securities, detailed, for the office of Receiver General of [Crown] Revenues of South Wales upon surrender thereof by Bevis Lloyd. *Reference Book VII*, p. 164.

Aug. 4. Royal warrant under the King's sign manual dated " at our Camp at Attree [Attere]," to the Attorney or Solicitor General for a great seal to revoke the grant to Andrew Corbet of the office of Inspector, Examiner and Comptroller for the business of farthings and half-pence to be made of copper pursuant to indenture between the King and Sir Joseph Herne *et al*; and in place thereof to grant the said office to Phillip Shales: during pleasure: with the fee or salary of 200*l.* *per an.* to be payable by said Herne *et al* as from June 24 last. *King's Warrant Book XIX*, p. 100.

Same dated same to the Clerk of the Signet for a privy seal for taking off surcharges in the Plantation Duty account as follows. By the Act of 25 Car. II [c 7] there were imposed the Plantation Duties and regulations as to Plantation bonds for commodities as therein. Pursuant thereto Commissioners were appointed to manage the collection of the said Duty in the Leeward Islands, whose books of their receipt coming to be examined by the Comptroller of the Customs, England,

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he has surcharged them as follows, viz. 136*l.* 5*s.* 9*d.* upon the Antigua Book A from 1689, Dec. 24, to 1690, June 24; 234*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* upon the Antigua Book B from 1690, June 24, to 1690-1, Jan. 1; 95*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* upon the Antigua Book C from 1690-1, Jan. 1, to 1691, July 1; 406*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.* upon the St. Christopher Book No. G from 1688, Dec. 24, to 1689, June 24; 286*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.* upon the Montserrat Book B from 1690, June 24, to 1690-1, Jan. 1; 50*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.* upon the Nevis Book B for same period; all which surcharges amount to 1,209*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* and arose by the said Commissioners not taking the Duties upon goods shipped from the other Leeward Islands to Nevis and partly for goods shipped from one Leeward Island to another and partly for goods shipped from the Leeward Islands to Barbados. But the executors of the said Commissioners (who are all dead) have produced in explanation an order of Sir Christopher Codrington of 1689-90, Feb. 27, *ut supra*, p. 217, reciting that " at the request of the Assemblies and Councils of the respective islands and also at the request of the other inhabitants, there being no ships to carry their commodities directly for England whereby to furnish themselves with necessaries and provisions for their families and plantations and especially with arms and ammunition for the defence of our said Islands and without which supplies he was sensible that our said Colonies must run a great risque of being utterly ruined, he having then certain information that the French intended a sudden assault upon some of those said islands " and under the conditions, detailed in full, of the said order the said executors pray discharge of the said surcharges, producing certificates that the Leeward Islands have always been esteemed one Plantation and sloops and boats carrying from one island to another have always been esteemed as no other than coasters and that the said Commissioners do usually reside at Nevis and all the collectors are responsible to them. It is therefore hereby directed that accounts of the said Commissioners be passed and allowance therein made for the surcharges as above amounting to 1,209*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* *King's Warrant Book, XIX*, pp. 104-6.

Aug. 4. Royal sign manual for 1,000*l.* to — Popple, Esq., secretary to the Commissioners for Trade, for incidents for the said Commission; And 100*l.* to Baldwin Leighton as royal bounty. (Money warrant dated Aug. 18 hereon). (Money orders dated Aug. 20 and 23 hereon). *Ibid.*, p. 106. *Money Book XIII*, p. 185. *Order Book IV*, pp. 317, 319.

Same for 2,000*l.* to Joost Keppell, Esq., Master of the Robes, as imprest for the service of the Robes. (Money order dated Aug. 18 hereon). (Money order dated Aug. 20 hereon). *King's Warrant Book XIX*, p. 107. *Money Book XIII*, p. 186. *Order Book IV*, p. 316.

[?] Warrant by the Lords Justices, England, for 1,000*l.* to William Armstrong, Lucy Armstrong, Mary Hull, Bodenham Rewse and Francis Stanyer to be distributed among them according to their own agreement: being the reward promised by Proclamation of Mar. 22 last for the arrest of — Counter *alias* Rumsey one of the conspirators. (Money warrant dated Aug. 18 hereon). (Money order dated Aug. 20 hereon). *King's Warrant Book XIX*, p. 107. *Money Book XIII*, p. 187. *Order Book IV*, p. 319.