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It is agreed by and between the Comm for Charles Town and

and Edward Dougherty of said Town that he the said Edward Dougherty shall will within three weeks from this day find and provide a good sound white oak two inch plank twenty foot long and two good sound white oak logs squared fifteen inches at least at the foot and five inches at least at the top, of each one of which logs to be thirty two foot long at least and the other log to be at least fifteen foot long and that he will fix up the said plank and logs against the Gable End of the public warehouse in Charles Town next to the river in such manner as Mr. Henry Baker (one of the Comm) shall _____ For which _____ which said Comm. will pay said Dougherty forty shillings when the work is done according to this agreement.

It is ordered by the Commissioners that in the dolison of grain out of the public warehouse twenty bushols and or any quantity and or shall be _____ a small for every bushol whereof the warehousekeeper may receive one half penney per bushol _____ of the settled storage And for as much as the wastage allowed by the act of assembly all grain stored in is in some

judging that natural wastage to give the said legal allowance shall _____
 said meeting for such _____ Cess much too small. It is therefore ordered
 that _____ is over C _____ where the Storehousekeeper which
 domain shall not be complied with and whereon a Dispute shall _____
 between him and the person from what the forego _____
 or his agent as _____ or illegal then the _____ dispute
 shall be determined by two or more of the Commissioners for said town to whom
 the said parties shall apply.

too pass

Rates of Wharfeys are now established as follows Viz.

1. For every shallop of 100 tons or more lying at the Public Wharf per day-----6
2. For every shallop under that lying at the Public Wharf _____ per day-----4
3. For every other vessel lying at the wharf (boats excluded) -----2

And it is ordered that some of the above vessels shall lye longer at the said wharf
 than is absolutely necessary for the loading and unloading of said vessel if the
 burth shall be wanted _____ for _____ before _____ such
 _____ as above

To be added to the above rates

4. For heaving down at said wharf every vessel of 100 tons of upwards-----10..0
5. For ditto every vessels between 50 tons or upward to 100 tons-----7..6
6. For ditto every vessel between 25 tons or upward to 50 tons-----5..
7. For ditto every vessel under 25 tons (boats excluded)-----2...6

It is ordered that wood timber _____ stones, _____
 or other _____ whatsoever shall lye on the public wharf that 24 hours after
 a _____

that the wharf be cleared of such lumber on top on complaints made to 2 or
 more of the Commissioners for this town the removal of such lumber off the
 long wharf shall be by them removed completely but it is further ordered
 that for every ton of shingles or said ballast landed on the public wharf
 _____ the hundred twenty shillings _____ shall be paid to the
 wharfinger by the master or owner of the vessel from which it is landed
 and be in perportion for a greater in lots quantity. Amos Fogg is
 appointed storehousekeeper and wharfinger for one year commencing 26th
 instant which _____ to of and again in
 cooperation thereof agrees to pay to the commissioners 18 pounds by four
 quarterly payments. Board appointed 24th of December 1755 Robert Cummings
 Security.

April 28, 1756 the Commissioners for Charles Town met at the Indian Queen

Present

Major Nicholas Hyland, Capt. Henry Baker, Mr. Benjamin Chew, Mr. James Baxter,
 Mr. Mathias Bondley, and Mr. Patrick Hamilton _____

Mr. Amos Fogg Storekeeper and Wharfinger having removed from this County
 to Baltimore County Mr. Richard Patton

Patton is appointed Storehousekeeper and Wharfinger till the 26th day of December next _____ which offices he accepts and of in consideration there of agrees to pay to the Commissioners for Charles Town their successors or assigns at the rate of eighteen pounds per annum. Messrs. Amos Fogg and Edward Mitchell Securities for performance of this office according to law and Mr. Amos Fogg Security for payment of this consideration. The commissioners grant the liberty of erecting stalls to John Smith (Sadlor) for two years from this date in the said manner as they did to John Springs last May and the said John Smith in consideration thereof promises to pay to the Commissioners for Charles Town their successors or assigns at the rate of four pounds per annum to wit 40 at each fair and Mr. Edward Dougherty undertakes for said Smith's performance.

May 10th 1757 The Commissioners met at Mr. Daltons

Present

Messrs. James Baxter, Benjamin Chew, and Henry Baker.

Mr. James Baxter having publicly declined

as a commissioner for the future and there being three other vacancies the inhabitants of Charles Town preceed to make choice of four persons to serve as commissioners and accordingly choose--- Mr. Edward Mitchell, Mr. William Pennock, Mr. Edward Dougherty and Mr. Frances Key

N.B. The above Edward Mitchell, William Pennock, Edward Dougherty and Frances Key are chosen in the room of Mr. Matthias Bondley, Mr. John Read _____ Major James Baxter and Patrick Hamilton who have publicly resigned Mr. John Wilkinson by his own choice continued overseer for Charles Town for the ongoing year

May 21st 1757 the Commissioners for Charles Town met at Thomas Elliotts

Present

Mr. Nicholas Highland, Mr. Edward Mitchell, Mr. William Pennock, Mr. Edward Dougherty, Mr. Frances Key, Mr. Benjamin Chew and Mr. Henry Baxter

The commissioners upon viewing the public Wharf of Charles Town find that there are many repairs wanting Mr. Patton undertakes to repair the former and the clerk is ordered, as soon as conveniently necey be to draw the Articles of Agreement.

August 19 1757 The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at Thomas Elliots. Present Major Nicholas Hyland, Benjamin Chew, William Pennock Francis Key, Edward Mitchell and Edward Dougherty. August 19th 1757 The Commissioners ordered that Edward Dougherty in the presence of Edward Mitchell, Francis Key, to forthwith break open a number of chests now in the warehouse at Charles Town supposed to be Property of some Officers killed at the defeat of General Braddock and to secure the same as inventory thereof to make in order to be sent to the governors to know how they shall be disposed of.

The Commissioners adjudge the two following lots to be saved by the persons whose names are to each lot respectively according to the directions of the act of assembly

Viz

Lots

No 64--William Pennock
159--Edward Mitchell

Nicholas Highland
William Pennock
Frances Key
Edward Mitchell
Edward Dougherty

June 1st 1757 The Commissioners for Charles Town met at Mr. Wilkinsons

Present

Mr. Nicholas Highland, Mr. William Pennock, Mr. Edward Dougherty, Mr. Frances Key and Mr. Henry Baxter

Feb 11 1758 The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
Thos. Elliott's.

Present

Messrs. Benjamin Chew, Edward Mitchell, Edward Dougherty and
Francis Key.

Mr. William Graham applied to the Commissioners for lot No.
164 and desires that no Body may be permitted to renew the same
before him, he having permission to pay the money due for
such renewal the 10th of May next.

April 29th The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
1758 Mr. John Wilkinson. Present- Messrs. Edward
Mitchell, Edward Dougherty, Francis Key and Benjamin Chew
by reason of the badness of the weather could not attend but
sent us a letter by which he impowers us to act as if he was
present in person.

The Commissioners grant the liberty of erecting stalls for
the fair to be held the 3d, 4th and 5th of May next ensuing,
and for no other, to John Smith (Sadler)- and the said Smith
in consideration thereof promises to pay the Commissioners
of Charles Town, their successors or assigns the _____
sum of 30^l currancy for such liberty, to be paid by the 10th
of the same instant. Rec. of Jno. Smith 15^l being his half of
the above 30^l Mr. Edwd. Dougherty Jr. for 15^l

Wednesday 10th The Commissioners for Charles Town meet
of May 1758 at Jno. Wilkinsons---Present-- Messrs.
Benjamin Chew, Edwd. Mitchell, Edwd Dougherty Francis Key

The death of Mr. Wm. Pennock making a vacancy among the
Commissioners of Charles Town, the inhabitants of said Town
proceed to elect one to supply the place of said Wm. Pennock--and
accordingly chose The Revd. Mr. John Hamilton-----

The Commissioners for Charles Town grant the liberty of erecting
stalls to Jacob N _____ for three years to commence from
this time in the same manner as usual- and the said Jacob
N _____ in consideration thereof promises to pay to the
commissioners for Charles Town, their successors or assigned
at the rate of _____ per annum to wit 53^l/9^l at each
fair- Mr. Robt. Baxter undertakes for said N _____
performance

Mr. Jno. Wilkinson is continued overseer for Charles Town for
the ensuing year.

It is ordered by the Commissioners for Charles Town that all lots
renewable the 21st instant or that shall be renewable for every
time hereforence to come if they are not saved by building thereon
agreeable to act of assembly Viz. should be _____ to
public vendue and sold to the highest bidder without regard to the
original proprietor.

Monday 22nd The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
of May 1758 Tho. Elliots. Present- Messrs. Nicholas Hyland,
Benjamin Chew, Edward Mitchell, Edward Dougherty, Francis Key
and the Rev. John Hamilton

The Commissioners adjourn to Saturday the 24th of June next
when they will meet in order to dispose of by public vendue to
the highest bidder such vacant lots as have not been recorded
this so any other _____ of May by the last takes up
ordered to advertise the same.

Saturday 24th The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
of June 1758 Jno. Wilkinson's Present - Viz. Messrs.
Nicholas Hyland, Henry Baker, Rev. Jno. Hamilton, Edward Mitchell,
Francis Key, Edward Dougherty and Benjamin Chew

The Commissioners adjourn to Monday the 14 of August next
when they will meet in order to dispose of by way of public vendue
to the highest bidder such lot as shall appear then to be
vacant. Clk ordered to advertise the same.

1758

Aug. 19 Jno. Currier to the Comm, D^o
of Chas. Town

To your balance as settled the 19 Aug. 1757 L6..1..9

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Aug. 19 By part of Chow's bill paid to the commissioners 4..2..5
Robert. Good is continued overseer for Chas. Town, the ensuing
year and is hereby enjoined to assemble the inhabitants at least
3 several days to do the necessary repairs to the street _____
if necessary

The Commissioners adjourn to Saturday the 29th instant.

Monday 14 The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
 August 1758 Thomas Elliotts. Present Messrs. Nicholas
 Hyland, John Hamilton, Francis Key, Edward Dougherty, Edward
 Mitchell, Henry Baker.

Monday 13 The Commissioners for Charles Town met at
 August 1758 John Wilkinsons.
 Present Messrs. Henry Baker, John Hamilton, Edward Mitchell,
 Edward Dougherty and Francis Key.

Richard Pattons note _____ Amos Fogg and Nathan Baker
 security for payment of twelve pounds currancy to the Commissioners
 of Charles Town dated 26th day of April 1756 is delivered. Mr.
 Henry Baker, who promises to _____ into _____
 _____ house to bring a just _____ against Amos
 Fogg to next Month Court.

Ja. Smith of Charles Town (Sadler) being indebted to the
 commissioners for said town for the liberty of erecting
 stalls on the Market House Square for two years and having
 refused to pay the former _____ to be sued to next
 Monday Court. Tabling for that given.

Mr. John Wilkinson of Charles Town is appointed
 storehousekeeper and wharfmaster inspected for tow _____
 for said town who consents thereto and agrees to take the
 usual oaths on this occasion and gives the usual security.

Tuesday 10th The Commissioners of Charles Town met at
 May 1759 John Wilkinsons in said town. Present
 Benjamin Chew, Edward Mitchell, Edward Dougherty, Francis
 Key.

The clerk is ordered to put advertisements for any
 _____ to undertake to repair the public wharf of
 Charles Town, that he may come & agree with the Comm. of
 said town for said repair the 21st of this instant when they
 will meet again

Monday 21 The Commissioners for Chas. Town meet at
 May 1759 the sign of the Indian Queen. Present-
 Messrs. Henry Baker, Rev. Jno. Hamilton, Edward Dougherty and
 Francis Key.

The Commissioners do appoint in Cap. M. Jno. Wilkinson the
 present storehousekeeper should resign his office at or before
 the first day of July next Mr. Hanse Rudolph, Storehousekeeper.
 The said Wilkinson just giving notice of such his resignation.
 The said house to comply with all prequisetes by Act of Assembly-

Saturday 30th The Commissioners for Chas. Town meet at the
 June 1759 sign of the Red Lyon. Present Messrs. Jno.
 Hamilton, Edward Mitchell, Edward Dougherty and Francis Key.

Hanse Rudolph, pursuant to a former procter to that purpose
 is appointed to storehousekeeper in the room of John Wilkinson
 who has resigned this day. Hanse Rudolph is appointed overseer
 of the town in the room of John Wilkinson this day has resigned.

The Commissioners order that a number of chests now in the
 warehouse at Charles Town and the several articles contained in
 them, that property of some soldiers supposed to be killed at
 Braddock's Defeat, be _____ to sale by way of public
 vendue to the highest bidder on Wednesday the first Day of
 August next.

Saturday 10th The Commissioners meet at Hanse Rudolph
 May 1760 Present Messrs. Henry Baker, John Hamilton
 Edward Mitchell and Francis Key

Whereas the beginning bound tree of Charles Town and commons
 thato belonging has been blown

down by the wind and thereby likely to become absolutely decayed and whereas it is thout expedient by the commissioners now present that something be done in order to perpetuate the said beginning tree it is therefore ordered that a good sound locust post be prepared against the 21 instant in order to be set up as near the center of said tree as possible for the purpose above mentioned

Hanse Rudolph is continued storehousekeeper and wharfinger for Charles Town the ensuing year. He is also continued overseer for Charles Town the ensuing year.

The commissioners agree to Philipe Neilson to repair the public wharf of Charles Town for doing which they engage to pay him 10/ per day, he finding two good workmen beside himself and to victual them (which Hanse Rudolph engages at 1/ per day each) and

allow them $\frac{1}{2}$ pint of rum a day, & when finished the commissioners order Francis Key then is to pay the expence of said repairs and other _____ charges attending, which Hanse Rudolph is _____ and to draw for, out of the public money he now has in his hands belonging to the Town.

The Commissioners adjourn till the 21 instant

Wednesday 21 The Commissioners meet at Tho. Elliotts.
May 1760 Present Messrs. Benj. Chew, Henry Baker,
Jno. Hamilton, Edw. Mitchel, Edward Dougherty and Francis Key

In performance of an order made at the last meeting of the commissioners a locust post is prepared and set up in the place where the beginning bound tree of Cha. Town and commons blown down with and by the wind/ stood, notched with twelve notches

The commissioners agree to grant a new lease
to Robert Alison for the public marsh of
Charles Town at y^e East end of said town for
twenty one years to commence from this time
----- lease _____ and bond is _____

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May 1761 Hanse Rudolph's Present Messrs.
John Hamilton, Edw. Mitchell, Edw. Dougherty,
Fran. Key and Henry Baker

Lot Numbered 18? is renewed by Edw. Mitchell and
Edw. Dougherty for the use of Beale Bordley and
Pat. Hamilton but if they do not choose to
keep it the said Mitchel & Dougherty renew it
for themselves.

Robert Good is appointed overseer of the
streets for Charles Town the ensuing year, in
the room of Hanse Rudolph who declines.

Hanse Rudolph is continued storehousekeeper,
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The commissioners now present order that for
the future the peddlers stall that may be erected
in Charles Town at time of keeping the public
fairs shall be built on the south side of the
Market House across Bladen Street so that an
equal number of said stalls be erected on both
sides of said street

and that the drinking stalls shall be built on the North side of the market house, but not to cross Bladen Street-

Ordered that whatever person shall rent the public fair ground in Chas. Town shall not demand above 5/ currancy for the rent of each and every peddlers stall, or drinking booth, of the inhabitants of who reside in town.-

The Commissioners for Charles Towa grant the liberty of erecting stalls in said town in time of public fairs for three years to commence from this date in the same manner as usual to Hanse Rudolph. Consideration of which the said Hanse Rudolph agrees to pay to said Commissioners their successors or assigns at the rate of ~~£~~6 currancy for per annum to be ~~£~~3 currancy to be paid after each Fair.

The Commissioners agree to let Hanse Rudolph have the seven lots in Chas. Town distinguished in the plat of said town by Numbers 157, 171, 185, 196, 195, 170, 184 for three years to commence from this date said Hanse to pay the yearly rent of 10/ currancy for said seven lots yearly.

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May 1762 Elliott's. Present- Messrs.
Benja. Chew, Edward Mitchell, Edwd. Dougherty,
Jno. Hamilton, Henry Bakery, Fran. Key

Colo. Nichols Hyland having publickly declined serving as a Commissioner for Chas. Town for the future and not appearing this day. The inhabitants assemble and proceed to make choice of one in his room and accordingly chose Mr. Benj. Ramsey in his room as a Commissioner according to Act of Assembly, by a majority of votes.

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In the Articles to be drawn on the above agreement Mr. Edward Dougharty of Charles Town is to be joined with the aforementioned Benjamin Chew Junior for performance thereof.

Mr. Edward Mitchell of Charles Town merchant is appointed and desired to assist the Comm. in overlooking this rebuilding of the wharf _____ agreeable to the articles above mentioned.

December 22d. 1755 The Comm. meet at Mr. Amos Foggs Present Messrs. Henry Baker, James Baxtor, Matthais Bondley and Patrick Hamilton.

It is agreed by and between the Comm for Charles Town and

and Edward Dougherty of said Town that he the said Edward Dougherty shall will within three weeks from this day find and provide a good sound white oak two inch plank twenty foot long and two good sound white oak logs squared fifteen inches at least at the foot and five inches at least at the top, of each one of which logs to be thirty two foot long at least and the other log to be at least fifteen foot long and that he will fix up the said plank and logs against the Gable End of the public warehouse in Charles Town next to the river in such mannor as Mr. Henry Baker (one of the Comm) shall _____
 For which _____ which said Comm. will pay said Dougherty forty shillings when the work is done according to this agreement.

It is ordered by the Commissioners that in the dolison of grain out of the public wharehouse twenty bushols and or any quantity and or shall be _____ a small for every bushol whereof the warehousekeeper may receive one half penney per bushol _____ of the settled storage And for as much as the wastage allowed by the act of assembly all grain stored in is in some

judging that natural wastage to give the said legal allowance shall _____
 said meeting for such _____ Cess much too small. It is therefore ordered
 that _____ is over C _____ where the Storehousekeeper which
 domain shall not be complied with and whereon a Dispute shall _____
 between him and the person from what the forego _____
 or his agent as _____ or illegal then the _____ dispute
 shall be determined by two or more of the Commissioners for said town to whom
 the said parties shall apply.

too pass

Rates of Wharfeys are now established as follows Viz.

- 1. For every shallop of 100 tons or more lying at the Public Wharf per day-----6
- 2. For every shallop under that lying at the Public Wharf _____ per day-----4
- 3. For every other vessel lying at the wharf (boats excluded) -----2

And it is ordered that some of the above vessels shall lye longer at the said wharf
 than is absolutely necessary for the loading and unloading of said vessel if the
 burth shall be wanted _____ for _____ before _____ such
 _____ as above

To be added to the above rates

- 4. For heaving down at said wharf every vessel of 100 tons of upwards-----10..0
- 5. For ditto every vessels between 50 tons or upward to 100 tons-----..7..6
- 6. For ditto every vessel between 25 tons or upward to 50 tons-----..5..
- 7. For ditto every vessel under 25 tons (boats excluded)-----..2...6

It is ordered that wood timber _____ stones, _____

or other _____ whatsoever shall lye on the public wharf that 24 hours after
 a _____

Patton is appointed Storehousekeeper and Wharfinger till the 26th day of December next _____ which offices he accepts and of in consideration there of agrees to pay to the Commissioners for Charles Town their successors or assigns at the rate of eighteen pounds per annum. Messrs. Amos Fogg and Edward Mitchell Securities for performance of this office according to law and Mr. Amos Fogg Security for payment of this consideration. The commissioners grant the liberty of erecting stalls to John Smith (Sadlor) for two years from this date in the said manner as they did to John Springs last May and the said John Smith in consideration thereof promises to pay to the Commissioners for Charles Town their successors or assigns at the rate of four pounds per annum to wit 40 at each fair and Mr. Edward Dougherty undertakes for said Smith's performance.

May 10th 1757

The Commissioners met at Mr. Daltons

Present

Messrs. James Baxter, Benjamin Chew, and Henry Baker.

Mr. James Baxter having publicly declined

as a commissioner for the future and there being three other vacancies the inhabitants of Charles Town preceed to make choice of four persons to serve as commissioners and accordingly choose--- Mr. Edward Mitchell, Mr. William Pennock, Mr. Edward Dougherty and Mr. Frances Key

N.B. The above Edward Mitchell, William Pennock, Edward Dougherty and Frances Key are chosen in the room of Mr. Matthias Bondley, Mr. John Read _____ Major James Baxter and Patrick Hamilton who have publicly resigned Mr. John Wilkinson by his own choice continued overseer for Charles Town for the ongoing year

May 21st 1757 the Commissioners for Charles Town met at Thomas Elliotts

Present

Mr. Nicholas Highland, Mr. Edward Mitchell, Mr. William Pennock, Mr. Edward Dougherty, Mr. Frances Key, Mr. Benjamin Chew and Mr. Henry Baxter

The Commissioners adjudge the two following lots to be saved by the persons whose names are to each lot respectively according to the directions of the act of assembly

Viz

Lots

No 64--William Pennock

159--Edward Mitchell

Nicholas Highland

William Pennock

Frances Key

Edward Mitchell

Edward Dougherty

June 1st 1757 The Commissioners for Charles Town met at

Mr. Wilkinsons

Present

Mr. Nicholas Highland, Mr. William Pennock, Mr. Edward

Dougharty, Mr. Frances Key and Mr. Henry Baxter

The commissioners upon viewing the public Wharf of Charles Town find that there are many repairs wanting Mr. Patton undertakes to repair the former and the clerk is ordered, as soon as conveniently may be to draw the Articles of Agreement.

August 19 The Commissioners for Charles Town
1757 meet at Thomas Elliots. Present
Major Nicholas Hyland, Benjamin Chew, William Pennock
Francis Key, Edward Mitchell and Edward Dougherty.
August 19th 1757 The Commissioners ordered that Edward
Dougherty in the presence of Edward Mitchell, Francis
Key, to forthwith break open a number of chests now
in the warehouse at Charles Town supposed to be
Property of some Officers killed at the defeat of
General Braddock and to secure the same as inventory
thereof to make in order to be sent to the governors
to know how they shall be disposed of.

Feb 11 1758 The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
Thos. Elliott's.

Present

Messrs. Benjamin Chew, Edward Mitchell, Edward Dougherty and
Francis Key.

Mr. William Graham applied to the Commissioners for lot No.
164 and desires that no Body may be permitted to renew the same
before him, he having permission to pay the money due for
such renewal the 10th of May next.

April 29th The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
1758 Mr. John Wilkinson. Present- Messrs. Edward
Mitchell, Edward Dougherty, Francis Key and Benjamin Chew
by reason of the badness of the weather could not attend but
sent us a letter by which he impowers us to act as if he was
present in person.

The Commissioners grant the liberty of erecting stalls for
the fair to be held the 3d, 4th and 5th of May next ensuing,
and for no other, to John Smith (Sadler)- and the said Smith
in consideration thereof promises to pay the Commissioners
of Charles Town, their successors or assigns the _____
sum of 30^{/-} currancy for such liberty, to be paid by the 10th
of the same instant. Rec. of Jno. Smith 15[/] being his half of
the above 30[/] Mr. Edwd. Dougherty Jr. for 15[/]

Wednesday 10th The Commissioners for Charles Town meet
 of May 1758 at Jno. Wilkinsons---Present-- Messrs.
 Benjamin Chew, Edwd. Mitchell, Edwd Dougherty Francis Key

The death of Mr. Wm. Pennock making a vacancy among the
 Commissioners of Charles Town, the inhabitants of said Town
 proceed to elect one to supply the place of said Wm. Pennock--and
 accordingly chose The Revd. Mr. John Hamilton-----

The Commissioners for Charles Town grant the liberty of erecting
 stalls to Jacob N _____ for three years to commence from
 this time in the same manner as usual- and the said Jacob
 N _____ in cosideration thereof promises to pay to the
 commissioners for Charles Town, their successors or assigned
 at the rate of _____ per annum to wit 53⁹/₁ at each
 fair- Mr. Robt. Baxter undertakes for said N _____
 performance

Mr. Jno. Wilkinson is continued overseer for Charles Town for
 the ensuing year.

It is ordered by the Commissioners for Charles Town that all lots
 renewable the 21st instant or that shall be renewable for every
 time hereforehence to come if they are not saved by building thereon
 agreeable to act of assembly Viz. should be _____ to
 public vendue and sold to the highest bidder without regard to the
 original proprietor.

Monday 22nd The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
of May 1758 Tho. Elliots. Present- Messrs. Nicholas Hyland,
Benjamin Chew, Edward Mitchell, Edward Dougherty, Francis Key
and the Rev. John Hamilton

The Commissioners adjourn to Saturday the 24th of June next
when they will meet in order to dispose of by public vendue to
the highest bidder such vacant lots as have not been recorded
this so any other _____ of May by the last takes up
ordered to advertise the same.

Saturday 24th The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
of June 1758 Jno. Wilkinson's Present - Viz. Messrs.
Nicholas Hyland, Henry Baker, Rev. Jno. Hamilton, Edward Mitchell,
Francis Key, Edward Dougherty and Benjamin Chew

The Commissioners adjourn to Monday the 14 of August next
when they will meet in order to dispose of by way of public vendue
to the highest bidder such lot as shall appear then to be
vacant. Clk ordered to advertise the same.

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Aug. 19

Jno. Currier to the Comm. D^o

of Chas. Town

To your balance as settled the 19 Aug. 1757 L6..1..9

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Aug. 19

By part of Chow's bill paid to the commissioners 4..2..5

Robert. Good is continued overseer for Chas. Town, the ensuing
year and is hereby enjoined to assemble the inhabitants at least
3 several days to do the necessary repairs to the street _____
if necessary

The Commissioners adjourn to Saturday the 29th instant.

Monday 14 The Commissioners for Charles Town meet at
 August 1758 Thomas Elliotts. Present Messrs. Nicholas
 Hyland, John Hamilton, Francis Key, Edward Dougherty, Edward
 Mitchell, Henry Baker.

Monday 13 The Commissioners for Charles Town met at
 August 1758 John Wilkinsons.
 Present Messrs. Henry Baker, John Hamilton, Edward Mitchell,
 Edward Dougherty and Francis Key.

Richard Pattons note _____ Amos Fogg and Nathan Baker
 security for payment of twelve pounds currancy to the Commissioners
 of Charles Town dated 26th day of April 1756 is delivered. Mr.
 Henry Baker, who promises to _____ into _____
 _____ house to bring a just _____ against Amos
 Fogg to next Month Court.

Ja. Smith of Charles Town (Sadler) being indebted to the commissioners for said town for the liberty of erecting stalls on the Market House Square for two years and having refused to pay the former _____ to be sued to next Monday Court. Tabling for that given.

Mr. John Wilkinson of Charles Town is appointed storehousekeeper and wharfmaster inspected for tow _____ for said town who consents thereto and agrees to take the usual oaths on this occasion and gives the usual security.

Tuesday 10th The Commissioners of Charles Town met at
 May 1759 John Wilkinsons in said town. Present
 Benjamin Chew, Edward Mitchell, Edward Dougherty, Francis
 Key.

The clerk is ordered to put advertisements for any _____ to undertake to repair the public wharf of Charles Town, that he may come & agree with the Comm. of said town for said repair the 21st of this instant when they will meet again

Monday 21 The Commissioners for Chas. Town meet at
May 1759 the sign of the Indian Queen. Present-
Messrs. Henry Baker, Rev. Jno. Hamilton, Edward Dougherty and
Francis Key.

The Commissioners do appoint in Cap. M. Jno. Wilkinson the
present storehousekeeper should resign his office at or before
the first day of July next Mr. Hanse Rudolph, Storehousekeeper.
The said Wilkinson just giving notice of such his resignation.
The said house to comply with all prequisetes by Act of Assembly-

Saturday 30th The Commissioners for Chas. Town meet at the
June 1759 sign of the Red Lyon. Present Messrs. Jno.
Hamilton, Edward Mitchell, Edward Dougherty and Francis Key.

Hanse Rudolph, pursuant to a former proctor to that purpose is appointed to storehousekeeper in the room of John Wilkinson who has resigned this day. Hanse Rudolph is appointed overseer of the town in the room of John Wilkinson this day has resigned.

The Commissioners order that a number of chests now in the warehouse at Charles Town and the several articles contained in them, that property of some soldiers supposed to be killed at Braddock's Defeat, be _____ to sale by way of public vendue to the highest bidder on Wednesday the first Day of August next.

Saturday 10th The Commissioners meet at Hanse Rudolph
 May 1760 Present Messrs. Henry Baker, John Hamilton
 Edward Mitchell and Francis Key

Whereas the beginning bound tree of Charles Town and commons thato belonging has been blown

down by the wind and thereby likely to become absolutely decayed and whereas it is thout expedient by the commissioners now present that something be done in order to perpetuate the said beginning tree it is therefore ordered that a good sound locust post be prepared against the 21 instant in order to be set up as near the center of said tree as possible for the purpose above mentioned

Hanse Rudolph is continued storehousekeeper and wharfinger for Charles Town the ensuing year. He is also continued overseer for Charles Town the ensuing year.

The commissioners agree to Philipe Neilson to repair the public wharf of Charles Town for doing which they engage to pay him 10/ per day, he finding two good workmen beside himself and to victual them (which Hanse Rudolph engages at 1/ per day each) and

allow them $\frac{1}{2}$ pint of rum a day, & when finished the commissioners order Francis Key then is to pay the expence of said repairs and other _____ charges attending, which Hanse Rudolph is _____ and to draw for, out of the public money he now has in his hands belonging to the Town.

The Commissioners adjourn till the 21 instant

Wednesday 21 The Commissioners meet at Tho. Elliotts.
 May 1760 Present Messrs. Benj. Chew, Henry Baker,
 Jno. Hamilton, Edw. Mitchel, Edward Dougherty and Francis Key

In performance of an order made at the last meeting of the commissioners a locust post is prepared and set up in the place where the beginning bound tree of Cha. Town and commons blown down with and by the wind/ stood, notched with twelve notches

The commissioners agree to grant a new lease
 to Robert Alison for the public marsh of
 Charles Town at y^e East end of said town for
 twenty one years to commence from this time
 ----- lease _____ and bond is _____

Saturday 31st The commissioners meet
 May 1760 Present Messrs. Nich. Hyland,
 Benjamin Chew, John Hamilton, Edward Mitchell,
 Edward Dougherty, Francis Key
 Messrs. Nich Hyland, Benj Chew, Edward Mitchell
 desue their dessent to be inlaid against
 Robt. Alison having a new lease for the
 marsh at y^e east end of this town.

Monday 11th The commissioners meet at
 May 1761 Hanse Rudolph's Present Messrs.
 John Hamilton, Edw. Mitchell, Edw. Dougherty,
 Fran. Key and Henry Baker

Lot Numbered 18? is renewed by Edw. Mitchell and Edw. Dougherty for the use of Beale Bordley and Pat. Hamilton but if they do not choose to keep it the said Mitchel & Dougherty renew it for themselves.

Robert Good is appointed overseer of the streets for Charles Town the ensuing year, in the room of Hanse Rudolph who declines.

Hanse Rudolph is continued storehousekeeper, wharfinger in Charles Town the ensuing year.

The commissioners now present order that for the future the peddlers stall that may be erected in Charles Town at time of keeping the public fairs shall be built on the south side of the Market House across Bladen Street so that an equal number of said stalls be erected on both sides of said street

and that the drinking stalls shall be built on the North side of the market house, but not to cross Bladen Street-

Ordered that whatever person shall rent the public fair ground in Chas. Town shall not demand above 5/ currency for the rent of each and every peddlers stall, or drinking booth, of the inhabitants of who reside in town.-

The Commissioners for Charles Town grant the liberty of erecting stalls in said town in time of public fairs for three years to commence from this date in the same manner as usual to Hanse Rudolph. Consideration of which the said Hanse Rudolph agrees to pay to said Commissioners their successors or assigns at the rate of ~~£~~6 currency for per annum to be ~~£~~3 currency to be paid after each Fair.

The Commissioners agree to let Hanse Rudolph have the seven lots in Chas. Town distinguished in the plat of said town by Numbers 157, 171, 185, 196, 195, 170, 184 for three years to commence from this date said Hanse to pay the yearly rent of 10 / currency for said seven lots yearly.

Monday 10th The Commissioners meet at Thos.

May 1762 Elliott's. Present- Messrs.

Benja. Chew, Edward Mitchell, Edwd. Dougherty,

Jno. Hamilton, Henry Bakery, Fran. Key

Colo. Nichols Hyland having publickly declined serving as a Commissioner for Chas. Town for the future and not appearing this day. The inhabitants assemble and proceed to make choice of one in his room and accordingly chose Mr. Benj. Ramsey in his room as a Commissioner according to Act of Assembly, by a majority of votes.