

I. *Be it therefore Enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly,* That from and after the Publication hereof, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal to appoint three or more fit and proper Persons to Act as Commissioners on the part of the Province, for the following purposes, *That is to say,* it shall and may be lawful for said Commissioners when appointed in their own Names as Trustees for the Province to lease from the Honourable *Thomas Cochran, James Cochran and William Cochran* of the Town of *Halifax*, Merchants for ten Years to be computed from the first Day of *July* next, all that new Building belonging to them now erected in Front of the Government House, together with such part of the Cellar as said Commissioners shall think necessary, not to exceed one third Part of the Whole thereof, at a Yearly Rent of two Hundred Pounds, to be paid out of the Treasury of the Province in two equal half Yearly Payments, the said Rent to commence when the said Building shall be fitted up and compleated by the said *Thomas, James and William Cochran*, agreeable to such Plan as the said Commissioners with the Consent and Approbation of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, shall agree to. *Provided always,* that nothing in said Lease shall oblige the Province to be at any Expence in keeping said Building in Repair, but the same shall be kept in good tenantable Repair by the said *Thomas, James and William Cochran* at their own proper Cost and Charge.

Governor to appoint three or more Commissioners to lease from Messrs. *Cochrans*, for Ten Years the new building fronting the Government House with one third of the Cellar at £200. a year.

II. *And be it further Enacted,* That if the said Commissioners or a Majority of them shall certify on the said first day of *July* to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief, that so much of the said Building, as shall be then wanted, is fit for the public Service, and that the said *Thomas, James and William Cochran*, have become bound and obliged to fully compleat and finish the whole thereof by the first Day of *October* next following, then the said yearly Rent of Two Hundred Pounds shall commence, and it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to draw by Warrant on the Treasury at the End or Expiration of every six Months for the said half yearly Rent of one Hundred Pounds for, and during the full Term of said Lease, and the Province is hereby bound to provide for the punctual and faithful Payment of such Warrants to the said *Thomas, James and William Cochran* their Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns half Yearly, until the End or Expiration of said Ten Years.

Building to be fitted and kept in repair by the Lessors.

If Commissioners certify the Building fitted on the 1st *July* next and that Lessors have given Bond to compleat it by 1st of *October* then the Rent to commence, Governor to draw Warrant at the expiration of every six Months for £100. and Province to provide for punctual payment thereof.

III. *And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Com-