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By Captain Joseph Taylour, ^K Commander in Chief of a

JOHN COLLINS, Esq; hereby appointed
St. John's, and all the Sea

BY Vertue of the Power given me by Her Majesty
Commander-in Chief of the Fort and Harbour of St. John's
Willing and Requiring You forthwith to Take
Others, to be Obedient to You, as their Governour: And
to keep good Order and Discipline amongst those under
your Command, and to compel them to bring their Provision there. And, for your better
Impower'd to make as many Captains, Lieutenants, Ensigns
as shall be necessary for the Service of
Majesty's Service.

Given under my Hand and Seal, on the
Day of October, 1709.

To the QU

The humble Petition of John Collins, Esq; Your

SHEWETH,

THAT about December 1708, the said Fort was situated
therein, at which Time Your Petitioner being Governor
of the said Garrison, with great Hazard of his Life, the

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Commander of Her Majesty's Ship Litchfield, and
all Her Majesty's Forces in Newfoundland,

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ated Governour and Commander in Chief of the Fort and Harbour of
Sea-Coasts between Ferryland and Carbonere Island.

Majesty, I do hereby Constitute and Appoint You, until further Order, Governour and
of St. John's in Newfoundland, and all the Sea-Coasts between Ferryland and Carbonere Island,
ke upon you the said Charge and Command, Requiring all Officers, Inhabitants, and
: And You are to take care to Secure and Defend the said Fort against the Enemy, and
nder your Command, and to Order all the Inhabitants into the said Fort, and to Com-
our better Security and Guard of the said Fort and Harbour of St. John's, You are hereby
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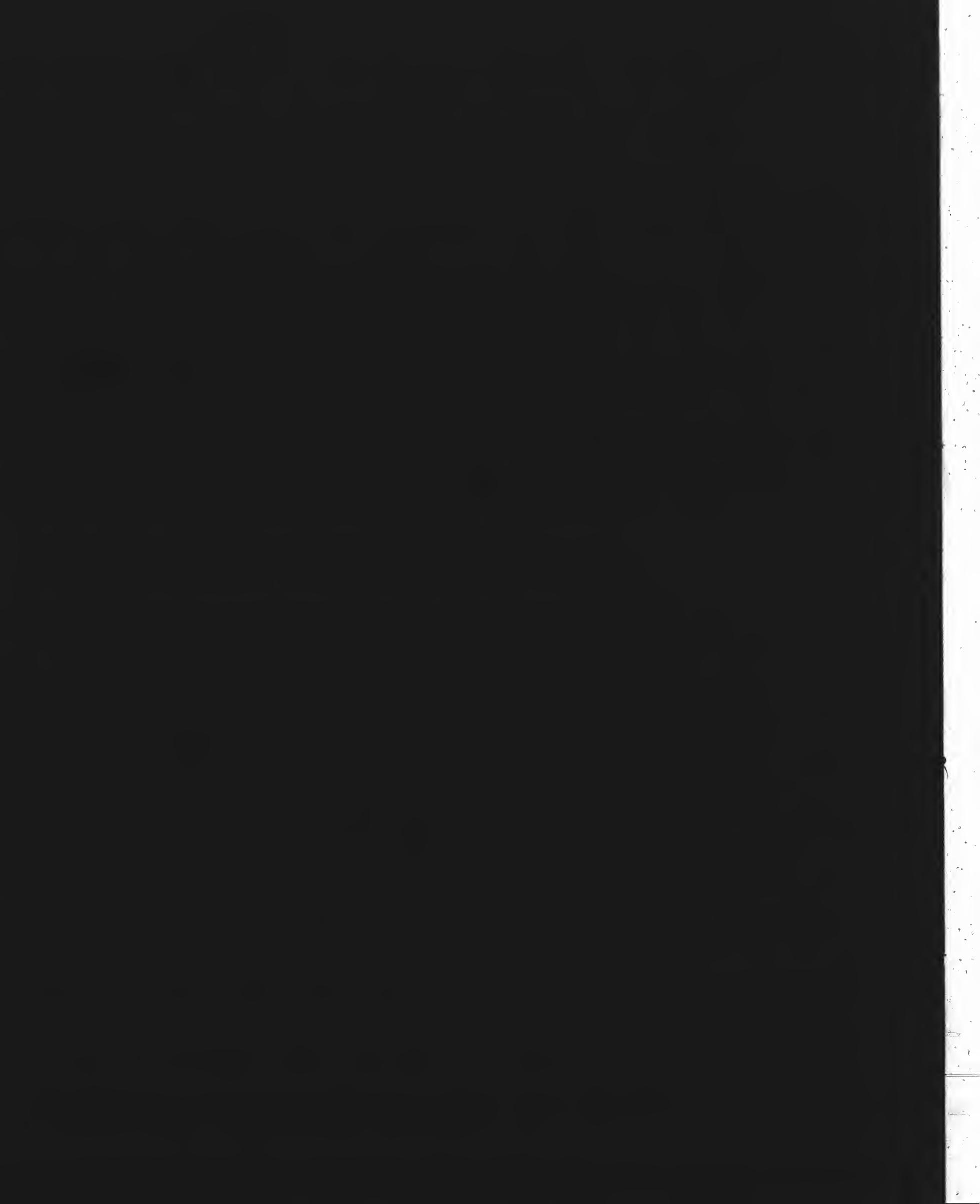
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JOSEPH TAYLOR.

QUEEN'S Most Excellent MAJESTY.

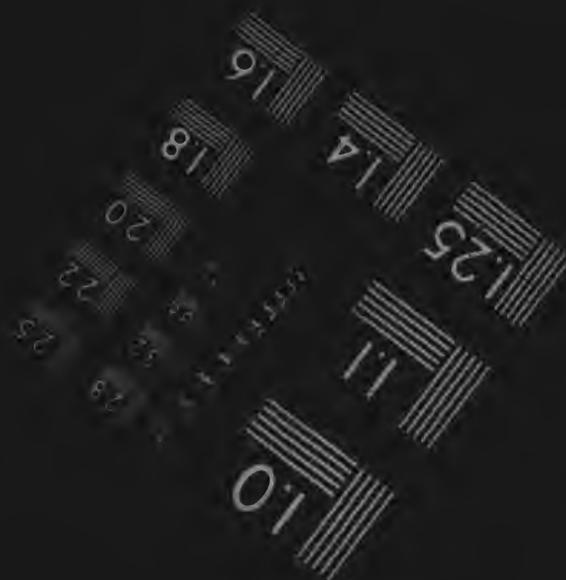
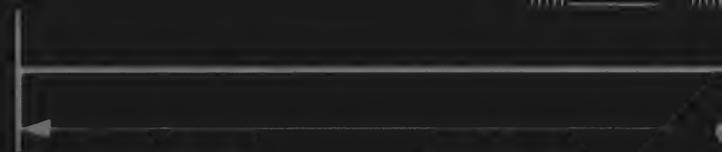
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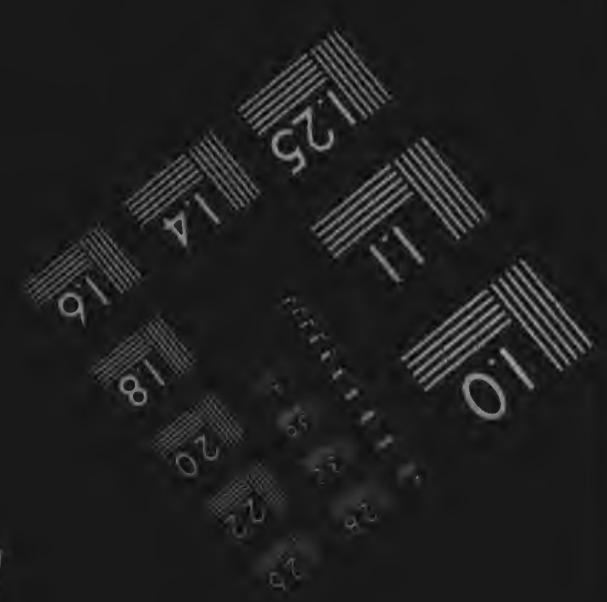
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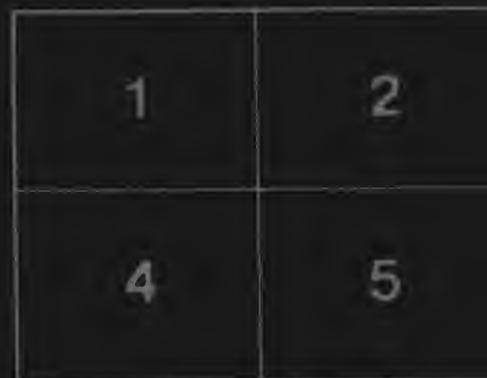
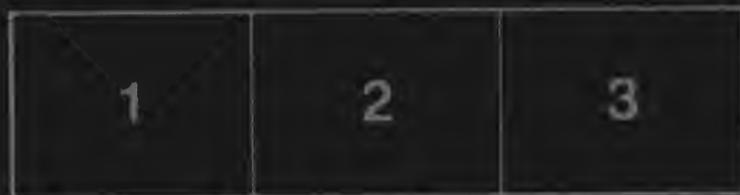
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THAT about December 1708, the said Fort was situated therein, at which Time Your Petitioner being Governor of the said Garrison, with great Hazard of his Life, the Town being altogether defenceless, and under the Gun

the rest of the Inhabitants, and to pay a considerable Rate to his great Prejudice, several Months before he was permitted

That in October 1709, Captain Taylor, Your Majesty's whomsoever he should find most deserving upon the Place Your Petitioner was Commission'd and Appointed Governor of the Sea-Coast between Ferryland and Carbonere Island, which Traders, and all other the Inhabitants on the Place, are reposed in him by Your Majesty, at his own great Charge

Wherefore Your Petitioner humbly hopes, he having supplanted his Station, he shall fall under Your Majesty's most Gracious Order, not be remov'd without just Reason first shewn to Your Majesty

To the QUEEN

The Humble ADDRESS of

DREAD SOVEREIGN,

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subject, in unfeigned Acknowledgments for those Favours which we have in a great Measure contributed to our being protected from Attempts upon our Coasts, have rendered the Adjacent unquiet, Your Majesty's Royal Wisdom thought proper to Order that your whole extraordinary Vigilance and prudent Conduct in ordering us for our Defence, have been manifested to our Majesty's most Gracious Favour for the Care He has taken in your publick Office not to be to his own private Affairs; and as

Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subject

as surpriz'd by the *French*, and the then Governour, Captain *Lloyd*, and Garrison, taken
Commander of the *Militia*, rais'd the best Force he cou'd, and attempted the Relief
the two nearest Persons to him being the one kill'd, the other wounded: But the
Garrison, Your Petitioner was forc'd (after all possible Resistance) to submit with
Ransom, after which, he was treacherously carry'd away to *Placentia*, and detain'd there
permitted to return.

His Majesty's Commodore, being there, and Impowr'd or Authoriz'd to grant a Commission to
Place (the former Governour, Captain *Lloyd*, being carry'd into *France*, and since kill'd there)
Governour and Commander in Chief of the Fort and Harbour of *St. John's*, and all the
which he accepted of at the Request of the said Commodore, the several Merchants and
; and Your Petitioner hath ever since held the same, and faithfully discharg'd the Trust
Charge hitherto, and to the general Satisfaction of all concern'd in the Trade there.

implanted no one's Pretension (coming in upon an entire Vacancy) and behav'd himself unblameably in
most Gracious Consideration for the Governour's Pay, and for his Continuance in the Government, and
to Your Majesty.

And Your Petitioner, as in Duty bound, shall ever pray, &c.

QUEEN'S Most Excellent MAJESTY.

Sheweth that the Petitioners of the Inhabitants in NEWFOUNDLAND.

Subjects inhabiting Your Province of *Newfoundland*, do humbly beg Leave to tender our
thanks which Your Majesty has so Graciously conferr'd on us; which, with God's Assistance,
protected against the violent Outrages of our barbarous Neighbours the *French*; whose bold
and unfortified Harbours most Dangerous, as they would our residing at *St. John's*, had not
under our being Regularized into a Militia, and to be put under Command of *John Collins Esq.*
in Guarding and Repairing Your Majesty's Fort in *St. John's*, and Regulating and Con-
tinuing Satisfaction: We therefore humbly beg Leave to recommend Him to Your
care, and the Great and Necessary Expence he has been at, and the Prejudice which his
and are Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Obedient Subjects.

Subscribed by all the best Inhabitants that are Masters of Ships

and Masters of Ships trading to *Newfoundland*, do concur with
the said *John Collins Esq.* their present Governour, with all
the said Governour, and Rewarded for the good
of that Province.

Witness our hands and Seals of Office at *London*, Trading this

