

presents is expressed, which said officers shall apply themselves to take care for the best disposing & ordering of the great business & Affaires of, for, & concerning the said lands & premises hereby mentioned to be granted, & the plantation thereof, & the Government of the people there.

2: The distribution of powre follows, in these words ensuing — That the Gouvern^r of the said Company for the tyme beinge or, in his absence by occasion of sicknesse or otherwise, the Deputie Gou^r for the tyme beinge shall haue Authoritye from tyme to tyme, vpon all occasions, to giue order, for the Assemblinge of the said Company, & calling them together, to consult & Aduise of the businesses & Affaires of the said Company :

And that the said Gouvernor Deputye Gouvernor & Assistants of the said Company for the tyme beinge shall or may once euery month or oftner at their pleasures, Assemble & hold & keepe a Court, or Assembly of themselues, for the better orderinge & directing of their Affaires :

And that any 7 : or more persons of the Assistants, together with the Governor or Deputye Governor so Assembled shalbe said taken held & reputed to be, & shal be, a full & sufficient Court or Assembly of the said Company, for the handlinge orderinge & dispatchinge of all such businesses & occurrents, as shall from tyme to tyme happen touching or concerninge the said Company or plantation.

Then follows a Clause, whereby Libtye is granted to holde 4 : general Courts in the yeare, wherein (with the Advice & consent of the maior parte of the ffreemen) they may admitt others to the ffreedome of the Company, they may make all subordinate Officers, & make Lawes & constitutions, for their wellfare & good Government.

Then followeth a Clause for the Annuall Election of all their Officers in these words ensuinge —

That yearly once in the yeare foreuer, namely on the last Weddensdaye in Easter Terme yearly, the Gouvernor Deputy Gouvernor & Assistants of the said Company shalbe in the generall Court or Assembly, to be held for that day or tyme, newly chosen for the yeare ensuinge, by such greater parte of the said Company, for the tyme beinge, then & there present as is aforesaid.

Then follows another branch, whereby, in any of their generall Courts, any insufficient, or delinquent Officer (of what sorte soever) may be removed, & another forthwith putt in place.

The last clause is for the Governinge of the Inhabitants within the Plantation. For it beinge the manner for such as procured