

Montgomery, to whom he is well recommended & much considered, soe that he pretends to have assurance of obtaining anything that lies in y^r Gouvernors gift Either at New York or in the Jersey's, and as he is ignorant of what may be of most advantage, he prays me to beg of you that you meet him or send y^r Advise to him as soon as possible to Yorke what may be most proper for him to aske, y^r dilligence herein may be of Good availe, & consequence to him. I am now to tell you that my Selfe & your Mother being Growneould and infirme we have resolved upon the settlement of what smale Estate remains wth us, to w^{ch} intent our designe to surrender up our Island* unto Temple Nelson,† he make good att our decease the sum of five hundred pounds to each of his Sisters, deducting in proportion w^{at} they haue alleradie had, to which we are the more readie inclined for that besides our imbecillitie of Undergoing the fatigue in managem^t, It has pleased God to afflict us with wonderful Storms, which has blowne downe the Orchard barnes & wharfe, soe—that to repaire them will cost more than we can procure, soe that all things considered his purchase will be difficult & deare. now that w^{ch} I desire and pray from you is that you send unto y^r brother Capt Robert Temple‡ your full and Ample procuration to act and do in this Matter as for Themselves, for the release of all y^r rights or pretentions to any share in said Island,* he giuing his bond to Each respective partie to be lodged wth him untill you require Otherwise this is most necessarie for ye peace, quiett, & Tranquillitie of the whole familie which I earnestly pray may be Expedited as soone as possible. I inclose to my sone Paschall for the same Purport, soe that you all Signe one and the same power or separate as you may think most proper. Give my Loue and blessing to all my Grand Children to

* Long Island, Boston Harbor.

† His elder son.

‡ His son-in-law.