

By the Honourable Cadwallader Colden
Esquire his Majesty's Lieutenant Governor
and Commander in Chief of the Province of
New York and the Territories depending
thereon in America.

To John Tabor Kempe Esquire his Majesty's Attorney
General for the Province of New York Greeting.

You are hereby directed and required to prepare a Draft of
Letters Patent to John Wetherhead, John Tabor Kempe,
Elizabeth Kempe, Philadelphia Kempe, Catherine Kempe
Jane Kempe, James Downes, Robert Watts, Catherine
Morris, William Broctor, Cardan Broctor, Stephen DeLancey
Jacob Le Roy, Allan M^r. Dougall, Henry Rensen, Thomas
Fisher, Anthony Putgers, Richard Francis, Joseph
alliocke, James Lamb, Grove Bend, John Lambert,
Charles Nicoll, Jonathan Lawrence, Thomas Jones,
Thomas Crab Alexander Robertson, Paul Miller,
Nicholas Bogert, Jacobus Van Antwerp, William
Campbell, William Benson, Alexander M^r. Dougall,
Philip John Livingston, Samuel Bayard, Robert Harpur,
Joseph Haviland, Batrick M^r. Davitt, Robert Adams and
James Rhyn, for all that certain Tract or Parcel of Land
within this Province situate lying and being within the
County of Albany on the West side of Schoharie Kill or
River. Containing forty thousand Acres of Land and
the usual allowance for highways and being further
Bounded and described as by the Certificate of the
Commissioners appointed for the setting out all Lands
to be granted within the Province of New York bearing
date the Twentythird Day of November Instant (a Copy
whereof is hereunto Annexed) may more fully appear.

under

under such Limitations Provisions and Restrictions
as are directed and appointed by his Majesty's
Instructions with proper Clauses entailing the Said
Lands into a Township by the Name of Blenheim
with such Powers and Privileges as the Inhabitants
of other Townships within this Province have and do
Enjoy. And for so doing this shall be your Warrant
Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms
at Fort George in the City of New York
the Twentyfourth Day of November One
thousand seven hundred and sixty Nine

By his Honours Command. Cadwallader Golden

Per my Secy

By the Honourable Cadwallader Golden
Esquire his Majesty's Lieutenant Governor
and Commander in Chief of the Province
of New York and the Territories depending
thereon in America, Andrew Elliot Esquire
Receiver General of the said Province, and
Alexander Golden Esquire Surveyor General
of the same Province. Commissioners appointed
by his Majesty's Instructions for the setting out
all Lands to be granted within the Province
of New York.

To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting.

Whereas John Wetherhead, John Tabor Kempe, Elizabeth
Kempe, Philadelphia Kempe, Catherine Kempe, Jane
Kempe, James Downes, Robert Watts, Catherine Morris,
William Broctor, Cardan Broctor, John Van Allen, John
R. Blecker, Allan M^r. Dougall, Henry Remsen, Thomas
Bisher, Anthony Rutgers, Hermanus Rutgers, Joseph
Allicocke, John Lamb, Grove Wend, John Lambert,
Charles Nicolls, Jonathan Lawrence, Thomas Jones, Thomas
Crab, Alexander Robertson, Paul Miller, Nicholas
Boquet, Jacobus Van Antwerp, William Campbells,
William Benson, Alexander M^r. Dougall, Philip John
Livingston, Samuel Bayard, Robert Harpur, Joseph
Haviland, Patrick M^r. Davit, Robert Adams, and James
Rhyn by their humble Petition presented unto his late
Excellency Sir Henry Moore Baronet, then Captain
General and Governor in Chief of the said Province and
read in Council on the Twenty second Day of March now
last

last past did set forth that by his said late Excellency's permission the Petitioners and their Associates at their sole Expence, did in the Month of October then last past previous to the late Treaty at Fort Stanwix, procure the Indian proprietors thereof to convey to his Majesty all their Right and Title in and to two certain Tracts of ^{vacant} land situate lying and being in the County of Albany within the Province of New York and in the Indian Deed for the said lands, described as follows, that is to say, A certain Tract or parcel of Land situate South of the Mohawk River, comprehending all the Vacancy between the Patents of Volkert Outhout and others on the West, and the Patented Lands on the North; thence Southerly and Northerly along the Patented Lands to the head of Delaware, and along the purchase of Harper and others to the North Corner thereof, thence Westerly to a Branch of Susquehanna and round a Patent granted to A. Bradt; thence to another Patent of A. Bradt at Tensenendaddon, and along its Bounds to the Susquehanna or Patented Lands, thence to the South-east Corner of Volkert Outhout containing by estimation eighty thousand acres be the same, more or less. Together with a Certain Tract on the East side of Schoharie Creek comprehending all the Vacancy between the Patented Lands on the West and North, the Manor of Penschaeer or other Patented Lands on the East, and the Patent of Rightmire and other Patented lands on the South.

That

That the Petitioners who are interested in the one fourth part of the Lands so purchased being desirous to cultivate and improve the same. The Petitioners did therefore humbly pray ^{that} his said late Excellency would be favourably pleased by his Majesty's Letters Patent to grant unto the Petitioners and their Heirs in equal Proportions the one full and equal fourth part of the Lands comprized in the said Purchase not exceeding forty thousand acres thereof. Which Petition having been then and there read and referred to a Committee of his Majesty's Council of the said Province, his Majesty said Council did afterwards on the same day humbly advise and Consent that his said late Excellency should by his Majesty's Letters Patent grant to the said Petitioners and their Heirs the Lands in the said Petition described according to the Prayers thereof, under the Limit Rent Provisoes, Limitations and restrictions prescribed by his Majesty's Instructions. And whereas in pursuance of the prayers of the Petition of the said John Wetherhead in behalf of him self and his Associates presented unto the said Honourable Cadwallader Golden, Esquire his Majesty's Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the said Province and read in Council on the Seventeenth Day of November Instant It was ordered by the said Honourable Cadwallader Golden, Esquire Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief, as aforesaid by and with the advice and Consent of his Majesty's Council aforesaid that the Tract of Land above described should be erected into a Township by the Name of Blenheim with the usual Powers and Priviledges

granted to other Townships within this Province and
that the Names of Stephen De Lancey, Jacob De Roy,
Richard Francis, and James Lamb, be inserted as
grantees in the Letters Patent for the said Tract of
Land instead of the Names of Hermanus Rutgers,
John Van Allen, John R. Bleeker, and John Lamb,
mentioned in the Petition herein first recited. In
pursuance whereof and in Obedience to his Majesty's
said Instructions We the said Commissioners Do
hereby Certify that We have set out for them the
said John Wetherhead, John Tabor Kempe, Elizabeth
Kempe, Philadelphia Kempe, Catherine Kempe, Jane
Kempe, James Downes, Robert Watts, Catherine Morris,
William Broctor, Gordan Broctor, Stephen De Lancey,
Jacob De Roy, Allan M^c Dougall, Henry Remsen,
Thomas Fisher, Anthony Rutgers, Richard Francis,
Joseph Alliocke, James Lamb, Grove Bend, John
Lambert, Charles Nicoll, Jonathan Lawrence,
Thomas Jones, Thomas Crab, Alexander Robertson,
Paul Miller, Nicholas Bogert, Jacobus Van Antwerp,
William Campbell, William Benson, Alexander
M^c Dougall, Philip John Livingston, Samuel Bayard,
Robert Harpur, Joseph Haviland, Patrick M^c—
Davitt, Robert Adams, and James Chyn, All that
certain Tract or Parcel of Land within the Province
of New York situate lying and being in the County
of Albany on the West side of Schoharie Kill or
River. Beginning on the West Bank of the said
River at a large Elm Tree formerly marked for the
beginning of a Tract of five thousand one hundred
Acres of Land granted to Wry Rightmeyer, Hendrick
Weaver, and four other Persons, which said Tree stands

on

On the South side of a long steep Ledge of Rocks called
by the Indians *Scunoga*, and this Tract runs from the
aforesaid Elm Tree along the Bounds of the abovementioned
Tract of Land granted to Wry Rightmeyer, Hendrick
Weaver and others (allowing for the variation of the
Needle since the year One thousand seven hundred and
fifty four when the last mentioned Tract was surveyed
West forty Chains, South one hundred and twenty four
Chains, South Eighteen Degrees East One hundred
and thirty six Chains and South twenty one Degrees
West Eighty three Chains, then as the Needle now
points North fifty five Degrees West seven hundred &
fifty five Chains, then North Twenty five Degrees
East seven hundred and fifty Chains, then South fifty
seven Degrees East Three hundred and Eighty Chains to
a Tract of Land granted to Walter Butler, then along
the Bounds of the last mentioned Tract allowing for
the Variation of the Needle since the year One
thousand seven hundred and thirty eight, when the
last mentioned Tract was surveyed, South thirty seven
Degrees and thirty minutes West One hundred and
Ten Chains to a great Rock on the East side of a high
Mountain, then as the Needle now points South Eighty
Eight Degrees and thirty minutes West Eighty one Chains
and fifty Links, then South One Degree and thirty
minutes East Two hundred and seventy four Chains, then
North eighty eight Degrees and thirty minutes East to
Schoharie Kill or River, then up the ^{Stream of the} said Kill or River
as it winds and turns to the Elm Tree where this Tract
first began containing forty thousand Acres of Land and

the

the usual allowance for highways. And in setting out
the said ~~Land~~ Tract of Land ^{the said Common owners} We have had regard to the
Profitable and unprofitable Ares and have taken care
that the Length thereof doth not Extend along the Banks
of any River otherwise than is conformable to his Majesty's
Instructions. Given under our Hands in the City of New
York the Twenty third Day of November one thousand
seven hundred and sixty Nine in the Tenth year of the
Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third by the
Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King
Defender of the faith and so forth. Godwaller
Colden, Andrew Elliot, Alexander Colden.

A true Copy

Exam: by
John Mark Secy

24th Nov. 1769

Warrant to the Attorney General
prepare Draft of Letters Patent.
John Wetherhead & 39 others for
40000 Acres of Land on the West
Side of Schoharie in the County of Alban.

{ Blenheim }

Patent sealed 28th Nov.
1769