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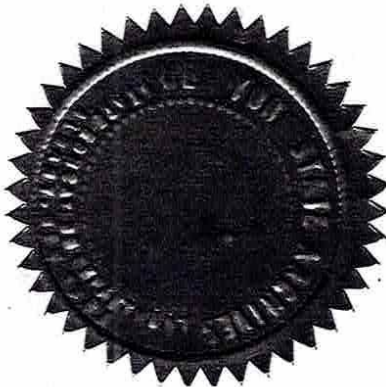
I do hereby certify that I have caused to be compared the annexed copy of:

Letters Patent awarded to Kilian Van Ranslaer, dated the fourth day of November, 1685 (New York State Archives Record Series 12943, Liber 5, pages 228-235)

with the original of such record now on file in the New York State Archives, and that such copy hereto annexed is a true copy of said original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the New York State Archives, State Education Department, at the City of Albany, New York, this thirtieth day of November 2021.


Archivist



P¹⁰² of Land with all and Singular the Appurtenances unto the said Edward Whittaker his Heires and Assignes to the sole and only proper use benefitt & behoofe of the said Edward Whittaker his Heires and Assignes forever Yeilding Rentring and Paying therefor Yearly and every Yeare unto our Sovereigne Lord the Kings Ma^{ty} his Heires or Successors or such Officer or Officers as by him or them shall be Appointed to Receive the same two Bushells of Good Winter Merchandable Wheate on every twenty fifth day of March all Exopus Given under my hand and Sealed with the Seale of the Province att Fort James in New Yorke the 11 Day of Novemb^r 1685 and in the first Yeare of his Ma^{ties} Reignes -

Tho. Dongan

I do hereby Certify the foregoing to be a true Copy of the Original Record. Compared therewith By Me -

Lewis A. Scott. Secretary.

Recorded for William Van Branslaer the 5th Day of Novemb^r 1685.

P¹⁰³ Thomas Dongan Leiv^t Gov^r and Vice Admirall of New Yorke and its Dependencyes under his Sacred Majesty and our Sovereigne Lord James the Second by the Grace of God of England Scotl^d France and Ireland King Defender of the faith & Supream Lord and Proprietor of the Colonys and Province of New Yorke and its Dependencyes in America &c

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To all to whom these presents shall come sendeth Greeting
Whereas Hillian Van Ranslaer Merchant late of the City
of Amsterdam in the Province of Holland under the Domi-
nions of the States Generall of the United Provinces in
Europe and the Heires of the said Hillian Van Ranslaer
at his and their vast expences Costs and Charges have
been the first Settlers Planters and Improvers of all
that and those Tracts of Land herein after menconed
not only during the Governm^t. of the States Generall
here but since the same has ben under the Governm^t.
and Dominion of his now Majesty And whereas applica-
con hath been made to me by Hillian Van Ranslaer of the
Village or Boepe of Vorchik in the Province of Gilderland
in Europ Gentleman Naturalized by Act of Generall Assembly
this present Session att New Yorke Eldest Sonne an Heire of
Johannes Van Ranslaer Deceased who was the Eldest Sonne
and Heire of the said Hillian Van Ranslaer also Deceased
for the Granting Rattifying and Confirming unto the Heires
and family of the said Ranslaers not only the said Tract
and Tracts of Land butt also the Liberties Priviledges and
Preheminencies herein after menconed Know Yee therefore
P-1011 that I the said Thomas Dongan not only for the Consider-
acon aforesaid butt also in Obedience and in pursuance
and performance of Severall Orders Directions and Commands
of his said Majesty and by Virtue of his said Ma^{ties} Commis-
sion and Authority to me Given and the Power in me residing
Have Given Granted Rattified and Confirmed and by these
Presents Doe Give Grant Rattifie and Confirme unto the
said Hillian the Sonne of Johannes Van Ranslaer and
Hillian the sonne of Jeremias Van Ranslaer their Heires and
(Assignes)

Assignes All that and those Tract and Tracts of Land -
 Called Ranselaerswyck lying and being on and upon the
 Banks of Hudsons River in the County of Albany in the
 Province of New Yorke aforesaid heretofore called or knowne
 by the Name of the Colony of Ranslaerswyck beginning at the
 South end or parte of ~~Berunt~~ Island on Hudsons River and
 extending Northwards up along both sides of the said Hudsons
 River unto a place heretofore called the Kahoos or the Great
 falls of the said River & extending it selfe East and West all
 along from each side of the said River backwards into the
 Woods twenty foure English Miles, as also a certaine Tract of
 Land situate lying and being on the East side of Hudsons-
 River beginning at the Creek by Major Abraham Stales and
 soe along the said River Southward to the South side of Vux-
 trix Island by a Creek called Waghunkasigh Stretching from
 thence with an Easterly Line into the woods twenty foure -

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 from thence Northward to the Head of the said Creek by
 Major Abrahams Stales as aforesaid with all and singular the
 Rights Members and Appurtenances of the said Tract and
 Tracts of Land and of every of them and all and singular
 the Messuages, Lands tenement^s, Houses Mills Plantacons
 Buildings Orchards Gardens Meadows Pastures feedings Co-
 mons Woods Underwoods Ports Arrearages of Rent Services
 Waifts estrays Royalties Libertyes Priviledges Jurisdiccions
 Hereditaments and all other the Rights Members and Ap-
 purtenances whatsoever to all and every the said Tract and
 Tracts of Land & Premises belonging and Appurteining
 or Accepted Deputed taken knowne or Occupied as Parte
 Parcels or Member thereof together with all and Every
 (the)

the Isles Islands Rivers Creeks Runns of Waters Mines Min-
erals (Roy.^{al} Mines Excepted) Fishings Fowlings Huntings
Hawking and all other Royalties Powers Franchises Har-
bours Proffits Commodities and Hereditaments whatsoever
to the said Premises or any Parte thereof belonging or ap-
pertaining (except and always ~~excepted~~ reserved out of this
Present Grant and Confirmation all that the Fort Al-
bany and the towne of Albany from the Southermost end
of the Pasture lying over against the North end of Martin
Gawittsons Island to the Post on the North side of the said

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vensent and soe backward into the woods North West —
Sixteene English Miles as also a free Liberty for his Majes-
ty his Heires Successors or Assignes to cutt & carry away out
of any Parte of the within Granted Premises (Provided it
be not within any fenced or inclosed Land) firewood and
Timber for Building and fencing for his or their use During
the space of twenty one Yeares from the date of these presents
and noe Longer and all and every the Mesuages Lands
Tenements Erections and Buildings within the same Fort
& Towne of Albany Situate lying and being on Hudsons
River and all and every the Rent and Rents Quitt Rents
and other Reservations due or owing or to become due and
owing in for or concerning any the Mesuages Lands
Tenements or Premises in the Fort and Towne of Al-
bany aforesaid Saving only all such Mesuages Lands
Tenements Erections and Buildings Situate lying and
being wthin the same Towne of Albany which the said William
van Ranslaer partly to these presents or any other the Heires
of the said William van Ranslaer the Grand father or any
(Heire)

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their Assignes have and hold by Patent or Patents or other Grants under the said Majesty that now is whilst James Duke of Yorke and Albany or otherwise or under some or one of his Lieutenants and Governours or Commanders in cheife under his said Majesty of the said Province of New Yorke And Moreover by Virtue of his said Majesties Directs Commission and Authority to me the said Thomas Dongan Given and the Power in me Resideing as aforesaid and for the Reasons and Considerations aforesaid I have and by these presents Doe erect make and constitute the said Tract and Tracts of Land together with all and every the above Granted Premises with every of their Appurtenances into one Lordship and Mannor to all intents and purposes and the same shall from henceforth be called the Lordship and Mannor of Ranslaerswyck And I the said Thomas Dongan have also Given and Granted & by these presents Doe Give and Grant unto the said Hillian Van Ranslaer partly to these presents and the Heires and Assignes of the aforesaid Hillian Van Ranslaer Grandfather of the said Hillian Party to these presents and their Heires and Assignes forever full power and Authority att all times forever hereafter in the said Lordship and Mannor one Court Leete and one Court Baron to hold and keep at such times and times and soe often Yearly as hee or they shall see meet and all fines Issues and Amerciements as well at the said Court Leet and Court Baron as all the Assizes Court of Oyer and Terminor and Sessions of the Peace holden or to be holden within the said Lordship or Mannor to be Sett forfeited or Imposed and Payable or Happening at any time to be payable by any the Inhabitants of or within the said Lordship or Mannor of Ranslaerswyck or the Limitts or Bounds thereof

(And)

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And also all and every the Powers and Authorities herein
before mentioned for the holding and keeping of the said
Court Leete and Court Baron from time to time and to
award and issue out the Customary Writts to be ^{issued} ~~and~~
and awarded out of the said Court Leete and Court Baron
to be kept by the Heires & Assignes of the said William Van
Ranslaer forever or their or any of their Steward Deputed
and Appointed with full and Ample Power and Authority
to restrain for all Rents Services and other summes of Money
Payable by the reason of the Promisess and all other Law-
full Remedyes and means for the havinge Possessing Re-
ceiveng Serving and Enjoying the said Promisess &
every Parte & Parcell of the same and all Waits Estrays
Wrecks Deodands Goods of felons Happening and being
forfeited within the said Lordship and Mannor of Rans-
laerswyck and all and every summe & summes of Money
to be paid as a first fine upon any fine or fines to be
Leyed of any Lands Tenements or Hereditaments wth
the said Lordship or Mannor of Ranslaerswyck together
with the Advowson and Right of Patronage of all and
every the Church and Churches erected or established or
hereafter to be had erected or established in the said Man-
nor of Ranslaerswyck And Lastly I the said Thomas
Dongan by Virtue of my said Power and Authority have
Given and Granted and by these presents Doe Give
& Grant unto the said William Van Ranslaer his Heires
and Assignes and the Heires of the aforesaid William
Van Ranslaer the Grandfather Inheritors of the said
Lordship and Mannor of Ranslaerswyck that the free-
holders and Inhabitants within the said Mannor shall and
(may)

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may at any time hereafter (upon any Writ or Writs or other Warrant from his Majesty or his Lieut. Governour or Commander in Cheife in the said Province of New Yorke to Elect & Choose Deputies to sitt in Generall Assembly for the said County of Albany) the Right and Priviledges to Elect and Choose retourne and Send one Deputy or Representative to sitt in Generall Assembly to Represent the Freeholders and Inhabitants of and within the said Lordship and Mannors of Ranslaerswyck To have hold & enjoy all and singular the sd Tract & Tracts of Land the said Lordship or Mannors of Ranslaerswyck and all & singular the above Granted or mericoned to be Granted Premises with their and ~~con~~ of their Rights Members Priviledges Preeminencies and Appurtenances (except before Excepted) unto the said Killian the Sonne of Johannes Van Ranslaer and Killian the Sonne of Jeremias Van Ranslaer their Heires and Assignes forever in trust to and for the only use and behoofe of the Right Heires and Assignes of the said Killian Van Ranslaer Grandfather to the said Killian Van Ranslaer Party to these Presents forever Yeilding and Paying therefore Yearly & every Yeare from henceforth unto our Sovereigne Lord the Kings Majesty his Heires Successors or Assignes or his or their Receiver Commicioned or impowered to Receive the same on the five & twentieth day of March Yearly forever from henceforth the Quitt Rent of fifty Bushells of Good Winter Wheate all New Yorke in full of all Rents or former Rescued Rents Services & Demands whatsoever Given under my Hand & Sealed with the Seale of the said Province at Fort James in the City of New Yorke the fourth day of (Novemb^r)

Novemb^r in the Yeare of o^r Lord 1685 & in the first Yeare of
the Reigne of our Sovereign Lord James the Second by the
Grace of God of England Scotland France & Irel^d King Defend^r
or of the faith &c Supreme Lord & Proprietor of the Province
of New Yorke &c

Thos. Dorgan

I do hereby Certify the foregoing to be a
true Copy of the Original Record (There being
a Word obliterated in 20th line of page 105 and ano-
ther word obliterated in 8th line of page 108 and issued
interlined in its stead both as in said Record) Word
Benent Wooten Page 15th line of page 104, and Word
and also wrote on margin in 6th line of Page 105 -
Compared therewith by Me

Lewis A. Scott. Secretary

Recorded for Waldron Dumont
the 9th Day of November 1685.

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Thomas Dorgan Lieut. Govern^r and Vice Admi-
rall of New Yorke &c under his Majesty James the second
by the Grace of God King of England Scotland France
and Irel^d Defend^r or of the faith &c Supreme Lord and pro-
prietor of the Colony and Province of New Yorke and its
Dependencyes in America To all to whom this shall come
Sendeth Greeting Whereas Richard Nicolls Esq^r formerly
Governour Generall under his Roy^{ty} High^{ty} James Duke
of Yorke &c of all his Territories in America hath by his
Certaine Writing or Patent bearing date the twenty Seventh
Day of May in the twentieth Yeare of his Ma^{ty} Reigne Anno
Dom 1668 Given and Granted unto the Widdow of Jacob Rapp
(a certaine)