Doctor Singleton's Patent

George by the Grace of God of great Britain France &
Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c. To all To whome these Presents
shall come greeting Whereas our Trusty and well beloved George
Sinclare hath by his Petition humbly represented unto us That he
practized Phisick in Jamaica & had a Plantation there which
in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred & thirteen was
destroyed by the Spaniards and he as soon after taken at the
Bay of Campeachy and carried Prisoner to the City of Mexico
where he was received into favour of the Vice Roy Don [illegible] de
Velasco & served him in Quality of his Physician between [illegible] and
five Years till by the Instigation and false Suggestions of the Chief
Spanish Phisician & other his goods and money [illegible] Seized
and himself Imprisoned by the Space of Six Months [illegible] found
an Opportunity to make his Escape and got on board a [illegible] English
Vessells bound for the Bahama Islands, that during his [illegible] travells in
America by means of his Profession and Practiceing in Physick & Visiting
many Parts of Mexico and Peru & his Constant Intercourse [illegible] with the
Native Indians for above Six years he had great Opportunity [illegible] of
making Observations & Successfull Experiments & receiving [illegible] Information
Concerning the Cultivating & using severall Vegetables not [illegible]
Cultivated & used in our Plantations in America which are [illegible] to be
of great Benifit to our Subjects and the Trade of the Plantations &
great Britain wherefore he hath humbly prayed us to grant him
our Royall Letters Patent for the Sole use & exercise in our
Plantations in America for the Space of fourteen Years in [illegible] Curing
the Plants which are commonly called or produce the [illegible] Gum
Tolu Peru & Capivy Dragons Blood Cloquintida Scammony
Rhubarb Contrayerva Coffee Athermes Jalap Gutta Gamba
Jesuits Bark Ipecacuanha Agaric And the Sole Breeding and
Curing the Insect Commonly called Cochenele & the Cultivating
the Plant or Plants for the Effect aforesaid which they feed or
live upon as a Compence for the Pains and Expences he hath
been at and is likely to be at in bringing such his discoveries in
Practice in our Plantations we being willing to give Encouragment
to all Arts & Inventions which may be for the Publick Utility
are graciously pleased to gratifie him in his request Know ye
therefore that we of our Special grace certain knowledge & meer
motion Have given and granted and by these Presents for us
our Heirs and Successors Do give and grant unto the Said
George Sinclare his Exors Admors and Assignes Special Licence

Privilege and Authority that he the said George
Sinclare his Exors Admors & Assignes & every of them by himself
or themselves or by his Or their Deputy & Deputys Servants or Agents
or such other as he the said George Sinclare his Executors Administrators
& Assigns shall at any time Employ with or without Salary for
the time during the Term of years herein after granted shall and lawfully
may have the sole and exclusive use in our Plantations in America of
Cultivating the Plants which are commonly called or known
by the Names of Tolu Peru & Capivy Dragons Blood Cloquintida
Scammony Rhubarb Contrayerva Coffee Athermes Jalap Gutta
Gamba Jesuits Bark Ipecacuanha Agaric and the Cochineel breeding
and Curing the Insect commonly called Cochenele and the Cultivating
the Plants for the Effect aforesaid which they feed or
live upon in such manner as to him the said George Sinclare
his Exors and Assigns and any of them shall seem meet
and that he the said George Sinclare his Exors
and Assigns and any of them shall and may
enjoy the whole Profit & Benefit arising & coming
from time to time & at all times during the
Term of the said Term for and during the term
mentioned, to be computed from the date
aforesaid the Exclusive use & enjoying the
powers privileges and advantages herein before granted
to be granted unto the said George Sinclare his Exors
Admors and Assigns for and during and unto the full end and Term
aforesaid from the date of these presents next and
immediately ensuing fully to be compleated and ended according to
the Statute in such case made & provided And to the end
that the said George Sinclare his Exors Admors & Assigns & every
of them may have and enjoy the full benefit and the sole use
and exercise of the said Invention according to our gracious Intention
hereby before declared we do by these presents for us our Heirs and
Successors require & Strictly Command all and every person & persons
whatsoever Bodies Politick & Corporate and all other our Subjects
whatsoever of what Estate Quality or degree name or condition
soever they be in our said Plantations in America That
neither they nor any of them at any time during the Continuance
of the said Term of fourteen Years hereby granted directly
or Indirectly do make use of put in Practice the said Invention
or any part thereof [illegible] Power [illegible] to be granted
any

Sinclare

Subtraction from the said ... whereby to prejudice ... the Inventor or Inventors devisor or devisors their ... the Licence Consent or Agreement of the said George Sinclare ... his Executors Admors or Assignes in writeing under ... or their hands & Seals first had & obtained in that behalf upon such paine and penalty as may be justly Inflicted on such Offenders for their Contempt of this our Royall command and further to be answerable to the said George Sinclare his Execrs Admors & Assignes According to Law for their damages thereby Occasioned ... are between ... made by these presents for us our heirs & Successors ... Command all and Singular the Justices ... Majors Sheriffs Bayliffs Constables Head Boroughs ... Officers and Ministers whatsoever of us our heirs & Successors for the time being & they or any of them ... any wise molest Trouble or hinder ... Sinclare his Execrs Admors or Assignes ... or any of their ... Servants or Factors ... the due and ... Use or Exercise ... Invention or any ... relating thereto ... always & these our ... Patent and ... this Condition ... any time due ... hereby granted ... shall be made appear ... heirs & Successors or in any Six or more ... their Privy Council that this our grant is ... to Law or be prejudicial or Inconvenient to our ... Subjects in ... Land or that the said Invention is not a new Invention as to the Publick use & Exercise thereof in our said Plantations in America or not Invented & found out by the said George Sinclare as aforesaid then upon Signification or declaration thereof to be made by us our heirs or Successors under our or their Signet or privy Seal by the Lords and others of our or their Privy Council or any Six or more of them under their hands these our Letters Patent shall forthwith Cease determine and be utterly Void to all Intents and purposes any thing herein before Contained ... notwithstanding ... heirs and Successors ... Provided also ... George Sinclare his Exors Admors and Assignes ... shall ... unto the

... Sinclare his Exors Admors or Assignes or any of them ... Imitate any Invention or ... which ... hath ... be found out or Invented by any other ... Subject ... publickly used or Exercised in our said Plantations or Dominions ... whom like ... patent or privilege have been already granted ... to the Sole use exercise and benefit thereof ... being our ... and pleasure that the said George Sinclare his Exors ... & Assignes and all & every other person & persons ... like ... patents or privileges have been already granted as aforesaid ... peaceably and quietly use and practice their respective Inventions by ... Inventions are found out according to the true ... and ... ing of the same respective Letters patents to ... of them from ... such Clause or Clauses nevertheless and these our Letters patents are ... express Condition that if the said George Sinclare his Exors ... any person or persons that shall or may at any time or times ... during the Continuance of this grant have or ... any ... or Interest in Law or Equity of in or to the said ... & Assignes from the Authority of the Colony and benefit of these Contai ... shall make any Transfer or Assignment ... or ... transfer or Assignment of the said Liberty ... Priviledges of the Exercise of the said ... or ... and ... to or for any number of persons exceeding the ... Twelve or shall ... Publick Subscriptions to be made ... any ... Persons ... the Number of Twelve in whole ... any ... Sum or Sums of money under pretence of carrying on ... Trade ... by or for the Priviledges hereby granted or shall by him or themselves ... or their Agents or Agents receiving any Sum or Sums of ... money or the value of any Number of persons exceeding in the whole ... Number of Twelve for such or the like intent or purpose or ... be presumed to act as a Corporate body or shall divide any part ... these our Letters patents or the Liberty & Priviledges hereby ... us granted unto any number of persons exceeding the number ... Twelve or shall commit or do or pronounce to be committed or ... any Act matter or thing whatsoever during such time as ... person shall have any right or Title either in Law or ... Equity in or to the said Priviledges which will be Contrary to ... true intent and meaning of a Certain Act of Parliament made ... the Sixth Year of our Reign Intituled an Act for the better ... Certain Powers ... to be granted ... Ships &c

John Right Last will & Testament

In the name of God amen The Fourteenth Day of June Anno Domini 1726 I John Right of the Province of South Carolina Gent. being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye do make and ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say Principally & first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in Decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form

Imprimis I will that all my Debts be first paid

Item I give and bequeath to my Aunt Elizabeth Bayly Provided she shall come to this Province and live here three years One Hundred & fifty Pounds Current money of the said Province to be by her Heirs or Assigns to be paid at the End of the said Term

Item I give and bequeath to my Cozen John Bay his heirs & Assigns forever Two Tracts of Land at Cape Fear Each Containing Six Hundred and Forty Acres One whereof is situate about Three miles above the old Town & known by the name of the Bluffs The other at Rocky Point

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary a Ring

Item I do give and bequeath to [illegible] the residue of my real & personal Estate Estate Province or where Ever belonging or by any manner of means appertaining to the Same whereas I am possessed of with the Mary & my Cozen John Bayly Executors of this my last will & Testament do hereby Ratify & Confirm all other Legacies and Bequests & Executors by me in any ways before named Ratifying & Confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the Day & Year above written

Signed Sealed Published pronounced & declared by the said John Right to be his last will & Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers

Jn Wilson

Jn Wilson

Given under my hand & the great Seal of this his Majesty's Province

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Whereas Digest at the end for curbing & reforming [illegible] retaining several Extravagant & unwarrant & Impracticable Fees therein mentioned and if these our Letters patents had not been granted & in case the said power privilege or Authority shall at any time hereafter become void in or in Trust for more than the number of Twelve Persons or their representatives at any one time receiving Fees or Dues as for the Single Person whom they represented as to such Infant or they are or shall be Intitled to in right of such their Father or Intestate that then and in any of the said Cases these our Letters patent & all Liberty Privileges & Advantages thereby granted shall utterly cease Determine & become void any thing herein before Contained to the Contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding And Lastly we do by these presents for us our Heirs & Successors grant unto the said George Sinclair his Executors Admors & Assigns that these our Letters Patents & the Inrolment or Exemplification thereof shall be in and by all things good firm Valid & Sufficient & Effectual in the Law according to the true Intent & meaning thereof & shall be taken & adjudged & construed in the most favourable & Beneficial Sense for the said George Sinclair his Executors Admors & Assigns as in all our Courts of record as elsewhere & by all & every Judges Justices & Ministers whatsoever of us our heirs & Successors in our Plantations in America and amongst all & every Subjects of us our heirs & Successors whatsoever & wheresoever & whereof the said Thomson & his Assigns & all persons claiming by from or under them or any of the materials thereto belonging may & shall have full & Clear & Entire & Peaceable Benefit & Advantage of the same In Witness whereof we have caused these our Letters Patents Witness our Self at Westminster the Eleventh day of May in the Eighth year of our Reign

By Writ of Privy Seal

London the Eleventh Day of Feby 1725/6

Carpy was examined & Compared with the Original Patent in Presence of me

Francis Nicholson

We the under written Notary Publicks by Royal Authority duly admitted & Sworn in London do hereby attest & Certifie all whom it shall or may concern that the above written deed is a true Exact & faithful Copy of the Original Patent under the great Seal of Great Brittain In Testimony whereof We have hereunto set our hands & Notarial Seals at London the Eleventh Day of Feby Anno Dom 1726

James Brisac Notary Publick

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