was mixed with other Services [which was also the case in 1609], namely, with Gaol Deliveries and other Execution of publick Justice, and with the Prosecution of such as were in open Action of Rebellion, *know ye*, that we, reposing special Trust and Confidence in your Wisdom, Diligence, and Sincerity, have by the Advice and Consent of you, our right trusty and well-beloved Councellor, Sir Arthur Chichester, Knight, our Deputy General of our said Realm of Ireland, made, constituted, ordained, and appointed you, or any five or more of you (whereof our said Deputy shall be always one), to be our Commissioners, and we do hereby give unto you, or any five or more of you, full Power and Authority to enquire as well by the oaths of good and lawful men, as by all such other good ways and Means, as to you shall seem fit and convenient, what Castles, Manors, Lordships, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Services, Customs, Duties, Fishings, Advowsons, or other Hereditaments, whatsoever, situate, lying, and being in the several Counties of Armagh, Colraine, Tyrone, Donegall, Fermanagh, and Cavan, or either of them, are escheated and come, or ought to come, or ought to be escheated and come to our Hands and Possession, or to the Hands and Possession of any of our Progenitors or Predecessors, Kings or Queens of England, by virtue of any Act or Acts of Parliament, by attainder of any Person or Persons, by Breach of any Condition or Conditions contained in any Letters Patent, by escheat, forfeiture, or any other Ways or Means whatsoever; and to make an exact Survey of the said Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and of every Part thereof, by the Numbers of Ballybetaghs, Ballyboes, Polls, Tathes, Acres, or other Measures and Quantities of Land used and known in the said several Counties; and after Inquisition and Survey thereof, as aforesaid, to plot and divide the said Lands into several Parishes, Precincts, and Proportions, and to distinguish the same by particular Names, Meares, and Bounds, according to the Tenor and Intent of the said Project (see chap. III.) and Articles of Instruction hereunto annexed; and further, to perform and execute all and every Act and Acts, thing and things, whatsoever, contained and prescribed in and by the said Project and Articles.

And we do further, by and with the consent aforesaid, give unto you, or any five or more of you, aforesaid, full power and authority to hear and determine all Titles, Controversies, and Matters whatsoever, which shall arise, and be moved or pretended as well between us and our subjects, as between Party and Party, concerning the said Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, or any Part thereof (the Church Lands only excepted), which, nevertheless, you shall also have the Power to order and decree, as aforesaid, so as it be done with the Consent of our Deputy, and of you the archbishop of Dublin, our Chancellor, and of you Henry archbishop of Armagh, Primate of all Ireland, and of you, George bishop of Derry, Clogher, and Raphoe.

And, lastly, we do hereby give you, or any five or more of you, full Power and Authority to do and execute all and every Act or Acts, thing or things, whatsoever, which you, or any five or more of you, shall, in your Discretion, think pertinent and convenient for and towards the Perpetration, Furtherance, or finishing of the said Plantation, willing and commanding you, and every of you, to give diligent Attendance, and to use your best endeavour in the execution of the Premisses, as

tenants, they must soon be overrun again by the native Irish, to whom they originally belonged. Anxiety on the part of the planters to avert these contingent troubles so pressed upon the commissioners the necessity of urgency and haste, that the second survey turned out to be almost as defective as the first.