To the honnerable Counfell now fittinge in Bofton 223

22 Thef humly fleweth that wher as I was ordered by the worshipped Mr Danforth to aspect the indians belonginge to panckapoge the Later part of the Last fumer and fecondly I beinge ordered by the honnerd Major Gaggins and fo from The Court honnerd Counfel to tacke Care of the aforfavd indians after that they Came from the Ilande Thef humly informeth that the Last yeare I spent a grete deall of time about them thay beinge refstraind from Commerfe with the Inglich and our Inglish beinge fo Redy many of them to tacke any advantage against them if that they were found out of thar Limits which nefefiated me to dow mach of there bufiness besides all other ackcations Conferninge them: and the good of the Contry Confidering how the Cafe ftood between uf & the indians wich fervisI hop I did Cherfully and in fomme mefure I hop to the utmost of my power ffor which I have never Referved any alowans bit I hamby Leve it to your honers Confideration as to the ackcompt of what time I fpent it was almost imposible for me to kepe an ackompt of Confiding how things have ben with uf fo I Reft holding it my duty to pray for your honners' dated 2s .5e: 8m: 76: 1

your hambell fervant in what I Cann or may; Thomas Swift

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