To His Excellency Sir James Wright
Bart, Captain General and Governor
in and over His Majesty's Province
of Georgia.

The Memorial of Christopher Frederick
Treibner, Minister of the Gospel of the
Congregation at EbenRex
Humbly represented

That since it has pleased
Your Excellency to grant leave unto Your
Memorialist to lay before You such concerns
and Occurrences as are most interesting and
conducive to the Welfare both of Your Memo-
rialist and the People under His Care. Your
Memorialist submits the following Matter
To Your Excellency's Consideration

1st. That a certain Land on the River lying opposite to the Town and District of Ebenezer and belonging to Georgia, the greater Part whereof has been granted by Your Excellency unto several Inhabitants of this Province, but especially of Ebenezer, is claimed by sundry Inhabitants of South Carolina, who have at sundry Times disturbed our People in the peaceful Possession of the said Land, and deprived them of the Fruit of their Labour and Industry.

2ndly. That the said Land of which Your Memorial lists delivered a Plan to your Excellency has been proved by the Report of Messrs. William Young and de Graham Surveyors Genl., on an actual Survey under a Commission from Your Excellency, to be a true Land, and therefore of Right to belong to this Province, and not to South Carolina.

3dly. That the said Land is of such Importance to the Settlement of Ebenezer, that its very
Existence in a great measure depends on it. For being very conveniently situated opposite to the Town and fit for raising Fowl or Provisions, or cutting of Lumber, it may greatly contribute to the support of the inhabitants in their present destitute state, when their poor Lands are worn out, the Fences burnt and the Timber destroyed and without. The distance of this Land they or their Children would be obliged to quit their Plantations and Settlement: or, should any great Man with a numerous Set of Negroes settle near among them and employ them to make Lumber on the said Place (as the case is now when Mr. Moses Pitchland has hired the House of Mr. Whitehawk at Ten Pence, and as he has the whole Place from Mr. John Bull) he would soon clear the said Place of all the Timber, and thereby deprive the poor People of their subsistence and endanger the settle meant to be broke up, which, in my poor Opinion would be prejudicial even to the Province.
as it is certain, that in case of an Alarm a numerous set of men the Inhabitants would be of greater Service on that Part of the Shores than any Number of Negroes can be, and the nothing of the Decay the Market at Savannah will suffer in such a Case.

Likely that if Your Excellency would think it not inconsistent with Your Wisdom to appropriate the Land to the Inhabitants at Elbow your Petitioners would take it a particular Favor if he and his Family would be taken into Consideration as objects of Your Benevolence not having received any other Land from his Majesty as new Settlers were intitled to, especially as he has suffered in the Late troubled in every Respect. And whereas the Preservation of Divine Service has hitherto so eminently contributed to the Keeping of the People together and will probably be the same for future if supported it would be greatly conducive to this end, in case any Land should remain vacant on this Island, if part thereof were appropriated for this and other public Purposes especially for the Supporting of an English German School.
My That a certain Grant given by Your Excellency to John Worlhed and his Heirs of the Town Lots two Church Lots and two Acres of Land to be used for a Burial Ground and other Purposes at Eben Ezer was prevented by the Late Disturbances from being signed by Your Excellency and is now represented to Your Excellency as an Object of Your Benevolence on behalf of the Parishioners of St. Matthew.

Lastly That the Inhabitants on the Blue Rocks being averse thereto in Number have unanimously committed to me to represent their present Situation to Your Excellency and beg leave to submit to Your Excellency Consideration the following Particulars.

That by Your Excellency Order they have enjoined them to the Liberty to be a Company under Command of a Captain whom they did chose themselves always distinctive from that Company at Eben Ezer now under
The Command of Captain Beulah, who since a Month's Time has notified to them by an Advertisement, that it was your Excellency's Order the People on the Ohio River should come to Wheel and be under his Command, and in case of neglecting it each of them should be fined by him the said Captain Beulah.

That it is the humble Petition of those People who have hitherto acted satisfied under the Command of Mathew Linn, Esq., of the said Company. Your Excellency would grant unto them the same Liberty to chose a Captain for their Selvses as the Situation of the Ohio River is such as requires a Captain, that lives in their Neighboorhood. In case they should be attacked by the Enemy, who might easily take Advantage from fecking the Captain from Eben Ezer Through a large Swamp which at Winter Times is often under Water, and sometimes entirely impassable and your Petitioners as on duty Bound Shall Endeavor to take care for ever.

1787. Christopher Frederick Trumbur.
Read in Council, 23d Jan. 1781.

Ordered, a letter to be wrote to Mr. Titcomb that the subject of the Island must be postponed—that the subject of the unfinished Grant of lots for the Church be also postponed—and that the People of the Blue Grong faction for a separate Court.