

L. H. J. Oppos'd we shall give Your Lordship no Cause to think us Turbulent or Troublesome.

May it Please Your Lordship.

7. 8. 9 10. We doubt not his Most Gracious Maj^{ty}s Goodness and Justice to any of his Plantations, nor but that what he has done in the Case of Jamaica, mention'd by Your Lordship has been by Wise and Good Counsels (May your Lordship always proceed in Your Administration by the Like) But as the Trade Scituation Climate Soyle and Constitution of Jamaica are Widely Different from ours, So perhaps may be their Laws and the Institution of their Government. His Majesties Great Goodness in Dissenting to their Act, Lest it should hurt them by Introducing Laws they never had Experienc'd, that might be Inconvenient to them, seems Vastly Different from what Your Lordship Offers as a parity Viz: Excluding us from the Benefit of those Laws we have always had and Experienc'd with Satisfaction as Inseperable from our Constitution. They attempt an Alteration of their Constitution by bringing the Statutes of England amongst them as it seems by what Your Lordship tells us; we Insist on preserving our Constitution by keeping the Statutes of England amongst us in the same Manner we have always had them. We hope Your Lordship sees the Difference. Your Lordship had been very fortunate in Using Words in Your Instructions so agreeable to his Majesties, had they been apply'd like his But his Majesties are to allow Jamaica to Introduce such Statutes of England as they had not, if he should think them Reasonable. Your Lordships in Effect, are, that we should Enact de novo Statutes Enacted for us ab antiquo, in order to Introduce them here which always have been here, and You are pleas'd to add, It would be happy for us all to Conduct our selves accordingly. We submitt this to Your Lordships further Consideration.

11. And your Lordship is pleas'd in the Eleventh paragraph of Your Speech Communicated to us to give an Absit to your Attempting any Alteration of such Laws Rules Customs and Usages as are undoubted Certain Constantly adhered to and known amongst us unless for the Common good at our Request in General Assembly, and as by the Resolves of the Late Assembly agreed to unanimously by both Houses and again unanimously agreed to by this present New Elected House, and by other Publick Proceedings, Your Lordship has been apprised what those Laws Customs and Usages are, we hope Your Lordship will Require no further Satisfaction on this point if you are but
 p. 115 pleas'd to give any Credit to the Representatives of Your