

ernor, or by falling in with the Measures of the Lower House, over turn the whole frame of the constitution, & throw every thing into the hands of the People; And lastly, they ought to be such as can both in point of Health & distance constantly attend upon every Emergency; add to this, that your council act not only in a consultive & Legislative, but likewise in a Judicial capacity, & have the last decision of property in this Province of every thing that is brought before them; all which important Powers, very plainly Indicate not only the Propriety but Necessity of filling up Vacancies that may happen at this Board; with Men of abilities, of strict & Impartial Justice, & of proper attachment to his Lordships Just rights & prerogative. When the Council shall be thus constituted, I think there cannot be much danger from the Noise & clamour that any Lower House of Assembly may raise; But as the bare preventing Mischief's to the Proprietors rights & the interest of the Province in Genral will tend very little to the furtherance of both, it is worth considering whether the pretended patriot Spirit & clamour of the Lower House, cannot be either totally silenced, or rather directed towards the improvement both of the interest & Honour of his Lordship & his Government & of the prosperity and happiness of the people in General, and here give Me leave to observe & to lay it down as a Rule; that whatever Noise & clamour may be raised under the appearance of consulting & promoting the Welfare & happiness of the people, by their Representatives, 19 in 20 of these in fact only consult & intend their own private interest; & therefore by throwing out a Sop in a proper manner to these Noisy animals it will render them not only silent, but tame enough to bear stroking & tractable enough to follow any directions that may be thought fit to be given to them: I would not be understood here to mean, the buying of those who shall be pleased to call themselves Leaders, for besides, that tho' they are in themselves really too insignificant & worthless, yet would they demand and expect a very considerable price, w<sup>h</sup> when they had obtained they would be turned out of the House & could consequently be of no further service And one would no sooner be bought off, than their numbers would be Increased by others starting up, with the very same view, from the example thus shown them; but instead of this, I would take off their followers & leave the Leaders to Explain either alone or with so slender a Train as to prevent their doing any Mischief, or obstructing any wise or Salutary Measure; And this I think may be executed by the Means the Government already have in their hands, even without Multiplying Officers for this purpose.

There are 58 Members of that House; 14 counties send