

who has a just spirit & will maintain the Honour of his Royal Charter & Person & Dignity. he that shall be so weak as to attempt to invalidate such Dignity, may be an adept in the meridians of America, where he is plausible, But his sentiments wafted over to a more partial & enlightened part of the world, it will appear to be the suggestions of Ill intentions & as void of information as it is of impartiality. As Instance, the Let^r writer ab^t me, viz. says "Instilled by a S^t Omers Education" How likely? trained at the age bet. 9 & 10 in England at a Protestant School, Defye the Pope, the Devil & the writer, who says Couch'd like the Rattle Snake. I fear not his venom, despise him, his Rattle will discover him & I have a swish for him. What Rapsody ab^t you as Chancellor? &c^a You have 12 at Table I fear one a strick his Effected Popularity & turn his spotted Belly to Public view. I have not his Lord^{ps} answ^r of his Approbation con^g in a former Let^r of y^{rs} of y^r proposition, ab^t transmutation of the Clergy; y^r Policy therein is I think right, & you have here my consent & advice so to Do. my Let^r to my Lord must a miscarried con^g, I have no doubt of his Approbation. Please to mind M^r Scott now clerk of the Council, to be strict in his return of the Laws & Journals of Assembly & of all Public Proceedings, authenticated properly. The Laws of the Province not returned is by the Board of Trade much remarked upon. I beg you will hasten them by return. The Earl of Hillsborough at that Board is chief, who is very Assiduous & by proficiency has turn'd out much Business to the Colonies he's very adroit spares no Pains. Therefore suffer not remissness to that Board, it will be Noted. M^r George Grenville chief at the Head of the L^{ds} of Treasury is another Person, Endowed with able Abilities & Erudition in Govern^t & our Laws, is a real proficient & has all attention. The inclosed Votes of the House of Com^{ons} the 10th of March will give you and all America a specimen of him. in the votes on ways & means for raising a Supply to his Majesty, are resolutions & Resolves of the House ab^t framing an American Bill, since bro^t in & will pass; the only opposition made as I learn was by M^r Hurst member of Parliam^t who observed, as the Bill was peculiar step on the Colonies, the colonies ought to have first notice thereof, giving them opportunity to lay before any objections they might have to such a Bill to the House, by their Agents. observe the Last orders on the resolutions, the 15 & 16th of the House omitted, that of the Resolution on Stamp Duties left out to apprise the Colonies if any they have they make objection, only given I am told pro forma tantum, before it is fix next year, w^h the Agents are to expect unless very good reasons are produced to the House p^r Contra. of