

which they were reduced too by necessity and without which many Subjects had perished. And this house believe when any extremity falls on them or any others of this province the like preservation will be endeavoured. L. H. J.

8. Article. Indian Corn and Wheate are likewise exported. Query whether pensilvania and New England men doe not bring in wooden ware.

Answer. Indian Corn and Wheate are made in this province, but very little exported because used in the Province, and New England men did formerly bring in Wooden ware; but of late have not brought any or at least very inconsiderable.

11th Query. Whether all single shippes are obliged to call upon S^r Edmond Andros in Virginia especially the shippes now in the Country pursuant to that order

Answer. We know not whither single Shippes are obliged to call on the Gov^r of Virginia especially the Shippes now in the Country pursuant to order. But if they are it is very prejudiciall to them, and besides their delay a great discouragement to the trade of this province, being discouragement to them to come here, and encouragement to them to go there. p. 151

12. Query. Whether the Reporte of Pensilvania and Carolina putting forward Manufacture and handicraft Trades be not one Reason that causes many persons to go out of this province to these places, and another Reason by persons holding such large Tracts of lands.

Answer. We conceive that few persons or none have left this province to go to Pensilvania, and those that have, We understand were induced to it by the currency of money there which is not here, and not through the encouragement of manufactures there, and for large Tracts of land.

We are sensible that there is no want of Land to any that will settle here either by Lease or purchase the price of lands being fallen of late.

13th Query. Whether if the Land at the head of the Bay were well settled and Cultivated the Soyle thereof would not produce and be proper for all manner of English graines whereby to furnish this province and the Shipping with flower, bread and beer &c.

Answer. To the Inhabiting the Land at the head of the Bay we conceive it would answer the Intent or proposall of Cultivation if Seated and we wish it were so.

14th Query. What sorte of force is the best way to secure this province.

Answer. To the proposall what force would be best to secure this province, We conceive that the poverty of the place will discourage any such attempt, and considering the great deserts between us and any publicke enemy the present Militia if well armed may be sufficient for our defence.