

of about 400 Tons and are decreased within these few years Lib. C. B.
occasioned by the Captures since the War

The Inhabitants take annually from Great Britain all sorts of fine & Coarse Woollens & Linens, Great Quantities of wrought Leather & wrought Iron and almost all kinds of British Manufactures, But the Quantities of each cannot be ascertained from the Great Variety of Persons to whom the same are Consigned or Shipped

This Province has very Little Trade with any Foreign Plantations except to some of the Portugese Islands for Salt by a few small Vessels which Carry Lumber & Provisions and a Vessell or two in a year to the Maderas Loaded with Wheat, Indian Corn Bread flower and Staves which brings back Madera Wine, nor has the Province any Trade to any part of Europe besides Great Britain except an inconsiderable Quantity of Wheat & Lumber sent to Lisbon and that but Seldom and some times a Vessel to Ireland which carrys Wheat & Lumber thither

The methods used to prevent illegal Trade are by the Appointment of the Collectors & Surveyors of his Majestys Customs by the Commissioners of the Customs in London & Naval Officers Appointed by the Governor in all the districks in the Province and Considering the Numbers of Rivers & Creeks in the said Province this Method is as effectual to prevent illicit Trade as can well be

The Exportation of the Commodities & Manufactures from hence Exclusive of Tobacco is Wheat, Lumber Indian Corn, Bread Flour, Pig & some Barr Iron, Skins & Furrs to the Value of about Sixteen Thousand Pounds Sterling Annually of which the Pig Iron & Furrs are Exported only to Great Britain. p. 393

There are a great many Iron Mines and Several of them very good in the Province and there are Eight Furnaces for making Pig Iron & Nine forges for making Bar Iron and Great Shews of Copper in many Places but thô several attempts have been made to discover Veins of that Metal none has been yet made that quitted Cost.

The Number of White Inhabitants is as near as can be computed about Ninety four Thousand & of Blacks about Thirty Six thousand and are increased of Late years by the many Germans & Others brought into this Province

The number of Militia is about Twelve thousand five hundred

The Six Nations of Indians tho not neighbouring on our Borders are in friendship and Allyance with this Government and are about Seventeen hundred; But as those Indians are nearer the Government of New York that Province can give a more Exact Account of them