

Lib. C. B. of the Country, yet he went to the House with three Men
No. 20 in his Company.

Many sober well disposed Persons groan under such Tyranny, and Oppression, and lament that they are debarred of their Christian Liberty, and at present dare not complain, because of these Swamp Men and Bullies. Some new invented Lie is often broached to render your Remonstrant insignificant, to blacken his Character, and Poison the Minds of such as are under their Influence.

p. 12 Your Remonstrant, therefore, most humbly implores your Excellency to be pleased to take the Premises into your Excellencys Consideration, and to grant unto Your Remonstrant such Relief as to Your Excellency shall seem proper.

April 29th 1768

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Notice is hereby given to all Persons, that the Reverend Philip Hughes is Inducted into Coventry Parish, and the Vestry desires all the Parishioners to meet at Rahoboth Town Church, on Monday the 11th of January next, for to know their Sentiments concerning the receiving the said M^r Hughes.
T^r Order

Turnell Outten Reg^r

December 21st day 1767. N B if Monday be a bad day meet on Wednesday the 13th of Jan^y

I have no doubt of M^r Hughes's Inclination to restore, by all reasonable Means, Peace and Tranquillity to his Parish, and have therefore no Scruple in recommending to him an Endeavour to bring about a good understanding by mild Exposition, but tho' this be my Opinion, yet, if after a proper Trial of moderate and conciliating Measures the Evil of dissension should appear irremediable in this Course, and the Vestry should perversely proceed in obstructing him in the Discharge of the Duties of his Function, I also must think that recourse ought to be had to legal compulsory Methods for the Punishment of Outrage, and that the Authority and Rights of his Lordship ought to be vigorously supported; some Indulgence may be shewn to Error, but the Reins of Government are not to be surrendered into the Hands of any Vestry. For the present, I would recommend that the Writ de vi laica removenda may be kept back till there shall appear to be a Necessity for that vigorous proceeding. I have heard that the Disposition of the Vestry is very much owing to what the Parish Suffered during the Incumbency of that wretch