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5. The Inhabitants take annually from Great Britain all sorts of fine and Coarse Woolens and Linens, Great Quantities of wrought Leather, wrought Iron, and almost all kinds of British Manufactures, and East India Goods, the Particular Quantities of Each cannot be ascertained by reason the same is Consigned or Shipt to a great variety of Persons but it is supposed that the goods which have been Sent hither annually from Britain for these six years Past Cost us more then £160,000

6. The Inhabitants of this Province trade very little to any foreign Plantations, a few small Vessels may be sent in a year to get Salt in some of the Portugeze Islands, and One or two perhaps to the Island of Madeira for Wine. Neither do the Inhabitants send any Vessels to other Places in Europe besides Great Britain, except two or three Loaded with Flaxseed & Lumber to Ireland.

7. To prevent illegal Trades the Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs in London appoint Collectors and Surveyors of the Customs to reside on the Principal Rivers, besides there are Naval Officers appointed by the Governor in the Several Districts into which the Province is divided and considering the Number of Rivers and Creeks that are navigable this Method is as effectual to Prevent illicit Trade as can well be,

p. 321 8. The Inhabitants may perhaps *communibus Annis* for Years past have got for the Tobacco (Our Staple) which hath been annually exported to Great Britain about £140,000, while the Merchants get as much more for Conveying it to great Britain and selling it, the only Commodities exported hence besides Tobacco, are wheat, and Indian Corn, Bread, Flour, Pigg and Bar Iron, Skins, Furs, Lumber and Some Flaxseed, which Articles may altogether be valued at about £80,000,

In the year 1747 An Act of Assembly was made here to Compell all the Owners or Makers of Tobacco to send it to certain Inspection Houses whence it cannot be again removed Till it is put on board a Ship for Exportation. As to any other Commodities the Exporters are not under a Necessity of having them Inspected, but the Acts of Parliament made for preventing the Exportation of Wheat and Flour to Foreign Parts and all illegal Trade are duly obeyed & inforced.

9. There are a great many Iron Mines, and several of them very good. In this Province are Eight Furnaces for making Pig, and Ten Forges for making Bar Iron, the Quantity of Pig made *communibus Annis* may be about 2500 Tons and the Quantity of Bar about 600 Tons. There are great Shews of Copper in many places, but thô several Attempts have been