do not Enjoy them as they Do; nor at all unless your Lord- L. H. J. ship should be pleased to grant us (what it seems by the Instruction you may Deny) the facts (as it would then Seem) of that which we Esteem our Rights allready not Only by the Law as Above Shewn, but allready by our Brittish Right, for

We are Subjects of England Transported hither as Above is Shewn, in times of Peace; we were not Conquered Ourselves, nor was the place so much as Conquered even p. 95 against the Indians (if any Affirm the Contrary Let them prove their Affirmative) but Immediately on the Settlement the English and Indians entred into Traffick and Comerce so that we even then did and Still do, buy from them the Lands we purchase of your Lordship, & Entred into and frequently renewed and Still renew Articles of Peace with them: they Acknowledge our King their King, and Englishmen their Brothers, and tho some Skirmishes and partiall Differences have happened, Yet the Above has been the Generall Way of Treating each Other. Now May it Please your Lordship, we cannot Conceive that any thing prejudiciall to our Rights & Libertys or that Can Reduce us to a State of Villianage and Slavery Can be Inferred from that or any other part of our Conduct For we were ffreemen And English Subjects when we Came from England and we Came thence to Settle with our Sovereigns Leave and we have done nothing more than his Other Subjects to forfeit the protection of our Sovereign and his Law, and to dissolve us from our Allegiance to him or that can be deemed a breach of it.

The Records of your Lordships province will Shew that your Ancestors have Consented to Govern and always did Govern us by those Laws and till now we never had our Rights thereto Contested, that we know of, and so, may it please your Lordship, we hope we have proved (tho much more we have to Enforce it) that Statutes treated of do and ever did extend here, and that we are no Conquered people, but that were we so, our Sovereign by your Lordships Charter has already granted us his Subjects priviledges.

Your Lordship is Pleased to Advise us in the said Instruction, that if any of the English Statute Laws are found convenient &c. we ought Especially to reenact them De novo.

May it please your Lordship, we can't reenact them without your Governours Assent nor Enjoy them Against your Lordships dissent. This would be a rendring that Precarious which is now (we hope) most Assuredly ours, besides Sir, all the Treasures and present Supports of the province would not Answer so vast an Expence.