

The General Expediency of the Law is evident, therefore  
 these in the Administration of Government highly com-  
 mendable for their Early consideration & Desire for a further  
 Continuance, deduced from just Reason most obvious, It  
 being the staple of the Province & the welfare of the  
 Tobacco Planter. It is plain that the support of Govern-  
 ment is lessen'd by it, which I notes Craive worthy  
 to the Government to give the advantage to those who com-  
 pose & support it; where The Balance is of General  
 Good. And why not under a President and a real native  
 of the Province? It is strange that Privat Pique for that  
 seems the case, should be the Mother of Jealousy against  
 a Proposition so attendant to the Publick Good. —  
 Sure the good sense & real Benefit of those who compose  
 the Lower House will not suffer themselves to be drawn in  
 to ~~fringe~~ Bills as may be mischievous to the Country, by  
 Consolidating or Tacking them with the Inspection Law  
 or other Laws in another Session. as you hint at. It is  
 inconsistent for the Upper House to suffer such to pass,  
 or the Representatives the Eyes of the People, be so dim-  
 sighted; as to suffer their constituents to be Plunged in ruin,  
 or that the Upper House will suffer the Essential part of  
 Property to be subjected almost to a Dissolution. Therefore  
 his Lordship & his Guardians trust all will be right; not  
 doubting your strict adherence to Mr. Fackerell the Administra-  
 tion; as therein You will distinguish Your self faithfully  
 both to the Proprietary & to the good of the Province.

You have herewith a Copy of His Lordship's Guardians  
 Petition to their Excellencies the Lord Justices in Council  
 to accompany Mr. Penn's Petition at the Court of Trade;  
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