

first The late Governour being out of the Province had not power to Grant Commission for to Rule them

2^{dly} his Lordships Council had then the immediate power in the election and choice of a Governour which as the state of things then stood they supposed it absolutely necessary for the safety of the Province to confirm me independant of any Contradiction but his Lordship and this by Assembly

3^{dly} If the late invasion should be held Lawful I doubt not but you are sensible to what a Slavery the Kings freeborn Subjects & so consequently yourselves are involved in when the single power of the Governour should disanull his own and the Curia Act by a Countermand his own I say tho Acted by Another Person

Gentlemen I presume upon this to make this petition that the Government of the said Province was inherent to me till his Lordships pleasure be further known as his Lordships Right in the said Province or as you his Council what unaffeable Losses both of Fortunes and Credit I have sustained I doubt not but report hath brought it to you but inducement of Friends with the throngs of those that have been ruined by the unjust Breach of the Composition are daily clamorous in my ears so that ever Justice if not Creditor Loss will force me I fear to some strange Venture in that Business I am altogether unwilling to move the Stone violently what inundation Loss and Ruin it will produce to the whole I am not ignorant of I had rather some moderate way were taken for the Satisfaction on all Sides occasioned by the death of the late Genl is now bald..... all discontents may be easily pacified and brought to Good terms of Qualification peace may breath a quiet profession unto them and every one there Resident but if the Storm once break out it is to be feared that proceeding