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That Government before Governor Penn took over
and there did give too much countenance to superstition
for men & women & summary servants going from
service could not impede their further service
but Mr. Penn upon his arrival gave some relief to
these evils & continued so to do during his stay there
Especially as to Flannery servants.

I have they have been clearly informed that for
Years last past many Parties have worked to have
Government & Inquest & Probability have contributed
much to the inhabiting that place & do understand that
Col^l Robert Party who has resided there some years
is lately gone for England to lay the state of that Pro-
vince before their Proprietors.

As to the east & west Jersey having no co-
munity with them being remote can only say that
they have been generally informed that they have
been a receptacle of slaves with their effects & have
also given encouragement to illegal traders running
their goods there neither have the inhabitants had
much regard for the Government imposed on them
by the Proprietors having at their pleasure impre-
sioned their Governor & again receive him as such
according to the Prevalency of the several parties

X His Excellency having laid before the Board
the accounts of the vestries of the several parishes
in the several counties of this Province which are
laid by to be sent to their Lordships of Trade & plant
ations &c in order to the obviating some false