

why your Lordship should write so tartly against the People who are all involved under the Censure of your Lordships Letter for protesting against all the Laws which were pretended to be in force and enacted by Geo. Cabot Esq deceased our late Governour at the last Assembly held by him afore his death as for the illegality of them we shall here briefly shew your Lordship and hereby we hope shall sufficiently vindicate ourselves from such foul aspersions laid upon us from your Lordship

That the Assembly then wherein these Laws were pretended to be enacted as afore was Called first by Captain Edward Hill who was not so accounted by us or esteemed by your Lordship according to your instrument sent hither this year for the rightfull Gov<sup>r</sup> of this Province which Assembly was continued only by Mr Cabot never declaring any new summons at all to the Inhabitants of the Province for that Purpose which Ought to have been done in that Case by him But within a very short time after he had secured all those who had Combined themselves against him and cast them in Prison proceeded to the enacting of Laws with the members as afore called by Captain Hill and under adjournment the whole house of Commons / two or three only excepted / consisted of that Rebelled Party and his Professed Enemies to them he declared to them that they should be free during the Assembly only the Copy of which Record is here with inclosed also we cannot Choose but wonder