

the people there, or as for at either side to any  
Violent proceedings, one against the other, shall  
in all probability, a great division and faction  
among the people themselves will follow, in  
fusion they may hope to mould a party fit for them  
to turn to reduce their out pretended Right from  
the Natives to those, and perhaps diverse other  
lands, privately acquired in the same manner. And  
in pursuit of that design of making themselves  
Lords and Masters of the Province, adventure the  
ruine of all the people there, by civil wars and  
themselves. Although it be most probable, if the  
great danger be not timely prevented, as well as for  
some they themselves who pursue such a wicked  
design are like in the first place to perish in it. A  
wofull experience it hath been found in diverse  
Nations that No one thing hath so certainly  
betrayed the people into true Slavery indeed, as the  
deceitfull suggestions of subtle Machiavilians  
pretending Religion, and an extraordinary care  
of the people's liberty, and still possessing them  
fear and followers of Slavery, thereby to alienate  
their affections from the present Government  
for as the common way to Atheism is by a  
pretended reformation in matters of Religion, so  
the direct Road to bondage is usually found in  
specious pretences of Preservation of Liberty.  
We know full well our Right to that Province  
doth not stand in need of any Confirmation  
thereof by Act of Assembly there. for our Charter  
above mentioned, and our deare purchase of  
Right to that Province, by the expense of great sums  
of money with much sollicitude and travail,  
(whereby that colony was first begun and pro-  
served) entitled us sufficiently thereto, But we  
have Great Reason to wonder that any well affec-  
ted person there, not seduced by Evil Counsellors  
should be backward in concurring to a publick  
Act of Recognition of our Rights there. And  
we have great Reason to wonder that any  
affected person there. And we cannot think  
any worthy of employing ought there under  
who shall upon due Consideration what hee  
doth to do, we neede not easily be be-  
lieved, that any Intelligent person that holds  
thing under us there should be so blind, as not to  
pursue by all the means they can to advance and  
strengthen