

Indulge them in ~ You may observe from your own -
experience and from what I now mention'd that their pretensions -
how ever ill grounded have created Great Disturbances in
this Government and Should they gain their points in view
may possibly one day prove fatal even to all his Majesties
plantations on the Continent, considering the prodigious
Settlements a Formidable nation of their own persuasions
are extending on our Backs these Reflections merit your
Presentation ~ for it is much easier and safer to prevent
than to cure an inveterate Disease, contracted by a long -
neglected, ill habit in the Constitution But that I may not
be wanting on my part to apply proper Remedies to these
Great and growing Evils I hope you will approve of my
Intention of sending for some principale persons of the
Drapists in Order to Examine them before this Session, what
Priviledges they have a Right to that they enjoy not, -
and I promise them readily to Concur with you in allowing
them Whatever is their Due, without the least Violation -
But of this fair Occasion will not induce them to expose
their Claim to a publick examination, I must own it -
will confirm me, as I think it may reasonably persuade
all mankind besides that they are Cautious it will not bear -
the Light -

I know no right Officers that is Infringed and if
any there be let them make it appear in the name of
God, that they may have Justice done them and that this
Province may no longer labour under the misaffection
of their right or under the Impulation of severities against
them, but if there be none such, let their Silence be taken
as an Acknowledgement that their Pretensions are -
Groundless & their Exclamations most Unreasonable -

I am the more intent on this Proceeding
that I may have the Opportunity of answering
for you here and here after; the better to prevent
their Impositions on Strangers to their Ease and on
the Credulity of unguarded minds by their Amions

(Concluded)