

seconded by the Merchants; even though the Clergy themselves should never be one Penny the better, but much out of Pocket by their Attempt. But at the same Time I own I am at a Loss to know, what good Reason can be given for an Order by the late Assembly, to support all *Westries* against the Appeals of the Clergy, and no Order for supporting private Contractors against the Merchants: Since if they were minded to support the Validity of their Act, they should have supported it, one would think, against one Set of Men as well as another. What a Pity it is that the Clergy are not all Good! since in that case, if we may venture to reason from what Col. *Bland* says of the general Respect paid to *well-behaved* Clergymen, the Body would not have been thus singled out as the Mark of peculiar Resentment.

I have heard the Word *Constitution* urged in conversation, as something that the Clergy were endeavouring to Overturn by their Application to legal Methods of Complaint, under their present pretended Grievances; and Col. *Bland* seems to lean this Way, when he discovers an indignant Fear (Real no doubt) that his Condition was going to be made like that of a *Galley Slave in Turkey*, or an *Israelite under Ægyptian Bondage*: How solid by the Bye is this Innuendo! How consistently it comes from such a Disposition (so void of Tyranny and Insolence) as is discover'd in Col. *Bland's* Pamphlet. The Colonel if he pleases, may set his Heart at rest, and be assured, that no body desires to see him reduced even to so bad a Condition as that of the *Ægyptian* Bondage of his own Slaves. But setting aside this ridiculous Intimation, that the Clergy, in a contention for Property, the general Property as well as their own, have shewn themselves willing to introduce more  
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