

day obliged to look for its protection and defence; to say nothing of what it became the King's servants here to have done, for sufferers of such distinguished merit, in obedience to the royal commands, communicated to General Hal-
 dimand by a letter from Lord North.

Fifth. Because the Bill was framed to *heal the divisions and animosities which have so long subsisted in the Colony to its disgrace and detriment*; and, we are fearful, that the rejection of it will not only raise a spirit, which as a party one in the trite game of selfish ambition and avarice, for petty consequence, place and profit, is always contemptible, and though sometimes harmless, is nevertheless to the last degree dangerous in a country of mixed nations, habits and languages, where the name of ~~the~~ party, if the contest respects the substantial interests of the crown and nation, will be changed into the serious discrimination of loyal and disaffected.

And we are the more anxious for the general harmony, as these discords, by encreasing the debility of the Province, predispose it to become the theatre for the malignant machinations of the internal malcontents of Great Britain, and the hostile views of foreign powers.

Sixth. Because *without some regulations, to quiet the murmurs against the course of administering justice, which has obtained here for years past, expressed*
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