

shew to all that happiness which all enjoy, and while there are designing crafty and ill men, they will always have some blind Converts. Such, May it please Your Grace, are those whom this man, and a party which has taken advantage of his folly and distraction, is now deluding to fill Your Grace's ears with complaint and clamour. We humbly hope that Your Grace will give credit to this our humble representation. And as we have presumed to intercede with his Excy, and prayed that we may be no longer obliged to sit with a Man who has been guilty of defaming the Administration, and thereby endeavouring to render his Majesty's Government odious to the people, We in most humble manner beseech Your Grace that the said Rip Van Dam may be no longer continued in the List of His Majesty's Council here; it being evident to us that he has in his proceedings above mentioned, prostituted his name to the seditious designs of a few disaffected and discontented persons, and if this Our just Representation merits any weight with Your Grace, We do upon the whole affirm that the preservation of the publick peace, the welfare of this Province, and that due sense which the people here ought to have of the blessings they enjoy by the settlement of the Crown in His Majesty's Most illustrious house, do at this juncture very much depend upon Your Grace's reception of this Our Prayer.

We are

with the highest honour and regard

My Lord

Your Grace's most humble most

obedient and most dutifull Servants

GEO: CLARKE

FRA HARISON.

ARCH^d KENNEDY

JAMES DE LANCEY

PHILLIP COURTLANDT

HENRY LANE

DAN: HORSMANDEN.

Mr Horsmanden being come to town since the Originals was sent has perused and considered all the inclosed papers.

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