decided by the English, but always submitted them to the decision of the priests, who were their sole temporal as well as spiritual judges.

However, they were obliged annually to choose a deputy in each district to send to Annapolis to receive the Governor's commands, as an acknowledgment of their subjection to the English.

Thus we were masters of this extensive country for forty years, without ten *English* families, (except those of the garrison) in the whole country, so little was this valuable