

Under the pretence of a scarcity of black Cattle, and before the British Troops had made any impression upon the Colony, Horses were killed and served to the Troops, probably to excuse the exorbitant charge for all kind of provisions purchased on the King's account, for notwithstanding the waste made by two contending Armies, and that the French Troops lived entirely upon the Country for near two years, we have the strongest ocular proof, there was no occasion to have recourse to this expedient, if the King's officers had not meant it as a Cloak for their Knavery.

2<sup>d</sup>. The members of the Courts of Justice were mostly natives of old France, and minded more their own affairs than the administration of justice. Their decisions were therefore not much respected; and indeed for success the parties generally depended more upon the favor of the protection of the great, than upon the goodness and justice of their cause.

3<sup>d</sup>. Tho' the Governor General, the Bishop and the Intendant, were by their several Offices, Presidents of the Council, and that heretofore they used to be present at their deliberations, in latter times they never honor'd it with their presence, a circumstance that contributed much to the general disesteem, into which this part of the judicature had fallen.

4<sup>th</sup>. The Office of Grand Voyer or Inspector of the High roads, under proper regulations and restrictions seems to be highly necessary for the care and benefit of the interior Commerce.

5<sup>th</sup>. The Canadians mostly of a Norman Race, are,  
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