

of which folly was, however, no more than this——

The rich product of the Plantations soon supplied the Colonists with all the *conveniencies of life*. And men are no sooner at their ease, than they are ready address'd to pleasure. So that the second venture of our Colonists was for the *luxuries of life*: amongst which, the Commodity called FREETHINKING was carefully consigned to them, as that which would give a relish and seasoning to all the rest. For in this close union of Sense and Reason in our Nature, the Man is at unrest, till each part be properly accommodated. While the body is content with a temperate enjoyment of its appropriated good, the mind finds its pleasure in the pursuit of Knowledge, and in the practice of Virtue. But when the Body plunges into the luxury of sense, the mind will extravagate through all the whimsies of a viciated Imagination. And these corporeal and intellectual Vices, supporting one another, the ravages they make of humanity are not to be controlled.

Thus it came to pass, that the very People, whose Fathers were driven for Conscience-  
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