

Such like treatment must be considered very unfeeling, when it is known by the least amongst you, that those men are paid and placed in office to serve the inhabitants, and ought to hear every man's case coolly and deliberately; every subject ought to be used with tenderness in this respect, but you are treated more like brutes than human beings. It has been observed by your Chief Justice, JOHN ELMSLEY, of the Upper Province—
“ that the Americans were only fit for slaves and to cultivate wild lands, and that there are no gentlemen born and educated in the United States.”

I am at a loss what construction to place on those assertions, whether your rulers do actually think that the Americans are such low, despicable beings as they are pleased to represent them to be; or on the contrary, whether they themselves are not afraid, in consequence of being placed so near the pure and free air of the *United States*. They know that you have an instinctive love of liberty, and that by crossing that chain of waters, you cannot forget that inestimable and glorious Constitution, which allows the privilege of speech and of the press, and founded upon the rights of Freedom, which God first intended for his people. It is not easy for you to stand with your jaws locked together, like men stupified with overbearing tyranny.—Should any of you or your children after you become ever so capable, they can never step forward in a British colonial government; they have men to serve in the different stations of office, and generally find such characters as are worn out with service, and such as have deprived themselves of a fortune by extravagant living.—Such men rule with a military spirit, and wish for its force to become superior and independent of the civil law:—