

great, however good, or well qualified those great Personages may be, who have the Direction of the Affairs of our Plantations, and of our Trade and Commerce, yet if the Order of the Offices be inverted, and they be thereby under a Necessity to depend upon private, and often partial, Information, they will be often led into Mistakes ; even so as to withdraw their Protection from those who have acted agreeable to their Duty, and to support others who in many Respects have deviated from their Duty to the King, and at the same Time committed many Acts of Oppression against the Subject.

I shall