

Island, which was formerly one of the most fruitful, is now near worn out: And such is and will be the Fate of all small Islands, where People increase so fast, and so constantly keep their Lands tilled. Such in part is the Case of the Island of *Barbadoes* already, yet the Planters there are not willing to remove to Places where twice the Quantity of Sugars may be made by the same Labour as there. The People of *Bermudas* too are not easily to be persuaded to remove to a better Countrey, where the same Degree of Industry and Frugality, which these People are remarkable for, would soon enrich them. These People are extremely civil and kind to Strangers; and when they have a good Governor, as it is universally allowed they had of Governor *Bennet*, no People are more happy. They have very few Priests, as few Physicians, and fewer Lawyers. All the Necessaries which they want, such as Apparel and Household Goods, they are furnished with from hence; for which they send us Money, and fine Plait for making Womens Hats, &c. together with whatever they can spare, of any Commodities which bear a Price here. The *Bermudians* in general are excellent Hands on board of Sloops, and the best Fishermen that I ever knew. They navigate their Vessels at less Expence than any other People, and consequently can get by smaller Freights.

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