

their defects, and set forth the affair in a true and clear, not, as the letter does, in a false and obscure light.

Of the same nature with the former are the words following, *to which are annexed, An easy plan for restoring quiet in the public measures of that province, and defeating the ambitious views of the French in time to come.*

One would imagine that his plan was calculated to defeat the designs of the *French*, not only against this province of *Pensylvania*, but all the other *English* provinces in *America*; and so doubtless the author, or authors, would have it understood: whereas their scheme is altogether particular, and consists solely in obtaining the ends which they have in view; namely, to strip the Quakers of their rights and privileges, and submit them to the arbitrary will of their governors. Let us now see whether what is farther declared in the title be true, namely, if *the conduct of the assemblies of Pensylvania is impartially examined.*

The writer of the pamphlet begins with a very fallacious question, as if put by his friend. *Why we who are esteemed one of the richest colonies in America, are the most backward in contributing to the defence of the British dominions in these parts?*

*Pensylvania* unhappily, like the rest of the colonies, is divided into two parties, one for the true interest of the province, the other against it. The letter writer would not be thought to be of the latter, but as he states the question, he makes himself of it, *why are we the most backward?* and this will appear to be the truth of the case; altho' by *we* he doubtless means the opposite party, or those of the assembly; in which he advances a great falsity: for the assembly of *Pensylvania* have always been as forward to contribute, upon any emergency,