

the 26th of Dec. last, * “ had come to a resolution “ to address the Crown, in support of their civil “ rights and liberties,” which they esteemed to be greatly infringed by the Governor’s refusing to accept any of the sums offered by them for the King’s service, though tendered in the manner and form which had always been used in the province; they resolved to be before hand with them, and publish the present pamphlet, full of invectives, falsties, and unjust reflections, against the assembly and their conduct.

The person † who wrote the letter is very well known to be a *Smith*, a proper tool enough for the club who employed him: but not to enter farther into his character (which is so *black*, that were we to display it in its proper colours, it would be sufficient to discredit his work) we shall begin, without farther detaining the reader, and refute his assertions; either from our own personal knowledge of matters, or from the transactions themselves, which past between the Governor and the assembly, particularly in *December* and *January* last, printed in the *Pensylvania* and *New York Gazette*.

The title page has more the appearance of a puff, composed of several falsehoods, to set off the pamphlet to which it is prefixed, than any thing else: for in what part of it is *the true cause of the continual encroachments of the French display’d?* where is *the secret design of their late invasion, and settlement on the river Ohio*, set forth? strong expressions to raise the expectations of the Public, without any thing of a performance like what is promised. However, we may chance to supply

* See the *Pensylvania Gazette*, for the 31st of Dec. 1754.

† In a letter written on this occasion it is spelled *parson*, perhaps by mistake, as a *parson* and a *smith* seem to have no real connection, whatever they may in a metaphorical sense.
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