

ing new Settlers and Settlements, in supplying them with all Necessaries, and, at their own Risque, introducing Trade and Commerce amongst them, were other great Means, and very effectual in extending the Settlement of the said Colonies.

The unhappy Divisions, both in Religion and Politicks, which subsisted in the Reigns of King CHARLES the First and Second, have been another Cause of the Increase of our Settlements; but there is still another Cause, which has greatly contributed thereto, namely, the severe Persecution of the Protestants in some Provinces
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