

propriety of changing the tenure of the office of *legislative Councillor* from “*during pleasure*,” as it now is, to that by which the Judges of Westminster Hall hold their places, *viz.* “*quamdiu se bene gesserint* ;” and as the Judges are removeable upon an address to the King to that effect by both Houses of Parliament, so I would make the *legislative* Councillors removable from their office of *legislator* only upon an address to the King to that effect, by the Governor and the House of Assembly. This would, I think, make the *legislative* councillors sufficiently independent, and would ensure them respect from both the Governor and the Assembly, and also the inhabitants of the colony. In their capacity of *privy* Councillors, they should still be removable at pleasure ; but, in order to promote harmony among the different branches of the legislature—to make the different parts of the machine of Government interlace and fit properly, and the whole to work together smoothly and without jarring—I would propose that the *privy* Council should be selected from the ablest and most influential members of the legislative Council, and of the House of Assembly.

Much of the discordance that so often exists in the Colonial Legislatures, arises from the Governor’s having no member to recommend and support the measures he wishes to be adopted in the Assembly ; while but too often mutual jealousy subsists between that House and the Council. A *privy* Council, such as I have recommended, from both Houses, would, in concert with the Governor, previously deliberate upon the matters to be submitted to the Legislature, and lay such a regular plan for carrying them into execution, as would in most cases