

by the Constitution to pass the latter as they had the former, and it does appear to me that this late attempt to overthrow one of the best features of our glorious Constitution has been the direct cause of sundry wicked Persons attempting to overturn it in another way, but mark the difference, those who were the first aggressors are loaded with fat offices while the others are stigmatized as a band of Rebels; it my opinion if the odious Law alluded to had not been passed Rebellion would not have raised its Hydra head in this Province for I am fully of opinion that this detestable act stands at the head of all our Grievances for by this and some other measures the Government party has done more to create disaffection and bring about a Revolution than all the Reformers put together previous to the passing the law alluded to.

The Clergy Reserve Question is another stumbling block in the way of the present House of Assembly for the quibbling underhand manner in which they have attempted to dispose of them will forever stand foremost amongst their sins of Commission.\* When the King and the Imperial Parliament granted these Reserves for the benefit of support of Protestant Clergy they do not so much even as hint that the Church of Rome is considered as having any claim to these valuable lands and their conduct in endeavouring to give a fifth part of them cannot be Justified nor excused.

I have a few observations to make Respecting the Legislative Council but must be very brief having already extended my remarks to an unreasonable length, but so far as I am acquainted with the sentiments of all Constitutional Reformers a reformation of some kind must begin here for so long as it remains as at present constituted we have no reason to hope for a better state of things for the House of Assembly may be composed of the Best men in the Province and pass the most Judicious Laws, yet they have the power and have always had the disposition to reject everything that seems to confer any priviledges on the people. I have something to say Respecting a responsible Executive Council but must defer it for want of Room.

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