

house of Representatives, and removing all military officers from the council and every civil employment, must turn more to the interest of the colony than any other measure that can possibly be devised ; it is now evident that the granting provisions to the settlers has not proved an effectual method to encourage an industrious disposition among them, on the contrary it is to be lamented that such prodigious sums of money have been lavish'd to very little purpose, for at this day it would puzzle any man to point out five families in all the country who are able to subsist upon the productions of their farms, gardens or any other improvement made by them, notwithstanding the Germans have been partially indulged with provisions, many of them from their first coming into the province to this day, which in some instances is at least four year : in short it is too apparent that this method of supplying them with provisions has rather promoted an indolent behaviour than answer'd any good end, for certainly so long as people of lazy constitutions can be fed without labouring, they will not work ; a remedy for this inconvenience has already been pointed out long ago in the remonstrance that was made to the Governour and Council to obtain the concurrence of the Lords of trade in granting necessary bounties on the natural productions of the colony, whether the memorial was suppress'd