

L. H. J. Inhabitants of the Lower Countyes on Delaway Bay and Pensilvania. And indeed the low price which the planter hath of late been constrained to accept of from the Merch^t hath obliged many here finding their Industry would not supply their necessities to try their fortunes else where to the apparent and considerable diminution of the number of our Inhabitants compared with preceding years and lists.

p. 148 6th Generally all the Inhabitants of this province being Labourers are employed in planting Tob^o except Coopers and Carpenters, and some few that navigate Sloops and a very Small number of other Artificers having relation to Tobacco all which (excepted by estimation) make not above the 60th part of such Labourers.

7th From this province to England is Exported Tob^o except in inconsiderable Quantity of Furrs and Sassafriz Roots.

8th This province hath little Traffique with any other his Matys Colonyes in America or Elsewhere. And the little traffique which is used is by exporting hence, porke, beefe, pipe Staves, Timber and such like together with Wheate flower and some small quantity of Tob^o to Barbadoes either by small craft belonging to this province or to new England who trade here for Rume, Sugar and Molassis most especially some parcells of ffish and some inconsiderable Wooden Wares of their own Manufacture.

And this province hath no supply of any Woolen Manufacture else where but from England except that of the native woole of this province, our necessities having taught us to make some coarse Stockings for Servants and Slaves &c.

9th The trade of this province ebbs and flowes according to the rise and fall of tob^o in the Markett of England. But yet it is manifest and apparent that universally less Cropps are made of late then formerly, that is to say of Tob^o for that the most and best land for that purpose is cleared and worne out which indeed thereby becomes better for Tillage, And the late grievous losses sustained by the death of Cattle hath sufficiently cautioned the inhabitants by Tillage to make better provisions ag^t the late unusuall hard winters and to plant less tob^o and especially the Country is in want of Servants and Slaves.

10th The present Method against illegall trade is to make diligent Search and Enquiry after illegall Traders, and to have present and Impartial Justice done upon them when found according to the Strictness of Law, tho'gh it be to the disadvantage of this only province, Such Traders (as we Suppose) finding a more remiss prosecution in our Neighbouring Colonyes, so that we believe them all discouraged from frequenting this province.