

And as these two persons are named together I shall Speak L. H. J. of their behaviour in this Publick manner; as being the most Candid and open method, to Set their misconduct in a true P. 4 light to their L^{dps}, and to take of those artfull & false informations, wth which they Endeavour to amuse & poyson the minds of the good people, as if there was neither Law nor Justice to be had under my Administration

M^r Carroll who is a profest Papist, and the first Fomenter of our late Disturbances, having Acquired a vast Estate in this Province by the Offices he formerly Employed, & his practice in the Law, not Contented to Enjoy, this Affluence of Fortune with more Indulgence here then he Coud Expect in any part of his Maj^{ty}s Dominions, must needs Add the ambition of Rule, to his former felicity.

Pursuant to his design sometime before he made his last Voyage to Great Brittain, he shew'd me a Representation which was to be presented to their L^{dps} on behalf of the Roman Catholicks of this Province importing, that they prayed to be restored, to what they alledged was their Right of being Qualifyed for offices in that Govern^t as they formerly had been. Upon the view of this Representacōn I plainly told M^r Carroll; that it was against the Laws of Great Brittain, and the Acts of Assembly of this Province, & I woud opose it to the utmost of my Power. M^r Carroll observing with what Surprise and Indignation I received his motion He told me it should not be offered to their L^{dps} and desired me to be silent on that Representation which I promised to be Provided he dropped all thoughts of offering it. But being afterwards credibly Informed, that M^r Carroll had offered that Representation (thô it had not its desired Effect) to their L^{dps}, I have since told M^r Carroll of his unfaithfull Dealing on this Account before Several members of the Upper House. He Acknowledg'd he had given the Representation but it did not Import that the Roman Catholicks might be Qualifyed for P. 5 Employments but that they might not be unqualified for them. So poor, and Jesuitical an Evasion wants no remark.

I then demanded of M^r Carroll, by what claim of Right did he offer that Representation for that in my Judgment, by the Laws, the Roman Catholicks had no pretention to hold ministerial offices without Quallifying themselves for them he answered that they claimed from an Instrument Granted by the Lord Cecilius, but that he believed, it was burnt in the State House, And that they (the Roman Catholicks) would Insist upon the Right and then Added (with great Vehemence) that if my Lord Guilford wou'd not admit of their Right they would apply to Higher Powers.