

and they truly do suffer for <sup>the</sup> wheat, suitable lump of life  
they work it is true, but the manure they receive in return  
is worth nothing, particularly at other times, & at the Public's than  
it can buy any what I have above mentioned, the majority  
of our citizens think hard of it, yet they trust a course will  
be opened into them, before many more years, we do not like to  
grumble too early, because we have ~~some~~ some every thing  
the Society or Board have put upon us, patiently, but  
when we discover the evil, that has the tendency to oppress  
us, then it is high time to complain, though Sir,  
I do not complain at you, but at the same time you must  
know, & can't be ignorant of our State & Condition in this  
our, little Colony. Then Sir, in the end, I hope you will  
use your influence, among the Members of the Board to better  
our Condition relative to this luxury & other matters which  
are of great Grievances to us as a free people.

I remain your Dear Sir  
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II. Correspondence Received  
A. Letter Books

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