

A Revision of the late American Trade Laws is going to be the immediate Object of Parliament, nor will the late Transactions there, however provoking, prevent, I dare say, the full Operation of that kind and Indulgent Disposition prevailing both in his Majesty and his Parliament to give to the Trade and Interests of America, every Relief, which the true State of their Circumstances demands, or admits.

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Nothing will tend more effectually to every conciliating purpose, and there is nothing therefore I have in Command more earnestly to require of you than that you should exert yourself in recommending it strongly to the Assembly, that full and ample Compensation be made to those, who, from the Madness of the People, have suffered for their Deference to Acts of the British Legislature; and you will be particularly attentive that such Persons be effectually secured from any farther insult; and that as far as in you lies you will take Care by your Example and Influence, that they may be treated with that respect to their Persons and that Justice in regard to all their Pretensions which their merits and their Suffering undoubtedly Claim. The Resolutions of the House of Commons which by his Majesty's Commands I transmit to you to be laid before the Assembly, will shew you the sense of that House on those Points; and I am persuaded, it will, as it certainly ought, be the Glory of that Assembly to adopt and imitate those Sentiments of the British Parliament, founded on the Clearest Principles of Humanity and Justice.

I must mention one Circumstance in particular, which ought to recommend those unhappy People whom the outrage of the Populace has driven from America, to the Affection of all that Country, which is, that unprovoked by the Injuries they had suffered, to a forgetfulness of what they owed to Truth and their Country, they gave their Testimonies with Knowledge, and without Passion or Prejudice; and those Testimonies had I believe, great Weight in the Repeal of the Stamp Act.

Your Situation which has made you a Witness of the Distraction of that Country, will enable you to form the best Judgment of the Behaviour which your Province ought to use upon this Occasion, and of the Arguments which you ought to employ to enforce the Necessity of such a Behaviour as is suitable to their present Circumstances.

I am, with great Truth and Regard

Sir

your most Obedient humble Servant

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