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But for a whole Province to look tamely on, and to suffer their Representatives to be vilified and traduced, to hear their Conduct branded with Disaffection to His Majesty, and an Attempt to trample upon the Liberties of the People; in one Word, to be stigmatized with every opprobrious Appellation, which Malice and Falseness can suggest, and at the same Time to be deprived of an Opportunity of defending themselves, would be a Proof of such general Lukewarmness in the Cause of Liberty, as to render the Province undeserving of so great a Blessing.

To confute these Calumnies, and to obviate the ill Impressions which they might make on our Fellow Subjects, is a Talk surely of the highest Importance to the Country, and if the Freedom with which I have done it may be thought an extream Measure, let those be answerable who have, by furnishing an extream Necessity for it, afforded me so solid a Justification.—I must take some other Opportunity to remark upon their Honours Address to the Governor, which has the same righteous Object in View, that of representing the Majority of the Lower House in the respectable Lights of both Fools and Knaves.—I fully intended to have made some few Observations upon it, in the Course of these Remarks; but the Abundance of Matter, afforded by the Message, has already swelled this Performance to a much greater Bulk than I at first intended, and I am afraid tired my Readers Patience.—From what has appeared of the Spirit of these Gentlemen, in these Remarks, I presume such of my Readers as are unacquainted with the Subject, will not be very forward in entertaining an ill Opinion of the Lower House, upon the mere Credit of their Assertions in the Address; and those who are well informed, may be safely trusted with them.

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Whoever will attentively consider their Honours Message, will find that there is nothing in it to affect the particular Merits of the Bill, not a single Objection being made to any Thing which has any real Existence in it. Many heavy Charges indeed they have made against it and a particular Sett of Men, for which they have been much more indebted to their Invention than their Judgment.

The Charge they seem peculiarly fond of, and which they have very often repeated in the Course of their Declamation, is, that a wicked Majority have endeavoured to establish an absolute Power upon the Ruins of His Majesty's Prerogatives; with this honest View, it may fairly be supposed, to let His Majesty's Ministry at Home see what staunch and loyal Subjects they are, and that the Lower House are composed of Men of traitorous and rebellious Principles.—It is to be hoped that the Ministry are better employed, than to mispend their Time in reading such a Composition; or if they were to descend so far from their Station, and are sufficiently phlegmatic to drudge through it, they are too well informed of our Constitution not to know, that the Gentlemen of the Upper House