Father and ourself, but these are nothing but malicious Lies, invented to blacken me and my Cause; for I have that Monarch's *most Christian Faith* pledged to me, that, that Matter shall be made easy; and when, I pray, *was it ever* known, *That the French King violated his Faith, or Royal Promise?*

AND now, to quiet the Minds of our loving Subjects against Fear of our Displeasure, for Things past: We do hereby declare, that all and every one of them, who shall without Fraud or farther delay, come in and submit themselves to *Our absolute Pleasure and Disposal*, shall have our *Royal Grant of Concession*, to enjoy their Lives and Estates during *Our Royal will and Pleasure*. Except all and every Person or Persons, who in Council, Field, or Garrison, were any wise Advising, Aiding, or Abetting at the Revolution in 1688; and Excepting all Persons, who since the 13*th* of *February* 1688, have voted in either Houses of Parliament; and all other Officers, Civil or Military who have taken the Oath of Abjuration, (other than such of them as shall Abjure themselves back again) and excepting all Persons who by *Writing or Printing, Thought, Word, or Deed*, hath Defamed Us, or our Title: And except all *Protestants whatsoever* (not being *Jacobites*) and except such Person or Persons as we shall from Time to Time think fit to except by Name, on Account of their Religion, *&c. &c.*

The BRITON.

Vincit amor Patriæ.

WHILE the Son of the Pretender is waging War against his Majesty in *Scotland*, his Agents and Friends are active and busy in promoting his Interest in this Part of the Kingdom, by inventing and spreading abroad the grossest Falshoods and Calumnies against his Majesty, and some of the best and most honest of his Servants.

THEIR Behaviour, since the late Miscarriage near *Edinburgh*, is beyond Measure wicked. Having had the earliest Advices of it, they had Time to take their Measures, and give Orders for executing the infamous Schemes they had formed against the public Safety.

THEY begun with an impotent Attempt on the Bank of *England*; the Run upon which was carried on chiefly by Persons of this Party, and by others whose near Relations are at this Time in actual Rebellion.

FROM this Connection between these Persons and the Rebels, there was Reason to suspect great Part of the Money drawn out of the Bank was intended for the Service of the Enemy; to whom Gold was more portable, and was easier concealed than Silver.

THE prudent Resolution taken by the Bank of *England*, to pay in Silver, was falsly represented by the Malignant as a Sign of Distress, and every Engine was set in Motion by them, that could increase Peoples Fears, or depreciate Credit.

UPON this, the Merchants, Traders, and Persons interested in the public Funds, very prudently and seasonably took the Alarm, and rendered this wicked Attempt of our Enemies abortive, by unanimously, and of their own Motion, agreeing to make all their Payments and Receipts in Bank-Bills only.

THE Enemies of the Public, on this Occasion, with uncommon Industry, employed their Emissaries to spread in every Part of the Town a Variety of false Reports, concerning the noble Person whose Motto is placed at the Head of this Paper; every one of which was equally groundless and infamous.

THE Jacobites were plainly calculated to increase the general Panick, and stab the public Credit. Their Authors built on the Effects they might produce on their first Appearance; they knew they could not gain Credit for many Hours.

THE Honour and Honesty of the noble Person who has been thus impudently traduced, are above Suspicion. His Integrity and Zeal for his Majesty and the Protestant Cause are universally known; and his Behaviour in former Times of Danger and Difficulty was such, that should Rebellion and Treason prevail, he would fall an early and certain Victim to the Rebels Cruelty and Revenge; and therefore it is not strange that, at their first Onset, he should be the first Object of their Malice and Slander.

IF the Party should endeavour to palm any more Falshoods of this enormous Magnitude, on my Countrymen, let them suspend their Belief for a few Hours, and the Cheat will be surely discovered.

FALSHOOD and Calumny are all the feeble Props of a bad Cause; they may impose upon Mankind for a short Time, but their bad Effects are soon over, and their Inconvenience to their Authors is perpetual.

London, September 28, 1745.

LONDON.

September 28. This Day came on the Election of a Lord Mayor of this City for the Year ensuing, when Alderman Hoare was chosen into that high Office.

Several eminent Merchants met on Thursday at Garraway's Coffee-House, and came to the following Agreement, for supporting the public Credit:

'WE the under-sign'd Merchants, and others, being sensible how necessary the Preservation of public Credit is at this Time, do hereby declare, that we will not refuse to receive Bank-Notes in Payment of any Sum of Money to be paid to us. And we will shew our utmost Endeavours to make all our Payments in the same Manner.'

The above Agreement was not begun 'til Two o' Clock on Thursday, and before Five last Night upwards of 1140 had signed it.

We are assured that the Hurry which has been at the Bank these few Days past, but now over, was occasioned by the Papists and Jacobites, with Design to hurt Credit as much as was in their Power, and to get Gold to send to the Rebels; in which the Directors wisely disappointed them, by ordering Payment in Silver.

Five Companies of General Blakeney's Regiment of Foot are on their March from Hampshire to Chester, in order to join the other five Companies which are now together there, with two Regiments of Foot, which are daily expected there from Ireland; who are all to march immediately for Scotland.

Last Friday Evening an Express was sent to Northampton, for the Troops of his Grace the Duke of Montague's Horse to hold themselves in Readiness to march to the Northward.

And last Saturday Orders were sent to the Lord St. George's Regiment of Dragoons, quarter'd in Derbyshire, Leicestershire, and Nottinghamshire, to move further North.

An Officer in General Blakeney's Regiment has received a Letter from the General at Stirling, wherein he acquaints him that a considerable Body of Rebels had appeared before that Place; whereupon he made a Sally, and killed a great Number of them, upon which the Remainder soon disappeared.

October 8. We hear that a Party of Highlanders, who were coming to join their Fellow-Rogues at Edinburgh, have been dispersed by a Body of the well affected Clans.

October 12. Orders are given for the immediate Building of Twenty Men of War, from 20 to 60 Guns.

His Majesty's Forces are to rendezvous at Doncaster in Yorkshire, on Monday the 23*rd* Instant, and will make 16000 men; after which they will march direct to Edinburgh, and be joined in their Rout thither by several Regiments of Horse and Foot; and by the Time they can [illegible] up with the Rebe