

Asiduity in the Dispatch of Publick Business, I am now enabled to relieve You from Your Attendance, before the Season of the Year is too far advanced -

I cannot put an End to the Session without expressing My entire Approbation of Your Conduct, and thanking You for that clear Demonstration which your Proceedings, through the whole Course of the Session, have afforded to all the World, of the Affectionate Attachment of my Parliament to My Person and Government, as well as of their Steady Adherence to the true Interest of their Country. -

It was with much Satisfaction that I observed your particular Attention to those great National Objects, which, at the opening of the Session, I recommended to your more immediate Consideration. The Result of your Deliberations respecting the late Acquisitions in the East Indies has shown, that you were not more attentive to the immediate Benefit arising therefrom, in point of Revenue, than <sup>to</sup> the securing at all Events, the permanent commercial Interests of this Country, and guarding against every possible Discouragement to our own Manufactures, and to the Industry of my Subjects. What more remains to be done for securing the Possession of those valuable Acquisitions, you will, I doubt not, proceed to provide for with all convenient Dispatch at your next Meeting. -

The Measures which I had taken regarding the late unhappy Disturbances in North America, have been already laid before You. They have received your Approbation, and you have assured me of your firm Support in the Prosecution of them. Nothing, in my Opinion, could be more likely to enable the well disposed among my Subjects in that part of the World to discourage and defeat the Designs of the Factious and Seditious, than the hearty Concurrence of every Branch of the Legislature in the Resolution of maintaining the Execution of the Laws in every part of my Dominions; and there is nothing I more ardently wish for, than to see it produce that good Effect. -

With respect to Foreign Affairs, my own Determination, as well as the Assurances given me by the other Powers of Europe, continue the same, as I communicated to You at the Beginning of this Session. And however unsuccessful My Attempts have proved for preventing the unfortunate Rupture which has happened between Russia and the Porte, I shall not fail to use my good Offices towards restoring Peace between those Powers; and I trust, that the Calamities of War will not extend to any other part of Europe. -

Gentlemen of the House of Commons

My particular Thanks are due to You, as well for the Supplies which You have granted me for the Services of the current Year, as for the Provision which You have made for enabling me to discharge the Debt incurred upon Account of my Civil Government. Your Readings in Relieving me from the Difficulties increasing upon me, from the Continuance of that Debt, I shall ever consider as an additional Motive for Me to endeavour to confine the Expences of my Civil Government within such Bounds as the Honour of my Crown can possibly admit.

My Lords and Gentlemen

It gives me great Concern to be obliged to recommend to You, with more than ordinary earnestness, that You would, all, in your several Counties, exert your utmost Efforts for the Maintenance of Publick Peace and of Good Order, among my People. You must