

“ of the Uncle, to Mr. *Roundell's* Store, and in Virtue of that Deceit, obtained Credit for some Goods.
 “ This she did, as there was Reason to suppose, with the Privity or by the Compulsion of a necessitous and
 “ base Husband: So, had the Prosecution been carried on, the simple Wife might possibly have been pu-
 “ nished, while the more guilty Husband escaped with Impunity. I have been since informed, that, if the
 “ Woman had been brought to her Trial, she must, in all Probability, have been acquitted. But, whatever
 “ might have been the Event of a Trial, I do not apprehend that in granting a *Noli Prosequi*, I exercised
 “ any Power against the true Spirit of a *British* Constitution; and I flatter myself you will not widely differ
 “ from me in that Opinion, if you coolly consider the Case, and not take into such Consideration the Wo-
 “ man's Religion. I have already told you, that when Application was made to me in her Favour, I was a
 “ Stranger to her Religious Principles; and I have been assured by the Gentlemen who spoke to me about
 “ her, that they were also unacquainted therewith. Mr. *Roundell*, I observe, has suppressed some Truths;
 “ and, on some Account or other, has not, by his Deposition, informed you of the whole Part that he acted,
 “ or how far he was concerned, in having a Stop put to the Prosecution: To supply such Defect in his, I
 “ send you another Deposition; from which, and a Letter in Mr. *Ridout's* Hands, which he will shew any
 “ Gentlemen that will ask him, may be seen what Grounds I had for what was heretofore said concerning
 “ Mr. *Roundell*.

“ I thank you for candidly informing me, what some People expect and desire with regard to Mr. *Henry*
 “ *Darnall*, and his Brother, who were both promoted to Places of Trust and Profit within this Government
 “ by my Predecessors: Had you also shewn, that they have not duly and impartially executed such Offices,
 “ I should, indeed, have thought that your Expectations were not in the least unreasonable.

“ I am told, that since Mr. *Darnall's* Son, who went to a foreign University for Education, has finished
 “ his Studies and returned to his Father, he has taken the Oaths, and by his Professions, and Attendance
 “ on Divine Service at the Parochial Church, gives all possible Proof of his being a sound Protestant.
 “ However, for my own Part, I think none of our Youth should be sent or suffered to go to Foreign Popish
 “ Seminaries; and I promise you, that whenever you shall think proper to prepare a Bill to prevent it, I
 “ shall readily give my Consent to its being Enacted into a Law. As to Mr. *Darnall's* Brother, I cannot
 “ learn that he has sent any of his Family Abroad to be Educated in Principles that he himself disavows,
 “ and am given to understand that he suffers no Priest to come to his House: I will also, if such a Caution
 “ be necessary, recommend it to him to be particularly careful to keep his Children from any Company,
 “ whose Conversation might possibly instil Notions into their Minds, that he, as a Protestant, must condemn:
 “ And as I do not, upon Enquiry, find, that he is at all disagreeable, or has rendered himself obnoxious,
 “ to that Part of the People among whom the Office he holds obliges him to reside, or that any Body could
 “ recommend a Person better qualified to discharge the Duty of that Office, or who would do it with greater
 “ Integrity and Impartiality, I have not fixed on any Gentleman whom I would appoint his Successor.

“ Now I have gone through that Part of your Address, which seemed more particularly to concern my-
 “ self, and which, for that Reason, I have taken more particular Notice of; permit me to make a few Ob-
 “ servations on the other and less interesting Parts also: The Prorogation of the Assembly so soon after I
 “ returned an Answer to your first Address on this Subject, you will be pleased to remember was at your
 “ own Request; and tho' it precluded you from the Possibility of making a Reply that Session, yet it afford-
 “ ed you an Opportunity, and gave you Time, to examine thoroughly into the several Facts mentioned as
 “ well in your Address as in my Answer, and might have prevented your insisting a second Time on any
 “ Matters, of the Truth of which you were not absolutely certain.

“ I cannot pass over that Period where you tell me, *That tho' you had been mistaken as to some inconsiderable*
 “ *Circumstances, you think there would have been no Room to Triumph*, without intimating to you, that, if that
 “ Sentence be addressed to me, it might have been spared; for I can assure you, that tho' you should be
 “ mistaken even in material or considerable Circumstances, I will not Triumph; That I neither have done
 “ nor desire to do over any but our King's or Country's Enemies, and I persuade myself you will never
 “ come under that Denomination.

“ I now proceed to make a Remark or two on the explicit and extensive Disquisition, by you entered up-
 “ on, to shew that the Evil you complained of is very inveterate, and hath long called for Redress.

“ It will not be disputed, that from the first Settlement of the Province down to the Revolution, Offices
 “ of Profit and Trust were some Times conferred on Persons of the Romish Faith, and some Times on Gen-
 “ tlemen of a different Persuasion; and I also agree with you, that, considering the Times, and the general
 “ Toleration here in those Days allowed, it is not greatly to be wondered at. However, it will, on Enqui-
 “ ry, be found, that whether the Administration of Public Affairs was in the Hands of Protestants or Papists,

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