Governor Notice that no public Business lay before them; so that they could have no Opportunity of replying to it, although they were loaded with the most injurious Calumnies. One would have expected an Extract of some Clauses from the Bill, to support a Charge of so heinous a Nature; but as there was nothing of this Kind in it, they have very boldly afferted it, relying upon the Credulity of the People in England, and the Supineness (of which they have had too much Experience) of those who have had a peculiar Interest in obviating and exposing such cruel and groundless Reproaches.

For the Ease of the Person who shall undertake to answer these Remarks (if any Answer should be deemed expedient) I will lay before him, in one View, this and sundry other Allegations, of a like Tendency, interspersed up and down in the Message of the Upper House, which I humbly apprehend to be entirely groundless, and do call upon him, in this public Manner, to produce his Proofs in Support of them, by Passages extracted from the Bill, viz. That the Lower House never intended to raise Supplies for His Majesty's Service, unless at an Expence which His Majesty would consider as beyond all Proportion above their Worth.

That by rejecting the Bill, they (the Upper House) supported His Majesty's Rights against Usurpation.

That by affenting to the Bill, they should give up His Majesty's Prerogatives, subvert the present Constitution, and introduce the numberless Evils con-

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