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*History of the Parliament.*

A L S O

The NEW SCHEME (mention'd in the foresaid History) which the *English* and *Scotch Jacobites* have concerted for bringing in the Pretender, Popery and Slavery. With the *True Character* or *Secret History* of the PRESENT MINISTRY.

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Written by his Grace JOHN Duke of \_\_\_\_\_

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*Auro pulsa fides, auro venalia jura*---Prop.

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My LORD,

**I** Am so heartily desirous of an Union amongst all that go under the Name of *Protestant*, against the common Enemy, the *Papists*, that I would never have singled out any of 'em under so black a Character as the Title to this *Supplement* gives 'em, if their Designs had not been so palpable, and to unite with them, were not to endeavour to alter the Constitution of the Government, and to give the Protestant Religion its fatal Blow: For, My LORD, does not Mr. *W----*, in his *Short History of the Parliament*,

say expressly, that the last Parliament, “ For the  
 “ Character of *Loyal* and *Devot*, have sacrific’d  
 “ their Country to the Power of *France*, which  
 “ can end in nothing but bringing in the Pre-  
 “ tender, Popery and Slavery.” ’Tis true,  
 Mr. B ---- tells us, “ He has too much Charity  
 “ to believe that all who have been consenting to  
 “ these pernicious Measures, equally design’d the  
 “ Mischiefs that have come upon us:” And there-  
 fore I am far from laying this Charge upon all the  
 Subscribers of our late PEACEFUL ADDRESSES, for  
 as there are many of ’em such, as no good Subject  
 would refuse to subscribe, (especially that of the  
*Upper House of Convocation*, and that from *Glasgow*)  
 “ if he did not think them unseasonable;” so I have  
 that Charity for many, that were induc’d to sub-  
 scribe the most ungrateful, (and such I count those  
 that asperse the Duke of *Marlborough*, the Lord  
*Townshend*, and that illustrious Patriot Mr. *Walpole*)  
 that they did it rather in Complaisance to the Im-  
 portunity of the Promoters, (by which I mean all  
*Jacobite* Protestants), than to serve any bad Design:  
 But I cannot so acquit your LORDSHIP, (who, if  
 you have any Regard to your pious Education, must  
 needs be a *Whig* in your Heart, tho’ you are a *Tory*  
 in Practice) or any of the rest of the Contrivers  
 of a Peace with *France*, at the very Time when  
 the Victorious *Marlborough* was almost got to the  
 Gates of *Paris*, where even *Louis Le Grand* himself  
 was just falling on his Knees for Quarter; and  
 therefore, MY LORD, I may venture to say, There  
 is not one Subject in the Queen’s Dominions (pro-  
 vided he be one that loves the *English* Laws and  
 the *Protestant* Religion more than the raising his  
 private Fortune) but believes you to be what you  
 are call’d by the COURT-SPY\*, “ The greatest  
 “ Enemy to your Native Country on this side Hell  
 “ and

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\* Publish’d by J. Baker in Pater-noster-Row.

“ and the Gallows.” There are some (*very few I hope*) who deny your LORDSHIP this Character; and *fewer yet* who will be unwilling you should meet with your just Fate: But all Men will own, (except such as are wilfully blind) that the late separate and *Pernicious* Peace that your LORDSHIP and LEUD DRUNKEN HARRI have patch'd up (I can't say *made*) with *France*, has almost brought the Protestant Religion to its last Gasp. Whether the Addressers for this Peace, or whether the Presenters of *them*, were chosen by your LORDSHIP out of the Contrivers of it, or whether the Addressers and Presenters were but made the *Cat's Foot*, (that the Odium, and it may be, Punishment, may one Day rest upon 'em) I shan't pretend to determine: But if one may make an Estimate of the Promoters of this Peace, by the Frenchify'd Contrivers of it, none but a Madman will ever think the Peace can be Safe and Lasting, or, in plainer Words, that God will ever give a Blessing to that Peace, that is made by such corrupt Ministers of State, that have sacrific'd their Country to enrich themselves, and to *save their Necks*. My LORD, These are Great Truths; and as they ought to be understood by all the Subjects of *Great Britain*, I have ventur'd to speak 'em in *plain English*; for if your LORDSHIP has *ventur'd* your Neck to ruin your Country, (as I prove you have in the following Leaves) I humbly conceive I may with as good Reason *venture my Neck* to save it; and I don't question but all the Protestant Nobility and Gentry in the Queen's Dominions will stand by and support me, in thus *venturing* my Life and Fortune, in crying *Fire, Fire, Fire*, to a *Frenchify'd* Nation, that's fast asleep in the midst of Flames. But whether they do or no, *Virtue is its own Reward*: and as I give the Alarm, neither for Honour nor Profit, but purely to serve my Country, I don't fear, shou'd I die in the Attempt, but

I shall meet with a Glorious Reward in the other World, tho' I shou'd meet with nothing but Death or *Disgrace* in this; if suffering to defend Her Majesty's just Title to the *British* Crown, or the Rights of the Illustrious House of *Hanover*, can be call'd *Disgrace*, which is the greatest Honour a Loyal Peer is capable of receiving on this side Heaven; for (says a Learned and Great Divine)

“ If there is any Glory in Heaven greater than  
 “ other, if there be any Degrees in Happiness,  
 “ and if there be a Proportion of Rewards, as to  
 “ be sure there is, they who have the Honour to  
 “ seal the true Religion [and I shall add, their  
 “ Love and Service to their Country] with their  
 “ Blood, and Sacrifice all other Considerations to  
 “ it, shall have a distinguish'd Blessedness.” Then what a dazzling, weighty, and *Exceeding* Crown of Glory shall that truly Loyal and Ingenious Gentleman, Mr. *George Kidpath*, wear in Heaven, whose Great Piety, Steadiness of Principles and undaunted Courage in suffering for his firm Loyalty, (but more especially for his telling your LORDSHIP every Week \* “ That *Dunkirk* is not yet  
 “ demolish'd, nor the Pretender remov'd”) has set him above all Fear of Death or the Pillory; which, if compar'd with the Glory and Recompence that attends suffering in a just Cause, makes even the Pillory it self a Preferment much superior to the being a L---d T----- or S----- of S---, when those who arrive to those great Posts; (like your LORDSHIP and B---) have ventur'd their Necks, (that is, have betray'd their Queen and ruin'd their Country) to obtain 'em. And therefore as *Christian Courage is a Force of Spirit consisting in two Principal Points, to undertake and suffer Great Things for the sake of Religion and Loyalty*; I resolve like the Anvil to resist all the Strokes of the Hammer, that is, to  
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\* In his Flying-Post.

suffer patiently whatever your LORDSHIP or your Brother B--- dare inflict upon me, for the Discharge of my Duty, in setting yo r *Neck-Adventures* (or secret T-----n) in a true Light. And if Poor *Hurt* has found the Pillory a greater Honour to him than he cou'd expect, (as the *Am---dress's Sp---ch* was a Reflection on the BEST of QUEENS) I shan't doubt obtaining even Her Majesty's Favour, as well as the Thanks of Her Loyal Subjects, for daring to *venture my Neck* in Defence of Her Just Title, and for detecting such *Guilty Ministers of State* as are plotting her Death, (or at least the wounding her *Protestant Fame*) by attempting to bring in a *Popish Pretender* to sit on the Throne of Her Royal Ancestors. And tho' I publish this *Supplement* with as little regard to Reward from your LORDSHIP as Mr. W--- expected for the *Dedication* to his *Short History*, yet I assure myself that all Loyal Subjects to the Queen, and true Friends to the House of *Hanover* will ever thank me for those Discoveries I here publish to serve both; nor is the Age yet so degenerate that I need doubt it; for tho' *Cowardice* and *Covetousness* has been too much the Sin of the *Whigs*, and are those two sneaking and beggarly Vices by which they have almost ruin'd the best Cause in the World, yet 'tis never too late to reform: And therefore I cannot think that the Loyal *Whigs* will desert so *just* a Cause (for 'tis the Cause, and not the Suffering makes a Martyr) in which I am willing to lay down my Life to *serve 'em*, which will to me, be a much greater Reward, than the *Venture* I have here made of my *Neck* can merit. And I think I have good Reason to speak thus: for (my Lord) the SHORT HISTORY tells us plainly, that " *The Measures taken by the late Mi-*  
" *nistry (a Ministry that made Her Majesty's Glory:*  
" *shine as bright, and as far, as the Sun) most-*  
" *visibly tended to nothing but confirming a noble Alli-*  
" *ance*

“ *ance, form'd to reduce the Exorbitant Power of*  
 “ *France, to rescue Spain and the Indies, from the*  
 “ *House of Bourbon, to secure the Protestant*  
 “ *Succession to the Crown of Great Britain,*  
 “ *and to settle a true Balance of Power in Europe.*  
 These great Ends (says our *Short Historian*) were  
 the chief View of those that serv'd the Queen for  
 the *Eight first Years of her Reign*; and with what  
 Success they serv'd Her, the great Union amongst Her  
 Majesty's Subjects at home, and the many great and glo-  
 rious Victories obtain'd by the Duke of Marlborough  
 abroad, will shew to the World many Hundred Years  
 after their despis'd Names are rotten, who have  
 most infamously (as well as ungratefully) attempt-  
 ed to blemish their Illustrious Characters. But  
 tho' this was the *Bright and Glorious Character of the*  
*late Ministry*, yet when your Lordship came (or  
 rather (REVIV'D) into Favour by the bold and  
 astonishing Conduct of Mrs. Abigail, then a NEW  
 SCHEME was concerted (of which more anon)  
 and now the contrary Measures being immediately  
 enter'd upon, “ *The War must be ended, the Grand*  
*Alliance dissolv'd, and to perfect all (for your Lord-*  
*ship was resolv'd to venture NECK or NOTHING in*  
*the pursuit of Honour and Riches) Peace and a*  
*strict Friendship with France must be concluded.*

*Poor unfortunate G---- (for thy Master's T-----n in*  
*betraying his Queen and Country by a LUIDORE-*  
*PEACE, puts me in mind of thy hanging Fate) thou*  
*may'st well say with Coleman, there is no Faith in*  
*Man, that thy self (a little T-----r) art hang'd, whilst*  
*thy great Master, that has almost ruin'd a whole Nation,*  
*goes yet unpunish'd!*

My Lord, ---- What will the NEW PARLIA-  
 MENT say to this! that little T-----rs loose their  
 NECKS; by that very Treason that Great Ones se-  
 cure theirs, which is a Paradox easily prov'd; for  
 is now apparent, that the undeserv'd Reflections  
 that were cast upon the Duke of Marlborough, the  
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*Lord Townshend, and Mr. Wa'pole, were given by the LOYAL PARLIAMENT, for no other End " but " to jully the Illustrious Characters of those that are out " of Power, and to screen the Inquitys of those that " are in, even that Leud and Infamous Tool Dr. Sacheverel, (tho' he has curst the Hannover Family, and often drank the Pretender's Health by the Name of King) is a great Saint and Loy- alist, in the Judgment of HIGH CHURCH, and one that has sav'd the Nation from Ruin. 'Tis true, the REVOLUTION PARLIAMENT fairly prov'd him a Traytor to his Queen and Country, and Silenc'd him for Three Years; and had it been for ever (for the Doctor too was at -- Neck or No- thing ---- in the pursuit of a Bishoprick) it had been but a small Punishment for a Jacobite Priest, that in King William's Reign wish'd he might live to see him pull'd Limb from Limb, and has often pray'd for the Confusion of Her present Majesty; yet in your Lordship's DOVE HOUSE, where the Loyal and Dutiful PIGEONS call Black, White, and a french- iz'd Ministry is Screen'd from the Axe and Gibbet, this FALSE BROTHER, who had so often ventur'd his Tongue and NECK in the Cause of Perkin, can have PUBLICK THANKS, for a Libel that ought to have been burnt by the common Hangman: For, my Lord, the Sermon that Sacheverel preach'd be- fore your Loyal and Obedient Commons, was little better than a Libel or spiteful Satyr on the Pro- ceedings of the best and most glorious Parliament that England was ever blest with; but when Her Ma- jesty shall say to these dry Bones, LIVE, they will be fittest to declare their Resentment of such prophane trampling upon their Ashes, by that Infamous Tool of a Party; (as Dr. Sacheverel was call'd at his Tryal.) Neither can your Lordship wonder that I call Dr. Sacheverel INFAMOUS, and the Head of the Jacobite-Faction, after that Bold Britain (or true En- glishman) Mr. John Dunton has in his Monthly Jour-*



nal, which he intitles the *Court-Spy*: \* unanswerably prov'd these Three Things: 1<sup>st</sup>. That there is a Jacobite Plot now carrying on, both in England and Scotland, to bring in the Pretender, Popery and Slavery; and that Dr. Sacheverel has given great Encouragement to this Plot, by his often cursing the Hannover Succession, and drinking the Pretender's Health on his bare Knees, by the Name of King James the Third. 2<sup>dly</sup>, That it would be a great Service to the Protestant Interest in Great Britain, (as Mr. Dunton proves in an humble Address to her Majesty) if Dr. Sacheverel were brought to a speedy and publick Tryal, to answer to that black Accusation of Jacobinism, and other notorious Crimes that are charg'd upon him by Mr. Bisset, Dr. Boyse, Mr. Eborall, and other credible Persons. 3<sup>dly</sup>, That the secret History of the Life and Actions of Dr. Sacheverel (which is inserted in this *Court-Spy*) is a full Refutation of his late Sermon before the Honourable House of Commons, and prove him in the present Jacobite Plot to introduce the Pretender. My Lord, all these surprizing Discoveries concerning the present Design of the Sacheverel Faction to introduce Popery and Slavery, are fairly prov'd by Mr. John Dunton, and other Persons of great Integrity, in the Book intituled, *The Court-Spy*; or if any one yet doubt of the Truth of the Jacobite Plot that is now hatching in Paris, Dunkirk, Lorain, Scotland, Y---- E-----, and the S--- Office at W---H---, let 'em read the Seasonable Warning of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, who tell the World, " That the Adversaries to their  
 " present Constitution both in Church and State, do  
 " openly in their Cities, and throughout the whole  
 " Country of Scotland, promote the Interest of a Pre-  
 " tender to the Crown, who has been educated in all the  
 " Maxims of Popish Bigotry and French Tyranny;  
 " and

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\* Or a Detection of such secret, odd, and uncommon Transactions in Church and State, as are wholly omitted by other News Writers; sold by J. Baker in Pater-noster-Row.

“ and that their Zeal for the Pretender is such, t'at  
 “ they generally omit the Prayers in the Liturgy, for our  
 “ Sovereign Queen Anne, and the Illustrious Princess  
 “ Sophia, upon whom the Succession to the Crown is  
 “ settled.—My Lord, if Scotland be in such great  
 Danger from the Pretender, as 'tis plain by this  
*Seasonable Warning*, it is, I'm sure, 'tis high time that  
 England shou'd be fully inform'd who 'tis that  
 in “ *The Three last Winter Campaigns in Parliament*  
 have been also sacrificing their Country to the Pre-  
 tender, Popery and Slavery, by contriving, or which  
 is as bad, approving a PEACE, which (considering  
 our *Lives and Liberties* lye now at the Mercy of  
 the French King) will cost England ten times more  
 than a War with France wou'd have done, had it  
 lasted for *Twenty Years*; tho' had it continu'd but  
 a Year longer, as our Army was then in  
 the Career of Victory) in all Probability, by this  
 time we had been *Sole Masters of France*, by which  
 we had rescu'd what is now in such great Danger,  
 the Protestant Succession in the illustrious House of Han-  
 nover, which all true Protestants, (be they *Whig*  
 or *Tory*) will own an invaluable Blessing, when they  
 come to broil upon French Gridirons.

My Lord,----what I here say of your *Conduct and*  
*Generalship*, as Mr. W--- calls it, with respect to  
 the *Pernicious Treaty of Peace*, and your late *disbanded*  
*Troops*, is not spoke out of Malice to any Man's  
 Person; for I think, according to my *Poor Capacity*,  
 the heaviest Punishment that can be inflicted upon  
*State Offenders*, is, that they may out-live their  
 Honour, and Estates, the first of which your  
 Lordship has done already; and as to the last,  
 (except the Pretender comes before you can purchase  
 another *Dutiful and Loyal Parliament*) when you  
 have disgorg'd all the *Luidores*, or secret Con-  
 viction that the Peace cost, your *Pockets won't be*  
*less empty than your Brains* were, at the time when  
 you advis'd to a PEACE that is very likely to

touch your Neck; I say likely, for 'tis now plain to every Loyal Subject, that your Lordship in creeping to a starving and vanquish'd Enemy, (perhaps as much to save your Neck as to fill your Purse) have ventur'd Neck or Nothing. But, my Lord, whatever your *private Venture* has been to enrich your Family, at the Expence of your Countrys Ruin, yet 'tis certain that neither the *Peaceful Bishop*, that was pick'd out to preach the *Thanksgiving Sermon*, nor your *Hir'd Troops*, tho' " So ready  
 " to go upon any Attack, cou'd have perform'd so many  
 " remarkable Services, either in the *Parliament House* or  
 " *St. Pauls*, had they not (as Mr. W--- observes)  
 " firmly adher'd to your Lordship, and their *Mono-*  
 " *syllables*. But, my Lord, shou'd your *Intreague-*  
*ing Peace* prove good and lasting, (as no Man in his Senses can think it will) yet 'tis very strange to all thinking Men, that a Bishop that was to Harangue on the *Excellencies of a Glorious Peace*, shou'd at such an unseasonable time describe the *Miseries of a Civil War*, if he did not suspect it from your Lordship's *Traitrous Conduct* towards the Queen and the whole Nation, by your contriving a *Peace with France*, that must be better patch'd up against next Session of Parliament, or, even your *Loyal and Dutiful Commons*, will not think you above their *Impeachment*, tho' you shou'd climb from Title to Title till you climb so high as to break your Neck in that great and unpittied Fall, which (if the Nation is blest with a good Parliament) cannot be far off: For, my Lord, all your POLITICKS, since your *Pride and Ambition* has displac'd the late Ministry, has spoke no other Language but this ---*Neck or Nothing*--- i. e. a Duke you are or resolve to be; but pray, my Lord, take this humbling Consideration along with your *High Titles*:

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*What signifies an empty Word  
 His Grace, his Highness, or, my Lord ?  
 Saving your Presence, not a T---  
 'Tis Virtue Stamps the Character,  
 And adds a Lustre to his Star.*

My Lord, 'tis a plain Case whatever your venture has been in climbing the *Two Pinacles of Honour and Riches*, yet as you han't ascended one step in *Virtue*, or to *secure the Hannover Succession* since your Advancement, your Rise has been the higher only to make your Fall the greater. *Worldly Honour* is like a Circle in the Water, which never ceaseth to enlarge it self, till by broad spreading it disperse to nought. We might have some Opinion that those great Titles of *Earl or Duke*, had much Eminency above all that is here below, were it not that they daily fall into *Fantasms and Shadows of nothing*; and therefore, my Lord, as you have ventur'd your Neck for Honour and Riches, (which I have here prov'd is *nought, a Fantasm, or Shadow of Nothing*, and when attain'd by *selling of British Liberties for Luidores*, is worse than *Nothing*.) 'Tis but just that your self and your Brother T--- shou'd have your Necks gall'd with that *French (or Jacobite)* Noose that you have been *Secretly* weaving for the whole Kingdom. And therefore, my Lord, 'tis believ'd, that to save both your self and a *Guilty Ministry* from *Hamon's Fate*, that the B--- of B--- and W--- had *Secret Instructions* from your Lordship, to threaten the Whigs with a *Civil War*, if they wou'd not grow tame enough to take the loss of the *Hannover Succession* in good part. [*There's the Secret discover'd of Dunkirk's not being yet demolish'd, nor the Pretender remov'd*:] for why else does the *Military Bishop* at the same time when he is applaud-  
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ing your *Glorious Peace*, (moſt impertinently, as well as unreaſonably), talk of the *Calamities of a Civil War*, if it wern't to ſecure your Lordſhip's Neck, and the *Intentions* of *ſome Body* as far as *Lorain*. I think, my Lord, the Truth of this Diſcovery is fairly prov'd by our *Thanks-giving Biſhop's* not once naming the *House of Hannover* throughout his whole Sermon, tho' 'twas ſo neceſſary to be done on a Day when he was enumerating the Bleſſings of Peace. No, alas! the Politick Biſhop, inſtead of giving us freſh Assurance, that the next Parliament will confirm *the Proteſtant Succeſſion in the Houſe of Hannover*, he tells his Hearers a Secret, I ſuppoſe, he had from your Lordſhip, “ *That if*  
“ *we are again to have any Civil War in England, 'tis*  
“ *like to be attended and aſſiſted with Foreign Arms, an*  
“ *Aſſiſtance call'd naturally in by both Sides, and is*  
“ *readily lent.* LENT! By whom? Why, doubtleſs, the Biſhop means by the *French King*; which ſufficiently ſhews that our *Glorious Peace* has not only ſacrific'd the *Laws*, but the *Religion* of England, to the Power of *France*: And as a Proof of this, Han't the *French King* receiv'd ſuch *New Life* from the *Wiſe Conduct* of our New Miniſtry, that he has taken *Landau*, threatn'd *Fribourgh*, and inſulted the *whole Empire*. “ The Duke of MARLBOROUGH,  
“ (as the *Short Hiſtorian* obſerves) had beaten *France*  
“ too often ever to be forgiven, it was neceſſary  
“ he ſhou'd be diſgrac'd, or *the Scheme* cou'd not  
“ go on; he was too conſiderable to be drop'd  
“ quietly, but becauſe his Publick Services to his  
“ Country could not be call'd in queſtion, the  
“ *known and uſual, Perquiſitics* of the General  
“ are voted *Publick Money*, and are to be accounted  
“ for. But how much this diſgracing the Duke  
of *Marlborough* has contributed to the ruin of  
*England* and the *Proteſtant Intereſt*, is ſufficiently  
ſeen by all the *Freeholders* of *Great Britain*, and is  
late'y acknowledg'd by *Forty Lords*, and by *Sixty*  
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*New Members of Parliament*, of which the truly Ingenious *John Ladd, Esq;* is one, who having their Eyes open'd by the *Treaty of Commerce*, and the Discoveries they make at *Dunkirk*, can no longer approve of your *Lordship's Measures*; but resolve now, if it be not too late, to save themselves and their Native Country from utter Ruin. But our chief Dependance is upon Men of *Constant and Revolution Principles*; and, God be prais'd, we have still some amongst us, many *Godolphin's, Montague's, Sunderland's, Cowper's, Devonshire's, Wharton's, Sommers's, Halifax's, Parker's, Ashurst's, Heathcot's, Abney's, Ward's, Onslow's, Denton's, Hampden's, Stanhope's, Letchmere's, Prats's, Churchill's, Walpole's, Burnet's, and Fleetwood's*, who in their *PREFACES* and *Loyal Speeches* do assert the just Prerogative of Reason, and maintain its ample subserviency to Religion, both to make void the Necessity of an *INFALLIBLE CHAIR*, and to curb the Extravagancies of all *Atheists, Jacobites, and Free-Thinkers*; my Lord, such Glorious and Immortal Patriots as these, may safely be depended on; their bare Looks, I had almost said their bare Thoughts, (were it possible to know them) are better Security than the most solemn Protestations of *State Weather-cocks*; for as they have always been the *very same Men* under all Events and Changes of Government, so they have always preferr'd the *Protestant Religion, Loyalty to the Crown, and English Liberties*, to *High Titles, Diamonds\**, and *Luidores*, and all other Considerations whatsoever. But, my Lord, tho' we may safely depend on such *English Patriots* that won't change their *Religion or Politicks*, for *Honour or worldly Interest*; yet, I must confess, I have no extraordinary Opinion of *Convert-Lords*, or any other of  
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\* No true Protestant can ever forget that Rich Diamond that my Lord B---- had presented to him by the French King.

that sort; and therefore I wou'd have all *Honest Whigs* deal with *Converts in Politics*, as we do with those in *Religio.*, that is, trust not their Professions, but wait the End of their Life before they pass a *Definitive Sentence*, lest a too easy Faith expose them to the Dangers that usually attend a Delusion of that kind. And, my Lord, if I am too uncharitable here, I hope, my *Incredulity* may be excus'd, as I owe it to my long *Observation of Mankind*, *Experience of the World*, and the *Intimate Acquaintance* I have had with some *Preaching and State Weather-cocks*. But, as 'tis reported, that there is come over to the Whigs, at least, Forty *Convert Lords*, and Sixty Tory Members of Parliament, they ought to be receiv'd with great Respect; for as the *not Demolishing Dunkirk*, nor *Removing the Pretender*, has open'd Gentlemens Eyes, 'tis not *Impossible* but they may be sincere; and if they are so, we must say, by the miraculous Providence of God, — *Good is come out of Evil*; — for those very Men, that 'twas once fear'd wou'd deliver us up as a Prey to *France*, by seeing YOUR LORDSHIP and LEUD HARRY, so boldly venturing your Two Necks to introduce the Pretender, seem now so heartily concern'd at their treading so long in your *Jacobite Steps*, that they are like to be the *Chief Instruments* in snatching us out of the Jaws of that Popish Tyrant the *French King*, where your Lordship and daring B— has ventur'd to thrust us; for what won't Two Ministers of State venture, that will venture their Necks to gratifie their Ambition, and to enrich themselves, tho' it be at the Expence of their Country's Ruin: So that if *England* shou'd ever recover the *Bright Figure* it made during the *Late Ministry*, it wou'd be strange indeed! For so much has your Lordship's GLORIOUS PEACE retriev'd the Affairs of the *French King*, that his *Masquerading Ambassador* has had the Impudence to tell the Queen at his *Publick Audience*: “ That  
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“ the Peace had put into her Majesty’s, and his Master’s  
 “ Hands, the Balance of all the Powers of Europe.  
 ’Tis strange, my Lord, that the French King, that  
 t’other Day durst not look an English Army in the  
 Face, when headed by the Ever Victorious Marlbo-  
 rough, and wou’d gladly have accepted of Peace  
 upon any Terms, had the War continu’d a Year  
 longer, shou’d in a few Months dare to tell the  
 greatest Queen in the World, that he was her Equal  
 in Power and Fame. Nay, which was yet more  
 Audacious, that “ He was Shareer with her in the  
 Balance sh: (alone) holds of all the Powers of Europe.  
 Or, my Lord, if the French Tyrant does share  
 with our Rightful and Glorious Queen, in holding the  
 Balance to all the Powers of Europe; To whom  
 does he owe this Balance? Is it to the old Ministry,  
 or the New? My Lord, this Question is soon re-  
 solv’d; for ’tis now universally thought that the  
 making the French King more formidable than  
 ever he was, is wholly owing to your Lordship’s  
 notable Conduct in making the Peace, and to that  
 Diamond-Trip into France to forward the Peace,  
 and to concert Measures with the Pretender, that  
 was made by the Lord B---, which Jacobite Pro-  
 ject for Excluding the House of Hannover, was to  
 have been finish’d by that known and great Friend to  
 the Pretender the late Duke of H---, had not God  
 in Judgment to him, and in great Mercy to this  
 Nation, taken him off by a Violent Death. But to  
 do the Duke of S---y Justice, tho’ he was sent  
 A---- E---- to F----, he was above the Tempta-  
 tion of Luicres, and had too great a share in the  
 Glorious Revolution by King William, ever to have a  
 Hand in bringing in a Sham Prince, that has no other  
 Pretence to the Crown, but by calling our Glorious  
 Deliverer from Popery and Slavery a meer USURPER;  
 but whoever it was that first contriv’d that France  
 shou’d share the Balance of Power with England,  
 ’tis certain the French Tyrant makes such great



haste to over-run *Germany*, if the New Parliament don't put a stop to his Victorious Progress *Lewis Le Grand*, by means of that Glorious Peace your Lordship has made with him, is like to be sole Master of *Europe*, And then where is the Balance of Power? or, Who will be Monarch of *Great Britain*? Our rightful and glorious Queen; or that Spurious Brat---that the *Jacobites* call *James the Third* --- that Rehearsing *Lesley* is now actually Tutoring at *Bar-le-Duc*, how he should act the Bigotted Papist in *England* under a Protestant Mask. -- That *Dr. Sacheverel* (who drinks his Health on his bare Knees by the Name of *King*) is gone to present with a Catalogue of *False Brethren*, (of which *Bishop Burnet*, *Bishop Fleetwood*, *Dr. Williams*, *Dr. Calamy*, *Mr. Hoadly*, *Mr. Bisset*, *Mr. Henry*, *Mr. Bradbury*, *Mr. Clark*, *Mr. Walpole*, *Mr. Ridpath*, and *Mr. Danton*, are Twelve) that must turn Papists, or prepare for Martyrdom. -- That the Peaceful Addressers have been long inviting to *England* with their inconsistent Doctrine of *Indefeasible Hereditary Right* -- From whence, my Lord, it is most apparent that the first Projectors of our celebrated Peace, had only an Eye to the *Luiâores*, the *Pretender's Interest*, and the saving their own Necks. But whatever Hopes the *Pretender* may have of being invited to *England* by the *Jacobite Faction*, 'tis certain our New M---y (by which I only mean your Lordship, LEUD HARRY, and that She-politician *Mrs. Abigail*) are so confounded in all their Measures that they know not how to go either backward or forward with Safety: Forward they cannot go; for tho' your Lordship perswaded a few *Jacobite Quakers* to thank the Queen for the Peace that you had first hatch'd in *France*, and afterwards confess'd at *Utrecht*; yet the Lords in their PROTESTATION say expressly, " That there is so very  
 " little, and inconsiderable a difference between  
 " the former Offers of *France*, and those made at  
 " *Utrecht*,

“ *Utrecht*, and sign’d *Huxelles*, that both of ’em  
 “ seem to be the Effect of a *Secret and Particular*  
 “ *Negotiation with France*, which we can never  
 “ approve of, nor can we think (say these *protest-*  
 “ *ing Lords*) separate Terms to be either Honoura-  
 “ ble or safe for the *English Nation*. And ’twas  
 for this Reason that the New M---y cou’d not  
 Decoy one *Low-Church-man, Presbyterian, Indepen-*  
*dant, Anabaptist, or Protestant Quaker*, to return  
 thanks for a Peace, which they all saw was de-  
 sign’d by the New M---y, (but not by the Queen,  
 who is a most sincere Protestant, and a perfect  
 Friend to the Princess *Sophia*) to introduce the  
*Pretender*, and to exclude the Protestant Succession  
 in the House of *Hannover*, which all the *Whigs* in  
 the Queen’s Dominions have unanimously resolv’d  
 to maintain with their Lives and Fortunes; so that,  
 my Lord, as neither your self nor Brother T---y  
 cou’d go forward with your Separate and  
 Treacherous Peace, but with great Opposition  
 from the *Whigg-Party*, so, to do you Justice, you  
 cou’d not go backward without having your Secret  
 Treaty detected by the *French Court*; so that our  
 Present, Wise, and Loyal Ministry is now so  
 hamper’d in their *Jacobite Peace*, that they can  
 neither secure their own *Necks* from the Axe, by a  
 private Retreat, nor (without Heaven works a  
 Miracle for our Deliverance) prevent the Ruin of  
 a Protestant Kingdom by their publick Repent-  
 ance; And sure I am, when Ministers of State have  
 brought Things to such a Dismal Extremity, that  
 they can neither go backward nor forward with  
 safety, their Case then in a literal Sense must be,  
*Neck or Nothing*; which we find confirm’d by the  
 Reverend and most Ingenious Author of a late Book  
 intituled, *A Word to the Wise, or a Hint on the Times\**,  
 who says expressly, “ When Rulers or Governors  
 “ are under a Divine Infatuation, or are given

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“ up to Blindness of Mind, (that is, can neither  
 “ go forward in their Duty, nor backward with  
 “ Innocence) it is a sad Omen. Thus *Rehoboam*  
 “ by a Divine Infatuation treats his People roughly  
 “ to the Loss almost of his whole Kingdom. In-  
 “ deed his first Steps were very regular; for *Re-*  
 “ *hoboam*, upon his Accession to the Throne con-  
 “ sults a *Grave* and *Wise Ministry*, who stood before  
 “ *Solomon* his Father, 1 Kings xii. 6. These (who  
 “ well understood the Times from their Great  
 “ Advantages, and long Experience under the  
 “ wisest of Princes) gave him wholesome Advice,  
 “ the which had he observ'd he had been as  
 “ happy a Prince as was in the World; but *Reho-*  
 “ *boam*, as one struck with Blindness, *Changes his*  
 “ *Ministry* to consult Men of Towering Principles,  
 “ whose Advice prov'd Fatal to the Kingdom; for  
 “ Ten Tribes revolted from his Government at  
 “ once, and now *Rehoboam* has time to repent his  
 “ *New Ministry*, but to little purpose; for the  
 “ Breach was too wide to be made up, and that  
 “ from the over-ruling Hand of God; for when  
 “ *Rehoboam* goes about to *Reduce* the Ten Tribes  
 “ by force of Arms, thus saith the Lord, *Return*  
 “ *every Man to his House for this Thing is from me,*  
 “ 1 Kings xii. 24. It was from the Lord that *Reho-*  
 “ *boam* shou'd refuse the Advice of a *Wise* and  
 “ *Steady Ministry*. It was from the Lord, that  
 “ he shou'd hearken to the pernicious Council of a  
 “ *Glady Ministry*. And it was from the Lord,  
 “ that he shou'd deal so roughly with his People,  
 “ that he might not only lose their Affections, but  
 “ their Obedience too. Consonant to this was  
 “ the Reign of the late, but unhappy Prince  
 “ *James II.* And indeed who but a Man *infatuated*  
 “ wou'd, as he did proceed with that Precipitancy  
 “ in his Designs meerly repugnant to the *Rules of*  
 “ *Politicks*? For no sooner did he come to the  
 “ Throne but *Mass Houses* are set up, and in all haste  
 “ *Protestants* must be converted to his Faith; FATHER  
 “ PETERS

“ PETERS made Privy-Coucellor ; CROWDS OF  
 “ IRISH PAPISTS CALL'D IN UPON US ; Prote-  
 “ stants put from all Imployments, both Civil  
 “ and Military. *A standing Army* is headed with  
 “ Popish Officers ; *Priejts and Jesuits* appear pub-  
 “ lickly in their Religious Habits, under promise  
 “ of Protection ; the Bishops sent to the Tower,  
 “ and the Birth of the PRETENDER, (who now  
 “ with his *English and Scotch Jacobite* Plot, to de-  
 “ throne our *Rightful and ever Glorious Queen*) was  
 “ most neatly contriv'd. These Things manifested  
 “ a Celestial Blindness and Madness, even to the  
 “ loss of his Three Kingdoms, maugre all his  
 “ LIVES AND FORTUNE MEN ; [For where was  
 “ *Passive Obedience* then ;] the which agrees well  
 “ with that Observation of the Heathens, [*Quem*  
 “ *perdere vult Jupiter prius dementat,*] whom God  
 “ intends to destroy he first infatuates.

Thus for the Ingenious and Loyal Author of that  
 late Book intituled, *A Word to the Wise, or a Hint*  
*on the Times.* How far your Lordship and LEUD  
 HARRY have been under the same *Divine Infatua-*  
*tion* as the *Pernicious and Giddy Ministers* of  
*Rebeldom* were, I shan't pretend to determine  
 (tho' the plain Contradictions to all Common  
 Sense, and the *Rescantations*\* relating to the *Treaty*  
*of Commerce*, that you brib'd your Loyal Com-  
 mons to make in their Address to Her Majesty is  
 such a Mockery as is a little New in Parliament.)  
 However, my Lord, this is certain that O . . . and  
 B . . . have gon' forward and backward in the same  
 T . . . n, that is, have been hamper'd with their  
 own *Pernicious Peace* ; and if your Lordship, or  
 any other of the *Jacobite* Faction deny this, I shall  
 prove it beyond all Contradiction, when I come to  
 detect that New Scheme mention'd in the *Short*  
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 ' rally affirm'd (since his last Advancement) that he  
 ' has been privately given to those Sins of the  
 ' Flesh which the little (or vulgar) People call  
 ' Wh—g. I mean, my Lord, that *Conjugal Perjury*  
 ' has not been too bitter a Pill for O—--- corrupt  
 ' swallow : I won't affirm this to be Truth ; tho'  
 ' 'tis *national Chast.*, and there's rarely *much Smok*  
 ' *but there's some Ire* ; and therefore 'tis that his  
 ' *keeping a Miss at the Nations Expence* (for those  
 ' great Sums that are spent on Whores, that shou'd  
 ' have gone to feed the Poor, may properly be  
 ' call'd PUBLICK MONEY, and are to be accounted  
 ' for to God, if not to Man) is one of those Sixty  
 ' Articles of which his IMPEACEMENT consists, and  
 ' of which 'tis fear'd (as Politick as he has been to  
 ' undermine your Grace, and to blemish your Illu-  
 ' strious Character) he won't be able to clear  
 ' himself ; but what tho' his Lordship's great  
 ' Sallary and high Station may have made him a  
 ' little wanton, yet your Grace knows that we  
 ' *Men of Quality* have a great deal to say for *keep-*  
 ' *ing a Miss* (or any other Extravagance) as, *That*  
 ' *it is not necessary for us to be so precisely Religious, so*  
 ' *strictly Just, so nicely Temperate, or so very much an*  
 ' *honest Man as they ought to be who have nothing else*  
 ' *to live on ; That 'tis sufficient for us Noblemen, if*  
 ' *we are not scandalously wicked ; That Wine and Wo-*  
 ' *men were design'd to sweeten the Toils of great Places,*  
 ' *and the FAIR created on purpose for the Diversion of*  
 ' *the Great.*

' My LORD, no Man can doubt but these are  
 ' the LEUD PRINCIPLES of all STATESMEM that  
 ' *keep Whores* (for I love to call every Thing by its  
 ' right Name) or they wou'd not dare to live in  
 ' Adultery, and call it only a *Trick of Youth*, or a  
 ' *Venial sin* ; for as such 'tis defended by the  
 ' KEEPING CULLIES. There's the Lord L . . . .  
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declares he cou'd love his Wife above all Women  
 in the World, if she were not his Wife. The  
 Duke of . . . . . is of the same Mind, Sr. JOHN  
 follows his Leud Example, and most Men of  
 Quality have a Tang of this Rambling Fancy.  
 But tho' Conjugal Perjury, (or Miss-keeping) is  
 grown thus common and barefac'd, since LEUD  
 HARRY (our Masquerading S . . . .) has brought  
 Whoring again into Fashion at C . . . . rt; yet if  
 my Lord T . . . . be guilty of it (which is a  
 Secret better known to your Grace than me) I  
 must say 'tis a more aggravated Sin in him than  
 it can be in any other Miss-Keeper whatsoever,  
 not only as he descends from Sir E . . . ., a  
 Patriot of the most ILLUSTRIOUS PIETY that  
 this Age has known; but as his Brother E . . . .  
 and most of his near Relations, till of late, have  
 been strict Dissenters, and himself not only a Mo-  
 derate Churchman, but a great Respector of all  
 serious Persons, that from a Principle of Consci-  
 ence went to separate Meetings, of which, I am  
 told, Dr. *Williams* is one, to whom he pays a very  
 great Veneration. And therefore after such great  
 Professions of Sanctity to keep a W . . . ., is so A-  
 theistical, that I can't but think my Lord T . . . .  
 Innocent as to this Charge: But let me correct my  
 Charity! for what can't that Man's Conscience  
 digest that can sacrifice his Country to the Power  
 of *France*, or that will venture his Neck to bring  
 into *England* a Popish Pretender; and there-  
 fore I fear *Common Fame* has been no Lyar, but  
 that the Lord T . . . . is as great a W . . . m . . . r  
 as he is a T . . . tor; but, my Lord Duke, what  
 ever his *Guilt or Innocence* may be as to this mat-  
 ter 'tis certain, *Hypocrisy is the cover of his Counter-*  
*feit Religion*, and T . . . trous Invention, is the  
 Agent of his Ambition, if he did not both  
 need and love Men of Lyes and corrupt Princi-  
 ples but more especially such as are known Ene-

' mies to the House of *Hanover*, neither *Sacheve-*  
 ' *rel*, *The Examiner*, nor *Postboy* wou'd be so much  
 ' in his good Graces. My Lord, if any Man assure  
 ' your Grace otherwise, believe it an Imposition  
 ' on your Understanding; and therefore let not  
 ' your SUPPLEMENT accuse him of one good  
 ' Quality, for that wou'd be to do him the great-  
 ' est wrong Imaginable, and to impose on your self  
 ' as much as he endeavours to do on the Nation:  
 ' I might enlarge in the Lord T---- Character;  
 ' but his Person as well as his Actions are so well  
 ' known to your Grace, I think it needless; but  
 ' I shall presume to be a little more particular in  
 ' the Lord B---- Character, as believing you do  
 ' not know him so well as my self.

' B----'s Religion, if he has any, is High-Church  
 ' --- his Morality nothing --- his Delights Levity  
 ' and Madneſs, (witness the Antick and Ridiculous  
 ' Figure he lately made in the Masquerade,)  
 ' --- his Pleasures are Dunkenneſs and Whoredom,  
 ' VERTUE loves him not, and HONOUR fits him  
 ' not --- *Jacobitism* and Arbitrary Power, are the  
 ' Notes of his Inclination, and Diviſion, and  
 ' T---n are the fruits of his Invention --- In ſhort  
 ' he is ſo little a Saint he is the Shame of his  
 ' Name, the Diſgrace of his Place, the Blot of  
 ' Loyalty, and a Scandal to the Church; and if  
 ' he can compaſs his Ends (with Reſpect to bring-  
 ' ing in the *Pretender*) will prove the Ruin of the  
 ' whole Nation; for he is not on'y beyond diſ-  
 ' pute what the GUARDIAN calls a *Political Lyon*;  
 ' but the worſt of that bad Species as well as the  
 ' worſt of Men, (his Superior the Lord T----  
 ' always excepted) --- His mighty Pretenſions of  
 ' LOYALTY to the QUEEN, and Zeal for the  
 ' Church, (to which he goes but for Fashion ſake,  
 ' his debauch'd Life being the perfect Reverse of  
 ' all Religion and Loyalty) is only intended to the  
 ' Pretender, and to ſubvert the Proteſtant Suc-  
 ' ceſſion

' cession in the House of *Hanover* ; Why else did  
 ' he not examine into those *surprizing Discoveries*  
 ' concerning the *Pretender's Designs upon England*,  
 ' which were lately made by the Reverend  
 ' Mr. WILLIAM CLARK, in his Book intituled, *A*  
 ' *Hint on the Times*, and by Mr. JOHN DUNTON in  
 ' his *COURT-SPY*. My Lord, were not those  
 ' Discoveries dedicated to the *Princess Sophia*, and  
 ' to the *Electors of Hanover*? which sufficiently  
 ' shews they were worth the Cognizance of a S---  
 ' of S--- ; but, as Mr. CLARK observes \*, No  
 ' Inspection has been made into these Discoveries, tho'  
 ' himself and Mr. Dunton were Two Ear-Witnesses  
 ' of what has been asserted concerning the *Treasonable*  
 ' Words and Practices of the *Jacobite Faction*, and  
 ' that by a Person that is ready to attest upon Oath to  
 ' the Truth thereof, upon the Assurance of such En-  
 ' couragement and Protection as is absolutely necessary  
 ' in such a Case. Then, my LORD DUKE, can  
 ' any Man think that the little or no Encourage-  
 ' ment that is given to the Discoveries that are  
 ' made of the Pretender's Plots by the *Dissenting*  
 ' Party and *Low Church-men*, en't a fair Proof that  
 ' my Lord B--- is in the Pretender's Interest, or,  
 ' wan't it so, why en't *Dunkirk* demolish'd? and  
 ' the Pretender remov'd from *Lorain*? Whither  
 ' our *English Jacobites* (daily) flock, as 'tis sup-  
 ' pos'd, to advance their Fortunes upon a *New*  
 ' Revolution, and to concert such Measures with  
 ' their TUTOR *Lesley*, as may best introduce the  
 ' Pretender ; and yet the Lord T--- and Lord B---  
 ' I'll warrant ye, (till their *Jacobite Projection* is a  
 ' little riper) must pass for Two *Hanoverian*  
 ' Protestants and *Mighty Church-men* ; but I would  
 ' advise your GRACE always to be on your Guard,  
 ' when such *Masquerading Statesmen* court your  
 ' Friendship, imitate the *Royal Prophet who kept*

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\* In his *Dedication to the Elector of Hanover*.

Silence even from good Words, whilst the Ungodly were  
 in sight, tho' it was Pain and Grief to him so to do :  
 I cou'd add more Discoveries concerning the  
 Jacobite Character of LEUD HARRY, but I pre-  
 sume these *shor. Hints* will convince your Grace  
 that my Lord B---- is more than suspected to be in  
 the Pretender's Interest. And en't it plain by  
 TOOK and BARBER, (the Two Gazette Printers)  
 publishing the *Mercator*, that my Lord E--- is an  
 Encourager of the MERCATOR, the very worst  
 and Knavishest Paper Britain ever produced, (as is  
 weekly prov'd by that most Ingenious and Faith-  
 ful Writer *The BRITISH MERCHANT*) I'll not  
 except *The EXAMINER*, tho' a Composition of  
*Slanders and gross Falshoods*. But can such a  
 Jacobite Wretch as *The MERCATOR* (which is  
 said to be writ by Dr. D---nt) be a Companion for  
 the Lord T--- and the Lord B---, without con-  
 vincing the World, that to save their Necks,  
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 White, and to disguise their Jacobite Designs with  
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 this is the true Character of the Lord B....  
 by which it plainly appears that his Religion  
 and Loyalty, as well as his MORALS, are  
 wretchedly out of order, or at least these last  
 will appear to be so when I further assure your  
 Grace that MASQUERADING HARRY still con-  
 tinues to be (what he was when you left *England*)  
 .... a Drunken whoring S.... of S...., and  
 which is yet worse he is so Impudently Leud, 'tis  
 confidently affirm'd, .... He has danc'd Naked  
 before .... Has been a Keeping C...y many  
 Years .... Debauches all the Young Women he  
 comes near, and that he lately Cornuted a B--deer  
 at the Expence of a Thousand Pound. But, my  
 Lord,

6 Lord, all this is but *Common Fame*, (which has  
 6 been often prov'd a Lyar;) but to come cloſer to  
 6 him, I am able to prove that he kept a W--- in  
 6 *Covent-Garden*, one Miſs J---nes, (more fam'd for  
 6 her Wit then Beauty;) and that he was wont  
 6 to repair *Sneakingly* to her, I mean Incog, (for  
 6 the Devil's Servants are always aſham'd of their  
 6 Maſter) as oft as the great Affairs of State  
 6 cou'd diſpence with his Abſence: *Heavens!*  
 6 *what ſort of Loyalists and Chriſtians are theſe High-*  
 6 *Church-men!* And which is yet ſtranger, the  
 6 Lord B--- was but a *Partner* in this Strumpet,  
 6 but upon what Terms the Partnership began or  
 6 continu'd, I can't tell, but can Name a Perſon  
 6 of Credit that will inform your Grace, as he  
 6 did me, that Miſs J---nes was but a Half-miſs to  
 6 the Lord B---, and that ſhe whor'd with him  
 6 in *Covent-garden* at a conſtant Penſion.

6 I might next diſcover to your Grace that  
 6 Light, Airy, and Ridiculous Antick that B--- acted  
 6 in the *Masquerade*, ſo unbecoming the Gravity and  
 6 Honour of a S--- of S---, and I'm the more  
 6 willing to diſcover B---'s Character as a *Masque-*  
 6 *rader*, as'twill be a ſort of Confirmation of all  
 6 that Mad and extravagant Leudneſs that I here  
 6 charge him with, and which I'll prove before  
 6 Queen and Council, if he dare proſecute either  
 6 the *Author, Printer or Publisher*, of theſe Truths  
 6 for I'll appeal to your GRACE, if it en't  
 6 a fine fight to ſee a S--- of S--- dreſs himſelf  
 6 like a *Tapſter, Water-man, Quaker, Choji, Gipsy,*  
 6 *Merry Andrew, nay Devil*, (for they may well re-  
 6 preſent what they act) to gratify the wanton  
 6 Humour of a Popiſh Ambaſſador at a *Masquerade*,  
 6 where one wou'd think (*by the variety of Artick,*  
 6 *and Ridiculous Dreſſes of both Sexes that appear'd at*  
 6 *Somerſet-Houſe upon this Leud Occaſion*) that all  
 6 the QUALITY that acted the *Masquerade* were  
 6 run ſtark ſtaring Mad. And therefore my Lord,  
 6 did

• did I know that *Athenian Projector* (or indefati-  
 • gable Novelist) Mr. *John Dunton*, I wou'd advise  
 • him to Petition the next Parliament that *Mas-*  
 • *querding Harry* might be one of his Mad Patients;  
 • for I am told this Day by the Lord *H---*, that  
 • he is engag'd in a Project, (which will far exceed  
 • his *Athenian Oracle* for Novelty, Wit and Learning)  
 • that he intitles DUNTON'S MADHOUSE: Or,  
 • *A Philosophick Amusement, proving that all the Peo-*  
 • *ple of Great Britain (the Queen and late Ministry*  
 • *only excepted) are run distracted, but more especially*  
 • *the Masquerading Sinners of Quality, from the Who-*  
 • *ring Duke down to that mad Priest Dr. Sacheverel---*  
 • my Lord, I don't know what that PHILOSOPHY  
 • is by which Mr. *Dunton* pretends to cure all the  
 • Lunaticks of *Great Britain* of as many different  
 • *Frencys* as there are People in it; yet this I'll  
 • venture to say, that my Lord *B---* is so distracted  
 • in his *Politicks* and *Leud Amours*, that he ought to  
 • be one of the first Patients that DOCTOR DUNTON  
 • takes into his *Philosophick Madhouse*, for I'm able  
 • to prove, that if ever there was a Mad *S---* of  
 • *S---* since the Reign of *William the Conqueror*.  
 • 'Tis the Lord *B---* and I hope his *Masquerading*  
 • Character will be sufficient to convince the  
 • World what a Dutiful and Loyal Parliament that  
 • must needs be that owes its being to the Con-  
 • duct and Bribery of a *Wh---g S---*, and a  
 • *James T---*. I have made more Discoveries con-  
 • cerning these Two Politicians; but I reserve 'em  
 • till a just Provocation, for he that winces at the  
 • Discovery of plain Truth, can't be too much  
 • expos'd, and that as much for his Folly as Kna-  
 • very; for who but a perfect Madman wou'd  
 • wince where he knows 'twill discover his Guilt,  
 • and therefore if your GRACE will Honour me so  
 • far as to insert this Letter in your intended  
 • SUPPLEMENT, I'll prove all the Discoverys I  
 • make in it to be *Matter of Fact* (except they are  
 • such

' such that I only RELATE FOR HEARSAY) If  
 ' either O---- or B---- shou'd have so little Honour  
 ' or Conscience left as to profecute *Naked Truth*  
 ' under the unjust charge of FACTION (or a Dis-  
 ' affection to the present Government) but tho'  
 ' I'll Sacrifice my Life rather than not detect the  
 ' Crimes of a *Guilty M----*y, if (to save their  
 ' Necks) they either defend or paliate what they  
 ' are charg'd with in this Letter, yet, my Lord, I  
 ' shall attempt this Publick Service to my Native  
 ' Country, without any Hopes of their *Reformati-*  
 ' *on*, or without respect to any other Reward but  
 ' the Glorious Satisfaction I shall have in my own  
 ' Breast, of having done my Duty as a Loyal Peer  
 ' and a sincere Protestant, for publick Shame I  
 ' suppose will not much disturb such a T----r to  
 ' his Country as the Lord T----, or such a Mad  
 ' Rake as the Lord B---- for *Leud Harry* is such a  
 ' Martyr to *Bacchus*, as well as to *Venus*, that he  
 ' often Carouses and Tipples so long till he's  
 ' above the World, for (as *Rochester* says) *He that*  
 ' *is drunk is as great as a King.* ---There's but one  
 ' thing that distinguishes Beast and Man, REASON,  
 ' and that Drunkenneis often Robs our S---- of to as  
 ' great a Degree of Madnefs as was ever seen in  
 ' the Debauch'd, tho' (at last) truly Penitent  
 ' *Rochester*, and that B----'s End may be like his, I  
 ' advise him to read Mr. DUNTON's *Hazard of a*  
 ' *Death-bed Repentance*, which has been translated  
 ' into Six Languages, and to my certain Know-  
 ' ledge has been the Conversion of as Leud a  
 ' Man as himself: Or shou'd he dye IMPENI-  
 ' TENT, as 'tis much to be fear'd when Men of  
 ' his *distinguish'd Sense and Judgment* (as Dean  
 ' KENNET calls 'em) *dare live in a known Sin*; yet  
 ' I'll own thus much in his favour that the  
 ' strongest Brain grows Mad and Giddy, when  
 ' advanc'd to a Pinacle; and perhaps 'tis for that  
 ' Reason our *State-Wit* is such a *Slave to the Bottle*;



as thinking excessive drinking (as *Aristippus* affirms)  
 will both cleanse and strengthen his Skull. And I  
 suppose 'tis in this Sense that the Famous *Dryden*  
 wou'd often say, *There is no deceit in a Crimmer,*  
 for the liberal Cup is but *The sucking Bottle of*  
*the Sons of Phœbus to solace and refresh their*  
*Palates in the Night of sad Invention.* And I find  
 that truly Ingenious and Worthy Gentleman  
 Mr. B... net of the same Opinion; for he tells  
 the World, \* *That the love of Wine is a Qualification*  
*that has always attended great Souls; That 'tis good*  
*for a Politician, it elevates and multiplies his Schemes:*  
*Then let B—'s Enemies rail at drinking, but let his*  
*Lordsh<sup>p</sup> continue it since (as Mr. B... NET observes)*  
*it will certainly make him more serviceable to his Queen*  
*and Country, and more able to detect the Schemes of*  
*Fanatics and Republicans:* Or if there's neither  
 Wit, Physick or Loyalty, yet, as is seen in  
 the Instance of Lord B... , to be sure there is  
 Truth in Wine; for DRUNKEN HARRY no sooner  
 gets into a Reeling Sickness, but we straight hear  
 of the Rich Diamond that the French Tyrant  
 gave him for retrieving his lost Glory in Europe, by  
 promoting a Peace which (without a Miracle) will  
 bring in the Pretender, Popery and Slavery, and for  
 ever exclude the Hanover Succession, which (next  
 to the Continuance of Her Majesty's Life) is the  
 greatest Blessing that can befall us. †

Thus, my Lord, I have given you the True  
 Character (or Secret History) of the Lord T....  
 and the Lord B... , that the World might  
 know to whose daring Conduct and Generalship the  
 Nation is indebted for the many remarkable Services  
 that were done in the last Parliament.

My Lord, having proceeded thus far in The  
 Secret History of the Present M... y, and of their  
 loyal and dutiful Commons, I shall next give your

Grace

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\* In his Book entitled, *Some new Proofs.*

' Grace the True Character of New S--- of this  
 ' Noble Assembly, and here I shall do W... B...  
 ' the Justice to say, tho' (by his late Advance-  
 ' ment) he has receiv'd his WAGES (as I hinted be-  
 ' fore) for his past Years Service. Yet I don't  
 ' think he had any Hand *In contriving a Peace with*  
 ' France, or that O--- or B--- has yet let him into  
 ' the Dunkirk and Lorain Secret, however as he  
 ' seems to value himself upon his Sacheverelite (or  
 ' High-Church) Character, and has been chose  
 ' the MOUTH to that memorable P--- Who for  
 ' the Character of Loyal and Dutiful have sacrific'd their  
 ' Country to the Power of France, it might some-  
 ' thing lessen him in the Pretender's Favour (as well  
 ' as render *The Short History of the P---* Imperfect)  
 ' if your Grace don't Honour him with a Cha-  
 ' racter in your INTENDED SUPPLEMENT; for  
 ' tho' he han't so boldly ventur'd his Neck as R--bin  
 ' and H---ry have done in the Pretender's Service,  
 ' yet no Loyal Subject to Queen Anne can think him  
 ' any Enemy to the Chevalier St. George (tho' at-  
 ' tainted of High-Treason) that reads his true Cha-  
 ' racter, which is this following: W--- B--- was  
 ' ever a zealous Tory or High-Church-man, and  
 ' therefore I don't wonder he had all the V---s  
 ' of the High-Church-Party for being S---; for he  
 ' was always a constant and Resolute Leader of  
 ' the Sacheverelite Faction, particularly in the Two  
 ' first Parliaments of this Reign, when he brought in,  
 ' and strenuously stickled for the Occasional Con-  
 ' formity-Bill; but tho' B--- be a Tory (and which  
 ' is yet worse a Bigotted one) yet he's clear of all  
 ' that T---n, Immorality, and Leudness, that O---  
 ' and B--- are charg'd with. B--- 'tis true is the  
 ' Chief High-Church Commoner of Great Britain,  
 ' and much Biggoted to the Rites and Ceremonies of  
 ' the Church of England, yet he deserves Respect  
 ' (were it for nothing else but his strict Morals) from  
 ' the Honest Men of all Perswasions; for tho' he

' be a Bigotted Tory, yet so good that 'tis im-  
 ' possible not to esteem him, and pity his *Mistakes*  
 ' in *Politicks*; 'Tis certain *he's no Jacobite*, tho'  
 ' so near a-kin to 'em; and his Errors are  
 ' Pure Obedience to our Misguiding Clergy,  
 ' which are an Order of Men he has too  
 ' Implicit a Faith in, *there every Word is Gospel*, to  
 ' the Good WELL-MEANING THING; and next  
 ' them, *The Mercator*, *Abel*, and *The Examiner*, are  
 ' his Infallible Guides, in short, they are all his  
 ' P O P E S, and yet he detests Popery of all  
 ' Things, I mean *Bar-fac'd Popery*, but in MASQUE-  
 ' RADE, it passes with him as well as any of the  
 ' *Thirty Nine Articles*, as much as he Reverences  
 ' 'em, 'twere to be wish'd there were no more of  
 ' his Stamp; but I meet vast Numbers of such,  
 ' and worse a Thousand times. 'Tis an Observa-  
 ' tion of mine, that *all Persons of much Zeal, and*  
 ' *small Knowledge, of much Devotion and little Judg-*  
 ' *ment, strong Passions and weak Reason are naturally*  
 ' *Tories*, if of the Church of England; these are  
 ' the Instruments the Papists work with in these  
 ' Kingdoms, and I wish they had no other; but  
 ' the Misfortune, is the Knavish Tricking Noisy  
 ' part of Mankind, join 'em: In short, a Man  
 ' must be a *Knave* or *Fool*, before he can be a  
 ' Tory; not that I deny that there are ill Men in  
 ' the other Party too; but tho' there may be,  
 ' and certainly are as many ill Men as in the other,  
 ' yet there cannot be such a Thing as a Fool.  
 ' Let a Man's Vices be what they will, if he has  
 ' Sense he is naturally a Whigg; for as I told  
 ' your GRACE, a Knave may be a Whigg, but a  
 ' Fool can't. I can't say there never was any Ex-  
 ' ception to these Rules, but 'tis so rarely seen,  
 ' that when your Grace has excepted the Lord  
 ' C.....r, the late S..... of the H..... of  
 ' C..... and Sir E..... N.... they, I don't  
 ' know where you'll find Six *Tories* in the whole  
 ' Kingdom

‘ Kingdom, (the House of Lords and Commons  
 ‘ excepted) that en’t either *Fool* or *Knave*. And as  
 ‘ this is all that I know, or can prove of ‘Squire  
 ‘ B . . . s Character, ’tis all that I shall say of  
 ‘ him.

‘ Thus, my Lord, I have sent you the true  
 ‘ Character, (or Secret History) of those *Three*  
 ‘ *Reigning Favorites*, that were the Conductors, or  
 ‘ rather Managers of the *last Loyal and Dutiful*  
 ‘ *Parliament*, to which I don’t doubt but your  
 ‘ Grace will make such *Additions* and *Improvements*  
 ‘ as you find necessary to perfect the *Secret History*  
 ‘ of the *Present M---*.

‘ My Lord, I shou’d next proceed to discover  
 ‘ the Secret Life and Character of our She-Politi-  
 ‘ cian Mrs. *Abigail*; but she being a Person better  
 ‘ known to your Grace and to the D . . . s of  
 ‘ M . . . . than she is to me, I shan’t presume to  
 ‘ send you any Discoveries relating to the Conver-  
 ‘ sation and MINISTRY of that grateful Creature,  
 ‘ as believing your *Supplement to the short History*  
 ‘ will convince the World your Grace wants no  
 ‘ Information upon that Head.----I cou’d in large,  
 ‘ but ’tis time now to ask your Grace’s Pardon for  
 ‘ presuming to trouble you with such a tedious  
 ‘ Letter. I shall therefore conclude it with this  
 ‘ BRITISH WISH, That your Grace may still con-  
 ‘ tinue to *Realize in your Loyalty* to her Majesty  
 ‘ those *Hyperbolic Expressions* of *Allegiance* and  
 ‘ *Duty*, wherewith the PEACEFUL ADDRESSERS  
 ‘ have even tir’d the Court all the last Year. And  
 ‘ let that Idle Imputation and Reproach of Gene-  
 ‘ ral for Life, wronging the Soldiers, and a Re-  
 ‘ publican Design, be equally the Subject of your  
 ‘ Diversion and Scorn; when all Wise Men know  
 ‘ you too Honest and Loyal to endeavour the un-  
 ‘ hinging those firm Establishments of *Church* and  
 ‘ *State*, to whose Fixation and Glory you lent so  
 ‘ great an Hand, and I doubt not bear so true an  
 ‘ Heart,

Heart, however enviously the contrary be insi-  
 nuated by your inveterate Enemies (such as  
 O--- and B---,) from whom God ever defend  
 your Grace, and all good Men; which I don't  
 speak out of fear of their Persons, for Conscience  
 makes Cowards of us all, and for that Reason I  
 fear no *Jaocbit* Lord, tho' he shou'd *Look as big as*  
 Belzeebub, or were as Haughty and Leud as B---  
 whilst he contiues to keep a W---, or is such a  
 K--- to betray his Country to save his Neck.  
 And as this is *Great Britain's* Case at present so  
 'twill always be in the same Danger from the  
*Pretender, Popery and Slavery*, whilst a P--- S---  
 of S--- (who is the Fountain of all Foreign, and  
 Domestick Intelligence) is a Slave to a Leud  
 Woman, for their are She Favourites, as well as  
 Bearded ones; and tho' this be the weaker Sex,  
 yet both their *Passions* and *Enchantments* are  
 the stronger of the Two. *Hercules* and *Achil-*  
*lies* were not the only *Heroes* that truckled to the  
 Distaff: LUST has often govern'd the *Politicks*,  
 and the Fortune of a whole Kingdom become  
 the Pastime of a Debauch'd Woman; for its  
 too true that such Persons have trampled under-  
 foot Crowns and Scepters, Lordships and Man-  
 nors, and even a S--- of S--- (if he'll keep a  
 W... ) must submit to her *Reigning Power*.  
 'Tis not long since there appear'd one of these  
*Kept Strumpets*, who was risen to so high a  
 Degree of Insolence, that having been solicited  
 about a certain Affair which had been represented  
 unto her as *Just and Easy* to be done, that she  
 might the more willingly imploy her self there-  
 in, she answer'd with a Fierceness worthy of her  
 Sex and Profession: *That she used not her Credit so*  
*lavishly, that another might serve in so slight an occa-*  
*sion to do just and possible Things; for her part, she*  
*accustom'd her self only to undertake those which were*  
*unjust and impossible.* And therefore whatever  
 Crime

‘ Crime Whoredom may be in any other Peer,  
 ‘ for a P--- S--- of S--- to keep a W--- (as I’ll  
 ‘ prove my Lord B--- does, when ever he’ll stand  
 ‘ the Test) it ought to be deem’d (and *Enacted*) High-  
 ‘ *Treason* against the Queen; for ’tis well known  
 ‘ that the present Grandeur of *France* is wholly  
 ‘ owing to those S--te Whores, that were sent by the  
 ‘ most Christian King to the *British* Court to govern  
 ‘ *Charles II.* and some of the *Keeping-Cillies* in such  
 ‘ a *Politick Manner*, as wou’d most contribute to  
 ‘ the *Grandeur* and *Power* of *France*; which I hope  
 ‘ will be a sufficient *Hint* to your Grace to request  
 ‘ the *Illustrious House* of *Hanover*, that no Secrets  
 ‘ may be sent from thence, either to Y--- B---ngs  
 ‘ or W---H--, but what are proper to be seen by  
 ‘ B---, W---, the *French King*, and (after that) by  
 ‘ his *Vice-Roy* at *Bar-le-duc*; from whence, as I am  
 ‘ inform’d by the Lord G---, your Grace has re-  
 ‘ ceiv’d a *large Packet* of *Secrets*; which we  
 ‘ hope to find in your SUPPLEMENT, and for that  
 ‘ Reason your Friends in *England* expect it with  
 ‘ great Impatience.

‘ My Lord, shou’d any *Court-Jacobite* desire me  
 ‘ to prove the Truth of that *Secret History*, which  
 ‘ I have here sent to your Grace, my Answer  
 ‘ wou’d be: What I report for HEARSAY needs no  
 ‘ Proof, as ’tis not publish’d as any direct Charge  
 ‘ against either O--- or B---. Their Bribing the  
 ‘ *Loyal and Dutiful Commons* (except R--- and H---y  
 ‘ secure their Necks by an *Act of Grace*) will be  
 ‘ detected by Mr. W---. And for that *Treason* I  
 ‘ charge O--- and B-- with, ’tis largely prov’d by  
 ‘ the *Protestation* of near *Forty Lords*, against a separate  
 ‘ *Peace*, who call it: *Foolish, Knavish, Villanous* ---;  
 ‘ the *Effect* of very I’ll Advice --- of *Pernicious Conseq-*  
 ‘ *quence* to this *Kingdom* --- and a *gross Breach* of *Trust*,  
 ‘ and of the *Grand Alliance*. And B---’s Whoredom is  
 ‘ so notoriously known (especially his Leudness  
 ‘ with *Miss J-nes*) that I suppose he has yet more  
 ‘ *Honour*,

' Honour and Conscience left than to deny it himself,  
 ' or if he does, it shall be well attested in a  
 ' SECOND LETTER, I intend to send to your Grace  
 ' at *Antwerp*, or if any thing prevents my sending  
 ' any further Discoveries concerning these *State-*  
 ' *Criminals*; 'tis only their *speedy Repentance*, and  
 ' taking in good part what I here publish in pure *Friend-*  
 ' *ship*; and therefore I hope they'll think the  
 ' *Tartest* part of their Character an *Act of Merit*, for  
 ' 'twas said of Archbishop *Cranmer*, *Do my Lord of*  
 ' *Canterbury an Ill Turn*, and he'll be sure to be your  
 ' *Friend ever after*; If Injuries have met with such  
 ' a forgiving and generous Treatment, what may  
 ' that *Act of Friendship* expect that has no mixture  
 ' of worldly Interest? For 'tis their Reformation,  
 ' (as 'twill save a whole Nation from Ruin) more  
 ' than their Favour that I desire; and therefore  
 ' shou'd O... or B... endeavour to suppress these *Dis-*  
 ' *coveries*, 'twou'd be a plain Vindication of *Treason*  
 ' in the first, and a Defence of *Miss-Keeping*, in the  
 ' last; for this Account of their *T...n* and *Whoredom*  
 ' is too notorious either to be deny'd or punish'd, with-  
 ' out proving the Prosecutors guilty of the highest  
 ' *Injustice*, for the whole Charge is now become  
 ' such a *Vox Populi*, that 'tis believ'd by all the  
 ' *Loyal Subjects of Great Britain*, but more especially  
 ' those that were against a *Separate Peace*, as the  
 ' only thing that cou'd indanger the *Hanover*  
 ' *Succession*, engage the Pretender in *New Plots*, or  
 ' expose us to the Power of *France*.

' But I tire your Grace, but remember 'tis  
 ' *England's Safety* and my *Friendship* is the cause;  
 ' besides, this is the only way I have to converse with  
 ' you, and therefore is doubly allowable in

London, October  
 2. 1715.

Your GRACE'S  
 Constant Admirer,  
 and very Humble Servant

S ———.

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My Lord O . . . . . shou'd I give a full Answer to this long Letter of the Earl of S . . . . . (against which I have no Objection but the *Overvalue* it puts upon those Faithful Services I endeavoured to do my Country) it wou'd oblige me to make more Discoveries concerning *the present State of the British Court, and the Loyal and Dutiful C . . . . .* then cou'd possibly come into the Bounds of *Post Letter*, I shall therefore reserve these *further Discoveries* to be the Subject of *Two Essays*, which I shall entitle :

(1.) *The Growth of Perkinism in Great Britain, but more especially at the English C . . . . . rt, being a Continuation of the Short History of the Parliament.*

(2.) *The Vision : Or, An Appendix to the Short History of the Parliament, in a Letter to Mr. W . . . . .*

My Lord, these *further Discoveries* will be printed at *Antwerp*, in the *English, French, Dutch, and German Language*, and will be sent to every Member of the *New British Parliament*, at their first sitting, and after that to all the Protestant Courts in *Europe*, and in particular to the *King of Sweden, the Elector of Hanover, and the States General* ; so that all I have further to discover in this SUPPLEMENT, is that NEW SCHEME (mention'd in the *Short History*) which the *English and Scotch Jacobites* have concerted for bringing in the *Pretender, Popery and Slavery* ; and, my Lord, the Discoveries that will be made by this NEW SCHEME, will be found a *Necessary Supplement* to several Heads in *Mr. W . . . . . 's Short History of the Parliament* ; I own, my Lord, the detecting this *New Scheme*, will put your *Lordship's Neck* in danger, and perhaps will gall the haughty *B . . . . .* for projecting a SCHEME that has brought the *Martyrdom of the English Protestants almost in View*, and therefore I must expect (tho' perhaps your Lordship will be more confident) that *GUILTY HARRY* will prove my inrag'd Enemy ; for, if that be true (as is said of him) that he cou'd act so *MEAN* a *Revenge* as to *Mob it*



*in Masquerade, to see such a LITTLE MAN in the Pillory as Wil. Hurt, what must a Peer of the Land expect, (that in Discharge of his Duty) detects his Whoredom and Jacobite Scheme, [For the New Scheme for bringing in the Pretender Popery and Slavery, may proper'y be call'd B. . . . 's Scheme as the same Project, is publish'd weekly by that graceless Fellow, or Rascal\* of his, the Examiner.] However, my Lord, at the Head of Truth I dare face the Devil, or as Proud a Fury as the Lord E . . . . , and that with a brighter Weapon than a Pen. Nay, I cou'd despise even the AXE it self (for the Hurt it could do my NECK) if I was martyr'd by it to save my Country. To fear was a Passion I ever thought below me, both as a Man, a Soldier, a Peer of the Realm, and a Christian. And (to use the Words of our New Senator †) I hope I shall always keep up my Spirits by the Goodness of my cause; Calamities astonish only Men of ordinary Spirits, he must be Ignorant of the Condition of Humane Life, who fears or flies the Miseries that attend it, to scorn, to flatter, and to be above Accidents, is one of the greatest Masteries of Man; and therefore shou'd B. . . . . insult me for speaking of bold Truths (that has ruin'd his Country, and now keeps a W. . . . .) I trust I shall be as confident as he Impudent, for (as Mr. Steel well observes) In the House, and as a Member of Parliament, I am accountable to no Man, but the Greatest Man in England is accountable to me.*

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\* Alluding to that weekly Paper intituled, *The Englishman: Being the Sequel of the Guardian, where in Numb. I. Mr. Steel calls, The Examiner, B. . . . 's Rascal, a Lord's Fool, Tool, a graceless Rogue, a Fellow in a Livery, &c.*

† Mr. Richard Steel a Member of Parliament for Stockbridge, and Author of that truly ingenious and celebrated Paper intituled *THE GUARDIAN.*

Then if CHRISTIAN VALOUR allows us to *draw either Sword or Pen, or to venture our Necks* in the Cause of God, our Country, or in Self-defence, to be sure I shall neither flatter your Lordship nor LEUD. HARRY, in the Account I am going to give of the *New Jacobite Scheme* to introduce the *Pretender, Popery* and *Slavery*, for it's but just the Authors and Abettors of *England's Miseries* (*be they never so great or powerful!*) shou'd be retriev'd from oblivion, and their Infamy shou'd be handed down to the Unhappy Children, that shall have reason to curse their Fathers *Villanies* and *Treasons*; so that as I have already given your Lordship --- A GENERAL ACCOUNT of what I mean by --- *Neck or Nothing* --- (both as it respects your Lordship's HEAD for contriving a *Jacobite-Peace*; *Leud Harry's NECK* for tripping to *France* for *Diamonds*; *Mrs. Abigail's TONGUE*, for plotting a suspected *Traitor* into *New Favour*; the *Loyal and Dutiful Parliament*, for sacrificing their Country to the Power of *France*; and my own *HONOUR* and *COURAGE*, in accusing a *Guilty Ministry*.) I shall now be more PARTICULAR in my Discoveries, as they respect the NEW SCHEME which the *English* and *Scotch Jacobites* have concerted for bringing in the *Pretender, Popery, and Slavery*. Which NEW SCHEME (as your Lordship must needs know) was an unanimous Agreement amongst the *Jacobite-Party* of the Church of *England* in these FIVE Resolutions.

1. To revive their old *Abdicated Doctrine of Passive Obedience and Non-Resistance*, that so upon Principles of (*pretended*) *Loyalty* to the *Princess Sophia* (*the Heir to the Crown* by *Act of Parliament*, and upon *Revolution Principles*) they might smooth the Way for the *Pretender*, by asserting this plain *Contradiction*, That there might be an *Indefeasible-Hereditary-Right* in the *Illustrious House of Hanover*.

2. To employ such *Jacobite Tools*, as *Sacheverel* and *Higgins*, to preach up that the Church is in Danger  
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from the Dissenters and Low-Churchmen; whereas, were it put to the Vote, it wou'd be found, there is not a Dissenter or Low Church-man in the Queen's Dominions, but wou'd declare for a firm Establishment of the Church of England, if it will satisfy it self to continue a Church upon moderate Principles; I mean if the High Church-men wou'd so pare their Nails of all persecuting Principles, that they may never more plunder Dissenters Dwellings (as they did Dr. Samuel Annesley's) burn their Meeting-Houses (as they did Mr. Burges's) imprison their Ministers (as they did Mr. Jenkins's) or CLAW whole Families to Death (by Fines, Fails and Severities) for only serving God according to their Consciences.

3. To report that the WHIGS are for bringing in the Pretender, that their own Jacobite Plots might be less suspected, the whole Militia is put into Tory Hands, and none but High Church-men advanc'd either in Church or State.

4. To divide all Her Majesty's Protestant Subjects, by branding them with the Odious Names of High-Church, Low-Church, Fanaticks, Republicans, Schismatics; that so by our unnatural Divisions they might strengthen their own Party, and at last wholly root out the very Name of Protestant in Great Britain. And, my Lord, so resolv'd are the JACOBITE PARTY to prosecute this part of their New Scheme to introduce the PRETENDER, that your impudent Tool the Examiner \* now tells us plainly: ' Such is the Nicety of this Juncture, that  
' even our Friends are ready to revolt as imagining that  
' the Faction which they hate and oppose, must be in the  
' right, because not yet reduc'd by those whose only Safety  
' is the others Ruin.

5. To prevent, if possible, the Demolishing of Dunkirk, and sending the Pretender from Bar-le-duc; the Two Theaters on which the Jacobite Party are to  
Plot

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\* See the Examiner, Numb. 36. Vol. 4.

*Plot and Rehearse \* that bloody Trajedy call'd Indefeasible-Hereditary-Right, before they come to Act it in Great Britain.*

This, my Lord, we have found by Experience is that *New Scheme*, that the *English and Scotch Jacobites* have unanimously concerted and agreed to, for bringing in the *Pretender*, *Popery* and *Slavery*, and how closely they have kept to it is sufficiently seen --- by your Lordship's *Advising to a separate Peace with France*. --- By the *tedious Delay* there has been in *demolishing Dunkirk* (even till Winter, which 'twas known wou'd retard its Demolition as much as your Lordship's *Politicks did before*) --- By the *Pretender's continuing still at Lorain*, (notwithstanding Her Majesty's repeated Instances to have him remov'd)--- And lastly, by the *Growth of Perkenism in Great Britain*, but more especially at the *English Court*. --- All these are infallible Proofs of the Reality of that *Jacobite Scheme* that is here detected; or if any *Honest Tories* (for 'tis not impossible but there may be such) being blinded either by *Prejudice* or *Interest*, shou'd still question whether this *New Scheme* was actually concerted by the *English and Scotch Jacobites*, for bringing in the *Pretender*; I wou'd advise them to consider the following *Discoveries* concerning *Dunkirk* and *Bar-le-duc*; and to believe the great Probability there is that the *TRADE-BILL* will pass next Session of Parliament, and then let 'em question the Truth of this *Jacobite Scheme* if they can.

For first, As to *Dunkirk*: The ingenious *Toland*, in his Book intituled *DUNKIRK or DOVER*, tells the World, "The Queen's Honour, the Nations Safety, the Liberties of *Europe*, and the Peace of the World are all at Stake, till *Dunkirk* be totally demolished by the *French*." And tho' the *Sieur*

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\* Alluding to a *Jacobite Paper* that *Lesley* publish'd formerly in *London*, which he intituled, *The Rehearsal*.

*Tugghe* had a Deputation from the Magistrates of *Dunkirk*, to petition the Queen that *Dunkirk* might not be demolish'd, yet (*says Toland*) "None in  
 " *Europe* is so stupid as to imagine any Town in  
 " *France* wou'd dare, of their own Heads, to send  
 " Deputies to any Potentate whatsoever, nor  
 " wou'd such Deputies dare to come hither on  
 " such an impudent Errant, unless supported by  
 " hopes better grounded than appears to every  
 " Body, but which, in time, may be made ma-  
 " nifest to all the World. Mr. *Toland* further ob-  
 " serves that the chief Agent in causing the *Sieur*  
 " *Tugghe's* Address to be printed, and given away  
 " to try the Pulse of the People was a BARONET,  
 " who so spends his time between *Mincin-lane*,  
 " *Somerset-House*, and *York-Buildings*, that 'tis not  
 " more easy to say at which of those Places he  
 " lives, than whether in a little time at this Ubi-  
 " quitarian Rate he can be properly said to live  
 " in any Place at all."--- Thus far Mr. *Toland*, who  
 all the World do acknowledge to be a Gentleman  
 of most *Refin'd Sense*, of *Good Intelligence*, and of  
*Great Veracity*; And by living in *London*, and  
 knowing the BARONET, that walks so often from  
*Mincin-lane* to *York-Buildings*, has a better Opportu-  
 nity than most other Men to know O---'s *Secrets*  
 concerning *Dunkirk*, and I'll appeal to your Lord-  
 ship if *Toland's* Discoveries don't fairly prove the  
 present *slow* Demolition of *Dunkirk* to be a meer  
 Politick Amusement to stop the Clamours of the  
 Subjects of *Great Britain*, till O--- can know the  
 Mind of the next Parliament with Respect to the  
*Hanover Succession*; for if their wan't some Turn to  
*be serv'd*, by deferring the Demolition of *Dunkirk*  
 till the *Winter* Season, Why wan't it demolish'd in  
 Summer, when that Dispatch might have been  
 made in a *Month*, that now can't be made in *Six*? Or  
 if TIME DON'T MAKE IT MANIFEST (to use Mr. *To-*  
*land's* Words) That there was some greater MYSTERY  
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in the deferring the Demolition of *Dunkirk* than yet appears to every Body (and that this MYSTERY was keeping close to the SCHEME that the *English* and *Scotch* Jacobites have concerted for the bringing in the *Pretender*, *Popery* and *Slavery*) I'll fairly ask your Lordship's Pardon for this unjust Suspicion, and that in a Publick Recantation, for I shall be very glad to be mistaken in this Charge of Treason against your Lordship; but I greatly fear I am not, for " There was nothing (says the *Short Historian*) that the People of *England* have been better pleas'd with than the delivering up *Dunkirk*, and the Hopes of its Demolition; this seems to be exprelly provided for in the *Treaty of Peace*; and that it shou'd be done within Five Months after the *Conditions of Peace* were concluded and sign'd; but there was no Demolition at the Expiration of that Time; and which is yet stranger, the *Loyal* and *Dutiful Commons* made a Provision for the Garrison of *Dunkirk* till *Christmas* next, and granted 40000 *l.* for that purpose; and therefore (adds Mr. W ---) after this, What can we suppose too gross to pass upon this *House of Commons*? So that 'tis plain there was some *Jacobite* Mystery in the deferring the Demolition of *Dunkirk* so many Months beyond the time that was at first agreed on by the *Treaty of Peace*; and therefore if I might depend on your Lordship's forgiving Temper, I wou'd venture to tell you freely my Thoughts of DUNKIRK, which are: " That *Dunkirk* is as much the *French King's* as ever, and all that has yet been done on our part there is meer Trick, and one of the smallest Impositions put upon us by our Fellow-Subjects, or rather Princes, for some of them act as if they took themselves for such." My Lord, this BLACK CHARGE against O--- and B---, with respect to their DUNKIRK-T---N, docs no ways reflect on either the Honour, Wisdom or Conduct of her Majesty,

sty, with respect to the *Separate Peace that is made with France, the Non-demolition of Dunkirk, or any other matter that concerns Her Majesty's Government,* for the best of Princes (as I shall prove in the Conclusion of this SUPPLEMENT) are sometimes forc'd to see and hear by the Eyes and Ears of their Ministers, and if they deceive or betray 'em by their *Ill Advice at Home, or Separate Treaties abroad,* it no ways reflects on the Honour or Justice of the Prince, or if there be any Instances in former times wherein Princes have deserv'd to be blam'd for the *Ill Conduct of their Ministers,* there never was any thing like it in Her Majesty's whole Reign; and therefore as *Queen Anne* is wholly a Stranger to all the *Jacobite Plots* that are now carrying on at *Dunkirk and Bar-le-duc,* against her just (I mean her *Revolution*) Title to the Crown; so 'tis almost impossible she shou'd ever detect that *Gilded Traitor,* that now (in a Protestant Mask) Plots to usurp Her Throne; For what Prince (tho' as wise as *Solomon*) cou'd ever detect the Treason of that *Jacobite Statesman,* that Plots his Ruin under a Pretence of Loyalty? Which is exactly Her Majesty's Case, with Respect to that *Jacobite Treason* that has been long hatching by Her Pretended Friends at *Dunkirk and Bar-le-duc;* for Her Majesty is so far from having either Her Hand or Heart in the *New Scheme,* for bringing in the *Pretender, Popery, and Slavery,* that the *DUNKIRK PLOT* against her spotless Honour and Crown has been all along carry'd on by O---- and E---- under the specious Pretence of Loyalty to Her Person and Government. And what Prince (except He that's Omniscient) cou'd ever see the *Pretender, or Treason* lye hid under the Gilded Superficies of so much seeming Goodness, and Loyalty? For that the *Dunkirk (or Jacobite) Plotters,* might display their Pretended Loyalty, or (in plainer *English*) might the better conceal their Treason from our *Protestant Queen,* they assure Her Majesty,

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That Dunkirk is put into Her Hands according to the separate Treaty of Peace, and that 'tis now demolishing; but 'twou'd be Ridiculous to believe the French King (whose *bona fide* is never to keep his Word) will carry the Jeit so far as to demolish a Place that cost him so much to Fortify, and may one Day be as useful to make us Slaves as it has been of late to make us Fools; which French Policy, in persuading your Lordship to defer the Demolition of Dunkirk, puts me in mind of what Philip de Commines some where affirms in History: "That we scarce ever fail'd to bang the French in the Field, nor they to bubble us in a Treaty." And for that Reason I will dare to say to the Greatest Man at Court, or in Y----B---ngs, That the Nation scorns to accept of an amusing or slow Dilapidation at Dunkirk, (meerly to stop the Clamour of such Loyal Subjects, that are uneasy to think the Pretender has but Three Hours sail from Dunkirk to England) but expects a speedy and total Demolition of Dunkirk. If the Nation shou'd be BOB'D of its Expectations, I cannot help it; but I confess I shall think all such M---sters of S---- T--tors to their Queen and Country, who are the Cause of it; and hope to see 'em Impeach'd the next Session of Parliament, for (to use the Words of the Ingenious Toland) "The best Men in Britain have the Face to expect the Demolition of Dunkirk, and will set their Faces against all those that seek to delay or obstruct it. Or suppose, my Lord, the Victorious Progress of the French Army in Germany, has put all Europe into such a Fright, as has forc'd your Lordship, and your Brother T--tor, so far to alter your Measures as to agree (at last) to the Demolition of Dunkirk; yet han't your deferring the Demolishing of it till the Winter Season, given longer time to the Pretender to pursue his Scheme for invading of us; and 'tis clear by the frequent drinking his Health in England, and Publick Talk of his Restoration in Scotland,



Scotland, that the *English* and *Scotch* Jacobites know what use to make of this *Reprieve* that is given to him to contrive our Ruin Or, my Lord, suppose *Dunkirk* had been totally demolish'd at the very *Time* agreed on by the *Treaty* with the *French King*, yet what *Security* have we against the *Pretender's* Plots, so long as he's suffer'd to live in *LORAIN*, where the *New Scheme* for his Restoration is as zealously pursu'd as it is at *Dunkirk*. Then supposing *Dunkirk* were wholly demolish'd, (as I shall never believe it is, till I see it done with my own Eyes) yet how can any *ENGLISHMAN* (that isn't entirely in the *Pretender's* Interest) rest a Moment in Quiet till the *Pretender* is remov'd from *Lorain* to his Holy Father the *Pope*, or to some other distant Place where our *English* and *Scotch* Jacobites can't correspond with him, (or pursue their Scheme for his Restoration) as they now do at *Bar-le-duc*; for, my Lord, I'm assur'd from *Scotland* by a Person of Credit. " That a Freeholder in the County of  
 " *Dumfries*, receiv'd a Letter from an Acquaintance,  
 " who is now in the *Pretender's* Family at *Bar-le-duc*,  
 " desiring his Vote for **Mr. Howston**; and assu-  
 " ring him that the **KING** his Master had nothing  
 " so much at Heart as good Elections for this  
 " Parliament; and that his Majesty wou'd not  
 " fail to remember and reward those that made  
 " such a Choice as he now advis'd his Friend to.  
 And I am told by a Gentleman that lately saw the *Pretender* at *Bar-le-duc*, that " He talks with as  
 " much Assurance of being crown'd King of *Eng-*  
 " *land*, as if he had already usurp'd the *British*  
 " *Throne*. Which great Impudence in the *Pre-*  
*tender* proceeds from the Growth of Perkennism in  
*Great Britain* (but more especially at the *English*  
*Court*) as I shall prove in a Letter to the Lord B. . .  
 And in the mean time you may assure his Lordship that I am inform'd from very good Hands in *Wilt-*  
*shire*, " That at the Election for one of the  
 " *Western*

“ Western Counties, the Inspectors for one Side  
 “ supposing that a great Number of *Jacobites* and  
 “ Papists wou’d be ready to give their Votes, or-  
 “ der’d the High Sheriffs Officer to tender the  
 “ Oath of Abjuration, several of the Persons who  
 “ came there refus’d it; upon which Sir R . . . H . . .  
 “ came to the Officer, and order’d him to forbear  
 “ administering the Oath to any; and let ’em,  
 “ says he, take their Remedy above; the under  
 “ Sheriff came afterwards with the same Expres-  
 “ sions, only adding, That it shou’d be tender’d to  
 “ none but *Quakers*.” I have here given your  
 Lordship a *Glimpse of the Growth of Perkenism in*  
 Great Britain; and I think it sufficiently shews  
 how BOLD the *English* and *Scotch Jacobites* are in  
 pursuing their New Scheme for restoring *Perkin*.  
 And the daring Treason that was lately publish’d  
 in *London* (entituled, *Seasonable Queries relating to the*  
*Birth and Birthright of a certain Person*) seems to hint  
 that the Lord B--- is privy to this Scheme; for is  
 it likely that such eminent Booksellers as A . . . . .  
 B . . . C . . . . wou’d have ventur’d their Necks for  
 selling a few *Treasonable Queries*, if they had not  
 been encourag’d in it by some Great Actor behind  
 the Curtain? And who can swear that the Lord B . . .  
*is not the Person*, for had he not been in the Secret,  
 or had the *Treasonable Queries* been publish’d by a  
 Dissenter or Low-Church-man, (as the *Post-Box*  
 asserts) LOYAL HARRY wou’d have offer’d a Thou-  
 sand Pound at least for the apprehending the  
 Author of this *New Politick Scheme* to bring in the  
*Pretender* by way of *Query*; ’tis true these *Twenty*  
*Queries* (for that is their number) are too impudent  
 to pass at present without binding over the *Dispersers*  
 of ’em to publick Justice; but this is but a *Sly*  
*Amusement* to save B . . . .’s Neck from the *Axe*, in  
 case the next Parliament consists of *Godfreys*,  
*Heyshams*, *Wards*, and *Scawens*, I mean of such  
 LOYAL PATRIOTS, as will think it their Duty to  
 G- confirm