ing it ſelf through every part of our dear Native Country? Theſe and the like Misfortunes, which have now happily paſt by us, and like diſtant Storms by Mariners on the ſhore, may be look'd back upon with Security and Pleaſure, might poſſibly, notwithſtanding the wiſe Precaution and Care of our excellent Law-givers, have overtaken us; and, if any certain concluſion may be drawn from our own fears and apprehenſions, or from the confeſs'd hopes and expectations of our Enemies both at home and abroad, were juſt ready to overtake us, had not the ſame Divine Providence, which hath formerly reſcu'd us from ſo many great and impending dangers, ſeaſonably and almoſt without our own concurrence ſettled us again on a Foundation to all outward appearance ſo firm and laſting, that we need not fear any more the ſecret or open Attempts of our Enemies. *Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name be the Praiſe.* This therefore is one of the Bleſſings for which this ſolemn Occaſion calls upon us to return our moſt hearty thanks to God; namely, that we are now, and have all a-