And as this Treason had, without the Eye of Providence, been past finding out, so the other had, without the Arm of the Almighty, been irresistible. For *the Adversaries of our Sion were then chief, and her Enemies prosperous*, her Gates were defenceless, and her Persecutors exalted to the highest Stations. Some within her Walls allowed only of the passive Expedient of Prayers and Tears to work upon an unrelenting and inexorable Enemy; and others, who thought that a legal Right implied a Liberty to defend that Right, were kept in awe by *Roman* Legions. In this our extreme Danger *God visited and redeemed his People*, and by sending a then welcome Deliverer, *filled our Hearts again with Joy and Gladness, and put a Song of Thanksgiving into our Mouths, for his having turned away our Captivity, and let us see our Desire upon our Enemies.*

Such have been our Obligations to the divine Providence for the Mercies of this Day, to its Knowledge for the former, to its Power for the latter, and to its Goodness for them both; but it is very obvious to reflect, that both we and our Fathers have either not understood this, or very little regarded it. For instead of Returns of Duty for the former Deliverance, the Mischief in vain attempted

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