Proceedings, as firſt open'd the Scene. For, As, in *Argument*, nothing is more *injudicious*, than to plead againſt *One thing*, becauſe *Another thing*, of a quite different Nature, ſucceded to It, thro' the wicked Deſigns of ſome Men, and the unaccountable Concurrence of a thouſand *Accidents*: So, in *Political* Affairs, nothing can be more *fatal*, than to draw a *Concluſion*, from ſuch Events, which muſt lay the Foundation of Uninterrupted and Hopeleſs Slavery. The Nature and Reaſon of Things abhorrs ſuch an *Inference*; which would at once take away all the Right of a *Free Nation*; and make their Meeting together in *Parliament*, only a more *Solemn Form* of *Abſolute Submiſſion* to whatever the *Will* of Another ſhall lay upon them. *All* in the Adminiſtration of Government, who are

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