

time that you are told you cannot be tried for any offence by a court martial while your person remains subject to the will of the Congress.

The report of the Board of General Officers you apprehend to be erroneous, and the subsequent appointment of other gentlemen, exactly in your circumstances, to military employments, subject to orders, and accountable for the breach of them, is one of your reasons for conceiving that the King's advisers do not differ from you in opinion, that the general officers were mistaken.

One of the gentlemen to whom you allude, if I mistake not, is the present Earl of Harrington; but so far from being *exactly in your circumstances*, he stands in a very different situation.

Notwithstanding that the convention of Saratoga had been faithfully fulfilled upon our part, the Congress refused to ratify it, alleging, that we had violated the conditions. We denied the charge; the Congress persisted, and