

interpret, establish or destroy laws, by virtue of its own mandates?

The condition of these wretched people under this government, is described by lord Coke in the very motto which he chose for his works, "*miseram est servitus ubi jus est vagum aut incognitum.*" I need not tell your Lordship that the parliament of Henry VIII. gave the king's proclamations the power of law; it must give some comfort to all sober people to see the parliament of this day annul the force of a proclamation, in order to establish law.--If therefore I can agree with you, my Lord, in thinking the king's ministers are so atrocious as to have formed any plan of despotism, I must agree with you also, that they are more inept and shallow in the execution, since they have