

new. But to pass from the private to the publick Uses of publick Money. At this Time we took 18,000 *Hanoverians* into *British* Pay. On which Occasion I cannot restrain (how late soever my Congratulations come) from congratulating my Countrymen on their Reconciliation, on the Renewal of Friendship and Amity, on the entire Obliteration of some of the greatest Feuds and Animosities which have of late Years been raised in this Country. But general Compliments will not suffice on this great Occasion. I must in particular congratulate a certain Sett of Gentlemen, on that Dawn of Light which now opened on their Understandings, which shews us the Fallibility of human Preception, since we find ourselves sometimes mistaken in those very Points, in which we thought ourselves most clear. But *nunquam sera est ad bonos mores via*. And as is * declared in a publick Manner by a List of very honourable as well as very distinguishing Gentlemen. There is nothing more becoming a Gentleman, than to acknowledge himself to be in the wrong, as soon as he is sensible that he is so, &c. This great and grave Authority will I hope secure me against any malign Interpretation, and that it will be admitted our new Ministers have acquired Glory by the Change, and glorious before their Change, all the World allowed they were. From Beginning to End then glorious. What would one more? Some pretended there was a Distinction between *Hanoverian* Troops of the Year 1744. and the present Year. And it must be granted there was a Distinction, which was only this in the Year 1744, we paid 16,000 *Hanoverians*; and it was at the same Time agreed that the Elector of *Hanover* should furnish 6000 on his own Account. This Year we pay 18,000 exactly at the same Rate as we

* See the Letter of the Court Martial.