

tion of the most consummate villainy, can prepare to assassinate those whom they ought to honour and respect; who can, in their midnight den, plot the destruction of all that we hold dear; but I trust every attempt to subvert our Constitution will be fruitless and vain; yet while we possess this confidence, let us shew forth, particularly at this moment, when our King is but just seated on his Throne, our willingness and anxiety to perpetuate the blessings handed down by our forefathers; and especially let us praise and glorify the Lord our God for the inestimable blessings we have so long enjoyed. Let us retire to meditation and self inquiry. Let us see whether we have been punished as we deserved. Let us see whether our conduct has been more religious and virtuous than the people of Judah. Let us see whether our love and gratitude to God are better proportioned to the benefits we have received. They suffered confusion and oppression, by their wickedness; why may not we? Do we never forget his judgments?—Never blaspheme his holy name?—Never neglect his worship?—Never profane his Sabbaths?—Never tread under foot his dear Son, and put him to open shame?—Never grieve his holy spirit? Alas, may not the Lord too justly visit for all these things?—Let us arise then and earnestly seek the spirit of God to purify ourselves and our Country, lest that awful punishment come upon us that threatened the Jews—“ye shall be consumed both ye and your King.” Let every one strive through the grace of God, to honour his holy name, and discharge the great duties essential to the Christian character. Let our trust in God be visible to our Children and dependants, by a regular attendance in the house where his honour dwelleth, and by a devout observance of private worship. Let no blasphemous or wicked publication be allowed to enter our dwellings. Let our families be brought up in the principles of our Bible. Let it be read with Prayer each succeeding day, that God may bless it to our everlasting comfort. Let us ever remember and strongly impress it on the minds of all subject to us, that in the service of the Lord only is prosperity and happiness to be found. That the safety of ourselves and our Country depend on our submission to the will of God and our observance of his law; that it is his arm alone that can save us, “except he keep the City a watchman waketh but in vain.”

If we do this, we may humbly hope that God will still