

or Necessity, for Avowing such a Conduct, and Declaring to the Public, that it is a Discredit, or rather a Crime, to be Esteemed and Confided in, by all Ranks of Men.

However, notwithstanding all this Reasoning, I am still liable to be told, that Arguments *à priori*, conclusive as they are, avail nothing against the Stubbornness of a plain Matter of Fact; and, if these Treaties are actually concluded, it will not be the less true, though I should invent a Thousand Reasons, to shew the Improbability of it.

It is too true, my Friend, that the most improbable, and the least desirable, Event, will sometimes take Place. If this should be the Case at present, I must convert my Arguments into such
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