pleased to confer some marks of his Royal favour on those Governors and Officers in the several Colonies who distinguished themselves by their exact and fidelity in supporting the dignity of the Crown, the just rights of Parliament, and the supporting the Just Britain over the Colonies, during the late disturbances in America.

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Many more precedents of compensation for sacrifices made by the private subject, and of distinguishing marks of public favour to official; as well as private men, might be adduced from the history of all nations, and in particular from that of the Britin; but the Loyalists think it unnecessary to recite them; because they conclude, that it is easy for Britons to conceive, that if this was not the law of Great Britain; if Great Britain is not bound to make compensation to individuals for the facrifices made to the public interest and fafety, then, while it possesses private, it wants public juftice. The property of the people would be at the absolute disposal of the Sovereign. For the compensation enjoined by the law of eminent Domain is the only check upon the abuse of it. That justice and protection, to purchase which men give up their natural liberty, would be wanting in the British government. Instead of being adapted to the preservation and fecurity of its subjects, it would be despotic; nay