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It would be lost labour to search for constitutional liberty in the pamphlets to which I have alluded. Men whose employments had given them sufficient opportunity of knowing what it is, have from party views given strange representations of it. The late Lord *Bolingbroke*, in the ninth letter of his dissertation on parties, one design of which he tells us, was to give true ideas of the *British* constitution, speaks thus, “ since the revolution, a king of *Britain* is strictly and properly what kings should always be, a member, but the supreme member, or the head of a political body. Part of one individual specifick whole, in every respect ; distinct from it, or independent of it in none. He can no longer