

vail, as to place this supposed number of loyalists in the seat of government; and was that government established on civil power and authority only, it would be inefficient and impracticable. Was it combined with military establishments, and derived its spring from military force, these very loyalists, if ever they submitted to it, would take the first opportunity of revolting from it. Even those of them who are living in this country under his Majesty's protection, and on his gracious bounty, will not venture (some few excepted) to pledge their honour and character to the contrary of this. If they are ready to acknowledge this, his Majesty will find them more useful subjects settled in the government of Quebec than living here. This reason, therefore, on which his Majesty's Ministers advise the continuance of the war in America, is unfounded, will always prove delusive in the trial, and hath misled them.

If the Ministers give hopes, either to his Majesty, or to the people, that they can at any practicable expence, or by any means, send to America numbers, that shall be equal every where, wherever the service requires it, to meet the numbers which that country can at any given time bring into the field upon their own ground;