

Among such peculiar and seasonable blessings, we are to rank the plentiful crop which he hath bestowed on us in all corners of the land ; insomuch, that we shall have no dependence on foreign nations, who might have taken advantage of our necessity. We ought also to mark, with gratitude, the providential opening of new channels of trade for all our manufactures, the demand for which has increased beyond our most sanguine expectations, just in the moment when the breach with the colonies might have occasioned a most dreadful calamity. Let us trace the over-ruling hand of heaven too, in the present peaceful disposition of our potent neighbours, who seem to attend more to the general interest of Europe, than to yield to the dictates of national rivalry and animosity. Let us likewise observe, with pleasure and thankfulness, the alacrity and courage of our soldiers in the cause of their country, after much insidious pains had been taken to make them cool and backward in the service. Let us, with the warmest gratitude and praise, mark the ardour and success with which they defend that antient government, which the pretended sons of liberty  
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