

be jealous in the extreme of all administrations, sit down patiently under the accumulated ills of the present day. Nay more ; we have dealt out our confidence and support to ministry in a degree that the joint merit of the purest intentions and most successful exertions on their part would have alone intitled them to. If we think the most precious gift under heaven be yet worth our care, let us at last give a little moment to so weighty a concern. The end of society is the security of liberty and property. Government is the mean to this end, and must be made subservient to it. When it ceases to be so, we are upholding the instrument of our own destruction. Let us recollect what we were, and what we are. Let us look backward to our ancestors, and forward to our posterity. Let us see how we have used the fair inheritance bequeathed to us by the former ; and in what condition