

determine the interest of a nation; the latter, because those very individuals had it not in their power to comply with those impulses of humanity, but on those particular occasions; in every other respect, they were obliged to follow the orders of their respective sovereigns, to whom alone it belongs to determine the real interests of their people. Consequently there is no ingratitude, where duty and necessity are both a sufficient plea.

With regard to the true reasons of the measure that followed, I think I may enter into a discussion of them with such a friend as you; which I shall take the liberty to do, after I have informed you of the grievances complained of by the English, and of their answer to ours, which I propose doing in my next. I am,

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Yours, &c.

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