

ly, of his panegyric. The name of Rockingham is a sacred deposit in my bosom. I have found him disinterested, I know him to be honest. Before I quit him therefore, I will first abandon human nature.

So far then are Mr. Burke and I agreed. I am sorry that we should disagree in any thing. But finding that we have differed, on a late occasion, in our Parliamentary Conduct; and that I cannot concur with him in opinion on a matter, as I think, of very great national importance: it is therefore not in the zeal of party, but in the spirit of patriotism, not to confute, but to be convinced, not to point out error, but to arrive at truth, that I now venture to submit my thoughts to the Public. I feel the weight of the undertaking, and I wish it in abler hands. I am not insensible to my own incapacity, and I know how much I stand in need of excuse: but as public good is my object, public candour, I trust, will be my best apologist.

Mr. Burke commences his Letter with the mention of " the two last Acts which have  
" been passed with regard to the Troubles in  
" America." The first is, " for the Letter of  
" Marque," the second, " for a partial suspension of the *Habeas Corpus*." Of the former,  
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