

he might be permitted to name the representatives of a certain borough. The bargain was made; the salary of the office was increas'd; the representatives nam'd were elected; and the whole done in so open and avow'd a manner, that the person, who receives the increas'd salary, makes no scruple to declare it in public conversation; whilst the two independent representatives talk loudly of the upright intentions of their master, and mention, by way of proof, that no money was, at the general election, advanc'd, out of the treasury, for ministerial purposes.

To these observations let me add, the late measure of making inquisition into the tenure of every place of 50 l. per annum and upwards, and cruelly displacing every person that had the least, most remote, connection with the Duke of Newcastle. This step has, in particular instances, been attended with so many aggravating circumstances of hardship, that I wonder any man, who makes it his boast, *ingenuas didicisse fideliter artes*, can have suffer'd himself to be guilty of so low and mean a proceeding. But this proves, that every consideration must give way to the first great object; it is necessary, that every office should be held at the pleasure of the present administration; and this engine has been exercis'd, to obtain parliamentary influence, with such force, that, when it had been resolv'd to remove a commissioner in
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