

*subjects.* Even in this case, they persuade themselves, that they are justifiable upon the principles of civil society, in contending, that the just objects of public œconomy can only dictate the prudence and justice of avoiding the *greater evil*, and by the savings of a *permanent peace*, to repair the losses and sacrifices it inflicts on individuals, *as the price of obtaining it.*

HIS Majesty and the two Houses of Parliament having thought it necessary, as the *price of peace*, or to the interest and safety of the Empire, or from some other motive of public convenience, to ratify the Independence of America, without securing *any restitution whatever* to the Loyalists; they conceive that the Nation is bound, as well by the fundamental laws of the Society, as by the invariable and eternal principles of natural justice, to make them a compensation.

SENSIBLE of the predicament in which they stand as subjects; and conscious that they have, on their part, by their exercises and sacrifices, more than fulfilled the conditions of Civil Society; they would be wanting to themselves, and to those tender connections who have, from necessity, been the unhappy companions of their misfortunes, if they did not make their claim of justice to those who are authorized to grant it.

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