

The Americans are next accused of a fatal progression of crimes against the constitutional authority of the state.—By the term constitutional, if the General means an authority constitutionally exercised, I deny his assertion; it is as little founded on truth, as our ministerial measures are upon sound policy, justice and humanity; when the principles of the constitution are abandoned (as they have lately been) the state may proceed authoritatively, or rather despotically, but it cannot be said to act constitutionally.—That the Americans avow rebellion, I deny likewise; that they avow resistance (as their brave ancestors once did, and as all true Revolutionists will do) every Briton, as an enemy to slavery, must rejoice.

For the patience and lenity of the King's (in truth of Lord Bute's and Lord Mansfield's) government, I appeal to facts. Those, who are masters of the disputes between England and America, and stand unbiaſſed by corruption, will pass an impartial judgment between the oppressors and oppressed; we doubt not but the Sovereign's patience is equal to his other godlike attributes; but we know that the patience of America has been severely tried; among other invasions she has been stripped of the most valuable privilege, the birth-right of a British subject, trial by juries. In many other instances government has attempted to enslave them; and shall the aggressors presume to