

hence, therefore, I presume, inferred, that the Americans are laying kingdoms at the feet of his Majesty; and if so, to explain this matter, is to remove the charge. The Americans were the subjects of the Crown of England, and of course owed allegiance to the King of England. They were never the *subjects* of their *fellow-subjects* the Parliament of England, and therefore neither owed nor professed allegiance to Parliament. Besides, the King of England, by the Constitution of England, cannot levy taxes on his subjects; and therefore, for the Americans to acknowledge the authority of the King, is no surrender of their property to the King: whereas if they acknowledged the authority of Parliament, who do exercise the right of taxation over the People when represented, it would be, *without their being represented*, a surrender of their property to Parliament; and a forging of chains for themselves. Under the acknowledged authority then of the Crown, the Americans still preserve their constitutional Rights: under the *required* acknowledged authority of Parliament, they would lose them; and this is the reason that the Americans acknowledged the one, and will *never* acknowledge the other. But it is feared, that some future King, (not his present Majesty, for he has not a wish to govern but through his Parliaments,) may, upon requisition to his faithful American subjects,

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