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corrupt Ministers, who have perverted the Foun-
tains of public Justice, and undermined the
Foundations of our excellent Constitution. Our
Representatives, who were chosen to be the Guar-
dians of our Rights, have invaded our most sa-
cred Privileges. The Right of being represented
in Parliament, is the inherent, inalienable Privi-
lege, as well as peculiar Glory of the free born
Inhabitants of this Country, and a Person quali-
fied by Law, a Magistrate of this City, was duly
elected a Knight of the Shire for the County of
Middlesex, by a great Majority of legal Votes,
yet has been excluded from the House of Com-
mons, by a Resolution of that House; and a Can-
didate, who had only a few Votes, declared the
Representative of the Electors of the said Coun-
ty, against their Consent, through the like cor-
rupt Influence of the same Minister. The chief
Magistrate, and one of the Aldermen of this
City, were imprisoned for not obeying the illegal
Mandates of an arbitrary House of Commons,
and violating the solemn Oaths they had taken
for the Preservation of the Liberties and Fran-
chises of the Capital of your Majesty's Domi-
nions. We recal to your Majesty's Remem-
brance with Horror, that unparalleled Act of
Tyranny, the erasing a judicial Record, in order
to stop the Course of Justice; to introduce a Sys-
tem of Power against Right; and to tear up by
the Roots, Truth and Law from the Earth.