

and finally, to make a tender of his services, as an old servant of the Crown formerly employed in these affairs, to undertake such negotiation. Or, if there were any reasons which might render it improper for him to be admitted to his Majesty's presence, on the subject of these memorials; then praying that his Majesty would be pleased to refer the memorials, and his servant who presented them, to his Cabinet, or a committee of the same; to whom, under his Majesty's orders, he was ready to make the same communications. The Memorialist understood that this would not be disagreeable to his Majesty. The late Secretary, in whose hands these memorials were, thinking them worthy his Majesty's consideration, would have presented them. The Memorialist understanding that the other Secretaries of State, for the reasons they alledged, could not be of opinion to advise the opening of any negotiations, *especially with the persons authorized to treat of peace, and therein referred to*; and the memorials being delivered back to the Memorialist, since the late Secretary delivered up the Seals; the Memorialist finds himself precluded even from the endeavour of rendering that service to his Majesty and to his country,