

any cause whatever, though submissively intreated so to do by your Memorialist.

That notwithstanding Sir Guy Carleton had no authority to amove your Memorialist, yet in the present circumstance of public affairs in that country, your Memorialist, to avoid the public scandal that would attend a contest, and the detriment it would occasion to your Majesty's service, thought it is his duty to acquiesce under the oppression, humbly referring the matter to your Majesty's wisdom, and firmly confiding in your Majesty's justice; that justice he now presumes to implore. He cannot suffer himself to believe, that Sir Guy Carleton would have proceeded with such violence, had he not been deceived to think there was some very great cause for it. Your Memorialist therefore humbly prays, that Sir Guy Carleton may now assign the supposed cause, which hitherto he has refused your Memorialist to do; and your Memorialist further humbly prays, that your Majesty would be graciously pleased to afford him, confident of his own fidelity and uprightness, such opportunity as to your royal justice and wisdom shall seem fit, of dispelling every imagination that the unwarranted and unprovoked conduct of Sir Guy Carleton may have suggested to the prejudice of your Memorialist's character.

And your Memorialist, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

*London,*  
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