

business of the Crown, and whom, however habile and dextrous he found them, he always experienced to be of good faith; as men who have known your Memorialist in business, and will have that confidence in him which is necessary to the digestion of affairs; is bold to offer, by his services, to undertake this negotiation, and is ready, whenever your Majesty shall command him, to submit either to your Majesty or to your Ministers, as shall best please your Majesty, *his idea of the line in which it ought to train.*

He does not presume to vaunt of his former services in this American line, although he shall always be proud of the approbation they received. They are now forgotten; and his sole ambition is to establish new merit in your Majesty's eye by new services to your Majesty and to his Country: nor doth he desire, in any shape whatsoever, any other reward.

All which, craving your Majesty's most gracious interpretation and pardon, if aught shall appear amiss, is with the most zealous duty to your Majesty, and in extreme anxiety for his Country, submitted to your Majesty's wisdom.

T. POWNALL.

Richmond,
January 1, 1782.

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