

TO THE
Honourable House of COMMONS.

May it please Your Honours,

I Give Your Honours Thanks that you so bravely and generously flung out the Wine-Bill, for if it had pass'd, it would have brought great destruction upon many, and lessen'd the Grandeur of the Kingdom: Not that I would have Men corrupt themselves with it; nor would I have Wine adulterated; and it were well, if they were punished that do it.

And I entreat Your Honours, not to lay a further Duty upon Paper, for there is too much already; for the *English* Paper-Makers cannot make Paper so Good, nor so Cheap; neither can they make enough; for they have not the Linnen-rags here, as they have in those Countries with whom we deal for Paper, by reason we consume not so much Linnen, as they do. Therefore a greater Duty will oppress the Subject; and lessen the King's Customs.

I don't love Swearing, by reason it advances the Devil's Kingdom, and cannot prevent any thing: For how fast did they bind themselves against King *Charles II.* but that did not hinder him.

I humbly beseech Your Honours not to yield to a Unity between *England* and *Scotland*: For what advantage can it be to *England* to be join'd to *Scotland*? Is the Cruel Usage wherewith they used the Episcopal Church-Men there, so soon forgot? Surely there is not a Miracle wrought in them, that their Natures should be changed: Therefore let *England* be *England*; and let *Scotland* remain as it is. 'Tis in Your Honours Power to do good to the Church and Kingdom; for the King leaves it to You: Therefore so Act, as You will Answer before God, who has committed the Talent of Power to Your Trust, that you may imploy it to His Glory, and for the good of Your Country: Therefore give not the Power out of Your Hand: And God Almighty give Your Honours such Wisdom, that You may be more than Conquerors for the Glory of God, and the Good of the Kingdom.

Which the Lord grant: Amen, Amen.

Elianor James.

