

Ten Seasonable Queries,

PROPOSED

By a PROTESTANT that is for Liberty of Conscience to all Perfwasions.

I. Whether any Real and Zealous Papist was ever for Liberty of Conscience? it being a fundamental Principle of their Religion, That all Christians that do not believe as they do, are Hereticks, and ought to be destroyed.

II. Whether the King be a Real and Zealous Papist? if he be; whether he can be truly for Liberty of Conscience?

III. Whether this King in his Brother's Reign did not cause the Persecution against Dissenters to be more violent than otherwise it would have been?

IV. Whether he doth not now make use of the Dissenters to pull down the Church of England, as he did of the Church of England to ruin the Dissenters, that the Papists may be the better enabled, in a short time, to destroy them both?

V. Whether any ought to believe he will be for Liberty any longer than it serves his turn? and whether his great eagerness to have the Penal Laws and Test repealed be only in order to the easie establishing of Popery?

VI. Whether if these Penal Laws and Test were repealed, there would not many turn Papists that now dare not?

VII. Whether the forcing of all that are in Offices of Profit or Trust in the Nation, to lose their Places, or declare they will be for Repealing the Penal Laws and Test, be not Violating his own Declaration for Liberty of Conscience, and a new Test upon the People?

VIII. Whether the Suspending the Bishop of London, the Dispossessing of the Fellows of Magdalen Colledge of their Freeholds, the Imprisoning and Prosecuting the Seven Bishops for Reasoning according to Law, are not sufficient instances how well the King intends to Repeal his Declaration for Liberty of Conscience, wherein he promiseth to protect and maintain all his Bishops and Clergy, and all other his Subjects of the Church of England in quiet and full enjoyment of all their Possessions, without any molestation or disturbance whatsoever?

IX. Whether the Usage of the Protestants in France and Savoy, for these three years past, be not a sufficient warning not to trust to the Declaration, Promises or Oaths in matters of Religion of any Papist whatsoever?

X. Whether any Equivalent whatsoever under a Popish King, that hath a standing Army, and pretends to a Dispensing Power, can be as equal security as the Penal Laws and Test, as affairs now stand in England?

If any think fit to Answer these Queries, they are desired to do it as plainly and fairly as they are here put.

