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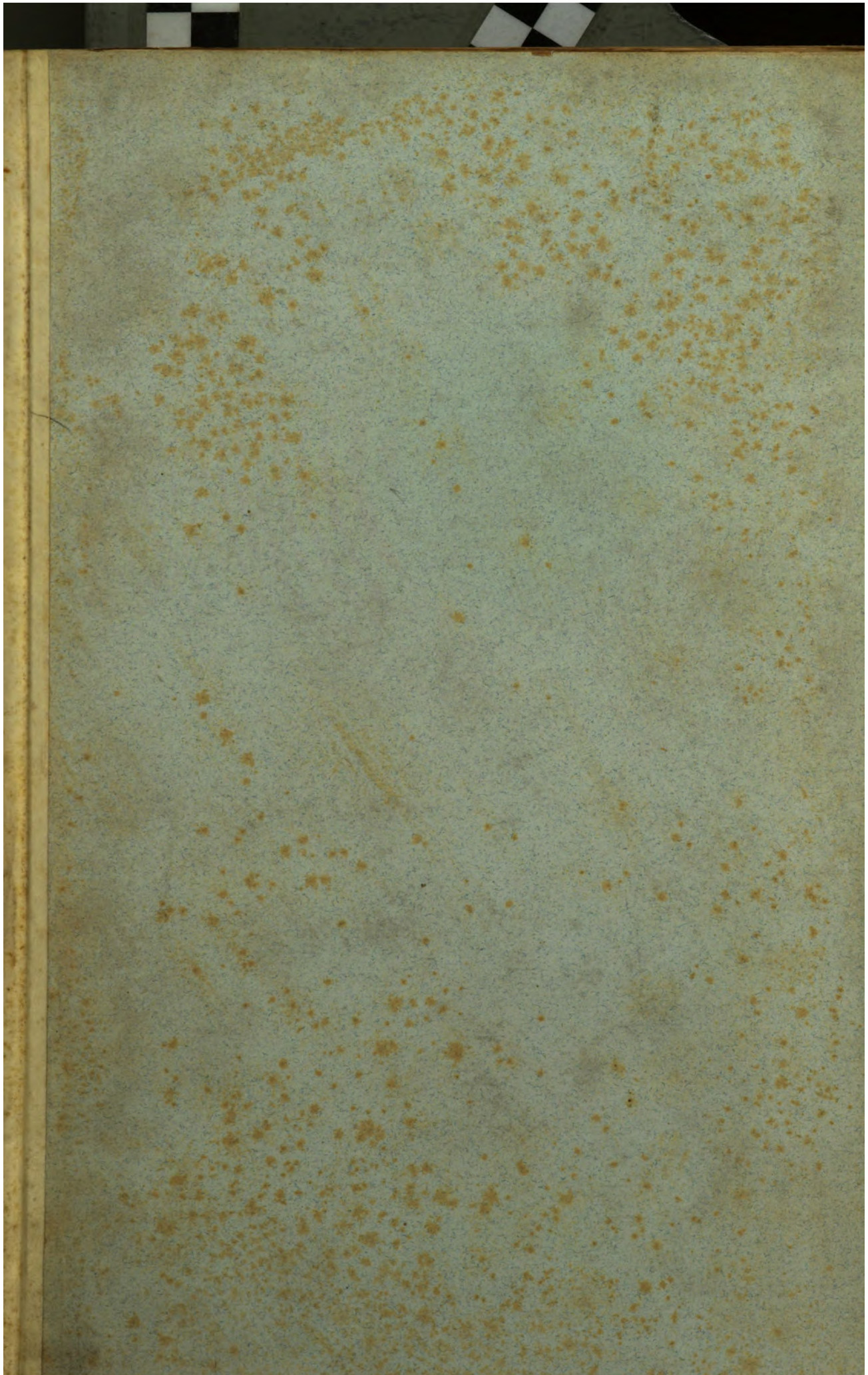
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THE  
 EARL *POULETT*'s  
 M O T I O N  
 IN THE  
 HOUSE of LORDS  
 On THURSDAY, *April* 24th,  
 FOR AN  
 HUMBLE ADDRESS

TO BE PRESENTED TO  
 His M A J E S T Y,  
 That he would be graciously pleased to lay aside his  
 Intentions of visiting his Electoral Dominions, and  
 not to leave these Kingdoms in so critical and danger-  
 ous a Conjunction.



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The Earl *Poulett's* MOTION, &c.

 H A T an humble Address be presented to his Majesty,  
T o represent to his Majesty in the most dutiful  
Manner, that it was an Article in the original Act of Settlement,  
by which the Succession of these Kingdoms devolved to his  
Electoral House, that the King should not go to his Foreign  
Dominions without Consent of Parliament, and that this was a  
principal Article in the Compact between the Crown and the  
People.

T H A T tho' that Article was repealed in the late Reign, yet  
'till of late it has still been the Custom for his Majesty to acquaint  
the Parliament with his intended Departure to his *German* Domi-  
nions, both in regard to the true Sense and Spirit of the Act that  
placed him on the Throne, as well as from the paternal Kindness  
of his Royal Heart, and the Condescension which he has been so  
good to shew his Parliament on all Occasions.

B U T that his Majesty's most gracious Speeches from the  
Throne, by which he has been pleased to communicate his Inten-  
tions of visiting his Electoral Estates, have always come on the  
last Day of a Session, as a Time the most convenient for his  
Majesty to speak to his People from the Throne; by which  
Advice of his Ministers the Intention of his Majesty's most  
gracious Participation of it is entirely defeated, as coming too late  
for the Great Constitutional Council of the Crown to offer such  
Advice as the Situation of Public Affairs might have made  
Expedient and Necessary.

T H A T

T H A T this Juncture most particularly requires that We should by a timely and dutiful Representation to his Majesty, remove the Inconvenience attending the Repeal of the abovementioned Clause, lest the Consequence of that Parliamentary Respect should be construed Servile Adulation to the Crown; which, by lessening the Credit of Parliament, would Undermine the True and Solid Basis of his Majesty's Government, and Totally Subvert the Liberty and Felicity of these Kingdoms, Happy in their Monarch, Happy in their Liberty, and gratefully resolved to maintain the Illustrious House of *Hanover* on the Throne, and, under the Protection of Almighty God, determin'd to deliver their Liberty unfring'd to the latest Posterity.

T H A T it must give the greatest Advantage not only to such as Secretly and Seditiously endeavour to stir up Disaffection and Discontent; but to our Constitutional and National Enemies, by allowing them a Season to sow the Seeds of Discord and Disaffection, a Matter of the more melancholy Consideration as the most Brave generally fall a Sacrifice, being drawn aside from their Allegiance by the Artifice of the most Base and Unworthy, by whom they are Spirited up, and who too often Escape with Impunity.

T H A T at a Conjunction so pregnant with Distress, so Denunciative of Danger, the being deprived of his Majesty's Presence and immediate Protection, must give his truly Loyal Subjects the most affecting Concern, and most gloomy Apprehensions, that it may give the greatest Advantage to the Enemies of *Britain*, by Encouraging them to Continue their Insults, their Usurpations, and the Violation of Treaties relative to *America*; To Change into Derision their present Dread of our very expensive, tho' laudably Conducted and Extremely necessary Naval Preparations; whilst they Continue an Illusory Negotiation till they find Discontent Ripe for Insurrection, or Occasion Ripe for Invasion, promoted perhaps by his Majesty's Absence as the most favourable Opportunity, and not so soon, or so happily Suppressed, as that which happened during his Majesty's Absence in the late War. A terrible State for any Country to be in without  
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their Head, and without their Sovereign, and always of very pernicious Consequence, and very dreadful whatever Fate it meets.

FOR the sake of his Majesty's most precious and invaluable Life, at all times of so much Consequence, especially from the Experience he has Acquired by Years, the Affection he has gained to his Person during so long a Reign, and of the greatest Consequence during the Minority of a Prince; a Contingency of great Influence on our Foreign, as well as Domestick Affairs.

FOR the sake of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown of these Realms, which his Majesty wears with so much Lustre; and whose Dignity and Authority can only be supported by his Presence.

THAT Animated with the same Spirit as Influenced those real Patriots who plann'd and carried into Execution that glorious Act, by which alone his Majesty became Intituled to the Imperial Crown of these Kingdoms, and not from any desire to lay a Restraint on the Illustrious Person on the Throne, Derogatory to the true Glory of the Crown, we with most earnest and fervent Prayers for the Safety of these Kingdoms, under the Influence of his Majesty's royal Person and Equitable Government, humbly intreat his Majesty's most Auspicious and powerful Protection by his Residence in these Kingdoms with a People who will never Desert him in a Day of Danger, and who are ever ready to Support his Majesty and his Illustrious House at the Hazard of their Lives and Fortunes.

AFTER this Motion was made the Earl of *Chesterfield* moved the House to adjourn, (which Motion, according to the Orders of the House, being to take place) that of the Earl *Poulett's* for an Address became thereby postponed, but Lord *Poulett* having declared that in Truth and Common Sense he looked upon that Motion of the Earl of *Chesterfield's* to be a Negative put on his own, insisted on a Division, in which he appeared to be the only Lord against the Adjournment.

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THE *London Evening Post*, who now substitutes religious Tracts instead of political Ones, and fills up those usual Reflections in his Paper with Booty Articles, little to the Credit of himself and his Patrons, having refused to publish this Motion with the Authority, Permission, and Indemnity of the Noble Lord who made it, the World is therefore acquainted with it that it may not be misled, and that it may reflect how much more dangerous an Influence it is that thus secretly undermines the Liberty of the Press, than a total Subversion of it by Arbitrary Power and Ministerial Authority; for by this Means the World may be deceived, and the Transactions of Patriots as well as Ministers, be concealed.

F I N I S.

















