

To the Reader.

have endeavour'd to subject both the one and the other ; and by what Degrees we have secured to ourselves the Enjoyment of both, till at length we are risen to such a Height of Prosperity under the auspicious Reign of our present August Monarch, that we are become the Envy of the neighbouring States, our Friends, and the Terrour of those that are our Enemies. Let us then by perusing this Treatise deeply imprint in our Minds the Laws and Rights that from Age to Age have been deliver'd down to us from our renown'd Forefathers, and which they so dearly bought and vindicated to themselves at the Expence of so much Blood and Treasure: In a Word, let them never perish in our Hands, but let us make our Lives happy in the Enjoyment of them, and piously transmit them to our Posterity ; being fully convinced of this Truth, that when Liberty is once gone, even Life itself grows insipid, and loses all its Relish.