

have thought proper to convey this Informa-
tion should excite a Belief, that a great
Number of the People of this Province are
disaffected to their Sovereign, to prevent which,
it is incumbent upon us, in this Manner,
solemnly to testify to the World, that his
Majesty has no Subjects more faithful than
the Inhabitants of North Carolina, or more
ready, at the Expence of their Lives and
Fortunes, to protect and support his Person,
Crown and Dignity. If, however, by the sig-
nal Proofs your Excellency speaks of, you
mean those Addresses lately published in
the North-Carolina Gazette, and said to be
presented to you, the Assembly can receive
no Pleasure from your Congratulations there-
upon, but what results from the Considera-
tion that so few have been found in so
populous a Province weak enough to be se-
duced from their Duty, and prevailed up-
on by the base Arts of wicked and de-
signing Men to adopt Principles so contrary
to the Sense of all America, and so destruc-
tive of those just Rights and Privileges it
was their Duty to maintain.

We take this Opportunity, Sir, the first