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My supposed Attachment to the
Interest of Mr. Bambridge cannot I am sensible but
have prejudiced me in the Opinion of all good Men and
therefore before I offer my Service to you & to my
Country it may not be amiss to say something of the
Motives that ^{at} first induced me to fall in with his
Party and also of those which have since determined
me to quitt it.

After the Report of the late Committee I will not
presume to say I thought Mr. Bambridge innocent
but I confess I look'd upon to be far less Guilty than
since by examining his own Side only of the Question
I find he is. The Atroiousness of his Crimes took off to
me much of the probability of ^{his} committing them and it
was hard for a Man who had any Virtue himself to
believe there was another so perfectly abandoned. Mr.
Bambridge took all the Opportunities he could of gaining
those he thought might be of use to his party, amongst
the rest he apply'd himself to me. I confess at first the
Art with which he palliated his Offences deceived me.
I went heartily into his Concerns and did all for him
in my Power as for a Man struggling against the
Current of the times But as I grew into his Confidence
the Mask was taken off and I found the use he intend-
ed to make of me was not to assist an Opprest Man
in his Defence but to Screen a Guilty person from
his just punishment.

As to the personall Injuries I have received (& sure
no Body has received more) I forbear to mention them

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