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By the inclosed Papers Y<sup>r</sup>. Lordship will see an Account of the Transactions of a Trust, which My father executed by the Late Kings Positive Commands; a Trust, indeed, improper for him in the Station he then was, And Which might heretofore have been deem'd very Criminal; But as improper as it was, it was Serving his late Majesty, Which he was glad of any opportunity to do; And it appears By the Dutches's Letter it was perform'd to his Satisfaction, And What is said of the Sea Stock is an incontestable Proof it— My Lord I humbly presume to Recommend them to y<sup>r</sup>. Perusal, Because, (tho' the Affair is now past & over) I am satisfy'd by finding these papers left, in the Manner I Lay them before, His Desire & Hopes were that his Present Majesty might be, Truly & Again, inform'd of the Case; in his Life Time I can Avert it. There was Nothing made him so Uneasy, as the Suspicion of this Affair being Misrepresented to his Present Majesty; And I must presume to add, that, Nothing, that he could do, appears to me more Meritorious than thus to Correct, Even in his Grave, That his Present Majesty, should be Convinc'd of his integrity, justly Valuing the Good Opinion & Esteem of his Sovereign to the Last—

As to other things, He Liv'd to be assur'd & satisfy'd that all Mankind was convinc'd of his Innocence, in all that his Enemies, And the Fury, of former Times had Laid to his Charge; And the Opportunity Y<sup>r</sup>. Lordship had from the Acquaintance & Friendship You so highly honour'd him with must assure you, that his Mind was more intent on the future Prosperity of his King & his Country than on any thing w<sup>th</sup> is past—

I shall presume no further on Y<sup>r</sup>. Lordships patience than to assure you that I am  
with y<sup>t</sup> Greatest Respect & Sincerity  
W<sup>m</sup>. Aislabie  
most Obed<sup>t</sup> & Humble Serv<sup>t</sup> W<sup>m</sup>. Aislabie—

Grosvenor Square — Aug<sup>t</sup>. 23. 1742—

