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Dear Sir Mr August to Sir B.

Goffield June 28th 1748.

unwarily drawing in a Gentleman to sign a
 bond, and a Hibernian blunder in the formation
 of it, are strong charges, level'd at my Heart and
 Head; but they become random shot, and the Culverin
 unsupported by Fact or Evidence recoils upon your
 self. strange that the best marksman in England
 should fail so egregiously, stranger still that an
 oracle of the Law should call that an undue
 restraint, which only binds to what the Law
 already enjoins under severe Penalties. But strangest
 of all that He who with his own Conscience
 hath the Conscience of his Prince in keeping,
 pleading Custom against statute, should define
 the observance of Law to be inconsistent with
 natural birth-right, and the Freedom of a
 Gentleman. Former Chancellors have been contented

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with giving to Kings a dispensing Power, some of
a later Date have been contented with assuming
that Power to Themselves, but Sir you seem
inclined by this Reasoning to make it a present
to every Individual, in which give me leave to suspect
some lurking Bias to the Interest of Templar-Bachelors
we who have wives beg to be excused, non tibi auaritia.

Having said thus much to shew my Learning, it
is now time to demonstrate my obedience; and as a
true Comptroller, i. e. one who never controlls, I accede
to every Article of the Treaty purely and simply and
am Dear Sir with Truth and Esteem

your most obedient humble
Servant
H. Nugent.

Mrs Nugent is as much
yours as she can legally
be. your Letter thro dated
the 22^d I received by Sunday's Post.