

## APPENDIX II

LETTER FROM JOHN HOWE TO LORD WHARTON.

Lond. Aug. 2, '80.

My Honored Lord

I returned hither on Fryday, for the necessary business of yesterday. Leaving my company behind to follow at leasure, who were more deeply engaged in water-drinking at Astrop, than my limiting circumstances would suffer me to be.

We had uncertain rumors from many there but no distinct account of the Election. Nor of ye Petition heard I a word till my return. Wherein my Lord Mayors prudence is much applauded by all understanding men.

Mr Bethel now hesitates to hold or no, wch troubles many. But tis hoped he will not desert his friends. To morrow determines it.

Wth renewed acknowlegmt of yr Lps most obliging favors I am

My Ld

Yor Lps And my honored Ladies

most devoted humble servt

JOHN HOWE.

If a project I have of meeting my wife at Alisbury or Hampden the next week, hold, I hope (and shall endeavor) to wait upon your Lp from thence, before my return home.

To Lord Wharton, *Carte MS.* 228, 167. The Lord Mayor was Sir Robert Clayton, and "Mr. Bethel" was Slingsby Bethel, the newly elected Sheriff of London.