In America, the effect of these proceedings was such as might have been expected by thinking men. The colonies were as a unit in their support of Massachusetts. The Regulating Act was set at defiance, public officers in the king's service were forced to resign, town meetings were held, and preparations for war were begun in dead earnest. At about the same time he published his first two books, [Footnote: A Vindication of Natural Society and Philosophical Inquiry into the Origin of our Ideas of the Sublime and Beautiful] and began in earnest the life of an author. He attracted the attention of literary men. The introduction to this edition of Burke's speech on Conciliation with America is intended to supply the needs of those students who do not have access to a well-stocked library, or who, for any reason, are unable to do the collateral reading necessary for a complete understanding of the text. The sources from which information has been drawn in preparing this edition are mentioned under "Bibliography." What did surprise them was the eagerness with which the people seized upon the book, and its effect upon them. The Tories, with the king, applauded long and loud; the Whigs were disappointed, for Burke condemned the Revolution unreservedly, and with a bitterness out of all proportion to the cause of his anxiety and fear. BURKE'S SPEECH ON CONCILIATION WITH AMERICA. The Macmillan Company. New York. London. BURKE'S SPEECH. ON CONCILIATION WITH AMERICA. EDITED WITH INTRODUCTION AND NOTES. BY SIDNEY CAELETON NEWSOM, TEACHER OF ENGLISH, MANUAL TRAINING HIGH SCHOOL, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA. New York. THE MACMILLAN COMPANY. London: MACMILLAN & Co., Ltd. 1924. Speech on Conciliation with America. Add to Favorites. Add to Collection. Document: Speech on Conciliation with America. Edmund Burke | March 22, 1775. Joshua Reynolds. Edmund Burke. Oil on canvas. Public domain courtesy of the National Portrait Gallery: NPG 655. Share: Share on Facebook Tweet Share on LinkedIn Send email. Print: Edmund Burke > Speech on Conciliation with America. Related Resources. Resources. If we are conscious of our situation, and glow with zeal to fill our places as becomes our station and ourselves, we ought to auspicate all our public proceedings on America with the old warning of the Church, Sursum corda! We ought to elevate our minds to the greatness of that trust to which the order of Providence has called us.