

Considerations, and tho' they should persist to enlarge their Foreign Business to our Detriment, yet the Mischief is yet without a Remedy, and it will always be within our Power to give ourselves Satisfaction for any Injuries of this Nature they shall be observ'd to offer, and this may be done without coming to any of those Extremities, to which commonly Nations have Recourse, where one is seen to undermine the other,

First of all upon the Settlements of a Peace, in all future Treaties of Commerce we shall make with other Countries, we are to fence particularly against the Arts and Incroachments of the *Dutch*, who, beyond all Disputes, are our most dangerous Rivals in Trade; we must bear a watchful Eye over all their Proceedings, and never yield to 'em in any Point wherein National Interest and Profit is concern'd; nor can the Princes Confederated in this long War justly find Fault with such Conduct, since the heavy Load of Debts lying upon us consider'd, 'twill be as impossible for *England* to subsist under any great Decay of the Woollen Manufacture, or under any considerable Interruption in several Branches of our Foreign Commerce, as it would be impossible for the *Dutch* to maintain themselves without their Herring Fishery, or that Part of their *East-India* Trade they now stand possess'd of; so that if they will not be contented to Live and let Live, and bear themselves towards us hereafter in a Friendly Manner,