

ONE of the Objections made to such an Encouragement for the Re-exportation of Rum, is from some Gentlemen who may apprehend it may interfere with Malt-Spirits, in regard to supplying the outward-bound Shipping, and our Trade to *Africa*; but I may venture to say, that *French* Brandy and *Dutch* Spirits now interfere most in this Instance, and that very little Advantages accrue to this Nation by the *British* Malt Spirits that are exported: Or that nothing near the Advantages that would otherwise accrue to *Great Britain*, by permitting Rum to be re-exported before landing, or from the King's Warehouses, at any Time before the Duty of Excise becomes payable, as the Law now stands, without paying that Duty; since it will appear from the Custom-house Books, that there has scarcely been exported from *Great Britain*, for many Years together, of *British*-made Spirits, upon which the Bounty is granted, above the Value of 400 *l.* on a Medium, *per Annum*.

THIS Indulgence will, in Time, add greatly to
 * * Consumption of our Rum, as great Quantities would be thereby consum'd up the *Baltick*, in *Germany* and elsewhere, and every Ship would probably carry some for Sale, where no *British* Malt-Spirits will sell at all; the Produce of which will return and centre in this Nation. Small Quantities will do best at first, until they take a Liking to our Rum to the same Degree as the People of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* have of late Years done: Then whole Cargoes of Rum and Sugar too would be sent to those foreign Ports, directly from our Sugar Plantations, which our Laws, even as they now stand, permit: This will still add to our Plantation Strength, and national Wealth, and without Prejudice to the Revenue, as the Quantity to be imported into *Great Britain* will always be sufficient to answer the Demand.