

the Works of *Dunkirk* previous to the Restitution of *Cape Breton*, or any Conquest in the *East-Indies*. To expect it afterwards, was to be fond of Imposition to the last Degree; was it possible our Ministers, who have lately so plumed themselves on their Cleverness, could expect it? Upon the whole, considering the slight superficial manner in which the Affair of *Dunkirk* is touch'd upon in this Transaction, I believe you will be of Opinion, that *it was never intended* (on the Part of the *French*, I mean; for on the Part of our own Ministers one cannot suppose so much Wickedness and Treachery) that any more Regard should be paid to this 18th Article relating to *Dunkirk*, than to the Title of his *Britannick Majesty* to the Crown of *France*, which is suffered to stand in the Preamble of the Treaty. The Words too of this Article are liable to Chicane, but as I have already shewn them to be ineffectual, I will not enter into that kind of Disputation, Doth not *France* gain too immense Strength, not only by the Opportunity which she finds for the Recovery of her Trade, but by the footing, on which she has settled the Affairs of *Europe*? The Republic of *Genoa*, the King of  
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