

of their engagements, as to men, money, and operations of every kind : this, I say, is a charge that the boldest Whig writer never attempted to answer. It is a charge which the German and Dutch ministers, and they had at that time the ablest in Europe, in all their warm memorials and representations, never offered to refute. It is a charge which brought the great prince Eugene over to England ; but far from answering, he endeavoured to palliate, it. The rival ministers, in those times, were composed of, perhaps, the greatest men that England ever saw under any government ; but the Whigs indisputably had resolution, talents, and penetration superior to their antagonists. They never pretended to dispute the fact, that Great-Britain was left in the lurch for the blood and treasure that was expended in the war.

Let not therefore declamation or bold assertions drive us out of the fort of common sense. Let us not imagine, because we are now in a war with France, carried on in Germany, we fight in the smallest degree on greater disadvantage than we did in the times of king William and queen Anne. I shall, in the course of this paper, prove, that the terms on which we now carry on the war, are, nationally speaking, infinitely preferable to those on  
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