

say with *Gippius*, * *Non omnibus dormio*. Tho' they had probably slept in that Instance, if the C—— had not pulled them by the Ear, and awakened them by publishing that very Case to the World. I should be sorry to be too rigid ; I would not knowingly commit myself to the Hazard of such Imputation ; for, far from depriving our Ministry of any Praise, I would gladly cherish with Commendation, any Disposition to do Good to the People ; but Facts, I think, will sufficiently secure me against any Appearance of too great Austerity, will amply justify what I say. There is no Proportion between the little Affec—n, which we shew on one Hand of OEconomy, and our vast Prodigality on the other ; I will not now enter into Particulars, which would however be of great Consideration, was it not for Things of still much greater Consideration ; I have touch'd on some Things already, and perhaps may do more some other Time, but, at present, a greater Care presseth for what is the whole Expence of each Year, the many Millions we annually lay out, but a lavish Profusion of the Public Money, while our Schemes are so inadequate to our Ends, that there is no human Probability of Success, and the People still from Time to Time become

Dedecrum pretiosus emptor.

There is wanting to this Country not a slight and delusory but a great and thorough Reformation, not only Reformation, but Address and Policy.
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* *Gippius* was used to prostitute his Wife for Gain, and counterfeit Sleep during the Visits of her Gallants, but when a Person came whom he did not like, he would suddenly start up with these Words, *Non omnibus dormio*.