

the staff out of our own hands, and that they will, very probably, lay it about our shoulders. In short, while Britain asserts her privileges, and maintains her authority, she has nothing to fear from the licentious behaviour of the Colonists; but she will have reason to dread the day, when, encourag'd by her indulgence, they lay aside their subjection. Whenever that unhappy period arrives, how applicable to her will be the following words, which the Fool uses to poor old Lear, "Thou wast a pretty fellow, when thou hadst no need to care for her frowning: now thou art an O without a figure."

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