

that Britain should know nothing of the Electorate, but as a part of the empire, if that and the other powers of Europe should ever unite again in an alliance against France. Till then for England singly, and by its own force to attempt to defend it, is taking the certain way to bring the French into it, and making that the seat of war in every future quarrel. 'Tis giving up all the advantages of our situation, and joining our island on to the continent, by finding for our enemy a field to beat us in. It is giving up all the benefit of our naval superiority, for the sake of a distant land-war, which I have now I think shewn to be ruinous and impracticable. It is carrying it on in a country, where victory itself can do us no good, and where a defeat can do our enemy no hurt. Not to mention that in the present case, it seems to be exhausting our treasures to support a man, who never can have it in his power, and who is yet to give us the proofs of his having ever had it in his will to do us any service.

Providence has been pleased to put the whole advantage of the war into our hands; and I fear we are giving it to our enemies. We have it in our power to conquer for Hanover, and secure for it such an indemnification, as shall effectually deter the French from ever entering it again. We seem to be taking the course, in which the most we can do, is to be ruined for it, and disabled from ever after defending it. Let any discerning man ask him-