

mous debt, and provide for the exigencies  
 of government, every commodity, whether  
 of your own, or of foreign growth, every  
 article, and necessary in life, is taxed to the  
 very utmost farthing. The poor, and labour-  
 ing part of the kingdom are scarce able, to  
 supply the wants, and cravings of nature ;  
 they are scarce able, by the most painful in-  
 dustry, to procure even bread and water for  
 their wretched families. Indeed, gentlemen,  
 they are heavy laden, and I do not wonder  
 that they groan under the intolerable bur-  
 then. Suffer me to call upon you to feel  
 for Them, for Yourselfes, and for your Coun-  
 try !---Is it equitable, or even just, that this  
 kingdom should pay the interest of money,  
 which was expended in the defence of Ame-  
 rica? Will you submit to tax your *own lands*,  
 to defray a debt, which has not been con-  
 tracted upon *your own accounts*? Nay, I will  
 go further, and ask you whether you *can* tax  
 the land higher than at present? Will it *bear*  
 an *additional* burden? Does not the price  
 of every article in life, rise or fall, in pro-  
 portion to the price of grain? And can  
 you tax the land higher without encreasing  
 that?