

at the Breast of a Negro Slave ; surrounded in their Infancy with a numerous Retinue of these dark Attendants, they are habituated by Precept and Example, to Sensuality, Selfishness, and Despotism. Of those sent over to this Country for their Education, few totally emerge from their first Habitudes ; view them as Sons, Husbands, Fathers ; as Friends, Citizens, and Men, what Examples ! Splendor, Dress, Shew, Equipage, every thing that can create an Opinion of their Importance, is exerted to the utmost of their Credit. They are thought rich, and they are so indeed at the Expence of the poor Negroes, who cultivate their Lands, could they be contented with Mediocrity.

If People of Quality and Condition would Study the Geography and State of our Colonies ; would they give themselves the Trouble of distinguishing their different Situations, it would prevent them from confounding together, Circumstances extremely opposite ; from inferring, that because an opulent *West Indian* vies in Glare with a Nobleman of the first Distinction, therefore a poor *American* Farmer is able to bear the same heavy Load of Taxes, or ought to be placed in the same Scale of Ability. In