

' very Empire in *America*, t'will be always
 ' in our Power to obtain greater Privileges
 ' from them in our Trade thither, than any
 ' other Nation could pretend to; for which
 ' Reasons I submit it to every ENGLISHMAN,
 ' whether it ought not to be one of our great
 ' Aims, by this War, utterly to extirpate the
 ' *French* out of *America*? Such an Under-
 ' taking will appear more feasible if we con-
 ' sider that Matters may be so carried, as to
 ' deprive the *French* of any Assistance from
 ' the *Spaniards*, which I believe may be
 ' done by consenting to a Neutrality with all
 ' the *Spanish* Continent and Islands, on Con-
 ' dition that they shall, during the War, al-
 ' low us a free Trade with them.

' If such a Neutrality can be manag'd, we
 ' shall not only with greater Ease destroy the
 ' *French* there, which ought to be our Prin-
 ' cipal Aim, but probably be greater Gainers
 ' by a Free Trade, than by the Plunder of
 ' their Country; if we make War upon it,
 ' it would certainly prove more beneficial to
 ' the Trading Interest and Manufactures of
 ' *England*: for if by our Naval Power there
 ' we hinder that vast Country from being
 ' supplied with any European Commodities
 ' from any other Hand, shall we not have a
 ' prodigious Vent for all the Manufactures
 ' of our own Growth, as well as for our *East*
 ' *India* Commodities and Linen, &c.