

understand the present System, which appears to me to labour under various palpable contradictions; nor can I see how, from persons and principles so heterogeneous and discordant, a cordial, necessary harmony and union can arise.

If I am not impartial, I am nothing; and to be so I must declare, that I think there is a strong bad family likeness and resemblance betwixt all Administrations. The second India Bill had many of the worst features, and wanted some of the best of the first. Forced consent and open violence are related to one another in no very remote degree. The Receipt Tax was not an unjust, but an unwise and impolitic measure; for Taxes so universally unpopular never are productive, without fenced in by strong necessity (which this could not be); but the odium, partial and decided against the last Ministry, at any rate ought to have been common; for it was generally supported by both Parties.

If the abettors of the American War were to make so considerable a part of the present System,
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