

INTRODUCTION.

THE subject of the following sheets has already exercised the minds of many enlightened individuals.

I shall, however, wander from the beaten track, and announce a system, diametrically opposed to the received opinions, I may even say prejudices of mankind.

I am sensible to what censures I expose myself by this seeming temerity, but, knowing the situation of my country's finances, I should be wanting in duty to

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