

“ ter yourselves with a vain Hope, because I
 “ have withdrawn the Camp; *for the Ram draws*
 “ *backwards only to butt with the greater Violence.*”
 It is therefore highly natural to suppose, that, as
 long as the *French* shall be possessed of *Canada*,
 so long will there be a Contention between the
 rival Powers of *Great-Britain* and *France*. The
 Jealousy that has subsisted so long between the
 two Nations, is not to be imagined will subside,
 when so closely connected as to share the Conti-
 nent of *North America* between them: As the one
 will increase, the other must decline; and the
French will endeavour, upon every frivolous Oc-
 casion, to lessen the *British* Strength, till perhaps,
 by Stratagems and Intrigues, they will at last dis-
 possess the *English* of all their valuable Colonies
 in that Part of the World.

The Reason you have urged to invalidate the
 Force of this Argument, seems to me so very ex-
 traordinary, that I shall beg Leave to quote that
 entire Paragraph from your first Letter.

“ The having all *North America* to ourselves,
 “ by acquiring *Canada*, dazzles the Eyes, and
 “ blinds the Understandings, of the giddy and
 “ unthinking People, as it is natural for the hu-
 “ man Mind to grasp at every Appearance of
 “ Wealth and Grandeur; yet it is easy to disco-
 “ ver, that such a Peace might soon ruin *Bri-*