

country, and the number of its inhabitants, is superior to Great-Britain; but that its revenue is equal, I totally deny. Great-Britain, properly speaking, has no revenue that is fixed or settled. And let the considerer authenticate the revenues of France for these two years past, and reduce the revenue, or rather the expences of our government, during that time, to French money: let the meanest and most ignorant reader he has, pronounce which is the richest people.

I am aware of a prodigious and popular advantage the considerer has taken in point of calculation; and, at the same time, I will be candid enough to say, that if his data are to be admitted, he might have carried his argument much farther than he has done. He serves his purpose perhaps better in not doing it. But I totally deny and disclaim his data, or first principles. "I never, says he, read the history of the two grand alliances, which were formed by king William against the growing power of France, without feeling the warmest sentiments of gratitude to the great deliverer of Europe. Never did king of England appear with greater dignity, than he did in that great congress held at the Hague in the year 1691, when the emperor and empire, the kings of  
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