

ture by military means. No peace can be expected for us with America either now or in time to come ; except on that ground. We can after certain events with but an evil grace force our troops upon them under the pretence of protection nor can they with a much better demand them of us, as necessary for their defence. We shall by this means save both our men and our money; neither of which can we well spare. Let us likewise fling upon them the expences of their own civil governments : let them pay their officers on that establishment more or less and in such manner ; as they please themselves. They cannot then pretend discontent on that head and what is it to us? Here will be another œconomy. I will give the authority of a ministerial writer ; that these savings will according to a common and current calculation amount to no less than 300,000 pounds a year :* but who would know, at what rate to reckon them ; if the present job was to be taken into the account? We first run ourselves into

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* Dr. Tucker's Humble Address, p. 83. America drains us for those purposes [to maintain its civil and military establishments] of upwards of 300,000l. annually.