

their imports to a certain degree, let the extent of their settlements, either by policy from home, or invasion of Indians abroad be confined, and let their foreign trade and navigation be, in some measure, suppressed;—their money-currency limited within too narrow bounds, by a total prohibition of paper-money;—this proportion of the price of labour, considering the length of the winters, when no labour can be done without doors, and considering how many hands will be taken from navigation and settlements, together with the want of money, the means of purchasing, will much sooner cease to be an object of objection to manufacturing there, than is commonly apprehended. And if the colonies, under any future state of administration which they see unequal to the management of their affairs, once come to feel their own strength in this way, their independence on government, at least on the administration of government, will not be an event so remote as our leaders may think, which yet nothing but such false policy can bring on. For, on the contrary, put their governments and laws on a true and constitutional basis, regulate their money, their revenue, and their trade, and do not check their settlements, they must ever depend on the trade of the mother country for their supplies, they will never establish manufactures, their hands