

come Foreigners ; but the Industry of those that remain being discourag'd, the Quantity of Subsistence in the Country is lessen'd, and the Support of a Family becomes more difficult. So heavy Taxes tend to diminish a People. 6. The Introduction of Slaves. The Negroes brought into the *English Sugar Islands*, have greatly diminish'd the Whites there ; the Poor are by this Means depriv'd of Employment, while a few Families acquire vast Estates ; which they spend on Foreign Luxuries, and educating their Children in the Habit of those Luxuries ; the same Income is needed for the Support of one that might have maintain'd 100. The Whites who have Slaves, not labouring, are enfeebled, and therefore not so generally prolific ; the Slaves being work'd too hard, and ill fed, their Constitutions are broken, and the Deaths among them are more than the Births ; so that a continual Supply is needed from *Africa*. The Northern Colonies having few Slaves increase in Whites. Slaves also pejorate the Families that use them ; the white Children become proud, disgusted with Labour, and being educated in Idleness, are rendered unfit to get a Living by Industry.