

of the *French*, “ That in some Parts they
 “ supplant us, and every where outwit us ;
 “ that we find them enterprizing, vigilant,
 “ and jealous in whatever has Relation to
 “ their Trade ; and observe them still en-
 “ deavouring to get Ground, and never
 “ yielding any Point to us, but forming long
 “ Schemes, calculated to take Effect many
 “ Years to come, in order to enlarge them-
 “ selves at our Expence ; so that it be-
 “ comes good Patriots to look about them,
 “ and to take care, lest in Time *England*
 “ should be in a Manner excluded from
 “ the Commercial World.” †—And con-
 sidering the Importance of the Colonies to
Great Britain, and of the Trade from
 thence, together with the Fishery carry’d
 on there, what Wealth they produce, what
 Ships they employ, and what Seamen they
 raise, and also what Vent they give to all
 your Manufactures, so great that there are
 few Towns in the Kingdom, wherein any
 Trade

† This was said of the *Dutch* in the Inspector General’s Report to the Commissioners for publick Accounts in the latter Part of *Queen Anne’s* Reign.