

glected and abandoned by their Ministry? It is we in Fact that have made the most material Advantages, and removed the false Land-marks with which the Ambition of *France* had bounded us, even long before the War: we have stopped their most certain Communication with their Colonies, and we have driven them from Forts of which they had been long in Possession; besides that the Advantages of *France* are passing away, whereas ours are daily encreasing. Our Colonies united, their Dissentions quieted, and their present Concord confirmed and made effective by a good Body of Troops, headed by an unexceptionable Commander, and every Part of our military Operations under a Superintendance which promises us every Thing. A People less sanguine than we are, might entertain the greatest Hopes, if they saw their Troops, under such a Direction, from a State of great Rudeness become as famous for the Strictness of their Discipline as they always were for their Courage. If they saw the Vigilance of an old Commander united to the lively and active Spirit of Youth; and if they saw the strictest and most indefatigable Study in the Art of War, perfecting a Genius, which our Enemies fear and confess: I say a Genius, because Ex-

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