

and at the same time that it creates the necessity of Taxes, it helps to dry up that Source from whence Taxes flow. For the Trader cannot get money upon so easy terms as formerly, and the several articles he consumes are raised in their price by additional Taxes; so that he must be content with less profit, or carry his goods to market with the risk of meeting goods of the *same quality* from other Nations ready to be sold at an *under-rate*. But rather than run such a venture, he gives the matter up, discharges his workmen, and they migrate: and thus the several branches of the Stream from whence the National Wealth and the Government Resources flow, may be dried up in this Country, but, in the nature of Springs, break out in some *other*, and continue to flow towards the aid of that Government, as they used to do towards ours.

By the Plans I have in my former Letters proposed, no *Merchant, Tradesman, or Labourer*, as *such*, will suffer: the only sufferers (if such we may call them, who are by contributing a part of their Property securing the remainder will be *Men of Property, Stockholders, Owners of Land and Ready Money*, all of whom would be secured from being ruined; and all their sufferings will only amount to their denying themselves *some* gratifications in their *Dress* or their *Palate*; in return for which they will be *easier* in their *mind*, and *sleep the quieter*. Add to which, by my proposals, *only thousands* will be affected, but *millions* and *hundreds of thousands* will be benefited, and *all* will be *protected*. If however the Public Creditors *cannot be prevailed upon*, and Government through *tenderness* towards them forbears to urge them to contribute, the consequences will probably