

less so, that neither can be affected, in any Light or Sense, by our parting from *Gibraltar*.

This, I think, I have made evident in the Opinion of all who wish for the Recovery of the *Trade of Spain*, and Confidence of the *Spaniards*; of all who wish to see *England* eased of an *Expence* she is ill able to bear; and of all who wish to see taken away from the *Court* all Colour and Pretext for keeping up a *standing Army* in time of Peace.

These, Sir, are the Points I have endeavoured to elucidate in the Course of this Work, in order to wear off any *Prejudice* that might yet weakly remain on the Minds of any of our People in favour of *Gibraltar* and *Cape-Breton*. As I look on the present as a Crisis proper for retrieving our declining Trade, I thought it incumbent upon me to contribute, as much as lay in me, towards our acquiring the *Blessing*. And as I cannot suppose we can retrieve our *Trade* without the Aid of the *Spaniards*, I thought it necessary to clear our Way to the Acquisition of their Confidence and Esteem. How I have succeeded, I submit to your super-