

This Author, should take upon him to sow
 Divisions among them, and raise a Ferment
 in that great Body; and represent in the
 most aggravating Manner to the *Circles* most
 expos'd, upon whom the Burthen of the
 War has lain heaviest, the great Negligence
 of the rest, and their Disregard to the Com-
 mon Interest of the *Empire*; and by these
 Invectives, those *Circles*, who hitherto have
 done more than their Part, should be so in-
 cens'd against the rest, as to resolve
 to do no more; what would be the Conse-
 quences of this? Must not they themselves,
 who are thus incens'd, be ruin'd first, either
 by Submitting to the Common Enemy, or
 making a less Resistance than they did before?
 And would not the Ruin of one Part draw
 after it that of another; and that again of a
 Third, till the whole *Empire* was destroy'd?
 And it would be the same with *Holland*, if
 the Two *Maritime Provinces* should discon-
 tinue their Efforts against *France*, because the
 Inland ones don't exactly perform their Parts,
 according to the Proportions agreed on among
 themselves; tho' by the Necessity of their
 Affairs, some Misfortune that has befall'n
 them, or by a Decay of Trade, or some
 other Reason, they really can't do so much
 as they ought; or perhaps thro' the ill Ma-
 nagement, or Perverseness, or Corruption of
 some of their Governors, won't. Would
 not this Procedure unavoidably end in the
 Ruin of the whole? If any Part of a Con-
 federacy don't do what they can, or by their
 Treaties are oblig'd to, it becomes the rest to
 use their best Endeavours to induce them to
 it;