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"But the Colonies, though that circumstance is only infinuated in the declaration, have uniformly affirmed, that granting the supremacy of Parliament should extend over the whole empire, yet that they themselves have a right to an exemption from taxes, either by the concessions of the Legislature, or by charters from the King. It seems incompatible with reason, say they, that the Colonies should have internal legislatures of their own, possessing the authority of taxation, and thar, hotwithstanding, the British Parliament should retain its power of laying imposts. The first of these affertions is not founded in truth, and the charters neither give, nor can give, any exemption from taxation."

It is unnecessary to enter into a discussion of several questionable positions in these quotations. They are only here inserted, to show, that these distinguished writers conceived, that the right of Parliament to tax the unrepresented part of Eng-