

we owe what has been done already, and if we can but effect it, our Vagabonds and Beggars will disappear, and private Fortunes and publick Revenues rise as they ought to do, that is, together.

At first Sight, perhaps, this may seem a Matter that requires much Consideration, and when found not to be made evident to every Understanding without a long and fatiguing Train of Arguments. But the contrary may be easily shewn, and that in a Manner so plain and perspicuous, as to admit of no Reply. I shall only observe, that a very great Proportion of our Manufactures are exported to, and that consequently a very large Share of our Commerce arises from, our Plantations in *America*. It is true, that from the very stating of this Fact there arises a convincing Proof, that we have a vast Number of People there already, but let it be at the same time considered, what prodigious Benefits result from their being in those Countries to those that remain here at home; what Quantities of our Goods they consume, what a Multitude of Hands they employ, what a Quantity of Shipping this renders necessary, and what Safety, what Glory, what Riches we derive from our Navy? Let it be like-