

Besides, my Lord, to use a Scripture Phrase, "Is thy Servant a Dog, that you treat him thus?" Are the Americans so many Spaniels, that grow fonder by Punishment? Or, like the Lamb at the Altar, will they turn their Heads to lick the Hands upraised to shed their Blood? Britons, and the Sons of Britons, are unfit Subjects to make these Experiments upon. Why try to conquer the Body when the Heart is invincible? Mutual Intercourses of good Offices, Confidence, and not Diffidence, my Lord, will add more in one Year to the Treasury Books, in Account, than the combined Force of this Kingdom will extort in fifty.

But to enforce what I have said by an Example. Islands in the West Indies have been parcelled out into so many landed Lots for Sale. Adventurers in the Sugar Trade have become the Purchasers of them. Parliamentary Encouragement has been given for the settling of them. Acts have passed to induce and enable Foreigners, as well as Englishmen, to lend Money upon them. Considerable Sums have been borrowed. In Consequence of these Means, the Quantity of Sugar imported to this Country has increased, as in the Proportion of Six to Ten, and will, unless put a Stop to by the Measures of Government, annually increase in greater Proportion.*

* The Importation of Sugar last Year to the London Market only was 106,000 Hogsheads; this Year it has been 135,000.

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