

But admitting that it was necessary, yet is it so easy a matter to convince so many different powers of such necessity? It is next to a miracle that they united under king William; and nothing but a sense of *immediate* danger from an ambitious and enterprizing prince, who had manifested to all Europe, that, according to his principles, might was right, could have joined their interests then. Such an union never may, probably never will, and, what is more, never need be effected again. Europe is not now what it was at that time. Some great powers, such as Prussia for instance, bear their heads aloft, who were then inconsiderable potentates. A writer therefore who contends for the necessity of adapting present measures, to the standard of antient systems, without allowing for change of circumstances, what time produces, either wants judgment or integrity. And we may add, that a writer of candor would not have forgotten, that at the time of the grand alliance, little or no attention was paid to our colonies and marine, which have been the *principal* objects in the present war.

He argues farther, "that, previous to Britain's having any continental connections, that continent must be connected in itself." Must it so? Then we are afraid it will be difficult to shew that there ever was a continental connection: and we may