

supplied to the uncorrupted *American*, what Art and Discipline could not impart to the Soldiers of *Great Britain*.

THIS, in my Opinion, offers an invincible Proof, that a Militia in this Kingdom, raised amongst the Farmers and Peasants, where Virtue yet remains in a much greater Degree, than amongst that corrupt Rabble of perjured Corporation Borough-men, from whom the Soldiers are chiefly collected, where every moral and religious Influence being effaced by Bribery and Venality, all Sense of Honour and Duty is destroyed, would be a more effectual Defence of the Kingdom from all foreign Attacks, than ten times the Number of standing Troops; composed of such miserable Miscreants.

BUT alas! such is the Difference in Judgment and Conduct of that M——y which directs the Affairs of *France* and this Kingdom, the Subjects of a Free Nation are not permitted to know the Use of Arms, and defend themselves, their Liberties, King, and Country; whilst those which we treat as Slaves in that Nation, are encouraged to the Use of Military Discipline, and entrusted with Arms to defend, alas, what we call neither Liberty nor Property.
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