

“to and from Europe*, and even all parts
 “of the world, their own and adjoining
 “coasts and islands excepted—And to re-
 “gulate their commerce, so as to make it
 “coincide with her own interests.

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knowledge political merit, I shall, for the satisfaction of the reader, give them in his own words, viz.

After laying down the causes of colonization, he says, “From these principles it follows, that Colonies are designed for culture only, and that the navigation occasioned by that culture belongs to the seamen of the Mother-country.

“This maxim cannot be controverted; and it would be better to enforce it with rigour, than suffer it to be too much deviated from by over great lenity, or any other means.”

The same author observes, that “the first kind of navigation useful, and even necessary to colonies, is their coasting trade.” And further says, “Another branch of navigation useful to them, is that which they carry on with other Colonies, to supply them only with commodities of the product of the Mother-country, or of their own growth, not admitted by their Mother-country at home, though allowed in the Colonies for prudential reasons.”

* This is nothing more than a power we have already exercised with our American Colonies, for by the 3 Geo. II. chap. 28, and 27 Geo. II. chap. 18, admitting rice to be carried direct from Carolina or Georgia to any part of Europe south of Cape Finisterre, it is enacted that it shall be only in ships built in Great Britain, and *belonging to British subjects residing in Great Britain*, and legally navigated. And by the 12 Geo. II. chap. 30, and 24 Geo. II. chap. 57, sugars of the growth, produce, or manufacture of the plantations may there be shipped for any foreign part of Europe, provided it be in vessels built in Great Britain, and *belonging to subjects residing in Great Britain*, or the *major part of them* residing in Great Britain, and the residue in some of the British sugar colonies in America. Likewise the ships loading rice or sugar, even under these regulations, are obliged to proceed to Great Britain before they return to the British plantations.

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