2d. 2. Whether it is not the Interest of Great Britain to encourage and promote her Colonies in America, instead of subjecting them to great Inconveniences and Hardships, since it will in confequence increase our Trade and Navigation, as well as the Consumption of our Manufactures?

3d. Q. When large Crops of Sugar are made in America, and more Sugars shall be imported into Europe than is sufficient for the European Demand; will it not lower the Price in the same Degree as such Surplus shall amount to, without the least Regard to high Duties, or any other increased

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4th. Q. Whether the Quantity of Sugar, which depends on Weather and other Casualties, and is of so long a Growth as not to be brought to Market in much less than two Years after the Time of preparing the Land for planting the Sugar-Cane, can be ascertained or proportioned according to the European Demand, as in the Case of most other Commodities that are not subject to such Casualties or Delays, or where the Quantity may be enlarged or abated at the Discretion of the Merchant, or as he shall find it for his Advantage, let the Duties and other Charges be more or less?

5th. Q. Whether upon due Consideration of the two foregoing Queries, it will not evidently appear that the Duties on Sugar, of the Produce of our Plantations, * lie on the Planter or Manufac-

turer, and not on the Consumer?

on the Product of the British Plantations, may not be accounted one of the principal Causes of the flourishing Condition of the Trench Trade and Co-B 4

^{*} Vide, Supplement to Mr. Apley's Memoirs on the American Trade, to be had at Mr. Compan's at the South Entrance of the Royal-Exchange.