

computing the profits of a siege or a tempest. But it will be unnecessary to resort to the arguments of the practical philanthropist ; or to those of the speculative moralist, whose system enters not into the rise or fall of governments, nor estimates the loss of individual good by the counterpoise of political advantage:—it will not be necessary to use any reasoning except what would be admissible by the most sound, the most abstract politician, to prove, that every conquest should be so cultivated and improved, as to produce a good proportioned to the inevitable evil by which it was attained. By the same reasoning it is apparent, that the greatest good that can be derived from a new settlement, acquired by a trading nation, is, by encouraging the trade of that settlement under the guarantee of proper laws, that the general wealth, prosperity and connection of the *new* and *old* subjects should so assimilate, that the nation should find itself upon
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