

The colonies and dependencies of Great Britain, conjointly with the mother country, though shut out from the rest of the world, would, alone, if properly supported and encouraged, afford sufficient means of provision for our population, commerce, manufactures, and the necessities of the state; and if we would wish for surplus commerce, it should be carried on upon more liberal and judicious principles than has hitherto been done with foreign nations.

It is idle to invent new modes or schemes of additional taxation to be levied in this country; but the amount of the national debt, or present weight of taxation, would be little felt, if properly divided among fifty millions of people, all bearing a portion, in equalization according to their means. The plan is not difficult, and may be adopted without oppression; but this is the business of the legislator to explain and accomplish.