

they feel in their own Bosoms. It is therefore a Fact that cannot be questioned, that the general Disposition shewn to succour the Queen of *Hungary*, and thereby preventing the Execution of the *French* Plan for extending their Power, was a Measure dictated by the Hearts of all Parties, and not a temporary Start of Romantic Generosity, or of sudden Resentment. No, the Wrongs we have received from *France*, have been so various in their Nature, as well as so many in Number; her Views have been constantly found so diametrically opposite to our Interest, and so directly calculated for subverting our Liberties at Home, and for ruining our Commerce Abroad, both which Designs have been avowed of late Years in Political Treatises dedicated to their greatest Ministers; that not to be watchful of her Conduct, not to be diffident of her Proceedings, not to be jealous of every Increase of her Power, not to be ready to assist whatever Ally she first attack'd, must be esteemed a Political Lethargy, little short of total Stupefaction.

You may have heard, Sir, but why should I dissemble, you must have heard, Sir, from the Mouths of those who are always fond of proclaiming to Foreigners, what they call the Interests of their own Country, that we are betray'd whenever we meddle with foreign Concerns, that our Situation and our Navy are our natural Securities, and that behind these Barriers we may be safe not only from the Rage, but from all the Force of the Continent. That to us it is nothing which way the World goes Abroad, if Things go well at Home, that the Ballance of Power is a Cant Word, the Support of the House of *Austria* a Chimera, the universal Monarchy of *France* a Goblin; and all these taken
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