

men think, that we cannot support such an enormous expence beyond another year; yet no one, as a friend of his country, would be fond of giving his reasons for it. There are others indeed, who think that the greater debt we incur, the better; because then, say they, we shall be so much the nearer wiping out the whole. This third sort are not the people which I shall reason with; I only wish that the two former would bethink themselves in time of the dangers, to which they expose the publick from them, by running the war into an expence so much beyond our abilities.

I am as thankful as any man for the taking of Montreal; but that service has been compleated by the regiments which were there before; the nation therefore has this year been at no expence of transports, &c. upon that account. Nor has any expedition which we know of been formed this year, any more than the last, against the French islands. While the only possessions of value belonging to our enemies out of France, have lain open to our conquests, our men of war have been watching a few broken back'd ships in the Villain for want of other employment; yet without any new expedition hitherto failed, or any fresh national attempts, more than the continuation of those of last year, our expences have increased. I have hitherto spoke of fifteen millions; but will not the real charge of this year 1760 be eighteen millions? And have we not even still heard