

attends the Nation in consequence of it: Tho' the Punishment due to premeditated Villany cannot be imputed to the Charge of those Directors, yet the Sufferers are not alleviated by that Consideration in the Distress which they bring to a Nation. Weakness and Incapacity are even more fatal and destructive than a wicked Heart joined to superior Intellects in a Man: This last, thro' pure Understanding, will exert every Faculty; conceiving his own and his Country's Interest inseparably united, his Judgment will correct his Mistakes, and re-instate what may have been originally wrong: But want of Intellect is irremediable; no human Power can correct that Error; its natural Lumpishness, like Gravitation in Matter, making it tend for ever to the Center of Darkness; like Impotence in Nature, producing nothing, or but ill-shaped Monsters: It is the most incurable of all Diseases of the Mind.

WHAT I wish then, is not to rouse you to the Destruction of these Men, but to your own Preservation; to awaken your Attention, that  
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