

and esteem of their neighbours; the safety and welfare of their country; the rewards of the great and blessings of the poor; with every thing else that must necessarily be the fruits of these great and laudable attainments. Surely if they act like men, they will never lose an opportunity of acquiring such honour and glory, and so much good both for themselves and their posterity; which in their present situation they may both have so much need of.

But on the contrary, if they lose this opportunity, and suffer themselves to be blind to their own interest, as well as the interest of the whole nation, by sitting still with their hands in their bosom, while they and their neighbours are in danger of having their throats cut every day; will it not be said, as it has already been said, that they are a chief cause of all the losses and misfortunes the whole nation has suffered, and may suffer on their account; and that they possess such a fine and spacious, fruitful and flourishing country, in the midst and most convenient place of all the British dominions in America, to oppose their declared enemy, for no other end and purpose, but to let that enemy overrun it, and endanger or ruin the whole nation and all its colonies by it — Weigh these