

Sum of Money be paid by the Government as an Equivalent to all those who have a Right in or to the said Duty : This, no doubt, would be a great Encouragement to the Planters of those Carribbee Islands, and, in some Measure, enable them to vie with their *French* Neighbours in the Sugar Trade, and they may raise Money in a more EQUAL Manner, to answer the Expences of their respective Governments.

THESE Islands, who pay this Duty, are commodiously situated for Trade or War, insomuch that they can protect or molest all Trade that is carried on in that Part of the World. And although they are of small Extent, they are built and stock'd at a vast Expence, and they are populous, and usually make about three Fifths of the Sugar and about three Fourths of the Rum that is made in all his Majesty's Sugar Islands, besides Ginger, Cotton and Aloes, and they take off *British* Manufactures in proportion, and maintain a considerable Branch of the *British* Navigation.

THE Value of these Carribbee Islands to their Mother-Country is not mention'd at all in Derogation of the Island of *Jamaica*, which does not pay this Duty ; for this Island is also well situated for Trade with all the *Spanish* Territories bordering on the Gulf of *Mexico*, and Experience hath shewn how it can annoy its Enemies in Time of War, and besides, if the Measures now proposed in this Treatise are put in Execution, this Island will soon increase their Productions in proportion to all future Demands, and thereby become a most valuable Jewel to its Mother-Country : Then surely too much can't be done for the Security and Preservation of all and every Part of the *British* Sugar Islands in *America*.