

should entirely change Hands, and other Men, with new and inconsistent Designs, should make a Babel of the whole of our foreign Schemes, stagger our Allies, by the Instability of our Measures, and confound every internal Arrangement; in such a Case, no Man can answer for the Event, let the first Dispositions have been ever so judiciously concerted.

Scarce is the Clamour on the Subject of *Marbone* more violent or more unreasonable, than that which has been raised concerning the Conduct of our Affairs in *America*.

That our first Efforts there have not been attended with all that Success, which from the general Plan of Operations in that Country, we might have promised ourselves, I am not at all surprized.

The *French* have gained over to their Friendship and Alliance most of the savage Nations; and this not owing more to their own Art, and the inconstant Disposition of that Sort of People, than to the ill Conduct and unwise Measures pursued by our Countrymen there; at once despising and provoking the Savages, and thereby forcing them, as it were, into the Arms of *France*,
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