

*Secondly*, Such a Belief will make the People at Home very uneasy and impatient even so far as to make them apprehensive of our being upon the Eve of ceasing to be a Free People.—We hope our Countrymen have had Experience enough of Negotiating : Witness what happened in the Reign of *James I*; whilst we were so employed, the Emperor stripped the poor unfortunate King of *Bohemia* of all his Dominions.

But before I enter upon the Enquiry as to those who are most affected by the Taxes, this I am assured for a Truth, that the People would rather pay much more, than stand by and see our Nation tamely submit to any Insults, from what Quarter soever, without properly resenting it, becoming a Free and Warlike People; hoping THRO' THE BLESSING OF HEAVEN, by making such Stands, not only to reap from it great and lasting Advantages to these Kingdoms in respect to Wealth, but above all the further Security of the Protestant Religion and our Liberty and Properties in Times to come upon a more solid and lasting Foundation.

To prosecute therefore what I propose, shall proceed to consider the whole Body of the People under these Six Classes, I. The *Landed Men*; II. The *Clergy*; III. The *Merchants*; IV. The *Manufacturers*; V. The *Shopkeepers*; and, VI. The *Farmers*.