

But the two great Persons you address, at present engross the public Attention. The noble Lord has great Merit both to his Country and his Prince; his early Zeal cannot be forgotten. His extensive Influence, his personal Authority, exerted as they have been, and as I trust they always will be, for the Good of his Country, will always challenge the good Opinion of his Countrymen. Nor will our Country forget to do justice to the active Spirit of that great Man, to whose unwearied Efforts *Great Britain* is so much indebted for her present Glory; to whom you and I, Sir, owe it, that in a War with such a Power as *France* we now debate whether our Country should use Moderation. I mean not, Sir, to make any Comparison, for it is not now a Time to draw the nice Line between the Merits of great Men, or to ascertain exactly where the Merit of the one ends, and the other begins. Comparisons are always invidious, and might at this Time be hurtful, and tend to weaken the Bonds that unite so many in the Service of their Country.

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