

surely be but a small compensation for the great expence this Country is put to by keeping possession of this dreary waste : I think, therefore, there can be no hesitation as to the propriety of abandoning it.

The next of our possessions in the line of great expence without a proportional return is GIBRALTAR. The expence of it, together with the necessary reparations, will, I dare say, for many years to come cost upwards of Five Hundred Thousand Pounds yearly. Besides, it has been often asserted, that SPAIN would purchase it at the price of Ten Millions : so here would be a double advantage ; an Expence ceasing, and a Profit arising ; and both together would, it is presumed, produce to the Public a benefit of One Million yearly.

In point of profit, I believe GIBRALTAR stands on no better footing than CANADA. But though I  
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