

*Spain*; since by this Treaty we have in Effect left the *French* Heirs to our *Spanish* Trade; for we have suffered the Treaty of Commerce concluded at *Madrid* between *Great Britain* and *Spain*, the 14th of *Decemb.* 1715 to fall to the Ground, for want of renewing and confirming it at *Aix*, where the Opportunity offered, and it might have easily been done before the Conclusion of the Peace; in consequence of which Default the *Spaniards* have loaded our Goods with heavier Duties, and Goods lately imported into *Spain* by some of our Merchants, instead of being vended, actually remain at this time shut up in the *Spanish* Warehouses for want of paying those Duties, while the Merchants are seeking Redress. And what Redress are they likely to find? We stand now upon the Footing of the Treaty of Commerce concluded with *Spain* at *Utrecht* in 1713; and tho' the Treaty of *Madrid* in 1667 says, "That no new Customs or Duties whatsoever shall be taken or increased other than those which the Natives themselves, and all other Strangers are obliged to pay;" yet we can claim no Benefit from that Treaty, but conformable to the Alterations made by subsequent