

a fourth substituted in it's Stead. A melancholy Prospect this, at the first Entrance into a War, if we were obliged to go on in this Manner!

The Tax on *Wrought Plate*, being an Example of a Tax laid on the Consumer, or User, immediately, will afford a striking Instance of the Difference it will be to every private Man, whether he pay down the Money at first, *within* the Year; or be taxed *annually* for the *Interest* of Loans. Let us take a Man whose Quantity of Plate will subject him to a Tax of 10*l.* *per annum*: Would he not rejoice to buy off this 10*l.* *per annum*, by the *immediate* Payment of even 100*l.* much more of 50*l.* or 30*l.*? Which, perhaps, to such Man, would be the *whole* Payment, supposing the War to conclude with the Year. And the *same Proportion* would hold; whether the War continue one, seven, or twenty Years. For the old Taxes would remain, and new ones be superadded every Year;