

The universal Talk of War, and the Occasion of it, would certainly make a Man appear stupid should he attempt to dispute that our Ministers will in the least be wanting (under the Direction of so mild and gracious a Royal Master) to assert the just Rights of the Imperial Crown of *Great Britain*, whereforever they shall find it attacked, either in Home *Britain* or in the *East* or *West Indies*, let the invading Prince be ever so great and potent; and that naturally leads us to conclude, they will with the same Spirit be as watchful to support our Trade and Navigation against any Attempt that may be made to destroy either one or the other.

This being our happy Situation at Home at this Critical Conjunction, which cannot but be extremely pleasing to every Loyal and Faithful *Briton*.— Still as some give out, that our Taxes are already so grievous that we are unable to maintain a War, and that it would be more adviseable to accept of the best Terms we can get, than to enter into one with so crafty and so politick an Enemy as that we are likely to meet with.—— I shall therefore undertake to shew the Falshood of this Assertion, for two Reasons.

*First*, Should this Doctrine be believed by our Enemy abroad, it must necessarily make him the more unwilling to do that Justice which the Nation has a Right to demand.