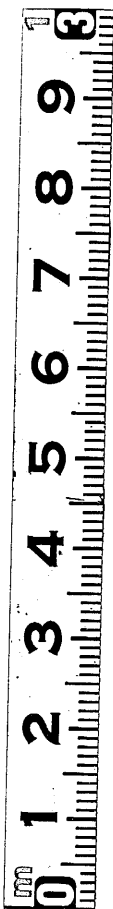


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REASONS

FOR RENDERING

TRADE,

TO and FROM

ALL NATIONS,

FREE TO

Export and Import every COMMODITY,
Neat or Wrought, liable to no other Duty,
but the Rate *Ad Valorum*.

Proper to be considered by Mr. WEBBER, and
others, that are for increasing and extending
Restraints on the *British* and *Irish* Trade, by
new Establishments, Registering and Excising
WOOL.

DEDICATED TO

The *Discerning* Part of *English* TRADERS, whose
Schemes and Conduct are Proofs of their Judgment
in Manufacturing and Commerce.

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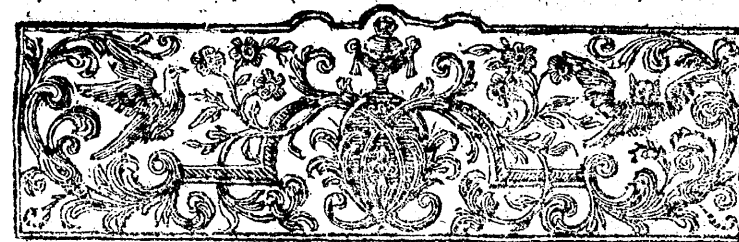
DEDICATION.

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WOULD the making Establishments to Register and Excise the Yearly Produce of WOOL in *England* and *Ireland*, be attended with the happy Consequences are represented in Pamphlets and News-Papers; the enriching the People, the raising Millions to supply Government-Emergencies, the distressing Rivals in Trade, humbling Enemies; -- none but meer *Hammans* could pretend to oppose a Work so glorious. But, on inspecting into the Circumstances of the *British* Trade arising from Commodities the Product of the Nation, it will appear, Trade is already under so heavy a Burthen, as to admit no New Establishments and Additional Duties --- the most warmest Advocate for Mr. WEBBER's Scheme may cool.

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T H E INTRODUCTION.

*T*HE Spaniards limiting Navigation and Trade, and, in Support of the Restraint, exercising Acts of Cruelty, obliged Britain to have Recourse to Arms.

The Danes, by pretending to engross the Fishery on the Coast of Jutland, may cause Broils; as may Prohibitions, heavy Duties, &c. and the Commissioners and Commissaries of the Trade of Nations, being under Difficulties to settle Tariffs; the Evils attending Restraints, may come to be Reasons to the principal Powers that are for Peace, and rendering the same lasting, to agree to put Trade on an equal Footing.

The large Demands for French, Dutch, and other Foreign-made Woollen Goods, causes a Want of Wool in France, Holland, &c. and the small Demands for English-made Woollen Goods, is the Reason there is Wool to spare in England.-----

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To increase the Demand for English-made Woollen Goods, is no other Way to be done, but by finding out Ways to raise and work Wool cheaper than is now done by the French, and other our Rivals in Trade; and by Savings in Navigation and Trade; which, it is conceived, may be done by making Use of Ireland.

For by the Difference in the Exchange of Money between England and Ireland, the Irish have the Advantage near Ten per Cent. in raising Wool, and near the same in working Wool; and in Victualling, often more than Cent. per Cent.--- and in fitting, --- manning, Freight, Insurance, &c. the Savings are so great, as in Working Ireland, the Scene may soon change; Wool be wanted in England and Ireland; and Wool to spare in France, &c.

R E A S O N S .

THE Origin of Trade may be reckon'd from the Time Man came to the Knowledge of the Consequences attended the Mistake in the Garden of *Eden*, obliging Man to have Recourse to Thought, which directed to the Fig-Tree, to gather the Fruit, and to pluck and work the Leaves.

To supply Mankind's many Wants, caused by the Mistake, so rack'd the Brain, that by Multitudes of various kinds of Thoughts, improved by hard Study, and numerous Experiments,

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ments, made in more than 5000 Years; the Trade of Nations is thereby brought to great Perfection.

Trade seems improvable, were all manner of Restraints on Industry, Trade, and Navigation, in all Countries, taken off; it being at this Time a Question, Whether Wool, Silk, Hair, — produced in any one Prince's Dominion, can be compleatly manufactured, without making Use of Commodities, the Product of some other Prince's Country.

Because in *England, France*, and many other Countries, several Sorts of Woollen Goods are not to be made Merchantable, without a Mixture of *Spanish* Wool: And are Manufacturies of Silk and Hair to be carried on in *England, France, Holland, &c.* without Raw and Thrown Silk, the Product of *Italy, India, Turkey, &c.*

Or are brilliant Colours to be struck into Wool, Silk, Hair, &c. in any Part of *Europe*, without the Help of Dying Materials, the Product of *America*. As the Woollen, &c. Manufacturies in *England*, are not to be supported to Perfection, without Aids from Abroad, Why may not the spare Wool in *England* and *Ireland* be exported? it bearing hard on the People in *Ireland*, not to be permitted to export their Wool work'd, or to make the best of Wool Raw.

The Price of the principal Commodities in every Country, the Expence of every Operation in Working, and the Secrets in Trade, being

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being known to the Dealers every where, the Markets are governed by the greatest Variety, the best, and the cheapest Goods are tendered to Sale. It seems the Interest of Prince and People, to permit the Exporting and Importing every Commodity, as the same may be produced by Nature, or improved by Art; and to require no other Duty, but the Rate *ad Valorum*.

In the present Situation of the Trade of Nations, Trade's chief Support depends on the Commodities produced at Home. It cannot be the Interest of the King or Subjects, especially of Islands, the Quantity and Value of the principal Staple Commodities should be known; which must be, if the Yearly Produce be Register'd.

Or is it to be supposed Foreigners will destroy, or any other Way lessen the Number of their Sheep, discourage the working Wool, and wearing the Goods? which must be done, before there can be Room for the *English* to gain Yearly so many Millions of Money, as are got into Mr. *Webber's* Head.

Such Parts in the Dominions of a Prince, producing Commodities Raw or Work'd, give the Subjects the Advantage in Trade of Rivals, are to be esteem'd and cherish'd. *Ireland*, a Kingdom in the *British* Dominions, is a Country may be rendered of as much Value to the People of *England*, as are the *Indies* to the *Spaniards*.

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For Commodities governing the Markets, are of equal, if not more Value than Silver or Gold; or so many Millions of Money would not be Yearly sent in Specie from *Spain*, to Truck and Exchange for Goods, without which the *Spaniards* could not support or defend the Mines producing the Treasure.

In making Use of *Ireland*, that Nation may be found a Magazine of Treasures, a Hoard of Nature, to enrich the People of *England* and *Ireland*; when the People and Parliaments of both Kingdoms come to know it to be their true Interest, in Trade, and in every Thing else, to have but one Interest.

As long has been the Wishes and Study, and now is the Hopes of the Author, soon will be; --- when the Treasures will appear of such Worth, as to purchase the Silver from *Peru*, the Gold from *Brazil*, and the most valuable Jewels found in the Diamond Quarries in the Eastern Nations.

The CONCLUSION.

IN all Countries, where are Sheep, is Wool; long, middling, coarse; short, fine, middling, coarse, as Nature dictates in the Walk Sheep feed and breed.

The Variety, Fineness, Beauty, and Goodness of the many Sorts of Goods made from Wool, greatly depends on the Skill, Fancy, and Judgment of the Artificers employed in the several Operations Wool passes thorow,
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in Manufacturing, in Picking, Sorting, Combing, Dying, Carding, Spinning, Doubling, Throwing, Weaving, Fulling, Sheering, and Pressing.

It is weak to suggest, and in Conversation to support, that the numerous Manufacturies all over *Europe*, cannot support, without making Use of one Half, or one Third Part of *English* or *Irish* Wool, when the Sheep in *Europe* may be Fifty Times the Number are in *England* and *Ireland*: And considering the severe Penal Laws in Force in the two Kingdoms, the Quantity of Wool clandestinely Exported can be but small.

These few Lines in Favour of a Free Trade, and Mr. *Webber*, and others Works, in Support of Registering and Excising Wool, --- examined, Mr. *Webber* may not be intitled to the Rewards and Laurels bestowed on him by the Political Writers.

There may be Room for the Author of these Reasons to put in to claim a Pittance, and one Laurel Leaf, as he has been Ten Years a Voluntier in the Service of Trade, without one Farthing Pay; is, by Fatigue, &c. reduced to be almost of the Nature of Camleons, subsisting by Air, and the Nutriment darting from the Rays of the Sun, when in its Glory.

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