

W H A T Part I think needless, is the Bright and Colour'd dry Tobacco, the Value of such Sortments being so various according to the several Degrees of Colour, it will be no easy Matter to ascertain the Price, that depending upon the Fancy of the Buyer; so that instead of Three, there had need be more than Thirteen Sortments made of such Tobacco.

B U T in my Opinion, it is not That Sort of Tobacco that does us the Mischief, because for Colours we have many Buyers, and sundry Markets; so that if one Market will not answer, another may, and if one Buyer will not give a Price, another will; so that in that Case, it is more the Sellers Fault, than the Buyers, that the Price is run down.

I F this be granted, and I think it can hardly be denied, it will be easy to fix from whence the Evil we labour under proceeds.

I N my Opinion, it proceeds altogether from the Leafy Sortments, for which in a Manner, we have but one Buyer. I need only appeal to our own dear-bought Experience, for the Truth of this.

W E very well know, the Price of all other sorts of Tobacco has risen and fell, in Proportion to what Price was giv'n for Tobacco by the *French*; that has govern'd the Market, and no doubt will do the like for the Future, or at least as long as those Sortments are in Demand, (almost only) for *France*: 'Tis true, were Leaf in Demand at other Markets, the Case would be altered; but as it is chiefly *France* that consumes that Sort, if the Trade of that Kingdom continues as now it is, in a Company, and that Company continues to employ but one Agent, to buy all the Tobacco they have from *London*, it must be what Tobacco that Agent buys, that will for ever govern the Market, as in Times past it has done, and it is very natural it should be so.

F O R he being a great Buyer, all others Buyers govern themselves by what he does, and he being