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1773

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Memo<sup>m</sup>  
Disputes  
with  
New  
England

Probably  
1774  
- after  
Philadelphia  
Congress

There is <sup>no</sup> denying the serious crisis to which the disputes between the Mother Country and the North American Colonies are grown, and that the greatest temper and firmness are necessary to bring matters to ~~an~~ good issue, time is undoubtedly also an ingredient as indispensable on this occasion. Had the Americans in prosecuting their ill grounded claims put on an appearance of mildness it might have been very difficult to chalk out the right path to be pursued; but they have boldly thrown off the mask and avowed that nothing less than a total independence of the British Legislature will satisfy them; this indeed decides the proper plan to be followed which is to stop the trade of all those Colonies who obey the mandate of the Congress for non importation, non exportation, and non consumption, to let them no farther with the presents to the nations and give every kind of assistance to <sup>them</sup> these.

those that conduct themselves  
otherwise, which will make  
them quarrel among themselves.  
Their separate interests must  
soon effect this and experience  
will then shew them that  
the interference of the Mother  
Country is essentially necessary  
to prevent their becoming rivals.