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The Navigation Act one of the remote causes passed by Parliament, was that the colonies should not send or buy goods from other nations and that the goods must not be brought or sent by other nation's ships. The English put a stop to all manufacture, for if the colonies began to make the same things it would affect the trade in England. There was another remote cause called: Wills of Assistance which gave custom-house officers authority to break open stores, ships, and public houses in which there was suspected to be goods on which duty had not been paid. The Stamp Act was another very oppressive measure, requiring stamps to be put on papers.
debt, lands, and other notes. When Great Britain found that the colonies were not going to pay the taxes required, they thought that if all but the tax on tea were done away with, that the English might get some money out of the colonies if the tax was not quite so heavy. But tax as hard as Great Britain could, not a cent did the colonies pay for taxation.
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