

A. D. ' we might have to encounter.' But all I  
 1719. could say was but to little purpose; for they continued in their resolution to clap the helm a *weather*, and grew to that height of insolence at last, that I was obliged to call upon my officers to assist in bringing these mutineers to reason. To this purpose they most of them appeared armed; and the sight of this so startled them, that they soon disbanded; and having ordered two of them to be made fast to the geers, to receive the punishment they deserved, I was prevented from doing what I designed, by some of their companions, who came in a very submissive manner, and begged I would forgive them, as I did, upon their promise for the future to behave themselves more obediently, and as became them. A little after this, observing them to be in some tolerable disposition, and inclined to be tractable, I ordered them some brandy, and they drank to our prosperous voyage, and I found that the dram being repeated, proved the best means of oversetting their wicked intentions. But the very evening after this, Simon Hatley, my second captain, instead of contributing (as he ought) all that was in his power to keep us quiet, had like to have thrown us into the utmost confusion, by taking

Simon Hatley disputes the command of the ship.