

with the punishment on other occasions, which they had before deserved on that score.

This most inhuman action, which is cried up as a meritorious exploit by the party, was committed by the Secretary, and other Magistrates subject to his directions, as appears from his own letter to the Governor, by way of journal of his proceedings; which on his return in triumph from that glorious expedition, was printed at *Philadelphia*. This was a copy from Governor B---g's *new way of ejection* (as it is called in the colonies) in *North Carolina*, which perhaps exceeded the original itself. Is it to be wondered if such men as these give up the province to the *French*, sooner than depart from their unwarrantable pursuits.

We shall pass over what our author says on the flourishing condition of *Pensylvania*, and his wise reflections on the nature of popular governments, as well as sly insinuations applied to the Quakers, that a constitution, although extremely proper at first for preserving liberty and encouraging industry, may at length, on the alterations of circumstances, prove prejudicial to both: these things we leave for politicians to consider. Before we proceed to other facts, however, it may be proper to take notice of what he says, in the page before cited, with respect to the trade of *Pensylvania*, "That from the port of *Philadelphia* (only) at least 400 sail of vessels clear out annually." This article requires some kind of elucidation, which our author, not so much thro' haste, as unwillingness to enter into particulars, has omitted; for that might have led him to reveal certain secrets which carry no very favourable aspect, and declare, for instance, how many of those vessels go annually with provisions to the *French* and *Spaniards* in the *West-Indies*, and how many