

Mr. A. Stewart, of "decent spirit and firmness," is the person, who on the trial of Capt. Lippincot did not appear in the most respectable light; for he was the man who brought a letter to Capt. Lippincot, desiring him to copy and sign it, in order to exculpate the Board of Directors, and to take the blame on himself for executing Captain Huddy. Captain Lippincot, not suspecting the design wrapped up in the letter, was sitting down to copy it, when he was arrested by the Provost Marshal. If Lippincot had copied and signed the said letter, it would have screened the guilty, and probably capitally convicted himself, for having acted without orders from the Board of Directors.

H. Peters, J. and W. Taylor, J. Blane, &c. were once on the side of Rebellion, and professed Loyalty after General Howe took possession of New York.

The Hon. Col. Willard, we are taught to believe, p. 38, is one of the most invulnerable characters among the Fifty-five. The Vindicator may thank his "dullness and malice" for being such a wretched blockhead as to seize the bull by his horns: if he had had the wisdom and candour of our Consistent Loyalist, or the justice of P. J. Livingston and N. Chandler, he would have seized him by the tail, p. 21 of Vindication.—— If any blame was to be fixed on any one concerned in the notorious transaction of the Fifty-five, it justly falls on Col. Willard, whose situation * at New York, and character as a Mandamus Counsellor and Commissary, gave him the opportunity, which he improved, to impose on the benevolent and tender feelings of Sir Guy Carleton. No rancour is due to, or was ever intended by Vindicator against Mr. Willard or Associates: he

* See Mr. Willard's Instructions to Mr. Goldsberry, to apply to Knox, "as from his *situation*, and the *interest* he has," &c. VIND. p. 25.