

him to the resplendent eminence in which he was fixed, and rendered him the admiration of the world. It will hardly be denied, that a character so truly dignified as that of this illustrious statesman, in which the enthusiastic love of liberty was so admirably combined, and qualified, with a profound reverence for the laws and the institutions of his country, could have been generated under any of the present forms of civil society but that which exists in Britain, in which the rights and liberties of the people are effectually guarded, and the powers and prerogatives of the governors are rigidly circumscribed by law.

Happy Britain! if she knows her own felicity: if she duly appreciates, and vigilantly guards, that holy fabric of her civil constitution, which having been erected by the wisdom and experience of former generations, has been cemented with the blood of her most virtuous patriots! Thrice happy! if, while she manifests a liberal inclination to adopt every judicious, and well digested plan of reformation,