

as to their ulterior views. I will not charge them with the insanity of nurturing now any rebellious purpose—any wish “*novas res moliri*”—but to them, and to their followers, I would address the following admonition:—Beware, beware of the consequences of your conduct. Recollect that a Constitution cannot be separated from those who administer its affairs. He who would destroy the Pilot, cherishes an evil design against the ship. Penetrating and intelligent minds may trace the nice line of distinction between the Sovereign and the Prerogative—and give to the latter its own clear, abstract and impalpable existence; but in the eyes of the Mob, the King is never regarded as a Constitutional Magistrate, but as a living personage, possessed of unlimited and resistless power. To their view the prerogative is co-existent with him, and is amalgamated in all his personal acts. Prone to violence and sedition, whenever Democrats succeed in inflaming them against his authority, they nurse a hatred against his person. Hence, in every revolution which has yet been effected, from the expulsion of the Tarquins to the dethronement of King James, the treasonable and designing first planted the germs of Rebellion by bringing into contempt the authority and character of the King, or of the Ministers of his Court; and by ringing a loud larum in the ears of the populace, that their civil rights were invaded, and their privileges mocked at. Consult the records of the American Revolution, so pregnant with instruction to us, and it will be found, that the first issues of treason were manifested by an angry struggle with the Executive of the different Provinces, *relative either to the Constitutions of their local Governments, or to the orders of the Parent State.*

Let then these brawlers beware. The Inhabitants