

be confessed to have been totally neglected, disregarded, or unobtained ; or, which is yet more flagrant, the highest Imputation of Folly must be attributed to the Ad——n.

To prove this Assertion, let us begin with saying, that it was decided that the *French* Fleet at *Brest* should be opposed by the *English*, and its Destruction resolved upon ; let us now cast our Eyes on the Manner in which this Design was plann'd, and the Way in which it was intended to be accomplished.

To execute this, Admiral *Boscawen* was sent to command a Squadron of Men of War, and in consequence of that Resolve set Sail from off *Plymouth* the twenty-seventh of *April*, with a Fleet consisting of eleven Ships of the Line and one Frigate. It has since appeared, that his Orders were to cruize on the Banks of *Newfoundland*, to wait the Arrival of the *French* Fleet, and intercept their Voyage to *America*.

THE sending this Squadron under Admiral *Boscawen*, is a clear Proof that our M——rs imagined the Number it contained was sufficient to destroy the *French* Fleet ; or it must
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