

*O! nimium Dilecte DEO, cui militat ÆTHER,
Et CONJURATI veniunt ad Classica VENTI.*

Success in so perilous a Navigation will, I hope, incline the yet unprejudiced Part of the World to imagine, that the Officers of *our Fleet* are likewise not *unacquainted* in their several and respective Departments, nor at all *inferior* to the Enemy in *Seamanship*, and what relates to the *Head* as well as the *Heart* of bold, active, and experienced Commanders.

Such and so great were the Difficulties attending this extraordinary Expedition in the *first Instance only*, and before the Troops could be *brought into Action*, or even landed to make an *Attempt*, so that when the *whole* of the *Operations* of this Campaign are taken into Consideration, it may well be esteemed, and I think, impartially, the most *arduous* Undertaking, and the most *important* Atchievement that has taken Place since the Beginning of this War; an Expedition big with as *interesting* Events, as perhaps was ever designed by an *able* and *penetrating* Minister, or carried into Execution by a *gallant* and *enterprising* General; so as to leave the scrutinizing World and Lookers on of all Nations in Suspence which to admire most, the *extensive Genius* of the *one*, or the *matchless Intrepidity* of the *other*; the glorious Offspring of which illustrious Endeavours was the REDUCTION of ALL CANADA to HIS MAJESTY'S OBEDIENCE, and the *Chastising* the *overbearing Insolence* of a proud, wary, restless and perfidious Enemy, whilst it pleased PROVIDENCE to bless the KING's Cause, and crown his Arms with such a *Rapidity* of Success, and such a *Torrent* of *brilliant Victories*, as must for ever distinguish the military Prowess and *awakened Spirit* of ENGLAND in all *martial History* throughout the World.

I should now, Sir, apologize for the tedious Length of this. Will it be allowed in Excuse that, warmed with the delightful Prospect of the Glory of our Country, I have suffered the Pen to wander, nor stop'd its Progress, while on a Subject so transporting to a *Soldier* and a *Briton*? In either of which Lights should you think of me to Advantage, my Ambition is answered; for your Approbation will al-
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