

makes up his mind on such a subject, without looking for evidence, is guilty equally of weakness and injustice; and as for those who do inquire into the testimony, who collate and consider it, as he has himself done, the author has no apprehensions concerning their decision. His assailants are fast refusing themselves; for, not satisfied with contradicting each other, as has already been done in fifty instances, they are contradicting their own witnesses, and their own statements. The moment is near when a full review of the whole matter will be laid before the public, in which these facts will be made apparent to any reader who will take the trouble to peruse it. It is not difficult to deceive the world for a time; and this is done so much the more easily, when passion, prejudice, and clamour conspire to aid the effort; but public opinion never fails to take ample vengeance for the mistakes into which it has fallen even by its own negligence and compliance. The victims are those who have been so ignorant of the power of truth as to act under the delusion of hoping to smother it, in an age like this, and on a question that can excite party feeling only for a day.