

It shews to what we are to attribute those affected effusions of Patriotism, which seem to breathe the very spirit of Philanthropy. But so hard is the temper of these times, that we listen to professions of this sort with suspicion; and when once we detect a man deviating from his words, we deem that "*POLITICAL truth is not in him.*"

You would hold forth a melancholy picture of the tendency of these Acts against America, to alienate the affections of our Citizens and our kindred: That our severity will have the effect of dissolving all the social relations of life: "That mankind will
" pay the forfeit of our rashness; that the desolate Widow weeps
" tears of blood over our cruelties." But, Sir, will you deny that these severities, grievous as they may appear, are necessary?

In the act of Rebellion the ties of consanguinity are lost: In private life such an unnatural resistance may be forgiven, for the example operates within a narrow sphere; but in public life, such condescension is impossible. We may answer for ourselves, but we cannot for others: and in this case we are jointly to support our right in all its consequences—for of a submitting, humble, pliant acquiescence there is no end. We owe it to ourselves, to our Country, and to our Posterity, to establish the authority of the parent over the child, because it is the foundation of every good Government whatever. Had Brutus given way to the natural ties of affection, mothers might have stiled

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