hope of reaping any advantage from the dif-

posal of places in America.

If the objections to this proposed plan are obviated, and the plan itself should please, whether the necessary step to carry it into execution (the beating the French at sea, the ruining their trade, and molesting their possessions in the West-Indies) is practicable, or what means will make it practicable, is the only question that now remains. When I contemplate the spirit of the nation, and reflect on the actions of individuals, for these last five months, I cannot entertain a doubt of our success in these particulars. When I look back upon the conduct of our Ministers, for these last five years, every thing appears so dark and uncertain, that it is difficult to fay to what fide we should turn for relief.