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IT may not be improper to inform the Reader, that the foregoing Accounts were collected, and the Remarks written, at a great Distance from London, and sent by Sea to the Person charged with the Publication of them; they may for that Reason be less compleat and exact.

After the Sheets were printed off, some Conversation happening on this Subject among Persons acquainted with Commercial and Naval Affairs, it was agreed, that several of the Ships taken by the Spaniards are rated below the Value, but that of others the Estimation is too high. One Article in particular was unanimously adjudged to be extravagantly enhanced; it is that of the British Merchants Effects seized in Spain upon the Declaration of War, the Value of which is set down at 200,000 l. whereas a Gentleman present would insure all the Loss that there could be on that Account at 8000 l.

It was observed too, that some Ships are represented in this List to be taken by the Spaniards, (as the Lancashire Witch, also a Ship for Gibraltar, and another for Gainsborough) which were reported to be taken, but came afterwards safe to Port. Other Ships are entered,