

him without difficulty, and interpreted these phrases to his mistress.

"Mamma discovered to the Corsair her name and rank, and demanded to be sent on shore. She pleaded the rights of nations, and assured him that her quality of French Ambassadors must render her capture as dangerous as it was unlawful. She then offered him a large ransom, on condition that he landed her on the coast of Spain or France, and concluded, by showing her passport, which ought to have secured her from any attack of this kind.

"In reply, the infidel told her he was the Dey's servant, and dared not act against his master's authority, but must instantly convey her and her family to Algiers.

"My mother changed colour, her spirits sank, she began to weep. The barbarian was touched by her tears, he assured her that she had nothing to fear; he even gave her the chance of remaining on board the Tartan, or of accompanying him to his own vessel. He advised the former, and mamma followed his advice by staying where she was. The unfortunate Tartan was then manned by Turks, and her course altered for Algiers.

"It was a great consolation for mamma that the steward remained with her, for Jaques M——