

to command armies, and soldiers fleets?
 Or are our seamen to be insulted
 and neglected, and made the victims
 of intrigue, by those very persons who
 should most strenuously support them?

I shall perhaps be told, that as
 the object was general science, talent
 was to be sought in every quarter.
 The object no doubt was general sci-
 ence; but it was only to be attained
 by naval means; and while that ser-
 vice *did* possess one man adequate to
 the duties which were required, he
 and he only should have been em-
 ployed. It is an imputation upon the
 Navy, which they feel, and an eternal
 stigma upon those who cast it.