

*sident* was armed with full powers, and had at his disposal the *Habeus Corpus Act*, yet he wisely refrained from the exercise of any coercive measure, and on the justice of the contest and the sober sense of the people firmly relied, he was not deceived, and that fortitude foiled, defeated and shamefully degraded the pigmy machinations of a treasonable faction, and it is curious that no secret service money was required by, or granted to the chief *Magistrate*, or the worthy offices of an *Edwards* or an *Oliver*, &c. &c. deemed essential, nor in the piping time of peace is it found requisite to maintain a standing *Army*, that people will not allow it, that people pay and they rule, and as the good *Citizen* forms the *Soldier*, "vice versa" the good *Soldier* forms the *Citizen*.

With respect to the *American* system, its relative value, and to the advancement it may be considered as having made in the science of *Politics*, there will probably exist much diversity of opinion, but none I think as to its utility with reference to the *American* people, it has survived the tender period of infancy, and out-lived the prophecies of its downfall, its principles have been fostered into maturity and their application illustrated by experience, it has borne the nation through a period of domestic difficulties and external danger, it has been found serviceable both in peace and war, and may well