

ADDENDA.

OBSERVATIONS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF EXTENDING THE BRITISH FISHERIES, &c.

THE foregoing part of this small work was printed in the beginning of the year 1817, but although the plan and observations therein contained have been much approved by most people who have been consulted upon the subject, yet nothing has been done to carry its important object into effect. What is every one's business is attended to by no one. It is however observable that since the period when the first part of this work was written and printed, not only the importance of extending the British Fisheries, but the observations and predictions contained therein, respecting the consequences of the want of employment for the British seamen, have been completely verified and fatally fulfilled.

Every one must recollect the distresses of the seamen during the last winter, and the charitable efforts which were used, in vain, to afford them relief. At the present time, it is also well known, that they have all disappeared, and that able seamen are not to be found at any of the ports to man a single ship of war, and that it is only