

sion, and correct the almost unpardonable mistake, by insisting, as is but too plain, that he had an eye to his own safety, and that of an expiring party, rather than that of either his Majesty's ships, or the inconsiderable spot, commonly and justly stiled, Great Britain, by *handsomely* * and *humanely* postponing the conflict to the *next morning*.—If he must be a saviour, let it be of a most diabolical and unreasonable party! a party, the most unnatural and outrageous in its proceedings; a party that was insensibly mouldering away with the massy load of its own infirmities, until the gloomy and inglorious 27th of July brought forth a trial for neglect of duty. The accused, beyond doubt, was honourably acquitted; but by whom and in what manner? by an inflamed and partial jury, and the most prejudiced evidence that ever appeared in the annals of history. However, this acquittal, such as it was, added lustre, animated and re-

* The first instance that ever was known of a Commander in Chief of England, to give credit to, and rely on the honor of a Commander in Chief of France, to renew a fight, and particularly, if there was a possibility of a retreat left—so it handsomely came to pass.