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"The liberty of the press, and the liberty of the people must stand or fall together."
HUMB.

— *nulla fuit satis*
Unquam longa voluptas
Longus sæpius est dolor.

CASIMIR.

Shortlived and transient pleasure's e'er esteem'd;
And longer, hence, succeeding pain is deem'd.

"Ten censure wrong, for one who writes amiss"
POPE.

TRIAL OF J. T. BUCKINGHAM FOR A LIBEL, *Extracts from, and Observations on, continued.*

In proceeding to deliver its opinion on the doctrine asserted by the counsel for the government, that the law of Massachusetts, following the common law of England, denied the *right* of the defendant to give the truth in evidence, the Court, first, at some length, and referring to local cases and opinions, considered it as being a question of "alleged repugnancy between a particular liberty secured by the constitution of the State,* and a particular doctrine existing at common law." This being an argument not bearing upon the intrinsic merits of the question, but upon the applicability of those merits to the circumstances of that individual state, I pass on to where the Court proceeded to state that

*The constitution declares the liberty of the press to be 'essential to the security of freedom' in a state. and that "it ought not therefore to be restrained in this commonwealth."