

places of residence, so that the injured parties were compelled to retire without any satisfaction, then I say that both the police-magistrates and the officers they employ, ought to be displaced; but I do not hold it right to stigmatise a man as a corrupt alien, and unfit to fill an office of the nature alluded to, only because he has been, in the course of the wars that lately agitated Europe, in the service of the enemies of England, or of more than one potentate. I must therefore be excused for not publishing what VERITAS communicates relative to the previous life of the individual in question. His conduct since he has been in office is a fair subject for remark and enquiry, for, obloquy or for praise, according as his deserts may be; and certainly the complaints of the public have been loud and many, and ought to be attended to, and would, any where else but in a place where we are blessed with such police-magistrates, God help us, as we are here; but not, how or when he enlisted in the British service, or whether he served under Bonaparte, the Prince of Piedmont, or the Emperor of Mexico.

I will take the opportunity which VERITAS affords me for expressing my sentiments, respecting the Scotch nation, which, from the vituperation I have bestowed upon the Scotch faction in Canada, I believe, are misunderstood by many. He adds, speaking of the writer of an article, which appeared in No 85. of the Scribbler, under the signature of L'AMI DE LA VERITE, in defence of the conduct of the watch, "He has dared to abuse all His Majesty's gallant, loyal subjects of North Britain, what abuse a whole nation? what unheard-of impudence; but the loyal conduct, courage, and ability, which they have shewn, upon all occasions, are so well known to the whole world, that his slander upon the Caledonian nation, is like the kicking of a blind frog against the rock of Gibraltar: cease viper, thou but'st a file." VERITAS proceeds, personally addressing me; "Nay, I will appeal to you, sir, for a proof of the liberal sentiments, conduct, and discernment, of the Caledonians; when a certain person was indicted upon a fictitious charge of felony, what was the conduct of the foreman of the grand jury? did not he insist upon returning the bill of indictment into court, ignorant; of what country was he? was not he a North Briton? And pray of what country were the majority of the jury, when the same person was indicted, tried, and (thanks to almighty God!) acquitted, for forgery? were they not likewise North Britons?"

First, as to the last; I am always proud of alluding to that triumphant and honourable day, when I was acquitted by the verdict of a jury, from the false and fabricated charge of forgery, supported by the wilful PERJURY of five of the partners of the North-West Company, (all of them Scotchmen,) and a host of their creatures and dependents. As to the jury that acquit-