
OBSERVATIONS, &c.

SIR Henry Clinton finds himself obliged to notice some insinuations, and contradict some assertions in Mr. Stedman's History of the American War, lately published. The affair of Bunker's Hill has been stated to the public by the general officer who commanded there: the volunteer services of Sir H. Clinton in that action were amply rewarded by the manner in which Sir W. Howe accepted them.

But there are other parts of the History which prove, that Mr. Stedman wanted either attention or candour. He asserts, that the army, during the cannonade of the fleet on the 28th of June, 1776, had embarked two or three times in boats, but did not proceed or co-operate with the attack of the navy. Vol. I. page 186, Mr. Stedman says as follows; " at twelve o'clock " the light infantry, grenadiers, and the fifteenth regiment embarked in " boats, the floating batteries and armed craft getting under weigh at the " same time, to cover the landing on Sullivan's Island; scarcely, however, " had the detachments proceeded from Long Island before they were ordered " to disembark, and return to their encampment. Early in the morning of " the 29th they were again embarked, and almost immediately afterwards

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