

“against us*.” It appears indeed that Spain and France had entered into mutual engagements; but those engagements, at least what were stipulated on the part of Spain, do by no means appear to have contained any thing hostile to us. France offers to Spain, that, if any war should break out between Spain and England about the old differences in America, to join her forces to those of Spain: an offer that the Catholic King could not in justice be expected to refuse, and in no way contrary to the faith of his engagements with us. Many passages are selected out of the memorial of the 28th of August, given to Lord Bristol, and some of Mons. de Buffy’s memorials and letters, as proofs of the hostile designs of Spain; yet, says he, that memorial of the 28th of August, is that *famous memorial of becoming apologies* mentioned in our declaration of war †.

I really wonder, that the observer was not ashamed to attempt so gross an imposi-

* Page 17.

† Page 19.