

ed Circumstances, the Measure, which, during his Adm.—n, was so necessary and expedient, soon after became improper, and, indeed, abortive :—A Spanish War was in October eligible, but in November inadvisable and destructive. The Conduct he has chalked out to himself has ever been uniform and consistent ; whatever apparent Incoherences may have seemed therein, have only been latent Chains, and hidden Links, too nice and refined to be perceived by the vulgar Eye. Upon these Principles, may one account for his Conduct, in regard to a late Dowager, who bequeathed him a handsome Legacy, on Condition that he would not accept a Post under the Government ; which Promise he tenaciously observed during her Life, and would still have kept, had not his Country called aloud for his Services ; and all private Reasons and particular Considerations were set at nought, by the Good of the Community put in the opposite Balance. It would be needless, after this, to make any Apology for now rising up, to expose the *Impropriety*, to say no worse of the Preliminaries before them. The Good of his Country, and a constant Regard to every thing that relates to the Welfare of the State, are the only Principles of his Action ;—the only Sources of his Conduct. How then can he patiently bear the Restitution of all our valuable Conquests, the Price of so much Blood and Treasure ? How can he hear without Emotion, that *Guadaloupe*, the Garden of the West Indies, is to be restored to the French ? and that Martinico, that rich and valuable Island, is to share the same Fate, as well as St. Lucia, our Right to which has been so fully and clearly evinced ?—And what are we to have in Return ?—Why, *Minorca* ; alone *Minorca*, which has been repeatedly proved not worth protecting.”

A Speech to this Effect, Mr. Treasury, or in even more striking Terms, may yet, we hope, produce the desired Effect, that is, prolong the Negotiation ; so that at least defensive Measures may still be pursued, and all the Avenues from us to you may not be entirely shut up. If, notwithstanding the vigorous Efforts to demonstrate the *Impropriety*