

and ability. The rage of her political parties will vanish ; and a season will be found for reconsidering the claims of perfect toleration. The liberty, interests and commerce of that important Island will be completely identified with those of England ; and all those evils for ever removed, which have hitherto prevented such a noble and fertile kingdom from adding much to the strength and energy of the British Empire.

Nor will these colonies reap small advantage from this most agreeable event. Long had we enjoyed all the blessings of peace and tranquillity, through the kindness and protection of our Parent State, while she was herself suffering the greatest privations and distresses. The interests of Great Britain and our present enemies were so much opposed to hostilities ; and the state of the world was such, as to proclaim, in the most energetic language, that peace, cordial peace, was the true policy of both. But our neighbours blinded with ambition ; and arrogant, from the great wealth and extensive trade which they had acquired by the miseries of Europe ; and tempted by views of immediate aggrandizement, became traitors to the peace and happiness of mankind ; and anticipating the downfall of the last citadel of liberty, hastened to seize upon a part of her territories. They have been sadly disappointed, and are about to meet with the punishment which their baseness deserves. The same victories which have prostrated the Tyrant of Europe, will prostrate his Satellites in America. Peace will not take place so soon ; but it