

detained; and, *the public will scarcely believe it*, ARE STILL DETAINED IN DEFIANCE OF ALL RIGHT AND OF ALL LAW; nor does there seem to be any remedy; for here more than in any other place in the world,

“The privilege that great men have in evil,
Is that they go unpunish'd to the devil.”¹⁵

It is understood that in the notes to the abstract of his trial which Mr. Wilcocke is about publishing, the scandalous usage he has met with both from his persecutors and the police-magistrates will be fully detailed; which renders further remark superfluous at present.

The following is the most correct account I am enabled to furnish of the operations at Fort Stark, from the various reports that have reached head-quarters.

At an early hour on the evening of the 1st the fort was attacked by a body of troops, chiefly irregulars and volunteers from the neighbourhood of the Haymarket, led on by their gallant commander, General Alexander, and his aid Captain Welldone. Commodore Rogers and Major Kiss-em brought up the rear. At the commencement of the engagement some confusion arose from the paroles and countersigns not being understood, but order was soon restored. About twelve a cessation of arms was agreed upon, for the purposes of refreshment, the troops on both sides

* *Tho. May's Old Couple*, Act V.

† Some confusion arose at this party by the numbers drawn not being in unison with the previous engagements made by ladies and gentlemen for dancing. In my younger days, when I was a manager and master of the ceremonies to the assemblies that were held in the second place in England, Liverpool, I had the satisfaction of introducing a regulation in this respect that tended greatly to break down the spirit of separation and party that existed there almost as much as it does here. Number 1 was presented to the first lady that entered the room,