

WHOM WERE CONCENTRATED ALL THEIR POWERS, AND ALL THEIR CRIMES. *Its ensign of power was the sword, and not the sceptre.*"* How far, and how fearfully these principles, and the plans of those who inculcated them succeeded, the melancholy history of the last twenty-five years, and every country in Europe bears the most ample testimony. Nothing was held binding, nothing was held sacred. "ALL THE TREATIES WHICH FRANCE HAS MADE SINCE THE REVOLUTION, HAVE BEEN ALL BROKEN."† As it suited their crooked policy, the sacred Name, and Attributes of Jehovah, were DENIED as at the beginning of the Revolution. As it suited their pursuits, these were BLASPHEMED as in the invasion of Egypt. As it furthered their dishonourable views, that Name, before whose frown, Creation trembles, was with exultation taken in vain, as it has lately been, in order not only to throw off their guard, and to disarm the nations of Europe, but to deceive and betray their Legitimate Sovereign. It is a melancholy prospect to Europe, to behold with what indifference such proceedings are adopted, and carried on by the French nation; and it is most lamentable, to reflect upon the manner in which their conduct is viewed, by many individuals in Europe, and more particularly in this country. The success, not the means engage the attention of the votaries of French politics, morality, and greatness; and because wickedness has been so often, and is again so far successful, therefore are its agents, admired and applauded—therefore, it is believed, not to be wickedness, and forgetting that it ever has been punished, they conceive that there is no danger that it will be so any more.

All these things in the sad example of another nation, stand on record as a beacon before us. Let us therefore be wise—let us learn wisdom from the past. The path before us is clear and straight. We cannot mistake it. Dear bought experience has taught it to us, and if we go astray we deserve no pity. Let us shun the paths which has conducted others, and which, if followed, will also conduct us to similar dreadful scenes of guilt and misery. Irreligion and immorality have overturned, and will always be the means of overturning, every

* Pitt's Speech, House of Commons, Feb. 3d, 1800.

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