

of the officers. This ill treatment together with some fear of
her being discovered by a new recruit who was her former
acquaintance, inspired her with a resolution to desert, which
she effected. However, whether despair or the hopes of again
meeting that unfaithful man, who had made her the mother
of a helpless infant, actuated her breast and gave her passions
a preternatural spring. so it was, that she courageously enlisted
herself in Capt. Graham's company in Col. Fraser's, regiment,
and soon after there was a draught made, to go abroad in
Admiral Boscawen's fleet, and she chanced to be one of the
number draughted, and went immediately onboard the Swallow
sloop. — When they first set sail, they had as fine
weather, and as fair winds as could possibly be wished for :
But no sooner were they arrived in the Bay of Biscay, than
a hurricane arose, which continued several days, whereby they
were all in danger of being swallowed up. After they had for
several days been beat about in imminent danger, they at
length with great difficulty arrived in the port of Lisbon,
where they continued three weeks : because the vessel was so
much damaged. Nothing material happened during the three
weeks. It often happens for the wise and noble purposes of
Heaven, that one misfortune succeeds another, as close as the
waves on the sea shore, ; so the Swallow set sail in company
with the Vigilant man of war, in order to join the Admiral's
squadron ; and the next night after their departure, another
violent storm happened in which the Swallow not only
fought the vigilent, but also sprung her mainmast, lost most of
her rigging, and was so much damaged in her hold, that all
the sailors and marines were obliged to take their several turns
at the pump, she not only willingly took her turn at the pump
of a sinking vessel, but also performed the several offices of a
common sailor, and in both qualities behaved with such judg-
ment and interpidity, that, next under God, she was esteemed
by the ship's company as a kind of a deliverer, and an instru-
ment of their preservation. The Swallow, after this disaster,
made the best of her way to Gibraltar. The ship rested here
with the utmost expedition, and sailed for the Madeira Islands
where she took in such wines, and other provisions, as was
thought necessary for the intended voyage. From thence they
sailed to the Cape of Good Hope, and in their voyage, were