

be, fairly, produced to you. When you have examined with attention the facts I relate, and have coolly weighed their importance; you will then, gentlemen, determine equitably on the evidence before you: and the people of England will affirm your verdict.

But, before I enter upon this task, give me leave to take some little notice of a pamphlet, which has been just now put into my hands; and which, I am told, has met with attention from the public, on account, I imagine, of the facts it is supposed to contain; for surely if I, who am no author, may venture to pronounce on the stile and manner of writing, both are below criticism.

The charge opens against the ministry, or rather against truth and matter of fact, with the following narrative, which you shall have in his own words; as no other can be so fit to convey his meaning, and shew him in the true colours of a libeller.

“ In the year one thousand seven hundred and forty nine, or fifty, some American traders, subjects of the king of Great Britain, travelled to the borders