

table to flatter those who are living. But if any man were to draw a character of the present King, in the same stile and manner as Dr. Shebbeare has done that of King William, it might possibly involve him in some inconveniencies. The Doctor fights on the highest and the safest ground; and his character of the present King is a sufficient proof, that his pension has not been given him for nothing.

AFTER such specimens of Dr. Shebbeare's talent at misrepresenting facts and characters, as he hath exhibited in his pamphlet, the public will certainly have little cause to regret their loss, if he should never finish his intended History of England. They may possibly, however, consider themselves as somewhat obliged to him, for having already given them so compleat a demonstration, of his total unfitness for any work of that kind.

Dr. SHEBBEARE's character of the Quebec Act, and the compliments he pays the Bishops on the part they took in promoting it, are truly admirable, and need no comments. He observes, p. 124, that in
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