

clearly visible in all their ranks, and in all their dealings ; even those who come off to sell their little stock on board, endeavour, by every method, to cheat and impose ; and these wretches, who would not scruple to practise any trick for gain, will not take their smallest coin, which is less than our farthing, if it have not a cross on it ; not from any prohibition of authority to this effect ; but from the intensity of their conscience in religion. The Consul told us, we had no idea, how much they raised the price of every thing on a ship's arrival, which seemed incredible to us, when we could get a hundred fine cucumbers for a pisturine, which is no more than one shilling sterling ; a large basket of fine apricots, and a heap of eggs, for the same sum ; poultry at the rate of nineteen pence a couple, and vegetables of all kinds for a mere trifle.