

murders, sieges, devastations and cruelties of a mode of warfare ever the most bloody ? Why paint to you the rage, barbarity and brutal violence of a contest so deplorable and fatal ?

His Virginian Majesty issued a manifesto which laid all blame on the Northern Court. This was accused of plotting with the President of New England the subjugation of that Republick ; and no circumstance was omitted, which could serve to represent it in colours the most detestable.

While these great events were transacting, the metropolis of the kingdom, the Petersburg of America, enjoyed the greatest privileges and prosperity. Her commerce was immense, taking its rise principally from that period, when a ruinous embargo cramped every commercial town of the United States, and she had then and since attracted to herself mechanicks, merchants, professional men, without number, employing them, and rewarding their talents with merited affluence. Like London, Quebec was now the mart not only of trade, but of literature ; the "Royal American board" of which, under the fostering patronage of a discerning Prince, became highly instrumental in the promotion of science. Canals had joined the waters of the St. Lawrence to the Atlantick by the North River of New York and the Kennebeck, while the great bay of Hudson by like means supplied the capital with a communication as extensive, as important, throughout all that northern tract.

Not many years intervened before the States of New England were compelled by imperious circumstances