

of nature, it must appear unreasonable to suppose, that the first Great Cause who planned the whole grand scheme of creation, should not be allowed to interfere with respect to particular parts, or individuals, as occasion, circumstances, or times may require. And whoever has duly considered the wonderful protection of the Endeavour in cases of danger the most imminent, particularly when encircled, in the wide ocean, with rocks of coral, her sheathing beaten off, and her false-keel floating by her side, a hole in her bottom, and the men by turns fainting at the pumps, cannot but acknowledge the existence of a Particular Providence. The history of Joseph can only afford a more striking instance of the interposition of a divine invisible hand. This our countrymen experienced; and we have good authority to assert, that our company in the Endeavour do acknowledge, notwithstanding the private opinion of the above mentioned compiler, that the hand of superior power was particularly concerned in their protection and deliverance. This omniscient and omnipotent power it is the incumbent duty of every christian to believe, confide in, and adore.