

TO THE

RIGHT HON^{BLE} LORD HAWKESBURY,

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRADE, &c. &c.

WHOSE COMMERCIAL ERUDITION AND OFFICIAL STATION,

RENDER HIM THE BEST JUDGE,

AND, THEREFORE,

THE MOST HONOURABLE PATRON,

OF ALL WORKS WHICH TEND TO PROMOTE THE INTERESTS, AND ENLARGE THE

BOUNDARIES, OF BRITISH COMMERCE;

THIS VOLUME IS DEDICATED,

WITH THE GREATEST RESPECT,

BY HIS LORDSHIP'S MOST OBLIGED,

AND FAITHFUL HUMBLE SERVANT,

JOHN MEARES.