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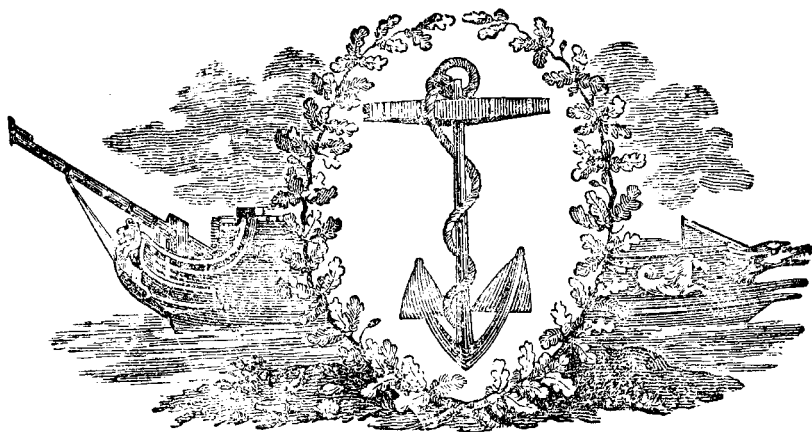
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TO THE EIGHTH VOLUME.

THE Completion of another Volume furnishes us with the customary opportunity of rendering our thanks to those who have contributed to the support of this Work by their patronage, or to the embellishment of it by their talents. It is in Literature, as it is in life, a duty which every man should impose upon himself, occasionally to review the task which he has undertaken, to apologize for the errors which he may have committed, and to acknowledge the assistance which he has received. In discharging this duty, as far as relates to himself, the Editor is neither inclined to deprecate severity, nor to court applause. As a Biographer, he has uniformly endeavoured to be accurate in his Memoirs of the eminent Characters of whom he has had occasion to treat, and seeks for

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no higher praise than the merit of having related with fidelity whatever has come within the limits of his knowledge. Though he has often to complain of the paucity of his information, if this merit be allowed him, the Lives of those illustrious Commanders, Lord ANSON, Lord MULGRAVE, Sir CHARLES SAUNDERS, and Sir GEORGE POCOCK, now no more; of Lord GARDNER, and Sir THOMAS GRAVES, names dear to their Country, which appear in the present Volume, must excite interest, and, it is to be hoped, will gratify curiosity.

In that department of his duty, the office of reviewing the labours of others, the Editor has delivered his sentiments on the Works which have come under his consideration, without partiality or bias, bestowing praise with pleasure, where he thought he could bestow it with justice, and censuring with freedom where his judgment was offended. Among the Works which he has had occasion to mention with peculiar approbation, will be found Mr. CHARNOCK's valuable and elaborate History of Marine Architecture, Captain SCHOMBERG's Naval Chronology, Captain ELMORE's Directory and Guide to the Trade and Navigation of the Indian and Chinese Seas, and the Rev. Mr. WILLYAMS's Voyage in the Mediterranean. The same impartiality will distinguish



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our future criticisms ; and we must here request the Authors of Works on Naval Subjects to send Copies of their Productions, in order that no delay may attend the consideration of them.

To our valuable Correspondents, the Editor and Proprietors of this Work cannot sufficiently express their obligations ; and they are happy to add, that the return of Peace has not diminished the number of Communications. While we render unfeigned thanks to those who have favoured us with their Contributions, we must at the same time solicit a continuance of their Literary Assistance, and we can safely promise that every attention shall be paid to their friendly aid. As we have experienced a considerable degree of difficulty in procuring the Portraits of eminent living Naval Characters, whose Memoirs we flatter ourselves would give general satisfaction, we take this opportunity respectfully to invite all gentlemen who may be in possession of such Portraits, to favour us with the loan of them for the purpose of engraving ; and, if accompanied at the same time with Sketches of their Lives, they would be peculiarly acceptable. In the early part of our Work, we gave Memoirs of some eminent and illustrious Characters without Portraits, but at the suggestion of many respectable Subscribers, we intend occasionally to

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present our Readers with their Likenesses, and shall feel proud in seizing an opportunity of embellishing our Work with the Portraits of men so worthy of the admiration of their Country ; so that in time the NAVAL CHRONICLE will exhibit a complete Series of the Portraits of the NAVAL DEFENDERS OF BRITAIN.

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