New York Journal, 4 October 1787

The Editor of the New-York Journal, &c. having heard many ill-natured, and injudicious observations, on what the observers are pleased to stile HIS PARTIALITY, as a public printer, cannot refrain from remarking, that their suspicions are groundless—that their observations are puerile—and that *servile fetters* for the FREE PRESSES of this country would be the inevitable consequence, were printers easily terrified into a *rejection* of free and decent discussions upon public topics.—The Editor professes to print an *impartial* paper, and again declares, that, setting aside his private political sentiments, he will ever act AS A PRINTER, giving to every performance, that may be written with decency, free access to his Journal;—here is spacious ground for the rencounter of a CATO and a CÆSAR—for a REPUBLICAN and ANONIMOUS—for a SIDNEY and ——, &c. &c. &c.—either of whose communications will be received with pleasure, and, to give greater satisfaction, if desired, be inserted opposite to each other, in the same paper. For such interesting political investigations the Editor will conceive himself much obliged as, by this means, he will be more effectually enabled to serve the national interest.—CATO was received at too late an hour for this day's publication, but shall be inserted in our next.

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