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We have for a long time distinguished the friends and enemies to their country by using the epithets of *whig* and *tory*, which (in my opinion) ought no more to be mentioned, but as a substitute, make use of the terms *Federal* and *Antifederal*, the latter so opprobrious a name as only fit for a daemon! But yet I fear we have a few such among us—some from the base principle of wishing the existence of *tender acts* and *paper money*, to defraud their creditors—some from an idea of being once more under the *old government*, as they term it—some merely for the sake of opposing because they had no hand in framing it—and others of a levelling disposition, preferring anarchy and confusion to good government. But the *Federal Man* will, with heart and hand, assist in establishing the Constitution, as being the best adapted to the exigencies of the several states of any thing that that could be devised, and at the same time treat all those that oppose it as *traitors* to their country.

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