

MEMOIRS
OF
REAR-ADMIRAL PAUL JONES.

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PAUL JONES,

LATE REAR-ADMIRAL IN THE RUSSIAN SERVICE,

CHEVALIER OF THE MILITARY ORDER OF MERIT, AND OF THE
RUSSIAN ORDER OF ST. ANNE, &c. &c.

NOW FIRST COMPILED FROM HIS ORIGINAL JOURNALS AND CORRESPONDENCE;
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CHAPTER I.

THIS narrative is now arrived at a period in which it can be for some time continued in the most desirable way, namely, by the Journal of the Rear-Admiral, kept by himself on the scene of action during his memorable campaign against the Turks, afterwards extended at St Petersburg and Warsaw, and prepared for publication at Paris. Had he acted the part which manliness and sound wisdom dictated, in openly withdrawing from the service which had been to him one of misery and bondage, in which all the better qualities and higher energies of his mind were converted into the means of self-torture, he would unquestionably have published