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**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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SEVERAL years since a work purporting to be a “Life of Paul Jones” appeared in America, compiled by Mr Sherburne, Register of the Navy of the United States. An abridgment of the same work was reprinted in London by Mr Murray. The Life of Paul Jones still, however, remained to be written, for this good reason, that Mr Sherburne possessed no adequate materials for his work. The official correspondence of Paul Jones, while in the service of the United States, a few fragments of papers left by him in America, and discovered in a baker’s shop of New York, and his letters to Mr Jefferson, though all