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Extract of a letter from New-Hampshire, *Sept.* 20.

“How are the mighty fallen!—poor Shays is at this instant cracking chesnuts in the vicinity of lake Champlaine. The situation of Shattuck is not much better, only it is possible he may be cracking walnuts.—This man you must know was considered by the insurgents as a character quite as important as Shays himself. The insurgents in general have returned to their homes, and as far as we can learn behave with decency and good order. As to those that are still lurking on the borders of Canada, they are literally

“So worn, so wasted, so despis'd a crew,

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