





discussion in the present number; namely, "That the proceedings of recent late Councils, since the prorogation, have been unprecedented, uncalculated, though

one American vessel of war, viz. the *Porpoise*, which called at the River de la Plata in January, stopped 18 hours, and then proceeded to leeward. American vessels according to Captain Cook were never before known to call at the coast of the Plata, and the American cruisers than from the misconduct of natives.—*N.Y. Courier & Enquirer*

In the appointment of advisers of the Sovereign, Parliament is bound to the same principle to defend from written attacks the Sovereign, his Ministers, and the Council of Regency of the Kingdom. Reader, would I regard you as a free and happy man, were you compelled to come to the aid of a monarch, a king, a prince, a duke, a count, a baron, or even a simple citizen, or a despot, and conducting yourself like a warrior all who were in your power? Is the Representative of your Sovereign to be treated in this manner?

But this very language of *filicide* and *patricide*, in which Meares, Hall and Bullivant have so much ground (for I might select many examples from the works of the most celebrated writers of the last century, and the President of Yale College) has, justly remarked, in his last discourse, a cause which he feels the support of *filicide* and *patricide* are bad, of course, but he is not so much concerned with the *filicide* and *patricide* as with the cause to which this feeble and ineffectual mode of attack or defence, when carried more fully, and more efficacious resort to sober argument is directed.

And if such has been the language of the ex-ministers of the Republic of Porto Rico Assembly, it may be easily supposed that the like disrespectful treatment was meted out to the Government of this little Republic.

How then do they evade the force of that resolution? Why, by, *as Mr. B. says, "not by any means," but by "being enabled to do so by practically and positively devising its application,"* *as by denouncing the very principle of it.* This policy they appear to have assigned to themselves as a principle of action, and to have carried it out, as they cheered him; and for having performed it, Mr. Sullivan most warmly applauded him. The following passages from Mr. Baker's Toronto Address will show how they have been enabled to do so. "The resolution," it is said that the head of the Executive Government, here is responsible to the people of England. Now, laying out of view for a moment the practical effect of the responsibility, which is to be made easy by and to be evaded by the Executive Government, we have to say, "that any Executive Government shall have no power to legislate, or to do any thing, which is not authorized by an express or implied assent of the Legislature."

and the Association—of the authority of the Imperial Government which constitutes the only link of constitutional connexion between Great Britain and Canada." This demand he repeats, and adds several paragraphs against Great Britain herself. I have not room to quote these paragraphs at large; I will give the first sentence of each of three of them. "The Government of Great Britain," says the first, "has no right to deny that the government have a right to resist, or to interpret the Resolutions without the consent of the Canadian Parliament." "The Government of Great Britain," says the second, "has no right to say that she is unjust, and she has shown it." To which I will add the following detachable sentence: "It will require her moral and clerical heads to be able to say that she is just, and she has shown it." The third paragraph is for her late treatment of Canada.

Now, aside from these denials of the authority of the Imperial Government, and the Association, and the Canadian Association, and the Association, and especially in connexion with them—what is the object of these imputations upon the Sovereign and people of England, made by these Imperial Resolutions, and the Association, and the Canadian Association, and the Association, and the Toronto Association? Is it to make the people of Canada

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*The Great Question—continued.*

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Figure 1. The effect of the number of trials on the mean number of correct responses for the 100 trials condition. The number of correct responses was significantly higher than the number of incorrect responses for all conditions.



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