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government. How much of hope and conviction was summed up by Robert Baldwin, when he explained to Lord Durham that it was the genius of the British race in both hemispheres to be concerned with the government of themselves! How much of shrewd and native patriotism was bound up with Joseph Howe's *statement* of the case: "We ask for no more than as British subjects we are entitled to, but we shall be content with nothing less." And how sober and yet imaginative were the studied conclusions of Lord Durham's Report, which was to become the new handbook of political persuasion across the seas. Speaking of the situation in Canada in 1837, at a moment when the permanency of what he called "the connexion" was by no means certain, he said: "To conduct their government harmoniously, in accordance with its established principles, is now the business of its rulers; and I know not how it is possible to secure that harmony in any other way than by administering the Government on those principles which have been found perfectly efficacious in Great Britain. I would not impair a single prerogative of the Crown. On the contrary I believe that the interests of the people of these Colonies require the protection of prerogatives which have not hitherto been exercised. But the Crown must, on the other hand, submit to the necessary consequences of /representative