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PEER REFORMERS IN CANADA.

name of the Government, professing to effect that object. Has he done it?—Not one solitary measure of his has betrayed even a disposition to attempt it. We therefore deem it political hypocrisy for him to lament, that, the remedial work which he came to perform is not even begun. He dismissed his late Council because they desired to advise him on our public affairs; and as he would not let them assist him, even with their advice, why did he not do the remedial work single-handed?—And as he has since formed a new Council, why has he not even from that period up to the present, shewn himself, in earnest by doing something?—Although elected "**IMMEDIATELY AND EFFECTUALLY to remedy our grievances**" he has not even suggested a single measure either to Parliament or to the people!—Coming to this Province and ascending the Throne amidst the noise of cannon and the music of the Garrison, was no remedy for our admitted wrongs. It was only the waste of ammunition, and the mockery of Regal State.

Compare his opening with his closing Speech. In the former, he said little, and that little was forbidding. "I have," said he, "for myself *nothing to promise or profess*." The person selected "**immediately and effectually**" to redress our wrongs, had nothing to promise or profess. What claim had a man to public confidence, who refused on a most appropriate occasion to avow a liberal and redeeming policy. We presumed he exhibited himself upon the Throne to tell us what he was, and what he intended to do. Surely he had a great deal to promise to progress and to perform, but in truth, he failed to *promise to profess or to perform any thing*. He at the same time said "I trust I shall not call in vain upon you for that assistance, which your King expects and which the rising interests of your country require."

Very well;—why has he not called as loud and as often as he pleased upon the Assembly?—*alas!*—he has not, by message or otherwise, even *whispered*, much less called upon them for assistance in one single measure of reform. Had he said in the beginning of the Session, "no sooner did His Majesty's Government receive the Grievance Report, than they determined the Grievances it detailed should immediately be effectually redressed. I beg you will, therefore, immediately correct them, and be assured you will not call on me in vain for that assistance which your King expects and the rising interests of your country require," then indeed would the Assembly have immediately taken Sir Francis' word into their own hands and called upon him for redress.

You will recollect in Peter Pelly's memoirs