

tions, wishing to deprive them of all those beneficial Advantages, they most gratefully acknowledge to have received, by the equitable System of Jurisprudence obtained from the Parliament of *England*.

My Lords, however bright may be the Eloquence, and however dark the Purpose, of that Noble and Learned Lord, I trust he will fail in his Attempt; and, though strong was the Arm that directed this Shaft against the Vitals of the Constitution, though the Point was envenomed, and though it was aimed at a mortal Part, I trust, my Lords, it will fall blunted to the Ground, without endangering the Safety of the Commonwealth, or affecting the true Interest of the Kingdom.

The Noble Lord has told your Lordships, that the Bill which passed last Session for establishing a Government in *Canada*, was a Bill “*abhorrent to the British Constitution, and that it ought to be repealed by the unanimous Voice of this House.*”——I shall first put his Lordship in mind, That this Bill was not made for the Meridian of *England*; that it was framed for the conquered Subjects of *France*, consonant to the Faith of Treaties, and to the Stipulations agreed upon by the Conqueror, which was part of the solemn Pact, between *Great Britain* and *France*, covenanted for, and ratified by, both Nations at the Conclusion of the War: And then, my Lords, I will go a Step further; I will meet the Noble Lord on his own Ground; and I will uphold to his Lordship, that the general Principles and Policy of this *Canada* Bill were founded in Wisdom—that the Principles of it, which his Lordship affirms to be repugnant to Christianity, emanated from the Gospel, and are coëval with the Religion of our Saviour—that they breathe