

convinced, may be rendered ineffectual. Should any division be called for by those who will only venture to attack particular expressions in the Resolutions; such opposers must be left to satisfy their own consciences respecting the prudence and generosity of their conduct. All the objections I can foresee may be reduced to one, 'That the Resolutions breathe a spirit too bold for the temper of the Times.' All the arguments likely to be urged, will be arguments in favour of caution, prudence and moderation.

Gentlemen, It is too often taken for granted, and I think especially among serious people, that want of spirit is prudence; that fearfulness and inactivity are policy. It would indeed be hard, if timid and indolent men had not resolution and vigour enough to raise them up in their easy chairs, in order to indulge on their darling topics; the censure of spirit; the abuse of enterprize.

Moderation is unquestionably a Virtue: but not a Virtue of all times and of all seasons. It is on some occasions Cowardice, on others it is Treachery. But I turn with pleasure from general remarks to the authority of years and experience; to the authority of one of the wisest, and for many years one of the honestest men that ever sat in an English Parliament, Col. Titus. In a debate on the Exclusion Bill, during the reign of that