

your Lordships that the explanation he gave made his case much worse, and that he left the charge more grave and formidable if possible than he found it.

I will now come to the course of his proceedings at large, and first of all to the interval alluded to by the Noble Baron opposite (Lord Ellenborough), when we last met—the period which elapsed between the dispatch of the 20th of November, 1836, promising instructions to the Governor of Canada, and the 11th of March, 1837, the date of the next dispatch.—It is not true, says the Noble Lord, that near four months elapsed between the promise and the non-performance (for the dispatch of March gives no instructions); a small interval only occurred; a letter was written about the middle of February, but it was private and cannot regularly be produced or even alluded to, says the Noble Lord. A shorter production than that of March—shorter in point of physical dimensions, for one falling shorter of its purpose there could assuredly not be—but mathematically smaller.—

LORD GLENELG.—I beg pardon; I did not say a shorter dispatch.

LORD BROUGHAM.—Really, then, I must say, this is the most extraordinary mode of selecting papers for the information of the Parliament or the exculation of the Ministers, that in my whole life I ever heard of. The dispatch of March, which is of no value whatever, which tells absolutely nothing, is produced. The dispatch of July, which may be of