

peril and distress—rights which they have enjoyed in uninterrupted quietude for nearly forty years.

It is but justice, however, to the character of His Excellency, and of the home government, here to state, that in whatever manner they may appear to have been implicated in this dark and deep design—this unwarranted and uncalled for interruption of the peace and happiness of an hitherto most peaceable and happy colony, and however His Excellency may have adopted arbitrary and high-handed measures against those who have, from principle, fearlessly opposed his advisers—the advocates of this unfortunate measure, yet public opinion acquits both His Excellency and the home government of any design against the liberty of the people, and rests the odium of such a trick upon the backs of a few deep and designing politicians, who have long nestled about the Colonial Executive—and who, like the fable of the snake and the countryman, the moment they have been warmed into existence by the fruit of the toils and the industry of the American emigrant farmers—the early pioneers of our forests—turned round upon their benefactors, and shed upon them the deadly poison of their political malice.

Want of time and means to publish more than one sheet at present compels the Editor to come to a close. But he hopes that enough has been said to convince every unbiased and dispassionate mind, that the Alien Question has been nothing but a snare—a hidden trap, with which to destroy the civil rights of the American emigrants in this colony—an apple of discord, with which first to divide the people, and then rule them with an iron rod—and that the conduct of the House of Assembly, from the first agitation of the question, has been such as to merit the approbation and gratitude of every man who loves his country.

Let then the people of Upper Canada be cool, patient, firm, and united—let them repose unlimited confidence in the wisdom and liberality of the Imperial Government—let them preserve a talented, patriotic, and independent House of Assembly—and they have nothing to fear from the snares of their enemies.