

never held any public office, and do not now hold any place of profit or emolument under the Crown.

2d. That all the offices held by the remaining 5 or 6 members of either House, did not, and do not, yield over £500 currency per annum.

The facts disclosed appear to have most agreeably surprised many worthy people, who, from hearing the most unblushing falsehoods confidently asserted, week after week, and day after day, began almost to waiver in their faith, and to fancy that all the virtue and disinterestedness must be upon the opposite side. The Clique feel that the defence has been triumphant, and decisive—that the body of public spirited and independent gentlemen, whom they have attempted to malign, stand again before their Country, and in the midst of their friends, and neighbours, and constituents, who respect and esteem them, with clean hands and brows erect, smiling at Cogswell, Wilkins & Co. with ineffable scorn and defiance. The opposition fancy that, even the spirits of the dead, whose memories they have insulted, hover over their beds at night to reproach them for their slanders.

There never was a more homely and familiar illustration of the adage, that truth is powerful and will prevail, than the effects wrought by that single letter. There is nothing in the style of it to command attention, but the truth, a simple statement of facts, has put the opposition down. They have toiled for years to rear a pyramid of falsehoods, and lo! it is shaken to its centre, and is tumbling about their ears. I will now endeavour to raise a monument to their disinterestedness, patriotism and public virtue, which cannot be so easily overturned. The Wilkins's may blow upon it till they crack their cheeks, Jeffrey may summon his Allison and Deblois to undermine it—Hare may try to cast it into deep shadow, by getting between it and the sun—the Bishop may spread his apron upon it,—the Wallace's may try to hide it in the chest, but it shall stand before the country, immovable, indestructible, not "lifting its head and lying," as was said of a monument elsewhere, but lifting its head and telling the truth—upon the Rump.

£500 currency, my Countrymen, is the outside figure of all the sums which the majority of the last House drew, and the majority of the present House draw, from the Revenues of the country. This is the evidence produced, to prove corruption, and selfishness, against the supporters of the present Government. Now, I have taken the trouble to run my eye over the list of the members of the St. George's Society, and of the guests, who, on the 23d of April, sat round their Board, sipped their wine, and smiled when the Governor and his Lady were treated with disrespect—or lissed Mr. Uniacke, and showed their abhorrence of the Responsible Hydra:—I pass over the military officers, of which there were about twenty, and who, being strangers to the tricks and manoeuvres of the Rump, and supposing they were among gentlemen, never suspected what was going on around them, nor that any attempt would be made to draw them into party politics—I pass over some twenty others, who were either liberals, or moderate supporters of the present Government, and who should not have remained one moment after Mr. Uniacke was put down, and who would not, had that gentleman left the room, as he probably would have done had any body else been in the Chair—I pass over some half dozen flunkies, brought to back their masters, and I come at once to the 50 or 60 persons who remain, out of the number who attended the dinner, or are known to entertain the same political opinions; or, whatever may be their real sentiments, to act, for various reasons, with the Rump. Among that 50 or 60 persons is to be found the nucleus of all the opposition to Lord Falkland and his administration, which has been bitter, spiteful, personal. Almost every joint of Cogswell, Collins & Co., and Jeffrey, Wilkins & Co.'s tail, from the thickest and dirtiest, to the smallest and most elastic, may be discovered among the lot. These are the gentlemen, who, through the scurrilous organs they maintain with the public money, charge your Representatives, week after week, with selfishness and corruption, and prove it by showing that forty members, distinguished for experience, eloquence, ability, and faithful public service, divide among them the mighty sum of £500 currency. Now, my countrymen, will you do me the favour to stand by, and see how much of public plunder these worthies have got concealed about their persons—stuffed into their pockets, hidden in the crowns of their hats, and sewed up in the waistbands of their breeches. Nay, gentlemen, don't

struggle and kick, you cannot escape if you would—"no maiden's arm is around you thrown." Besides, what have you to fear? You have come into Court to give evidence against the Responsible Hydra—no doubt, your hands are clean: You are too pure, too high-minded, too virtuous, to touch a farthing of the public money—your love for Nova Scotia is so great, that to serve it for nothing is a pleasure—you have so deep an interest in the prosperity of the City of Halifax, that to touch a farthing of its revenues would give you infinite pain. Sublime patriots—disinterested men! how fortunate it is that Nova Scotia possesses such a band of self-sacrificing and incorruptible worshippers of the ancient system, under which their budding virtues were nourished by Danen showers, that the rude breath of the Responsible Hydra may possibly waft to fresher distant pastures, and flow into other channels.

I have given you the lists of the majority of the last House, and of the present, who are eternally abused in the Times and Observer, and I have shown that the whole amount they receive from public employment is £500. Turn we now to the men who *grudge them this sum, and are fearful of its corrupting their integrity and endangering their independence.* Look on this picture, and on that. All the persons whose names are here set down, are either members of the Political Club called St. George's Society, dined at its table, on the 23d of April, or are known to be secretly or openly intriguing against Lord Falkland.

Thomas Nicholson Jeffrey, Collector of Customs,	£2,500
Richard Best, Clerk do	312
John Blackmore,* Landing Waiter and Searcher,	437
Robert Cleghorn, do do	187
James Buggs, do do	187
James S. Richardson, Clerk,	100
John Garby, do	125
J. J. Morris, do	100
Abs. Hay, Locker,	96
James Wall, do	96
John Spry Morris, Commissioner of Crown Lands,	
Surveyor General and Judge of Probate,	850
Thomas James, Clerk and Deputy Registrar,	500
S. Binney and E. Binney, representing a family drawing,	700
A Richardson,† Gnager,	500
Charles Wallace, Treasurer,	700
Edward Duckett, Clerk, Keeper of Savings' Bank, Clerk to Board of Revenue, and Commissioners of Sable Island,	400
Edward Wallace, Adjutant General, Commissioner of Sable Island, Agent for Revenue Cutters,	300
Judge Sawers, Pensioner and Recorder,	500
James S. Clarke, City Clerk, &c. &c.	400
Lawrence Hartshorne, County Treasurer, and Clerk of Licence, Commissioner of Revenue, &c.	400
James Tremain, Overseer of Roads, &c. Pickings unknown.	
Doctor Almon, Surgeon to the Poor House,	150
J. J. Sawyer, City Marshall, Sheriff, &c., Usher of the Black Rod,	500
Col. Creighton, half pay,	300
Henry Ince, Ordnance Clerk,	200
James Gossip, Lumber Yard,	100
Beannish Murdoch, Clerk Educational Board,	150
John C. Haliburton, Clerk of Council, Secretary of College, &c.	300
Do. representing a Family drawing besides,	1 50
Stephen Deblois, Marshall of Admiralty,	pickings
A. M. Uniacke, Judge Advocate of Militia, pickings in peace, great profits in war.	
John Bazalgette, Representative of a Family which receives about	800
The Wilkinsons,	1000
John Wallace,	1000
Carried forward,....	15,140

* I insert the name of this gentleman, and of some others in this list, because I find them on that of the Society, but I must do them the justice to say, that I have never heard of their mixing themselves up offensively with politics.

† This gentleman, it is said, had the good taste to retire, the moment insult was offered to the Government,

* Vide Obstructive account of the Dinner.