

It is, however, well known that Lord Brougham never shewed any disposition to censure the present Government until they adopted a course wholly at variance with his oftentimes recorded opinions. As long as he could support them, the history of Parliament shews that he rendered them every assistance in his power; nor did he ever while in office exert himself more or spare himself less than in their defence in 1835, and in carrying through the House of Lords the great measure of Municipal Reform.—In the Summer of 1836, he refrained from all complaint when he saw his measures for preventing pluralities and non-residence abandoned, and a bill introduced upon opposite principles.—In 1837, he continued to lend them support on all but one or two occasions, when it was impossible to approve their conduct—and on the Canada Resolutions especially, last May, he was compelled to oppose them—a duty which he performed with manifest reluctance. He had during that Session, 1837, expressed his opinions upon the necessity of altering the Reform Bill in essential particulars, and especially of extending the Elective Franchise. The present Session was unhappily opened with a declaration on the part of the Government as a body, that they took a view wholly different from that of most Reformers; indeed, of the great body of the Liberal party throughout the country. To this has been added their support of a policy by which the rights