

## Resignation of the Ministry.

The people of this Province, from the time that Governor Simcoe arrived with the act designed to give us "the very image and transcript of the BRITISH CONSTITUTION," up to the formation of what may properly be called a DURHAM ADMINISTRATION under Mr. Baldwin had never enjoyed the benefits ostensibly designed to be conferred upon them therein by the Mother Country. The formation of that Provincial Cabinet however, formed a new and deeply interesting era in our history, and gave rise to hopes which the wise, just, and salutary measures submitted by it to the present Legislature had strengthened and confirmed.— Yet in the midst of its usefulness, and at the high-tide of its popularity it has been broken up. The Governor General Sir Charles Metcalfe, has declared himself the antagonist of the principles of his Council, not merely in theory but in practice. He has in defiance of the Constitutional Responsibility of the members of His Council, determined to carry on the Government without their advice! He has offered and made important appointments to office the only knowledge of which came to them from the parties appointed or from public report!!! He has sanctioned the introduction into Parliament, and supported important Executive measures which although passed by large majorities and essential to the welfare of the country, he has refused to sanction. The great measures then introduced for the pacification of the country by Durham, Sydenham, & Bagot, and which have proved so universally acceptable and successful are now to be nullified through Governor Metcalfe. If an appeal should be made therefore to the country, it will not be to learn what is the popular sentiment upon the vital question of RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT, for this is beyond all question, but if possible to obtain a House that will sanction Sir Charles Metcalfe's interpretation of what it means—viz. that he may carry on his Government just as he pleases without any reference to his constitutional advisers or the people whom they represent!!! Sir Charles may rest assured that if such be his determination he will find that an appeal to the constituencies in 1844 will be very different to what it was with DON QUIXOTE in 1836, and that however successful other principles of Government may have been with the coloured population of Jamaica, he will find that the people of Canada must be governed upon the principles of common sense, sound justice and BRITISH LIBERTY. This sudden and strange revolution in the policy of His Excellency, can only be accounted for by supposing that THE OLD ENEMY has been at work with him—as in days of old with his predecessors. The remnant of the compact, with JOHN ("by divine permission,") have doubtless pulled the cords reaching to the COLONIAL SECRETARY and the BENCH OF BISHOPS—whence the cords reaching back to Sir Charles have been pulled so strongly, that he has of necessity and in obedience to Downing Street dictation, broken with his advisers. It is said that one reason for this strange and mad procedure is, that "Ireland claims no more than has been conceded to Canada," and that the Aristocracy and Clergy demand that the principle of RESPONSIBILITY conceded to CANADA be therefore again withdrawn! that, in short, to sustain them in luxury and power while the people are powerless and starving, the fountain head of Liberty in Canada shall rise, if possible, no higher than is compatible with the continued degradation of Ireland! The people generally should know that Sir Robert Peel by his fat wrong from the British Aristocracy "THE CANADA CORN BILL," on which occasion he gave as a reason for this concession that this Province was the weakest point of THE EMPIRE, and that fourteen millions of Dollars had

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