

their public conduct belongs to us all ; and when they deviate from that line of rectitude which they are bound to follow, they are open to censure, and deserve no mercy.

On this unpleasant subject it is probable this will be my last communication, if I am not compelled to enter the lists again with the champions and amanuenses of the hospital ; and I can not better conclude this long paper, than with the following feeling lines of the poet,

“Cursed be that verse, how smooth so e'er it flow,
That tends to make one WORTHY man my foe.”

A FRIEND TO TRUTH.

In No. 84 I expressed my wishes and hopes that, previous to entering upon the proposed *General review of the last session of our provincial parliament*, I might be favoured with communications on the subject, from such gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and the House of Assembly, as might be inclined to call my attention to any particular or prominent topics, debates or proceedings. I considered it as an homage of respect due to those honourable bodies, to transmit a copy of that number, to all the members of both houses with whose addresses I was acquainted ; and did so, indiscriminately, both to unionists, and anti-unionists ; both to those who are attached to the Scotch, and the Canadian, interest ; to government-men, and popular members ; with a view of having it understood, that I was willing and wishful to publish and preserve, in this historical record, what might be wished to be said by all, on both sides of each momentous question that was brought forward during the session. I must say that, as yet, I have had less assistance in that respect than I had flattered myself with ; but I trust that, in the course of the review I am now commencing, I shall be able to enrich it with additional information, reports, and speeches : as I believe few of the gentlemen I took the liberty of sending that intimation to, would be inclined to act as have done,

THOMAS THAIN, *Esquire, member for the East Ward of the city of Montreal, &c*

CHARLES R. OGDEN, *Esquire, member for Three Rivers ;*
who refused to receive their numbers, and returned them through the post-office.

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GENERAL ABSTRACT and REVIEW of the last session of the
PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT of LOWER CANADA, in January,
1823. Being the third session of the eleventh provincial parliament.

Public expectation was much raised, and curiosity and interest alike awakened, as to the provincial parliament which was convoked for the 10th of January 1823. The prominent and momentous question of the projected union between the two