

them back into wood that he was relieved from the embarrassment of his multiplied servants. So no sooner do you lay down one paper, tired with the effusions of one log, than, pop, up starts the same log in another paper, and another, and another, till you send them all to the devil in a pet. L. L. M.

It appears that the lord lieutenant of Ireland has lately cashiered an army of nearly two hundred *unservicable justices of the peace*, amongst whom are knights, generals, baronets, reverends, &c. &c. Query: would not a similar reduction of the establishment be an advantage to Lower Canada?

Mr. Baldwin's speech in the House of Assembly of Upper Canada, on the subject of the projected union, takes so just a view of the origin of that odious measure, the character, feelings, and interests of the Lower Canadians connected with it; the inefficiency of the plan, and the direful consequences to be apprehended from it, that a faithful abstract of those parts of it more immediately interesting to Lower Canada, is worthy of record and preservation.

He need not inform the house, he said, that a commercial faction in Lower Canada, long at work, had at length so far matured their objects, as to persuade His Majesty's government that it was expedient to repeal the act 31 Geo. III, that constitutional act, which was the safeguard, the best and only monument of our rights and liberties; they had even the effrontery to assure the government *that the people of the province desired the change*; an assertion that every farmer in the country knew to be false. The projectors and favourers of the measure, urged the great inconvenience suffered by Upper Canada in its finances; they exclaimed against the prejudices of the French Canadians, as being of a different origin, with different laws, language, and religion. Without any necessity for change, some speculative objects of imaginary advantage were offered in exchange for our constitution. He then paid a just tribute of applause to the talents, and foresight, of the statesmen under whose auspices that constitution was framed, Mr. Pitt, and Mr. Fox; and deprecated the exchange of a real for an ideal good. There were no doubt, occasional differences between these provinces but these differences could not be attributed to the constitution, which was faultless;* and these he

* In this Mr. B went too far; Q. E. D. for to constitutions as well as to literary compositions may Pope's distich be properly applied

"Whoever thinks a faultless piece to see,

Thinks what ne'er was, nor is, nor e'er will be."