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men of property at elections, is nine times in ten successful. The danger to which society is exposed from the prevalence of such a political evil, must be obvious to every man who will take the trouble to consider its tendency. "Property, (says Paley) is the sweetner of human toil; the substitute for coercion; the reconciler of labour with liberty. It is moreover the stimulant of enterprize in all projects and undertakings; as well as of diligence in the most beneficial arts and employments. Now did affluence when possessed contribute nothing to happiness, or nothing beyond the mere supply of necessities; and the secret should come to be discovered, we might be in danger of losing great part of the uses which are at present derived to us through this important medium. Not only would the tranquility of life be put in peril by the want of a motive to attach men to their private concerns; but the satisfaction which all men receive from success in their respective occupations (which collectively constitute the great mass of human comfort,) would be done away in its very principle."

If I have been so fortunate as to make myself understood in the analysis I have given of the political state of Lower Canada, in relation to the right of general suffrage, it must be evident to my reader, that the law establishing an House of Assembly requires amendment. The experiment was (after all the objections that have been urged against it) worthy of the most truly free, moral, and enlightened nation on earth. But time and opportunity, which detect all practical errors, have pointed out its defects, and suggest an immediate remedy. Those who are the greatest advocates of rational liberty; who best understand it; and are most deeply interested in the tranquility, prosperity and integrity of the colony, desire and expect this remedy. The whole English