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will, and, like the fabled ORPHEUS and AMPHION, build up fystems of focial life and government by the tones of the Lyre, and the powers of Song :- But Judgment and not Imagination fhould lead the practical Politician; He muft fee things as they are, confider what they have been, and weigh well the advantages and difadvantages of any change :---He must perceive that ftrong expediency fometimes equals neceffity; that the prefent order of things is not always to be violated on the contingency of producing a better, and that the best possible constitution is as much a relative term and idea in the Moral, as in the Phyfical, world.

Let us apply this to the political State of Ireland as to its EXECUTIVE GOVERN-MENT, as we now find it, and as it has been for many centuries; and to a recent attempt of a Majority of both Houfes of Parliament to alter its frame and conftitution, under the idea of improving its fecurity and independence; and let us confider whether