

tion of their trade, the very object for which their charter was originally granted.

The present Bill was grounded on principles expressly assented to by the Company. It established that superintendence over their political government abroad, which for the sake of this country and of India, was agreed on all hands to be necessary ; but it left to the Company the exclusive and uncontrouled management of their commerce.

Mr. Fox's Bill was alledged to erect a new branch of executive government, distinct from the Crown, and paramount to it ; because the commissioners, in whom the whole management of the East India Company's affairs was exclusively vested by the Bill, were named in Parliament, were appointed for a fixed term of years, and were not like other ministers, responsible to the King for their conduct, or removeable by his authority.

The present Bill gives to the Crown the power of appointing commissioners to superintend the political government of India ; and those commissioners are like every other part of the executive government, removeable at the pleasure of the Crown.

Mr.