

lic distress and alarm. But it may be inferred, that when plenty and confidence were restored, that the advisers of these measures were heartily ashamed of their adoption. At all events, *Exceptio probat regulam*. The former of these Noblemen died the friend of his present Majesty. The latter was long in his confidence. He is yet an ornament to the English Peerage, and an honour to humanity. Different principles cannot apply to Canada and to England, and if they did, the Magistrates here, in their conduct upon the present occasion, could neither become the object of the Government's jealousy or resentment. Their object is exclusively the improvement of Montreal. The means of obtaining that end have been already stated. They interfere not with the political administration of the country. They deserve well of their fellow citizens. Mr. McGill in particular, is entitled to their best thanks in having originated the proposal, and for having so ably, discreetly and eloquently moved the resolutions at the public meeting. The Executive Government is liberal and wise. The measure cannot but succeed. *Fiat justitia ruat cælum*.



Another oracle since the preceding remarks were written, has given the benefit of his talents and acquirements to the enemies of incorporation. As this new champion has entered the lists, under the banners of the King's arms, his dogmas may be briefly noticed, as his gorgeous shield might dazzle, where his pointless lance fails fails to penetrate.

He in the first place, generally admits that corporations have done good both in Europe and America, but as might have been expected, infers that they are totally unfit for Montreal. It may be remarked, that all men are good historical whigs; or if that be a disputable term, friends to the rights of the people. It is only, when sinister interests interfere with indisputable principles, that the latter are attempted to be opposed. Hence rant is used for