

I fear not the strength of the arguments by which evil-minded politicians are endeavoring to mislead and pervert your minds, but I do fear the effects of their active industry and never ceasing perseverance, and it is against these that I would put you on your guard. Their secret agents are scattered all over the province ; some of them may be your nearest neighbors and most intimate companions, and, as the constant dropping of water will at length penetrate the hardest marble, so may the perpetual repetition of their weak and false reasons, if you quietly submit to their operations, ultimately cause an injurious impression upon your stronger understandings.—I therefore implore you, (although too many are in the habit of adopting the *printed* and spoken opinions of others because it is less troublesome than to form their own ~~opinions~~) TO THINK FOR YOURSELVES AND TO ACT IN CONFORMITY WITH YOUR OWN UNPREJUDICED JUDGMENTS! If you will do this I have too much confidence in your intelligence and in your honest principles to fear the result. In accordance with this advice, I wish you to place no more reliance on the statements and opinions contained in the following letters than, on a careful examination of the evidence and arguments by which they are supported, your own judgments tell you they are entitled to claim. Since the last was sent to the press, I have read an article extracted from the last number of the *London Quarterly Review*, (a work which is the joint production of some of the most wise, talented and exalted philosophers and statesmen in the British Empire) which proves that my opinion relative to the nature and mischievous tendency of *Lord Durham's* infamous Report not only corresponds with that of the learned reviewers, but also with that of your late respected Lieutenant Governor, Sir Francis Bond Head, around whom you so gloriously rallied in defence of your Queen and Country! After