

tion of the elective franchise for gain is to be accounted consistent with uprightness of conduct and purity of religion. But I hold in my hand a paper called the "Black List"\* which exhibits pretty *substantial* reasons why my Lords of the "lawn sleeves" voted as they did. Sir, in closing my remarks on the Right Reverend Bench, I dare not omit to mention two of their number who voted for Reform;—the excellent and venerable Bishop of Norwich, the excellent and worthy Bishop of Chicester;—may the mitre long adorn their brows, and may their names be inscribed resplendent on the page of Briton's Reform history. Sir, it is true, that at this moment the Bill of Reform is lost, but do the 199 think that they shall triumph o'er its overthrow? verily, as well may they think to dissever the magnet from the pole, or burst the gravitating link that binds the spheres in their almost headlong course through the boundless vacuity of space. Sir, a crisis has come under the superintending providence of God,—the Schoolmaster is abroad,—the march of intellect cannot be arrested. It is as impossible for the 199, or rather the 41, to barricade the progress and success of Reform, as it would be for them to take their stand within the margin of yonder agitated ocean, and say with a prevailing voice, "Hitherto shalt thou come, and no farther, and here shall thy proud waves be stayed." Sir, the cry for Reform is not the effervescent sound of a day, it is the loud the certain shout at least of the last half hoary century. Sir, be it known to all men, that it is Reform we seek;—we want not *republicanism*;—no, we believe "a constitutional monarchy the form of government best adapted to the growth, development, and duration of rational liberty, and the protection and diffusion of all the social blessings that depend upon it, and wish to see every part of which it is composed preserved in its integrity." Sir, we wish not *revolution*; our opponents taunt us with the fate of a neighbouring kingdom—Sir, we stare that fate full in the face, and on that very foundation rear

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\*A paper detailing the enormous revenues of the Bishops.