

Your own sober judgment will now lead you to say whether Reform is revolutionary, wild, and unconstitutional.

I will now take leave to suppose that your opposition is of no very decided character, that some of its details are worthy of your approbation, and that you will not throw away a present and certain good, for one future and doubtful.

Moreover, I will not insult you, I suppose, if I say that I believe you feel interested in the honour of Scotland, and that you have little sympathy with those who would sacrifice its dignity and respectability for party interests, or family or personal aggrandizement. I trust that I do not act unjustly by you, when I say that you would not conform your consciences to the nods and hints and oblique commands of Dukes, or the other influential personages, but that you would most scrupulously guard your own honour, and bind it up with the honour of your country. You will, no doubt, be aware that our Scottish Members have little weight in Parliament, and that the representation of Scotland is looked upon, by the English Members, to be a mere farce, and our native country has been termed one overgrown close borough, and that Scotch County and Corporation Addresses are considered as so much waste paper. They have not accused us of bribery and corruption, but they set us up as monuments of *booing* and cringing partisans, who secure for our sons cadetships, ensigncies, writerships, subordinate official situations, &c. through well-earned votes and ready subserviency; now, we believe all these accusations to be false, and spirited up by envy, yet it would be as well to avoid giving any room