

dence of public and private intelligence. Ere long, land communication by steam will add to, or rather *complete*, our convenience for travelling, whilst it will develope interests as yet not fully appreciated, only because not fully understood. One word in

CONCLUSION.

In undertaking this work, I have permitted my sympathies to go out far beyond the comparatively narrow limits of those with whom I am more immediately associated, and whom it is my more immediate duty to serve. But I have learned to take an interest in whatever affects the well-being of the whole. I now leave the subject, which was not undertaken too soon, as the obituary columns of the local press will testify, by expressing the fervent hope that the same good qualities which has served to elevate this community, may continue increasingly active; that the evil which is absent, and which would mar our character and reputation, may never come near us; that we may remember and acknowledge the fact, that if we are prosperous, it is God that giveth us power to get wealth; that we may ever be just and true in all our dealings, for it is righteousness alone that exalteth a people; that our magistrates may ever have grace to execute justice and maintain truth; that our politicians may be fearlessly honest and not to be corrupted; and that the ministers of religion may ever be ready to speak the truth: for, by these means only can we reasonably hope that "peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for "all generations."

*FINIS.*