

est of purposes, and if we prove unfaithful to that trust, we may look for the manifestation of the principle of the Divine Government in dishonouring us by taking it from us, and handing it over to others, who may prove a thorn in our side. During the last ten years, the writer is aware that it has been circulated,—‘a new H. B. company has been formed which will infuse new life into things—the overland line talked of is to be opened—Canada has undertaken the enterprise and commenced the work—and to questions put in the House of Commons the answer has been returned—Her Majesty’s Government hopes in the next Session of Parliament to bring in a Bill to lay the foundation of a satisfactory measure*, &c.’ And in this way there has been the steady postponement of any really practical or effectual action in the matter. And the writer believes it will be but failure, if not utter defeat, to trust to any in this

*Some two or three years back a deputation attended at the Colonial office headed by the Noble Earl of Shaftesbury urging the Government to legislate for this territory as it was practically without any Government, and on June 13th. inst. the question was renewed in the House of Commons. Sir H. Verney Bart., the Hon. A. Kinnaird, Lord Milton and other members taking part in the debate, and complaining of the perpetual delay in the matter, and the unsatisfactory answer was made of again referring to correspondence with Canada, &c.