MY DEAR SIR,

As your name is on the back of the Bill to which the accompanying suggestions refer, and as the question is one so intimately connected with our Naval interests, you will, I hope, excuse my troubling you with them in the first instance; and if the matter is not in your hands, you will perhaps have the kindness to forward them to Mr. Labouchere, to whom I intimated my intention of offering some remarks on this subject during the recess.

I am, my dear Sir,

Very faithfully, yours,

W. BOWLES.

The Right Hon. Sir F. T. Baring, Bt. &c. &c. &c.