

Mr. Edwards seems to think, and with some degree of disapprobation, that Administration had been forward to furnish this work with authentic documents. The several editions had been almost nine months given to the public before Mr. Edwards's pamphlet appeared; and although there had not been more than three Administrations during those months, it does not appear for which of them the blame is intended; but it may be proper to exculpate them all, by declaring that none of them, nor any part of them, furnished materials or information in the smallest degree, or had the least knowledge of the publication*. It is not improbable one of those Administrations would (as Mr. Edwards supposes) have gratified the public with authentic information, if it had been desired. One observation more shall be made—that the respectable character of the Governor of Jamaica derives no additional lustre from the publication of his answer to the Grand Jury.

* This assertion is elegantly and politely expressed by Mr. Edwards in his new edition:—“I apply, &c. without scruple to those designing and pestilent spirits, on whose secret suggestions the noble Lord has *confessedly* formed the opinions promulgated in his work.”

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