

PREFATORY.

Before making up my mind to publish the enclosed, I submitted the manuscript to a very learned friend. A few days afterwards I had the pleasure of receiving back my letters with the following testimonial endorsed thereon: "*Re Burke and Coke*—Tax a fee of \$50 to Mr. Burke on the within.—R. G. D."

I think my readers will agree that a commendatory opinion, expressed in language so concise, yet elegant, and to the point withal, was sufficient to induce me to publish the letters which I wrote to my young friend COKE-UPON-LITTLETON.

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