

and occupied the station of Governor-General of all the British North American Colonies; being rewarded for his brilliant administration of this high office by a Peerage and the order of the Bath.

Such a career cannot but be well worthy of study, whether by those who themselves are struggling forward in the pursuit of fame, wealth, and honour, or those who are contented to contemplate as bystanders the busy drama in which the million are toiling for these objects. Still more worthy of close study is such a life, if it can be shown, as in this instance it unquestionably can, that the main-spring of exertions thus arduous and successful was neither barren ambition, nor the vain lust of popular reputation, but a sincere desire to obtain the means of wide-spread usefulness—the anxious wish of a benevolent mind to employ all its faculties to advance the welfare of the great masses of mankind whose destinies are influenced by the government and legislature of Britain.