

referred to, had been published among the Parliamentary documents. No man on whose good opinion I should be inclined to set much value, would be likely, I think, to have formed his judgment upon the comments of Mr. Hawes and Mr. Hume, without referring to the correspondence itself; and I am content to abide by the judgment which may have been formed upon a deliberate consideration of the correspondence by men of candid minds, having no desire to destroy my reputation for political purposes, and having no other sinister object in view." Upon the reply of the bishop, the *Times* of the day, manifestly at the moment in opposition, was pleased to remark, "We have dwelt on the gross aspersions and bitter malevolence directed against this respectable clergyman, because such injuries are systematic; because they are characteristic of the unprincipled and shameful warfare carried on by the members of the executive government, and by the faction upon whose patronage they hang for support, against the most sacred institution of the monarchy, the whole frame of the Church of England and its most blameless functionaries."

As being among the most remarkable of his public efforts, his extemporaneous Confirmation-addresses ought also to be mentioned. Genuinely paternal in tone, and really valuable as practical guides in the conduct of life, they were vividly remembered by those who heard them. His strong sympathy with the young has already been adverted to: his interest in their fears, their hopes, their trials, their plans, was hearty and never-failing. What we once happened casually to witness, in the case of a young friend about to try his fortunes in a distant part of the globe, we shall not readily forget, namely, a parting benediction, given in the primitive way, and unaffectedly received on bended knee, the suddenness and spontaneity of the act on both sides rendering the scene a memorable and touching one. There were not a few young men who were indebted to him, virtually, for their first introduction in life.

From his remains which may be found in print, from his Charges and Synodal Addresses, his Letters to public Characters, his Speeches and Reports, as also from the records of his acts and works, an exact moral portrait of the first Bishop of