

To

**THE HON. SIR ALLEN AYLESWORTH, K.C.M.G., K.C.
LATE MINISTER OF JUSTICE;**

who, by his attitude and course on two memorable occasions, upheld conspicuously the interests of the Empire, this volume—the subject of whose principal effort was at once the greatest Imperialist of his age, and in the united civil and military relations the most commanding figure of the last half of the eighteenth century—is, by way as much of recognition of his unchallenged standing in the author's profession, as in token of a friendship with him of thirty-five years, dedicated.