

protest also on record among the papers before the House.

It was nearly three years after the date of Mr. Carter's report that Mr. Ryland received the other moiety, in obtaining which he was subjected to further loss and expense amounting to upwards of £2000, so that in point of fact instead of £9000, which, if paid at once, might have been of some service, Mr. Ryland in reality got only about £7000, being less than a sixth of what he has actually lost by the transaction.

This is the extreme liberality on which Mr. Fortescue plumes the Government," who, for the benefit of Canada, have robbed a public officer to an amount of £42,000.

The fact, however, must not be lost sight of that there was no Arbitration—no award.

Chief Justice Carter, in a note to Mr. Ryland, dated 1st November, 1856, thus distinctly denies the presumption, he says :

"I yesterday received your letter of the 22nd October. "I think you mistake the character in which I acted with "reference to your case. I was not an Arbitrator mutually chosen by Her Majesty's Government and yourself, but "merely a *Commissioner* or *Agent*, appointed by the Secretary of State, &c., &c. *My Report*, unlike the Award of "our Arbitrator, will not, I imagine, be binding on any "Party.

Language cannot more clearly express a negative than this.

The Report of Mr. Carter suggests two modes of settling Mr. Ryland's claims—one of which the Secretary of State, without reference to Mr. Ryland, arbitratorily adopted and then forsooth boasts of the liberality of the Government.

Now if Mr. Carter, as stated by Mr. Fortescue, had been an Arbitrator, Mr. Ryland could have compelled him to go into the whole of his claim for losses "consequent on the "surrender of his office, to which Earl Grey, as well as the House of Lords, declared him entitled, and it may further be remarked, that even supposing for the sake of argument only that Mr. Ryland was bound by the strict letter of the guarantee signed by Mr. Murdoch, he would have a right to complain of the amount recommended by Mr. Carter as altogether inadequate—for inasmuch as the guaran-