

Colonial Office have been broken down, and that the "Colonial Office Demon," to which Sir Henry Holland alluded, has been exorcised by the force of public opinion, which will no longer tolerate the mixture of apathy and bad manners which used to be considered the necessary qualities of all intercourse between the Home Government and the Colonial Ministers. The various delegates have learnt, as Mr. Deakin has told us, that there are other Colonies besides those from which they come, each with its own difficulties, dangers, and advantages; each with something to gain from co-operation: each with something to contribute to the common stock.

**The Application of Mind to Matter.**

And lastly, the lesson has been once more impressed upon the world that Englishmen are capable of doing business even when that business is not the work of the counter or the workshop, but of the legislator, the administrator, and the ruler: that in the work of government as well as in the work of buying and selling, manufacturing and distributing, the English people are really still capable of applying mind to the arrangement of matter.