

of that hated naval minister, your immediate predecessor) was then remembered; to his conduct respecting those brave and injured men, the rejected captains, did he owe the loss of his election, more than to the popularity of the man whose interest opposed him. I trust it will be an useful lesson to him, and that he will, from a remembrance of what he once was himself, and from a sense of contrition for his past misconduct, make some retribution, by future attention to the good of the service, and the encouragement of those, whose deservings, in their situation, will, if scrutinized into, be found, at least, equal to his own.

His Lordship should remember (though titles and power are too apt to cast an oblivious shade over former insignificance) that high honours did not always present him with even a *shadow* of respect, nor affluence open to him the door of luxury. He should recollect, that adventitious circumstances, more favourable to him than to men of equal merit, who still remain on the lieutenants' list, have elevated him to that rank and situation, which bestow, what to a virtuous and generous mind is the most gratifying luxury in life—the power of administering relief to the distressed; of conferring acts of beneficence on a fellow-creature.

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