

that I did not recollect these exact words, but that I was ready to assume them, with the same qualifications I had before given; maintaining at the same time my unquestionable right to declare facts which came under my observation in common with others met in a public place (gentl. Mr. C. again retired, as he said; to take an opinion on this point, and in the afternoon, he came to me a third time, while I was in company with Mr. Biscoe) (to whom I had taken the precaution of attaching myself all the remainder of that day, in order that he might be present at Mr. C's interview with me) and said that he had taken the opinion of three gentlemen, whose names he did "not hesitate to mention," viz. Mr. Thomson, Mr. Macnamara, and Mr. Gray, and who were of opinion, that in the present case, the characters of Jockey and Gentleman could not be separated. To which I replied, that I could not help the opinions of others—that I had consulted several of my friends also, by whose advice I had been governed; and that it was their conviction, I was not amenable to Mr. Prior, unless I had done him an injustice, which I denied; but that if he required any further satisfaction than what I considered I had amply given him, I should take their further advice as to what steps to pursue. Mr. C. now withdrew, after stating that he was sorry he had had any thing to do in the matter.

As the stakes had not been given up, the Stewards were induced to meet on the evening of the 19th to reconsider their former judgment; and as I understood that some persons had been industrious in making it appear that I had made a groundless charge against Mr. Prior, I attended their meeting, and put questions to persons examined, in order to elicit enough to justify the assertion I had made. The Stewards confirmed their former opinion, after adjourning to the 22d; but I gained the only object I could possibly have in the examination—namely, to demonstrate to some friends whom I asked to be present, as well to all impartial persons, that I had done nobody a wanton piece of injustice. This being accomplished, I cared not one farthing how the decision might go.

On the morning of the 24th Mr. Crutenden came to me again, and said, Mr. Prior hoped, as the Stewards had finally decided the case to be fair, that I would now have no objection to withdraw what I had said. I replied, that this was impossible, for my private opinion was still the same; and that my friends who had heard the examination were also fully convinced of its correctness: but, I added, that all I could do I had done; inasmuch as I had bowed to the decision of the Stewards in paying the small bets, I had

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