

officers, the Director of Military Intelligence, Major-General Sir John Ardagh, leaving him under the stigma of having neglected his duties, although he had in his own possession evidence which proved the opposite and that he and not his subordinates was to blame.

The finding of the Commission was in effect that the only men who did their duty faithfully and well were Sir John Ardagh, his colleague Major Altham, and Gen. W. F. Butler. All the rest, including Lord Salisbury, Lord Milner, Lord Lansdowne, Joseph Chamberlain, Mr. Balfour, etc., were more or less severely criticised. Of Sir John Ardagh and his colleague it was said that the thanks of Parliament were due to them for their services and that they were entitled to a formal expression of regret that their good work should have been so shamefully misrepresented, and themselves cruelly calumniated by the conduct of their chief whom they had so loyally and faithfully served.

This is the man who now presumes to tell those who are directing the affairs of the Empire and those who are fighting its battles that they should revise their views as to a continuance of the war. His criminal negligence at the time of the Boer war is now supplemented by his "giving aid and comfort to the King's enemies" by suggesting peace and thereby discouraging and hindering those who are bravely and loyally struggling to uphold the right against the vilest tyranny and savagery that the world has ever seen.

THE DUCHESS OF KINGSTON'S CASE.

There are some litigants who attain a sort of legal immortality by reason of cases in which they may happen to have been concerned being always quoted by their names. For instance, there is our old friend "Taltarum" with whose case we have had a friendly acquaintance ever since we began to explore the mysteries of the law of real estate. There is the immortal "Shelley," not by any means the poet of that name, but he whose "case" is discussed in so many pages of our law reports, not to speak of many other individuals whose cases are "as familiar in our mouths as house-