

science of government that experience may suggest, without having to struggle, as we have to do in Britain, for ages, for every trifling amendment in our political and social institutions.

The Americans generally hate the aristocracy of this country for their power and policy ; and despise the people for submitting to be misgoverned by them. But in many respects the opinions of the masses in America, in regard to the social condition of the people of this country are very erroneous. They look upon us as serfs ; compelled to bow down to the dust when we meet a lordling, and to submit to Queen Victoria's will without a murmur ; never considering the beam that is in their own eye, in the shape of a President, who exercises a power that the Sovereign of this country would not dare to do.

The Americans look upon Britain as a country which they can fight successfully. When the excitement was at its height about M'Leod's trial, and rumours of war were rife, I used to put in a word in favour of peace, and hinted the risk they ran of having their commerce and their