

I have omitted to record my obligations and deep sense of gratitude to those gentlemen who have so generously exerted themselves to obtain justice for me, both in and out of Parliament, that I am thus impressed with their kindness and good offices. I have throughout viewed the contest in which I have been engaged, less as a matter of personal feeling than as one involving the best interests of the public; and the removal of the gross abuses inflicted upon the unhappy objects of the most direful calamity to which the human family can be subjected; and so looking upon it myself, I have felt that the parties who have seconded my efforts have been actuated by the same motives. Had I consulted my own ease and pleasure, I could easily have evaded, by a ready connivance at iniquity, the many severe difficulties which a faithful performance of duty has brought upon me. As it is, although condemned by those from whom I confidently expected support and encouragement in my efforts to reform and correct long-standing and grievous evils, I, on looking back at the events of the short period of my incumbency of office, find nothing to accuse myself of and confiding in the judgment of an en-

lightened and just community, feel satisfied that the verdict given against me will be reversed by every disinterested and independent inhabitant of my native country who may peruse these pages.

With these few remarks I leave the subject for the present, intending to avail myself of the advantage of the suggestion offered in the first parts of the Hons. Messrs. BALDWIN and PRICE's speeches, viz., to bring the subject, at the next sitting of Parliament, "before the House at an earlier period of the Session," when they may have the time and opportunity (if they should happen to have the will,) to discuss more at length "a subject so important to the public; both in a charitable and moral point of view, as well as involving a large pecuniary interest," and thereby arrive at the proper mode of correcting all the evils now existing, and redressing the wrongs that have been so unwarrantably practised.

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ERRATUM.—Page 79, eighth line from the bottom, instead of "then is," read, then &c., &c.