

that capacity, I am aware of some misapprehension, but I defy him to point out a single instance brought before the notice of the government that did not receive the strictest investigation and in which the individual complained of, if the charges were proved, was not found to be a person of high character and of high social position. I think of expressing my appreciation of the officers generally that have carried on the government of this Colony during the eleven years that I have lived here, and I challenge any hon. gentleman to prove by the records of the British Crown Laws here that more judiciously administered, life and property better protected, or the affairs of the colony carried on with greater rectitude than in the one in which we are now living. Holding these views, I must respectfully support other of the recommendations before the committee.