

### Concluding remarks.

Of late years a good deal of tosh is talked about "Breadth" and "Vision" and "Ideals." Good administrators are not people who babble of such vanities. India always was, and should be now, a country very easy to govern. There you do not want "Ideals" or "High-brow ideas," "Breadth" or "Vision." What you want are just four homely—and what I may call old-fashioned—virtues.

Firstly, you must have the love of justice in your heart. Secondly, you must be firm to do that which you know to be right. Thirdly, you want common honesty and, fourthly, you want common sense. Equipped with these four virtues any man can go to India in the sure hope that he will succeed as an administrator and that he will be respected and beloved by the people and, while furthering the advantage of India and the Indians, he will uphold the honour of his Country. *Without them he will certainly fail.* Unfortunately, you may search the late Government and many of its predecessors and a long succession of our later Viceroys, and you will not find this combination of homely virtues that are the necessary requirements for success.

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