

tical difficulties, which, otherwise, if not insurmountable, would have created extreme delay and embarrassment ; more especially I refer to the exertions of that gentleman for the facilitation of my access to authorities and documents, which I should otherwise have found it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to procure.

Finally, Sir, having now completed a task, in the performance of which I have been animated only by an impulse of duty, combined with an encouraging hope of inheriting a share of that immortal celebrity, which the man who benefits his race by intellectual achievements may extort from the grasp of an unwilling world, and retain to the latest extent of human posterity ;

I subscribe myself,
with great respect,
your Excellency's
obedient servant,

JOHN LEE.