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Dedication.

TO THE
RIGHT HON. THE EARL OF CLARENDON,
K.G., &c., &c., &c.

MY LORD,

While studying the "Madagascar question," I necessarily became aware that your Lordship had specially thrown the weight of your influence in favour of the people of that Island; hence my offer to dedicate this Work to your Lordship.

Richelieu and Mazarin, in a bygone age, saw the advantages of trade with Madagascar; but it was reserved for the enlightened Emperor of the French, in conjunction with your Lordship, to arrange a Convention recognising the independence of Madagascar, thereby throwing open the ports of that Island to the civilization of commerce.

In accepting the Dedication of this Volume, your Lordship permits me to use a name illustrious in the historical and diplomatic annals of Britain; while you have kindly added to the numerous favours conferred on myself by allowing it to appear under the auspices of "THE FRIEND OF MADAGASCAR."

I have the honour to be, my Lord,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

THE AUTHOR.

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