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Dedication.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY
THE HON. SIR ARTHUR GORDON,
GOVERNOR OF MAURITIUS.

MY DEAR SIR ARTHUR GORDON,

To whom should I dedicate this book, but to you, to whom I owe my visit to the West Indies? I regret that I could not consult you about certain matters in Chapters XIV. and XV.: but you are away again over sea; and I can only send the book after you, such as it is, with the expression of my hearty belief that you will be to the people of Mauritius what you have been to the people of Trinidad.

I could say much more. But it is wisest often to be most silent on the very points on which one longs most to speak.

Ever yours,

C. KINGSLEY.

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