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In giving a Biographical Sketch of the Political Life of my late Brother, Lord Barrington—a brother whose memory I cherish with undiminished affection—it may be proper to mention the circumstances, which led to my undertaking this Work at the present period. Upon my shewing some of my Brother's official papers to a friend, he suggested the idea of forming them into a connected Narrative: I was pleased with the idea; but felt that the execution would require, not only more uninterrupted leisure than my Diocesan duties

would allow, but also powers which, in my eightieth year, I could hardly expect to possess. On stating to my friend my only reasons for not attempting a task, to which by inclination I was strongly impelled, he in the kindest manner offered his assistance. With that assistance the work has been completed, from original Documents and Letters written at the time, and bearing every mark of unimpeachable veracity. Those who have the happiness of knowing Sir Thomas Bernard, as I know him, will not be surprized at being informed, that he is the friend to whom I allude.

S. DUNELM.

Cavendish Square, Feb. 8, 1814.

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