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PREFACE.

IN the year 1836 I published a book called the "Statesman," a title much found fault with at the time, and in truth not very judiciously chosen. It contained the views and maxims respecting the transaction of public business, which twelve years of experience had suggested to me. But my experience had been confined within the doors of an office, and the book was wanting in that general interest which might possibly have been felt in the results of a more extensive and varied conversancy with public life. Moreover, the subsarcastic vein in which certain parts of it were written was not very well understood, and what was meant for an exposure of some