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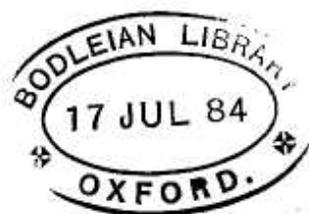
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PREFACE.

ANOTHER edition being called for, the Author declined the reproduction of the "Last of the Tasmanians," an expensive work, and preferred, for the popularization of views favouring the claims of Aborigines, to produce, in a simpler form, the leading facts of that sad tale of a Colonial Past. Such is the narrative given in the "Lost Tasmanian Race."

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in our day, which should and could be employed, by moral force, to resist this fearfully selfish struggle for existence?

Perhaps, in this Colonial record, replies appear to some of these deeply interesting inquiries.

It is, at any rate, hoped that the perusal of these pages may raise up a few more friends for poor Aborigines.

*Sutton, Surrey,
April 17th, 1884.*