

ruined castles to show. The inhabitants of the Colonies are enterprising people, who in half a century have founded cities, I might say nations, capable of competing in commercial importance with cities and nations that it has taken ten centuries to develop. I have seen in the Colonies, skies without clouds, winters without cold, festivity without boredom, food almost without cost, hospitality without calculation, millionaires without pride, birds with gorgeous plumage, trees with health-giving properties (how such a list could be extended!), and kind hearts everywhere."

There are two kinds of critics, those who complain that roses have thorns, others who are grateful that thorns have roses.

The colonials have all the qualities and all the little foibles of the English, and if isolation has intensified some of their faults, it has also accentuated their virtues.

For any young man, steady, hard-working, and persevering, no country offers such present advantages and future chances as the Colonies.

The Colonies have no room for *blasé* young Europeans who have only the remnants of themselves to offer. They are like fair young brides with the consciousness of their own worth; what they want is fresh and ardent youth, workers of all sorts, skilled artisans, intelligent vineyard hands, hardy field laborers, men with healthy bodies and upright minds, practical and laborious. To all such the Colonies promise success, and invariably keep their word.

If I were a young man of twenty, I would probably