

can help one another in a time of need. At other points you find the settlers few and far between, and for the most part dissatisfied and discouraged. By all means let a Britisher settle as near as possible to his own kinsfolk; for, however clever he may be, he is none the worse of their advice and support. While Virginia is suited to the emigrant with capital and education, it is as unsuitable to the labourer without either means or learning. It has been asked, Why do not some of the immense number of labourers who daily proceed from this country to the American shores find their way to some of the Southern States? The answer is this, that there the labour market is already supplied. Throughout the South, there are five millions of niggers, who, for the most part, are labourers. Virginia has her share, and perhaps more than enough. He receives about 50 cents, or 2s. per day. Is it likely that for this miserable sum, any stout German, English, or Irish emigrant will be induced to try his fortune in the sunny South? No, there is but one labourer for the South, and that is the nigger. He is there, and is daily on the increase—at least so say statistics—and it is not likely he will ever be removed. With education, with fair dealing, and with proper management, much may be made of him. With a superfluity of coloured labour, the cry is not for more of his commodity, but for capital and brains wherewith to employ it.

Coming to the point, the question to be asked runs thus: Is Virginia a land of promise to the middle-class emigrant? Candidly, we think it is. But a short time we remained there, yet enough we saw of it to con-