

very few white settlements on the west coast of the island; some day, however, not far distant, the red man will be driven out to make room for the white, and the massive remains of their wooden houses, in the construction of which some of the largest trees of the forest are used will be cut up and serve to kindle the settler's fire.

Much more might be said of this interesting part of the world; of its inland waters, its native tribes, the exhausted gold diggings of the Frazer River, and the newly discovered ones of the Skeena and Stickeen, but for reasons which I need not mention here, I have been obliged to limit this work to very small compass. For this reason also I am obliged to leave unsaid much that I had intended to notice in connection with the deeds of our brave discoverers in these regions—Drake, Anson, Cook, Blyth, Vancouver, and others. But in reading of these devoted men and their works on the one hand, and seeing the enormous amount of trade now carried on in the Pacific under the English flag on the other, almost prophetic force is given to those words put by Kingsley into the mouth of one of his heroes, "It is through the deeds of such powerful souls as these that this vast ocean, the sovereignty of which is now usurped by Spain alone, shall some day, please God, be free to English keels as ever were the waters of the Thames." I feel that I cannot conclude better than by finishing the quotation, and expressing with Amyass Lee the hope that "England may never want for those brave and pious mariners, who will hold their lives as worthless, in the service of their God, their country, and their queen."