

obliged, for fear of wearying the house, to pass over many points of considerable importance. I hope, however, that I have succeeded in proving the following positions. That transportation is a very bad punishment. That it is not susceptible of any improvement. That it ought, therefore, to be abolished. That the best substitute for it is penitentiaries. That the penitentiary system would be less expensive than any of the proposed modifications of transportation. That a large additional outlay of public money would not be required in order to establish penitentiaries, and to bestow upon this country the best system of secondary punishments in the world. And, lastly, for the sake of the moral well-being and economical prosperity of the penal colonies, that systematic emigration should be carried on in the manner I have proposed.

I will conclude by moving, "That the punishment of transportation should be abolished, and the penitentiary system of punishment be adopted in its stead as soon as practicable;" and "That the funds to be derived from the sales of waste lands in New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land ought to be anticipated by means of loans on that security, for the purpose of promoting extensive emigration to those colonies."