

measure, which cannot be characterized as a temporary expedient, framed upon imperfect data, and at variance with the soundest principles of political economy; neither is it deemed necessary to consider it as a measure of colonial policy, deserving of adoption without reference to the peculiar difficulties which it is intended to alleviate. Such speculations are among the most serious that can occupy the attention, and are not capable of being introduced with advantage into such "a sketch" as is now submitted for consideration.