

large funds for emigration, and for creating and improving means of communication throughout the provinces ; to guard emigrants of the labouring class against the present risks of the passage ; to secure for all of them a comfortable resting-place, and employment at good wages immediately on their arrival ; to encourage the investment of surplus British capital in these colonies, by rendering it as secure and as profitable as in the United States ; to promote the settlement of wild lands and the general improvement of the colonies ; to add to the value of every man's property in land ; to extend the demand for British manufactured goods, and the means of paying for them, in proportion to the amount of emigration and the general increase of the colonial people ; and to augment the colonial revenues in the same degree.

When the details of the measure, with the particular reasons for each of them, are examined, the means proposed will, I trust, be found as simple as the ends are great ; nor have they been suggested by any fanciful or merely speculative view of the subject. They are founded on the facts given in evidence by practical men ; on authentic information, as to the wants and capabilities of the colonies ; on an examination of the circumstances which occasion so high a degree of prosperity in the neighbouring States ; on the efficient working and remarkable results of improved methods of colonization in other parts of the British Empire ; in some measure on the deliberate proposals of a Committee of the House of Commons ; and, lastly, on the favourable opinion of every intelligent person in the colonies whom I consulted with respect to them. They involve, no doubt, a considerable change of system, or rather the adoption of a system where there has been none ; but this, considering the number and magnitude of past errors, and the present wretched economical state of the colonies, seems rather a recommendation than an objection. I do not flatter myself that so much good can be accomplished without an effort ; but in this, as in other suggestions, I have

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