

wanted in each place ; advice to settlers, what to do on arrival, to whom to apply to for advice, whether to rent or purchase land, what books to read to obtain more detailed information and other similar matters would, if unbiassed and fairly accurate, be invaluable to intending emigrants and to the British Colonies.

Since writing the above, I have received a copy of *The Week* containing your views on the Gentleman Colonist. Your opinion that boys should be educated in the country in which they are to live, is entirely in harmony with my experience here. I might refer you to the following paragraph from my report on this district for the year 1890: "The sons of professional men, retired officers and all that large class of English gentlemen, who have received a fairly good education, and yet are not specially fitted for any profession or occupation, are not likely to succeed and should not be encouraged to come here. It is down right cruelty to educate a boy at a public school in England and then send him to California with a few pounds in his pocket to shift for himself. The chances are that he will soon sink to the level of a waiter in a restaurant, or a farm laborer, or some similar position. . . . As a rule they do not succeed as well as comparatively uneducated Englishmen of the lower classes." It is much the same in Canada and I understand in Australia, and I have come to the conclusion that English professional men, blessed with a number of sons, for whom they are unable to provide, should be advised to send them away at twelve or fourteen years of age, instead of eighteen or twenty, to finish their education in the Colony or country, in which their parents have determined to start them ; three or four years at school will teach them the habits of the natives and they will then have a fair start in commencing for themselves.

Yours sincerely,

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Your article in *The Week* which I have seen touches upon a matter which is of both national and imperial importance. We at home much need definite and reliable information about the colonies and the openings they offer. We too often obtain information that is too general to be useful, or so much overcolored as to be misleading. An attempt such as yours to suggest means by which reliable information concerning Greater England may be obtainable deserves well of the community. I wish you success.

Yours very truly,

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