

country prosper and flourish to perfection on these lands, and already, such has been the success of vine-culture, large quantities of excellent wine are made for home consumption, while sanguine expectations are entertained that it may before long become an important article for export to England, if means can be discovered for preparing it to withstand the voyage across the torrid zone.

Enough said about the productiveness of the surface of the Australian lands. Now a word for that which is to be found beneath the surface.

The gold mines do not require a reporter, for they have already reported themselves to the uttermost ends of the earth, by the dispersion of their precious produce to the value of more than £121,000,000.

Australian copper mines are also somewhat known beyond her own boundaries, still it may be said, that but *little* is as yet known of their great extent and exceeding richness, for each succeeding year brings forth some new discovery, apparently more extensive than those which preceded it. However, if all those already known, were to be efficiently worked, all the mining population of Cornwall would be utterly insufficient for the purpose.

Lead with silver, tin, zinc, and other minerals are met with in many places, though none of them, except the first, have been as yet mined upon, and as to iron, it is to be met with almost every where; however, the day is far distant when Australians