

At the close of these meetings there was painful evidence of non-success, for on leaving Cannon Street a significant announcement appeared in a placard posted at the entrance to the room, that the "hat was sent round" for contributions towards the expenses. A subscription list was opened; but "few and far between" were the contributors—barely sufficient for the purpose of defraying the cost of the rooms; nothing for printing, for the advertisements, or the many incidental items at all times inevitable for such purposes. On the following Wednesday the rooms were closed! "Ichabod" was on the lintels! The place that "once knew them, knew them no more" from that time thenceforward! Truly an inglorious result, but natural to the gatherings—an inevitable termination to such immature proceedings!

I may now appropriately review the conclusions arrived at by the Colonial reformers, keeping in view that the whole business rests upon Mr. Beaumont's resolutions. Not to discuss how far they are better or worse than Mr. Westgarth's propositions, they shall be taken simply on their own merits. It will be necessary to examine the resolutions *seriatim*, and then take the following observations by way of a running commentary, not merely as an individual opinion, but as the general convictions arrived at by the voice of public opinion.

1. The privileges of British subjects are fully and impartially upheld in favour of all residents in the Colonies. The rights of naturalisation are conferred; the German emigrants are admitted to these rights in Canada, in Australia, in New Zealand; and no family