

classes. We have already expressed our warm concurrence in his views of the benefits and practicability of the system itself but we are hardly prepared to agree with him in all his projects for its enlargement by the application of Savings Banks deposits &c. However the principle once admitted, the management of the machinery is comparatively easy; and, until some definite proposal for applying the system of co-operative emigration to Western Australia is before us, it will be premature to discuss minor details and secondary arrangements. We commend the subject to the consideration of ingenious correspondents, and shall be happy to insert communications having a tendency to reduce the very excellent theory to practice. In the meanwhile, we cannot but watch with pleasure, and congratulate our talented contributor upon, the interest excited by his writings both here and elsewhere, and the warm support given to his views by the public press of the three Countries.

ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE.

COLONISATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

To the Editor of the Swan River News.

SIR,—Perhaps you may not deem it altogether intrusive if I suggest to you that the Moravians, through their connexions in Germany, might render much service to Western Australia, by making known the eligibility of that Colony as a field for German emigration. A very important step to be taken would be to interest the heads of the Moravians in the Colony of Western Australia. Mr. Peter Latrobe is, (or was lately), Civil Superintendent of Port Philip, and, with his Swiss and German connexion and influence with the very respectable body of sectarians to which he belongs, might do much for Western Australia if once he could be interested in its welfare. I need not remind you, Sir, that, in the event of the members of the Church of England, uniting in a proper spirit to secure for their church an influence in Western Australia, as extensive and as effective as that of the Church of Rome, the co-operation of the Moravians as far as they might be induced to lend their assistance, might be depended upon, since the latter are not regarded by the clergy of the Church of England as untractable Dissenters,

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
A SUBSCRIBER.

[We are happy to find that the energetic writings of our contributor have already made an impression on our readers. We received a letter during the composition of his

present communication, informing us that a proposal had been submitted on the subject to a distinguished personage in Germany.
Ed. S. R. N.

THE "UNICORN."—The barque *Unicorn* Captain Mullens, left the Docks for Swan River, calling at Algoa Bay with the following passengers:—Cabin: Mrs. Sholl, Miss Edwards Mrs. Padbury, Son and Daughter, Mrs. Mews Steerage:—Mr. James Dyer and his Wife. The Cargo having been mixed up in the Report with the goods for Algoa Bay, it is useless to publish a list.

SALE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIAN WOOL.—During the Wool sales which commenced on the 3rd and closed on the 25th of July, 1848, bales of inferior Swan River Wool were sold at prices varying from 10d. to 1s. 2d.

PRESERVED FRESH MEAT.—A correspondent calls our attention to the extent to which Meat not salted, but preserved by the exclusion of the atmospheric air, and hermetically sealed is imported into the United Kingdom; and asks why the Western Australians could not supply this want, not only to England but to the neighbouring markets instead of melting down their sheep for tallow.

THE NEW WESTERN AUSTRALIA ACT.

The following is a copy of the act just passed for the renewal of the Government of Western Australia.

An Act to continue until the thirty first day of December one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and to the end of the then next Session of Parliament, an Act of the tenth year of King George the Fourth, for providing for the Government of His Majesty's Settlements in Western Australia on the western coast of New Holland.

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the tenth year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Fourth, intitled, "An Act to provide, until the first day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty four, for the Government of his Majesty's Settlements in Western Australia on the western coast of New Holland."

And whereas the said Act has been continued by several subsequent Acts; and by an Act passed in the seventh and eighth years of the reign of Her present Majesty the same was continued until the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, and until the end of the then next Session of Parliament; and it is expedient that the said Act should be further continued.

Be it therefore enacted, by the Queen's most excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords spiritual and temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, that the said recited Act passed in the tenth year of the reign of his said late Majesty shall be

Further continued until the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, and from thence until the end of the then next Session of Parliament.

We confess we do not very clearly see, in this very simple renewal of former Acts, any of those "improvements" which we were led to expect from Earl Grey's remarks.

CONTEMPORARY OPINIONS.

THE COLONISATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

You have, sir, in the columns of the *Pioneer*, lately done justice to the soil, climate, and geographical position of Western Australia. This colony, if I mistake not, is to be made a bishopric. Now, sir, as the Church of England is beginning to bestir itself in the promotion of the temporal as well as the spiritual welfare of the community, why not make the attempt, on the appointment of a bishop to the new-made one, to form a model society or little community, on something like the Moravian plan, so as to secure for the lands with which the see may be endowed, a thriving, intelligent, virtuous and consequently happy community? The members of the Church of England are sufficiently numerous and wealthy to be able to raise ample funds for the purposes required; and were the money only lent, on the security (if deemed necessary) of land, but few years would elapse before the principal would be returned with liberal interest: but it might be found possible to raise by small subscriptions all the funds needed by appealing to the Church of England and colonial public.—From a correspondent in the *London Pioneer*.

Will you allow me to suggest to you, that the plan and principles of the "Church of England self-supporting Village Society," of which you treated last week, might be tried, under the auspices of the Church of England, in some one of our colonies, as a mode and means of colonizing, and of planting a Church. The plan is, I think, as likely to succeed in Western Australia, with its fine climate, superiority of geographical position, fertile soil, and abundant supply of rain in due season, as in any other of our settlements. It will not be long before Western Australia is made a bishopric; and, as the new see will be endowed with lands, these might be, at little, if any, expense, rendered subservient to the project recommended, and be made to support a virtuous, intelligent, thriving, and therefore, happy community, or little family of Church of England members. I do not think it would be difficult to raise the funds necessary for the planting of the proposed colony, as the Church

of England and colonial public will contribute, if the clergy throughout the country would undertake to collect contributions of sixpence and upwards for the purpose. This is not the time to enter into details, or it might be shown, from analogous examples, that success is certain. All that is required is a bond of union among the members—a soil adapted to the produce of exportable commodities—a fine climate—the establishment of a manufacture, the labour of which is light and easily learnt, and accessible markets. An inspection of a map of the world, with an acquaintance with the Western Coast of Australia, will satisfy us that the country I have named is eligible for the experiment, contains the required elements or conditions. Less capital would be necessary for the colony in contemplation than would be required for founding a colony of the same number of individuals on the "Wakefield" plan.—From a letter from a correspondent, signed "A Working Man," in the *Atlas* of August 1st.

The suggestion of the writer respecting the employment of the savings'-bank fund, for the improvement of the colonies, deserves attention. Thousands of our countrymen have, this year, emigrated to the United States.—If the British Colonies afforded equal facilities for obtaining the means of existence, and they might be made far better by the use of this fund, £36,000,000, in the way recommended, emigrants from this country would prefer Western Australia to any part of the Western Continent.—From the *Limerick and Clare Examiner*, June 13th.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

Unicorn, Mullens, for Swan River sailed from Gravesend Aug. 8th.

Dispatches for the Governor of Western Australia were sent off from the Colonial Office on the 8th of August.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

A SUBSCRIBER is thanked for his letter, received last month on Moravian emigration, which shall be attended to. We will endeavour to keep the subject before the public. The error kindly pointed out to us by our correspondent, was already corrected.

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