

and letters from emigrants—as well as to have pored over the archives in the offices of the South Australian Commissioners and South Australian Company; and what is equally important, he has tested what he has read. He tells the story of the unsuccessful attempts to found the colony, and its history from the foundation to the "latest arrivals;" describes the plan and objects of the South Australian Company; and after giving an account of the soil, climate, rivers, harbours, productions, and so forth, devotes several chapters to each of the various subjects which can have any interest for the intending emigrant.

[From the *Standard*.]

This work is an elaborate composition, comprising every species of accessible information on the subject to the present time, which the author could have obtained only by very considerable research. The arrangement is very happily made, so as to enable the reader to judge for himself of the perusal of any individual chapter, either on the colony of Australia, its constitution, the disposal of land, the climate and seasons, the natural productions of the country, the Aboriginal inhabitants, religious institutions, wages, hints to emigrants, &c., of the author's judgment as well as impartiality. Those who are intending to emigrate to this "land of promise," should certainly peruse this work: those who are undecided should, also, carefully peruse it; while, in the colony itself, from its comprehensive character, the work must prove most valuable.

[From the *Sun*.]

As this work, which is wholly of a practical character, has reached a second edition any comment from us, either in praise or censure, is superfluous; suffice it, therefore to state that Mr. Stephens is a uniform panegyrist of the new Australian colony, and brings an immense mass of evidence to bear upon and justify his good opinion.

[From the *Sunday Times*.]

Mr. Stephens has written a book of manifest utility; he has quoted all known authorities on the subject, and his 'Hints to Emigrants' is alone worth the price of the volume. We heartily recommend his work to the attention of those who meditate emigration, or wish to afford facilities for so doing to others.

[From the *Wesleyan Association Magazine*.]

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[From the *Christian Advocate*.]

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[From the *London Dispatch*.]

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[From the *Western Times*.]

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THE NIGER EXPEDITION.—AFRICAN COMMITTEE, held at the rooms of the Colonial Society, 15, St. James's-square, May 25, 1840.

Resolved, 1. That this Committee rejoices in the attention of Parliament being called by Mr. Buxton's means to the Niger, as a field in which African civilization may be promoted; but without impugning that gentleman's good intentions in the slightest degree, this Committee desires to express its serious doubts as to the advantages of his plan, fearing that instead of benefiting Africa it will much increase the evils inflicted on the Negro by the existing system of the Colonial Office in Western Africa.

Resolved, 2. That Members of both Houses of Parliament be respectfully informed of the grounds of those doubts, the Committee hoping that the £61,363 to be appropriated to the Niger Expedition may not be voted, nor any bill upon the subject be passed, without a full Parliamentary inquiry into the state of our Western African Settlements, and without provision being made for the reform of that system.

Grounds of Objections to the plan of the Niger Expedition, as explained 26th December 1829, by Lord John Russell to the Lords of the Treasury; by Mr. Buxton's Work on the Slave Trade; and by the prospectus of the Society for the extinction of the Slave Trade, and for the civilization of Africa.

That good Civil Government for the proposed Factories on the Niger is not provided for.

That the form of Government, obscurely intimated in the printed documents of the plan, appears to be dangerous by misdirecting the efforts of Missionaries in employing them in secular affairs.

That the existing settlements at Sierra Leone and its dependencies, having, after an immense sacrifice of life and money, not realized the objects for which they were founded; but on the contrary, from the bad system of Government, and from abuses having entailed great misery on the inhabitants, any new settlements founded upon the same system, must be productive of most baneful results.

That upwards of £22,000,000 have already been expended in the attempt to suppress the Slave Trade, and civilize Africa without effecting either object.

Therefore this Committee resolves to apply to members of the House of Commons to move for a Committee of enquiry into the state of the British Settlements of Western Africa when the vote for the Niger Expedition is proposed.

The object of the inquiry is by no means adverse to an expedition to the Niger, or to the greatest efforts in favour of Africa, but to ensure a good issue to both

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