

what one would desire in an adopted country, both as to prospects of success, salubrity of climate, and fertility of soil. The picture he gives of the many varied advantages of this colony both in a moral and commercial point of view, must, we should think, determine any one, who was doubting to what part of the world to direct his steps.

[From the *Mark Lane Express*.]

We strongly recommend Mr. Stephens's work to public notice, and more especially to emigrants.

[From the *Manchester Courier*.]

The object of the volume before us, is to recommend this settlement to the notice of persons intending to emigrate; and certainly so far as regards climate, soil, and the general appearance of the country, it seems to possess many advantages over any other of our distant colonies. The volume, is, however, interesting, not merely as an account of the present state of this infant colony: those who have no intention to leave their native land, will find amusement in its pages.

[From the *Methodist New Connexion Magazine*.]

A work more interesting than this we have not read for a considerable length of time. The title promises much, but not a little more than the writer has accomplished. We will venture to say, that to persons who have not taken pains to acquaint themselves with subjects connected with the South Australian Colony, a perusal of this work will not only open to their minds cheering disclosures, for which they were not prepared, but produce in them a conviction of the vast importance of South Australia to this country, and a lively interest in its operations and welfare. The author has brought to his task not only an evident competency for its accomplishment, but has exerted himself to consult every available source of information, and the volume contains the result, bearing the impression not only of authenticity, but of sound discrimination in his arrangement and selections. No man disposed to leave his country, and to seek a permanent home elsewhere, should take a step towards the accomplishment of his purpose before he has perused this volume.

[From the *Metropolitan Conservative Journal*.]

This is an ably sketched and well-executed digest of all the accessible information relating to South Australia. The author has devoted particular attention to the capabilities of the country, both agricultural and commercial, and even after making liberal deductions for the *Couleur de Rose*, with which authors generally tinge their favourite subjects, sufficient remains to establish the superiority of South Australia over most of our other colonies, not even excepting New South Wales. This history and description of South Australia will, we anticipate, prove highly interesting to many of our readers, particularly to that large and benevolent class which takes an active interest in the condition of our labourers. The market for labour being at present greatly overstocked in most parts of the kingdom many philanthropists would—but for the large outlay of money—gladly encourage emigration, as the best means of promoting the interests both of those who emigrate and those who remain at home; to such this volume will be peculiarly acceptable, as it indicates the means of facilitating the emigration of our surplus labourers, almost free of expense.

[From the *News*.]

The importance of this settlement, it would appear, entitles it already to have its rise and progress made matter of "history," nay, although the work before us is the first that has assumed that dignity in name, "accounts" and "narratives" have long been numerous of this beautiful and interesting portion of the world, which holds out so many temptations to the small capitalist and industrious man to leave even the home of his fathers, which narrow circumstances make "a house of bondage," for "the land of promise." This title, by-the-by, has been assumed for South Australia, *par excellence*, and for it by our author, for the previous edition of this well-digested and credible, as well as creditable book. The work itself is so easily attainable, and contains so little that is impertinent, that we shall not attempt an extract but at once recommend such of our readers, who take an interest in the circumstances of the poor around them, or who are for themselves disposed to seek "a world elsewhere," to read for themselves and neighbours Mr. Stephens's praiseworthy work.

Also, lately published by the same Author, Second Edition, 8vo, stitched, Price 1s. 6d. AN EXPOSURE OF THE ABSURD, UNFOUNDED, and CONTRADICTIONARY STATEMENTS IN JAMES'S so-called "SIX MONTHS IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA."

[From the *Christian Advocate*.]

Mr. Stephens, author of "The History of South Australia," has published a pamphlet which he entitles "An Exposure of the Absurd, Unfounded, and Contradictory Statements in James's 'Six Months in South Australia.'" Mr. Stephens's method is that of placing in parallel columns those portions of Mr. James's book in which his statements of opinions are at variance with each other; and certainly he has produced numerous instances of irreconcilable contradiction, such as cannot fail to shake the confidence of the reader in the testimony of Mr. James whose object seems to be to disparage the new colony.

[From the *London Dispatch*.]

This is a harsh character to give to any work; yet the errors which Mr. Stephens points out are so uncommon and so extraordinary, that we are forced to allow Mr. James to be a careless and inconsistent writer.

[From the *Western Times*.]

If evidence out of a man's own mouth ever wrought his condemnation, it has done so in the present instance. The sweeps of Mr. Stephens's dissecting knife are many, but they are not too numerous, and have, each one, laid bare some mal-organization or deformity.

SMITH, ELDER, and Co., 65, Cornhill.

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JOHN WARD, Secretary.

New Zealand House, 5th May, 1840.



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