

by this Society to grant assistance out of the rates to intending Emigrants, in accordance with the power they possess under the Act 11 and 12 Vic., cap. 110, sec. 5.* The Society is helping you by making your necessities known amongst the charitable, and by obtaining their aid in supplementing means obtained from other sources.

But the Society looks to you to combine and support the efforts they are making, by helping one another, by interesting your fellow-workmen, and your kind neighbours to aid and assist : the poor have always a heart to help the poor. Save all you possibly can ; join an **EMIGRATION CLUB IN UNION WITH THE SOCIETY**, assured that when once you begin to think about it, and to act upon it, many little helps and encouragements that you wot not of will come in. A poor man's wife may obtain help in cash from a former kind mistress ; another may bestow clothing, &c. These are but little helps ; but when it is seen you are in earnest to emigrate, more especially if you are industrious and have had long to struggle under the blighting influences of want of employment, not a few are the sympathising friends who will come forward to assist your efforts. Beseech your minister to interest himself in your behalf ; ask him to sign a petition for a subscription for the benefit of yourself and others ; and let the money thus obtained be paid by the donors to the club to which you belong, for your common benefit. Beseech him, also, to mention from the pulpit the sad fact that numerous unfortunate, poor people—helpless, desolate, and in need—are anxious to obtain means to emigrate, in order honestly to earn their bread. It is pleasing to reflect how many kind friends may come forward to the rescue. Ask help from the guardians of your parish.†

It is wonderful what the Irish emigrants and their friends have accomplished by self-help, and how families have subscribed to send out one member only, and how he in turn has saved and sent home money to bring out his relations or friends. It is patent to all the world that tens of thousands have gone out in this

* The guardians of any union or parish have the power to assist the emigration of the poor, and to charge the cost upon the common fund of the union or parish not in union. And the 12 and 13 Vic., cap. 103, sec. 20, enacts that the guardians of any union, or separate parish, may expend, with the order of the Poor Law Board, any sum of money not exceeding £10 for each person, for the emigration of poor persons having settlements therein. See also 28 and 29 Vic., cap. 79, sec. 16.

† Huslands should not emigrate without their wives. Under the regulations of the Poor Law Board, the guardians are prohibited from affording any assistance to the wives and families of those who, it is said, have deserted them when they emigrate without them.