

OFFICIAL FIGURES DISPROVE FOSTER'S CHARGE

Mr. Foster made another statement which it is necessary to disprove by official figures. He said that the government handed over to the North Atlantic Trading Company \$5.00 per head upon every immigrant arriving in the country without regard to anything the company may have done in including the immigrant to come. The following table is interesting in two particulars. FIRST, BECAUSE IT UTTERLY DISPROVES HIS STATEMENT, AND SECONDLY, IT SHOWS THE SPLENDID WORK OF IMMIGRATION PERFORMED BY THE LIBERAL GOVERNMENT SINCE 1896.

TOTAL IMMIGRATION TO CANADA

	British	Continental	U. S.	Total
Calendar year 1896	12.384	4.451	no returns	21.716
Calendar year 1897	11.383	7.981	2.412	16.835
Calendar year 1898	11.173	11.608	9.119	31.900
Calendar year 1899	10.660	21.938	11.945	44.543
1st 6 mos. 1900	5.141	10.211	8.543	23.895
Fiscal year 1900-1	11.810	19.352	17.987	49.149
Fiscal year 1901-2	17.259	23.732	26.388	67.379
Fiscal year 1902-3	41.792	37.099	49.473	128.364
Fiscal year 1903-4	50.374	34.728	45.229	130.331
Fiscal year 1904-5	65.359	37.253	43.652	146.266
9 months 1906-7	55.791	34.217	34.659	124.667
7 months 1907-8	104.864	67.331	39.664	211.859
Total	484.786	354.192	346.990	1185.968

THE ABSURDITY OF MR. FOSTER'S CONTENTION WILL BE MANIFEST BY A STUDY OF THE ABOVE FIGURES, but this gentleman is so careless in his allegations, and pays so little regard to the truth, that it is not remarkable.

COMPANY SPENT MORE MONEY THAN REQUIRED TO DO

Doubt was cast upon whether the Company had expended the \$15,000 a year, and the £1,000 required to be spent on special work in Scandinavia. The government sent the Chief Accountant of the Interior Department to Europe to audit the books of the Company. He reported that the Company had FORMED A WIDE-SPREAD PROPAGANDA IN ADVERTISING, AND PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTING SUITABLE LITERATURE, AND ALSO BY WELL ORGANIZED