

that an increase in each quarter corresponding with the quarter of the preceding year was required to be shown.

On one occasion, my Report was sent back to me with instructions to put in more females and children. I asked jokingly where I was to get them, and I was told to manufacture them. In fact the whole matter was treated as a joke. Some one would say to me "Where do you get your facts in the case," and I would reply that "Figures were facts and couldn't lie."

I attach a copy of the report such as I used to send to the Custom house at Port Huron, where it was compiled with the reports from the other ports in the District. Of course, you will understand that the figures in the copy are fictitious as an example.

The foregoing is a perfectly true statement, and comprises the whole and the only method by which the emigrant statistics were collected at this port.

If I have omitted any information you may require, let me know, and I will be glad to oblige you by giving it, if it lays in my power.

Yours truly,

C. H. IRWIN.

(Copy.)

Report of Emigrants entered at the port of Port Huron for three months ending 30th June, 1883.

FROM.

Germany	2,672	Russia	510
Norway	2,716	Italy	180
Sweden	1,940	France	390
England	1,612	Spain	150
Ireland	1,027	Portugal	108
Scotland	439	Ontario	2,950
Denmark	960	Quebec	4,089
Nova Scotia		1,725	

GOING TO.

Michigan	2,512	Wisconsin	2,245
Iowa	2,830	Kansas	2,440
Illinois	3,575	California	1,710
Nebraska	1,890	Dakota	1,230
Indiana	715	Colorado	1,785
Ohio	630	Minnesota	896
Males			12,760
Females			9,728
Total			22,488

MEMO.—The above is a rough specimen of how emigration reports were sent in by me to the Custom House, Port Huron, and I may add that the above figures, made by guess, are just as reliable as those sent in the above mentioned reports.

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