

viduals may be assisted in obtaining establishments in the colonies, and the consequences to which it may lead, are both worthy of consideration.”

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HAS the attention of the King’s government been of late directed to the subject of emigration from Ireland to the colonies?—It has.

What have been the circumstances which have induced government to turn their attention to that subject?—Perhaps the most convenient mode of answering that question will be, to give in a paper which was read at Mr. Goulburn’s to Lord Ennismore, Mr. Becher, Sir Nicholas Colthurst, &c. respecting emigration from the south of Ireland.

[*The same was delivered in, and read as follows :*]

“ The government, desirous of alleviating the inconveniences of excessive population in Ireland, and at the same time of giving to the provinces of Canada an accession of emigrants capable of improving the advantages afforded by those colonies to active and industrious men, has taken into consideration the expediency of providing for the transport and location of a certain number of settlers, on a system which will best ensure their immediate comfort and their future prosperity.

“ And as it has been found that many persons have of late years, in the hope of bettering their condition, been induced to remove from Ireland, and seek an asylum in a foreign country, suffering many immediate privations from the want of assistance, and having no