

genuineness of many of the tickets for St. Boniface, as he had very little faith in the talk of Manitoba immigration."

This unquestioned, because unquestionable, statement, has been thrice published, once in a Report for 1880, again in 1881, and again in 1882; and when it is considered that the information which it was Mr. Avery's duty to furnish to the Port Huron Customs Collector, was required in the minute detail called for by the subjoined statement of headings, taken from the United States official tables, it is plain that that which he furnished, by the methods which he described, must have been of the exact texture and value of that referred to in the statutory declarations, annexed to this Report :—

1. "Country or island of last permanent residence or citizenship.
  2. "Country of intended residence.
  3. "Occupation.
  4. "Under fifteen years of age—male, female; total.
  5. "Fifteen and over forty years of age—male, female; total.
  6. "Forty years of age and under—male, female; total.
  7. "Total—male, female; total.
- a. "Foreign-born citizens of the United States returning from abroad are to be designated citizens of the United States, and entered only in the table headed passengers not immigrants."
- "Passengers who died on the passage are not to be included in this table."

It is to be remarked that the information under these several headings, down to the most minute details of units, is officially published by Mr. Nimmo, under the authority of the Treasury Department of the United States, in the Annual Report on Commerce and Navigation. He gives the professional occupations at three periods of life; that is, under fifteen years—between fifteen and forty—and forty and upwards; also skilled occupations at these several ages; "miscellaneous" occupations; and "without occupations." He gives the "nationalities" of the so-called immigrants in the same minute detail; and also, with the same detail of ages and sex at the same three periods of life. He professes to give in detail the "country of last residence or citizenship" of all these people; and also a statement of numbers, sex, nationalities, &c., of passengers, not immigrants, to the United States; and all this, not only without a pretence at registration by the process of recording answers to questions—a process absolutely necessary to obtain such information—but even without the pretence of counting; the numbers and all these particulars being simply set down in the official schedules, in the manner described by Mr. Avery, for the reason