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tion schemes, which call for some serious attention. To prevent future misunderstandings, consequent misery, and discredit being brought on Emigration, some more extensive and influential machinery seems to be required, which should be constructed by the heads of the Dominion and Home Governments. It is true, we have the honour to possess two Royal Commissioners of Emigration, and a regularly constituted Board, with first and second-class clerks, &c., who issue an Annual Report, though it cannot be said that much life is shown in the arrangement. We seem to require trustworthy and representative officials in our Colonial Office, who shall be Colonists; men of some position in the world, free from party politics, and with a certain power to guide and control all Emigration schemes that emanate from the brains of enthusiasts, philanthropists, and schemers. The gain would be to the Colonists, and they should consequently bear the greater part of the expense that would be incurred by the appointment of such officials.

Those who take an interest in Emigration will not fail to have observed the facility with which men are attracted to the United States. Their agents are fully alive to the great advantages of securing Colonists, and they leave no stone unturned to represent the different States in as attractive a guise as possible : even their maps are contrived so as to show off the States bordering on Canada as superior in every degree to those in the Dominion.

It is not my intention to allude to the various States of the Republic as fields for Emigration. The people of the United States can well take care of themselves. They have great centres of attraction for different nationalities. The Germans concentrate themselves about Cincinnati and Philadelphia, and in the country parts of Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Western Virginia. Their German papers are superior to many in their own country. The Irish land at New York, and filter into Boston and Baltimore, and wherever they can find a living. As fast as the pioneers leave for the Western States the new arrivals fill up their places, and a constant stream of colonisation is kept up. The Americans are more en-

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