

don and take up arms against it, having actually joined the North West Company's forces, two months before any other settler; and of all those who followed his example, and ultimately came to Canada, only one person had deposited any considerable sum of money, at the time of embarkation, in the hands of Lord Selkirk; and it cannot be doubted, that, before he was induced to act the part he did, he must have received something more substantial than promises of land in Upper Canada.

The practice lately adopted by Government in this province, which you so justly praise, and of which every man of sense must approve; I mean, that of not granting lands to persons who have neither the ties of self interest, nor the honor of Englishmen, to offer as security for their attachment and fidelity to the Government, is a further proof of the soundness of the principle which you reprobate, and of the impolicy of attempting to blind human nature merely by the ties of gratitude, imposed by unbounded and misplaced liberality.

You have said, that the charge of ten guineas for the passage of each individual from England to the settlement is enormous; I leave the public to judge whether it be so or not. In a note at page 27 you say, that his Lordship had stated the passage money at ten pounds for each family, but that ten guineas had been charged for each individual. In this assertion you have either misconstrued, for the sake of argument, or strangely misconceived what his Lordship has very plainly stated, as may be seen by referring to the Prospectus, as printed at pages 72 and 73 of your pamphlet, viz. that "The Settlement being at some distance from the sea, an extra expence must be incurred for the inland conveyance, which the emigrants could not be expected to pay, but which must fall upon the proprietor." This extra expence, his Lordship estimates at ten pounds for each family; but how you could have imagined that ten pounds could be the average at which families might be conveyed from Scotland to Hudson's Bay, it remains for you to explain.

You dwell with exultation on the vast difference which
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