

In districts in Ireland in which the evil of an over-population has been very strongly felt, supposing security given to government for the payment of an annual sum, sufficient to secure them from the advance that has been made, do you conceive that there would be any difficulty in carrying the scheme of emigration, of which you have now spoken, into effect ?—I conceive that there would be no objection in principle to advancing money for the purpose of carrying the system of emigration into effect, provided that adequate funds were pledged for the re-payment of such money at a future period.

By whom are those funds to be pledged ?—By parties who are enabled to give adequate security for the re-payment.

Are the emigrants themselves to make this pledge, or persons interested in sending them out in Ireland ?—I mean distinctly persons in Ireland, who are interested in sending them out ; but by way of example, I would suppose, that a committee should be formed in Ireland for the purpose of facilitating emigration, if that committee could furnish adequate security for the re-payment of money advanced by government, with interest, I cannot conceive in principle that there would be any objection to such an advance upon the part of government ; it would at the same time be in the power of that committee to make any terms with the individuals who are to take advantage of the emigration, for the purpose of re-paying to the