

Extracts from
Weekly Reports.

EXTRACTS from the several WEEKLY REPORTS made to the GOVERNOR-IN-CHIEF by
the ACTING CHIEF AGENT for EMIGRATION at *Quebec*.

Week ending 21st May 1836.

THE emigrants arrived this week are principally of the working class, and all possess sufficient means to enable them to reach their destination. They are principally gone to Upper Canada.

In the ship "Procris," from Poole, a few families, in all about 20 souls, who were sent out from the parish of Breamore, in the county of Southampton, with directions and instructions from J. D. Pinnock, Esq., Government Agent General for Emigration, who forwarded me an order for 28*l.* sterling, to be distributed among them, one half on their arrival here, and the balance on reaching their destination. They all, with the exception of two, proceeded to the Eastern Townships, and received every assistance and advice from this office. They went off in good spirits.

Week ending 28th May.

The emigrants arrived this week are, with the exception of a few families in the "Breeze," from Limerick, and the "Elizabeth Ann," from Cork, all well provided with means to enable them to proceed to Upper Canada; and they have received every advice and attention from this office. Among those arrived this week are 130 pauper families, in all, 279 souls, sent out by the parishes of Downton, Whiteparish and Standlynch, in the county of Wilts. They are all well provided; I have received a draft for 370*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* sterling, to be distributed among them.

Week ending 4th June.

The emigrants arrived this week are principally farmers and labourers, with a few trades; the latter generally obtained employment immediately on their arrival here; the majority of those who have left this are gone to Upper Canada, and a considerable number to the Eastern Townships, as also to the United States. The very high rate of wages which labourers obtain there, have induced many, who otherwise intended settling in the Provinces, to go there.

They are all in good health, and some of them in possession of considerable means, and all have sufficient to enable them to proceed from this.

The "James and Anne" brought 81 families sent out by the parishes of Hurtsbourne Priors, St. Mary Bourne and Long Parish, in the county of Hants, with an order for 95*l.* 10*s.* sterling, equal to 114*l.* currency, to be paid to them on their arrival here; they have all gone to Upper Canada.

The "Lavinia," from Portsmouth, has also on board 48 passengers from the county of Southampton, under similar circumstances, but they have not yet landed.

There has been several complaints lodged at this office against the captain of the brig "Bellisle," from Dublin. The passengers complain of a short allowance of water, and what they did get was so bad as to be almost impossible to use; and that two of their number died on the voyage from a violent attack of dysentery, brought on by the unwholesome water. These charges are undergoing investigation, and so soon as it is finished, I shall submit the whole to his Lordship; I have written to Mr. Pinnock, Government Agent General, Colonial Office, informing him of these charges and of the steps I had taken.

Week ending 11th June.

Among the emigrants arrived this week there are a considerable number of families possessed of large means, and who have proceeded to settle in the Eastern Townships.

The number of families who have gone to settle on the Company's lands this spring, are very numerous, and amount to upwards of 1,000 souls; the facilities and attention afforded by the Company have induced very many to proceed there, in preference to Upper Canada.

There is a very considerable number of English emigrants arrived this week, who have received parochial assistance: among them are 266 souls sent out by the Earl of Egremont from his estates in Sussex, in the "Hebe;" they are all well provided with means. The Earl of Stradbroke has also sent 177 out, from his estates in Suffolk. There are also 568 emigrants sent out under the direction of J. D. Pinnock, Esq., who have received assistance from this department; they are from the county of Kent and Southampton, and proceeded all to Upper Canada.

Week ending 18th June.

The greater part of the emigrants who arrived this week were in a very destitute condition, and were forwarded to Montreal by the Emigrant Society; they are principally from the west and south of Ireland. The majority of English emigrants who arrived this week were sent out by their parishes, and had sufficient means to enable them to proceed to their destination, which was principally Upper Canada.

They received every attention and advice from this office, and all those who required, received recommendation for employment on the public works at present going on in Upper Canada.

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