INTRODUCTION.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS.

This pamphlet, prepared by authority of the Government of Ontario, is designed to afford information to intending emigrants and others, as to the advantages the Province presents as a field for industry, enterprise, and capital.

The efforts to promote emigration for the past year have been attended with more than ordinary success, showing an increase of several thousands over that of 1872, and it is believed all who have come, and who on their arrival were prepared to utilize the opportunities afforded in the country for employment, have been provided for and are doing well.

In the spring of the year circulars are sent to the heads of all municipalities in the Province, numbering about 400, asking for information as to the number and description of labourers, mechanics, &c., likely to be required, and the average wages paid. The answers to these circulars enable our immigration agents to direct emigrants on their arrival to places where employment awaits them.

The agents of the Canadian Government in Great Britain and Ireland, and on the Continent of Europe (a list of whom is supplied on the cover of this pamphlet), will afford information to all inquirers in respect to the Province, its resources and advantages, and the classes of emigrants most needed and most likely to succeed.

Emigrants, on their arrival at Quebec, will receive instruction from the Immigration Agent in that city as to their future course, which they may find of great practical moment in the promotion of their interests.

Emigrants as a rule would act wisely in not paying their passage in Britain to any point beyond Quebec, unless they have