

have shown an increase only of fifteen per cent. In the last thirty years in Ohio the increase has been sixty-one per cent. Ontario has seen during that space of time one hundred and one per cent. of an increase; while Quebec has increased fifty-two per cent., Manitoba in ten years has increased two hundred and eighty-nine per cent., a greater rate than any hitherto attained and, to judge from this year's experience, is likely to increase to an even more wonderful degree during the following decade. Statistics are at all times wearisome, but are not these full of hope?

After the opinion of the Marquis of Lorne, who is rather too big and magnificent a person for you and me to feel at home with, let me quote a letter from Patrick Barrett, who left Ballinasloe in April, and whose letter appeared in the *London Canadian* of August 23rd. Patrick states that he can earn in three days what it would take him a fortnight to make in Ireland, and that he can live for considerably less. But here is the letter:—

The voyage out is not half so bad as many imagine. After a day or so you get better, and then you feel in far better health than before. We duly arrived in Point Levis (Quebec), where we were met by the Government Agent, Mr. Stafford, who gave us every information, and sent us on to Ottawa. Here we were met by Mr. Wills, who treated us very kindly, and gave us our choice of different jobs. There were about 30 or 40 of us by this time, but he could have found employment for ten times as many. I and my comrades, three in number, took it as our choice to work in a saw mill in Arnprior, where we arrived that evening, and started work next morning; and now, after working there for over two months, I can say I like it every day more and more, as do my comrades.

I can earn in three days here what it would take me a fortnight to earn in Ireland; and the board I pay \$3 (12s. 6d.) a week here for would cost at least £1 at home; so that anybody can see I have made a fortunate change. Now I would advise any young man or woman who have to work for their living in the old country to come out here, and they will never regret it.

Any young man coming here, and willing to work, need not be afraid of being out of a job for five minutes, except through his own fault. There is plenty of work for as many more, if they come here, on railways, lumber yards, buildings, and farms. Another grand feature of this country is that one man is as good as another. There is none of that false pride that separates class from class in the old country.

If this should reach the eye of any young man or woman, who are undecided where to go, I trust it will be the means of inducing them to come to Canada, as I feel confident if they come they will never regret the step they have taken. And any young man coming out, and having no particular place to come to, let him come to Arnprior, and I will be happy to find him work.

Hoping, Mr. Editor, you will kindly insert the above in your valuable paper, and apologising for its length,—I remain, &c.,

Arnprior, Ont., Canada.

PATE. BARRETT.