

prove even more so; next Spring we expect the first Saxon pioneers. Herewith I have opened Germany to you, which has appeared like an impregnable fortress. In Austria I have made a small beginning; the emigration of children, which are intended to be placed and trained on a kind of practical farm, is gaining favour; some gentlemen intend to lay out such farms for young men, so as to give them some training in Canadian farming before they hire out. Besides this, I have created very friendly relations with the Foreign Offices in Berne and in Berlin, and have paved the way for the Canadian Government to enter into direct relations with these two Governments. I have gathered the material to work out a policy by which these Governments could meet Canadian views and interests half way. I cannot publicly express myself clearer on this point; nor would it be right to mention here the unusually kind reception in Berlin, though I should feel but duly honoured if the Government would show sufficient interest to question me on the matter, and accept my advice as to future plans, which advice would be based upon the exchange of opinion with some of the leading statesmen in Europe. I can assure you, however, that the Government of Germany is well disposed towards this country.

This kind of work I have done partly because of my intense interest for all classes who need help—partly because by it I earned the necessary support to treat another kind of emigration as a "purely philanthropic work," that of introducing a protective system of female emigration, needed too, though perhaps not deemed important enough to give it Government aid. Some people are so fortunately situated as to have both the good will to do useful work and the necessary means to do so combined; others have only the intense desire and the courage of sacrificing time, energy, talent, and life's best comforts. I possess but the latter qualification, and, strange to say, I have been obliged to subject myself to very unkind misrepresentations. I hope that the fact of my having done the work for a long time without remuneration will once for all exempt me from the suspicion of pursuing mere personal and mercenary aims.

My late husband served the Canadian Government faithfully for nearly twenty years. As is usual in this country, the widow and the children of such public officers have to fight life's hard battle alone when the father dies; the small salaries do not allow of savings being made. I had to fill the place of father to my children, and therefore I had to work