

organization in Canada and be able to show to the satisfaction of the Department their ability to absorb and employ such emigrants as they send.

As most of these organizations carry on their operations in large centres of population, they seldom reach persons of agricultural experience, and consequently have, in proportion to their numbers sent to Canada very few claims for the bonus given by the Department to persons bent upon agricultural pursuits in Canada, and I think, therefore, it would be judicious to withhold the bonus in the case of any person obtaining either a free or an assisted passage, ability to pay the necessary transportation charge being one of the most satisfactory proofs of thrift and industry.

I have discussed with the leading officers of the Local Government Board the question of the supervision of the efforts of Charitable and Philanthropic Associations, and have been given to understand by these officials that the Local Government Board would look with great favor upon any regulations formulated by the Department tending to ensure that all Charitable and Philanthropic Societies, either using public money or working from funds provided by public generosity, shall provide the same strict investigation into the antecedents, both moral and physical, of the persons proposed to be emigrated in like manner with the regulations adopted with reference to persons emigrated from the Workhouses of England.

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