

I went on to Montreal, the same grumble ; to Ottawa, to Toronto, still the same ; every decent servant leaving for the States. And yet the census tells me that in spite of the withdrawal of the troops the population of the Upper Provinces has increased over 12 per cent. in ten years.

At last, I reached the States themselves. To my amazement I heard the same complaints. "All our best servants go to the West to settle. If it were not for the Irish, and the negroes, we could not live." "But," said I, "I was told in Canada that all the servants came *here* for high wages." "Many do," was the answer, "but they soon find out that the expenses here are also in proportion. So they either go West, or (if their pride will allow them) they return to Canada. And, at this moment, as an argument on the other side, 75,000 natives of the United States are earning their bread in the Canadian Dominion."

The fact, which explains all this, is, that where people can earn their bread *other* than by menial labour, they will do so ; and the difficulty in this as in other departments of industry in a *new* country is want of population. Now, *our* work-houses and orphan asylums are crowded with the very class to supply this domestic want. Miss Rye has found this out ; but her efforts are but a drop in the sea of Canadian demand. I cannot more clearly show my meaning in this lecture