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the number has considerably increased, but that was owing more to the war in the United States, than to our improved management. Then all who come to this country do not remain : some years not more than half, and other years not more than two thirds of the entire number. This brings us to the conclusion that there is something wrong in the management of the immigrant after his arrival, and that an effort must be made without delay to effect some beneficial change.

In order that the assistance which the Province may be willing to render to the immigrant, may be acceptable and useful to him, it is only necessary for us to enquire, " what are his first wants on landing ?" We refer to the great bulk of those who come to settle among us,—these usually have some few household effects and but little money. With them, immediate employment is a necessity, and next, a home of some sort. If we can supply these wants to a certain extent, and at not much additional expenditure, it is all that can be expected. Free grants as at present conducted, do not answer these ends. We would not urge their discontinuance, but at the same time would suggest a slight modification. We have seen it stated, and we believe correctly, that wherever a new road has been open