

## PREFACE.

plan and mark out sites for Towns, Villages, Harbours, Schools, Factories, Fishing Stations, Farms and other allotments of land, so as to combine the whole under one well regulated system of Agricultural, Manufacturing, Mining, Commercial and Educational arrangements for promoting the Religious, Moral, and Social elevation of the population.

It is proposed to make arrangements for the purpose of selecting a good class of emigrants ; and as their services may be required in these colonies, to engage seaworthy vessels to transmit them to their respective destinations, and to offer them employment at such wages or contract prices as may mutually be agreed upon ; and afterwards to allot and dispose of freehold land to individuals or societies of such emigrants as may be desirous, for colonizing such land under the regulations of the Association.

The second question is,—“ What will Her Majesty’s Government do ?”

In reply to this question, Her Majesty’s Government have not only appointed a Commission to explore these North British American Colonies, to ascertain the practicability of, and advantages which might be expected from the construction of, the Railway from Halifax to Quebec, and that the able Report thereon, drawn up by Major Robinson, has been printed and laid before both Houses of Parliament, but have since expressed a strong desire to see the work commenced and executed. There is, therefore, good reason to hope that Her Majesty’s Government will counter-guarantee all the grants made by the Colonial Governments, and add thereto, in consideration of the conveyance of troops, mails, &c. along the line of the said railway, such other sums as will in all amount to a guarantee of 4 per cent. per annum on the capital required.

It is further hoped that Her Majesty’s Government will grant a Royal Charter of Incorporation, with full powers for raising capital for carrying out a well devised system of national emigration and colonization, in connection with the formation of the Halifax and Quebec Railway, and for such other public and private works as may be induced thereby.

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