

“Many regard the transmission of a part of our redundant population in the exclusive light of parish or national relief; of which, indeed, there was an example while I was in Quebec, in the arrival of the ship “Two Brothers,” with 153 emigrants dispatched by the magistrates, after their passage-money had been collected by public subscription, and so acknowledged in their letter to the superintendent of the Emigrant office. So much liberality and kindness had been uniformly manifested by the inhabitants of the city to desultory arrivals, that it is not surprising (as these came under the appearance of authority) that a great dissatisfaction should have been created; and it is to be feared that it may end in the passing of some provincial law to check the future indiscriminate shipment of paupers.

“It is well to state here, that they have an emigrant hospital at Quebec, supported by provincial grants, into which 91 patients were received during the month when I was there. But some charity for the widows and orphans of emigrants ought to be extended from hence.