

- 1st.—What funds have been placed at your disposal during the past quarter for the relief of emigrants? 1,500*l.*, to meet expenses of emigration from 1st January to 30th June.
- 2d.—State the description of labour which is in request in the colony? Labourers bricklayers, stone-masons, blacksmiths, carpenters, and female servants.
- 3d.—Would the rate of emigration of the last quarter satisfy the existing demand for labour? No. Great difficulty has been felt throughout this province in procuring labourers, and the demand is still increasing. It is considered, unless the next quarter's emigration exceeds the present, that this inconvenience will continue. Wages in the meantime have considerably advanced.
- 4th.—State any particulars relative to emigration, the demand for labour, and the means of remunerating it, which you think may be useful? The emigrants this season have all arrived in good health, and generally free from any complaints. The demand for all descriptions of labourers and mechanics is unprecedented, and great difficulty is experienced in procuring hands. Numerous individuals have visited this port this spring with the view to secure the emigrants, on their landing, to proceed to the public works in Upper Canada and in the western states, where they were guaranteed steady employment at wages, for unskilled labour, of 1 dollar to 1½ dollar per day. Mechanics, such as bricklayers and stone-masons, get from 2 to 2½ dollars.
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