

that the matter will receive due attention during this year, when it is expected active work will be carried on in the direction of immigration.

COURT OF INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION.

In February last the following copy of a resolution was received from the Chamber of Commerce, at Rochester N.Y., with a request that this Board endorse the principle therein outlined :—

“Whereas, This Chamber represents the commercial interests of one of the large cities upon an international border land and common channel and water boundary, between two peoples engaged in like pursuits and of a common origin, each alike desirous of peace with honor, and deprecate war or that armed neutrality foreign to this continent ; and

“Whereas, Needless rumors of war and misunderstandings are subversive of business interests and our common development, and the preservation of rights of individuals and states through the medium of negotiations and temporary arbitrations have been awkward and unsatisfactory ;

“Resolved, That the present situation affords an international opportunity for a permanent remedial understanding ; and

“Whereas, Upon the one side there is a republic, a federation of sovereign states, with a Federal Tribunal decisive of the rights of those states, and between the citizens of each ; and upon the other side a federation of provinces, in all respects republics save allegiance, in one Dominion, with a similar court of appellate jurisdiction, and this Dominion a colonial dependence in a federated Empire, with the judicial committee of its Privy Council the final arbitrator ; and

“Whereas, The procedure of these courts and the jurisprudence of all these peoples is a growth under one common