

THE DANISH IMMIGRATION.

I regret I am not able to give a tabulated statement of the Danish Immigration, similar to that herein before given of the Scotch. It would not, however, be of the same satisfactory character. With them I found, that, with few exceptions, only such as are married men with families, and who were in their own country practical farmers, became actual settlers. Without having an accurate statement, I feel warranted in saying that over one third of those who came to this country, under Capt. Heller's control, have left it. Those however, who are settled, are a fine hardy industrious and energetic people, most of whom will, I think, make good settlers.

The loss on these is largely owing to the non-selection of Immigrants, who in Denmark, had been farmers, or farm laborers. Those who are accustomed to other trades or callings, are not well fitted for the hard labor of clearing of new farm. The tract of land on which they are located, is one of the finest I have seen in New Brunswick, and I feel satisfied it will yet become a fine agricultural district.

During this winter, they will find plenty of employment, at a short distance from their homes, in getting out cedar sleepers, of which there is a large supply, and for which there is an active demand.

From some cause which I cannot explain, there was considerable sickness in this Colony during the past summer, though only one death occurred. This sickness is remarkable, inasmuch as among the Scotch Colonists, there were but very trifling illnesses. I am assured that by the whole Scotch Colony, for the six months after landing, there was occasion for paying for medical attendance, not more than fifty dollars, while among the Danish Colony, in several families, the bills for medical attendance was more than that sum.

NORTH SHORE AGENCY.

For the North Shore, Capt. Swinney did not secure as many Immigrants as it was expected he would obtain under the arrangements made with him to which reference was made in my Report of last year.

Adam D. Shirreff, Esq., the Agent for the North Shore District, took charge of these Immigrants as they arrived. His very satisfactory Report of the discharge of his duties, will be found in the appendix.

THE ST. JOHN AGENT.

During the past year, Robert Shives, Esq., has most efficiently and satisfactorily discharged his duty as Dominion Immigration Agent, at St. John, and by his kindness and prompt attention to the numerous matters coming under his administration, rendered very valuable aid in the conduct of the Immigration to New Brunswick. His Report in the appendix shows very satisfactory increase of Immigration to New Brunswick, during the past year.

IMMIGRATION FOR 1874.

During the summer and autumn, much consideration was given to this question.