

crops and does not destroy them when grown. Nearly every portion of these provinces has a rainfall of 15 or 20 inches; enough to grow good crops of grain on farms that are properly tilled, and not enough to waste the fertility of the soil through cracking. In this, another reason is found for the wonderful producing power of these lands.

The following further extract from Mr. Richards report of 1832 is added here:—

“Much was said to me in the colonies upon the two questions of spontaneous and regulated emigration; and the great evil of which they complain was the entire absence of wholesome regulation. I feel, therefore, fully convinced, whatever course may be ultimately adopted, even if the present loose mode is to go on, that the necessity of reducing it to a system will be forced upon us; that is, whether we consider the poor man’s comfort on leaving his native soil, his establishment in the wilderness of a new country, the manner in which he is to be received by the province, or his means of adding to its prosperity, they are all questions of high import, and have a claim to consideration and provisional arrangement.