

from a Canadian. As any one who ventures to discuss this subject is supposed to have a policy, or an interested motive, or to hold a kind of philanthropic notion on the subject that does his heart but not his head credit, it is better that the writer should avow that he has a policy, and that his policy is simply, if not to control, to direct the stream of Emigration, that is incessantly flowing from our shores, to that part of our Empire which is most in need of colonists.

In this present year of grace it is scarcely necessary to say that this need is beginning to be daily recognized by the New Dominion of Canada in a most unmistakeable manner. The Governor-General alludes to the desirability of Immigration in his speech to the Houses of Parliament at Ottawa. The Government of Ottawa have this month instructed their agent in London, Mr. Dixon, to make advances by warrant to suitable emigrants at the rate of ten dollars, or two English pounds sterling, for each adult. This will bring the rate down to 4*l.* 5*s.* for each adult, 2*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* for children, and 14*s.* 2*d.* for infants, including provisions on board the steamers: and \$150,000 have been voted towards Immigration. The Provincial Legislatures are awakening at last and now vying with each other for the best methods of attracting the new-comers: sums of money are voted for the express purpose of promoting Immigration, and the Press has warmly taken up the subject in every part of the Dominion. The magnificent arena of the West, through Manitoba by the Red River, where the Government are offering grants of 100 acres of prairie or meadow-land to emigrants; by the Saskatchewan, from Ottawa to the foot of the Rocky Mountains, is bidding for labour and settlement; members of our House of Commons, who have never visited the colony, are beginning feebly to draw attention to unknown regions and succeed in talking the House to dinner; but proving to their far-away constituents that they are alive to one of the questions of the day. Erratic members of the Ottawa Parliament touch lightly upon loyalty, hint at dismemberment, and attempt to arouse the youth of the country into public life and action. Our newspapers