

It may interest you to know that on the occasion of your interview with the council on Tuesday last, there were present: Major-General Sir Ronald Lane, C.B., K.C.V.O. (chairman); the Rt. Hon. Viscount Middleton, J.P., D.L. (ex-secretary for war); Major-General Sir Frederick Wm. Benson, K.C.B.; Colonel Sir Reginald Hennell, C.V.O.; Colonel A. G. Balfour, Colonel Horace H. Barnet, Major Wm. Hussey Walsh, and Gerard Fienes, Esq. Field Marshal Earl Roberts, our president, would also have been at the meeting but for his absence from town. In his letter explaining the reason of his absence he says: 'I hope the conference with the special commissioner on immigration of the Dominion of Canada will result in advantage to ex-soldiers.'

Again thanking you for your attendance on Tuesday last and for your promise to submit any proposals, such as those contained in this letter, to your government.

I beg to remain,

Your obedient servant,

E. T. SCAMMELL.

Typical cases from the files of the East End Emigration Fund.

DEAR MR. HAWKES,—At your request I enclose particulars of some cases of people who have gone out to Canada, who have not only done extremely well themselves, but have been largely instrumental in bringing out many of their friends and relations, who have also succeeded, and who are a credit to the Old Country and the new.*

You will, of course, understand that these are only isolated cases, and we could give instances of many similar ones. I cannot close this note without telling you of the case of Edmund Pelton, who went out to Winnipeg in 1890, a taxidermist from Hackney. This is another case of the migration of a clan rather than of a family. In 1888 a single man, Pelton, who was a labourer doing badly in Hackney Wick, emigrated to Winnipeg and reported so well of the country that in 1890 his parents, Edmund Pelton and wife, followed him. For years afterwards other members of the family have joined the Peltons. The young men sent home for their sweethearts, and each and all saved to help out collateral branches of the clan. They have scattered largely, and when those still left in Winnipeg were last seen they were happy and prosperous; well dressed citizens. When in England they existed with the fear of the workhouse perpetually before their eyes. I understand that now there are children and grand-children, and even great-grandchildren. The old man is still following his trade, and I enclose his address. When next in Winnipeg you ought to go and have a chat with the old man and tell him what you know of 'Ackney.'

ROBERT CULVER,

Secretary.

Memorandum by Mr. T. M. Kirkwood, Chairman of East End Emigration Fund Committee.

Richard Gavel, Hamilton, went out in 1905: Soon began to acquire land for building on and to run up a wooden house. His wife and child were sent out by . I saw them in 1906 at Hamilton, made friends and have since been in constant touch with them.

At his request we emigrated in 1906, Richard Moon, a French polisher, with his wife and three little ones. Mrs. Moon is a sister of Richard Gavel.

* All names changed for publication.