

towards the families leaving that place, and whom he has advised to locate on the lands of the Canada Land Company.

I shall be very happy to receive any further communication from you that you consider might forward the great and desirable object of emigration.

I am, &c.

(signed) *Daniel Gurney*,
Justice of the Peace for Norfolk.

To A. C. Buchanan, Esq., &c. &c., Quebec.

Letters from
Landed Proprietors
in England, with
Answers thereto.

Sir,

Henham Hill, Wangford, Suffolk, 18th April 1836.

THE first portion of emigrants to Toronto, from this part of Suffolk, sail by the "Allandale," Captain Allcock. It is the wish of the Board of Guardians here, that they should be forwarded as quickly as possible from Quebec, and not allowed to go on shore there, except in case of urgent necessity.

I am, &c.

(signed) *Stradbroke*.

The Government Agent for Emigration, at Quebec.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 12th June 1836.

My Lord,

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of the 18th April, per "Allandale," Captain Allcock, who arrived safe a few days since, passengers all well. Agreeable to your wish, I arranged with the steam-boat to go alongside the vessel, and embark the passengers, with their baggage, and proceed immediately to Montreal, on their route to Upper Canada. I also furnished them with letters to the different agents, on their route to the Upper Province, as also recommendations for employment on the public works at present in operation; and if they will follow the advice and instructions which they have received, there is no doubt but that, in a few years, they will be above all want, and themselves and families in a fair way to realize a comfortable independence.

The demand for labourers and tradesmen of all descriptions in this province and Upper Canada is very great. Carpenters receive from 6s. to 8s. 6d. per day; masons, 6s. to 7s. 6d.; blacksmiths from 5s. to 10s.; common labourers, 2s. 6d. and their board, and 3s. 9d. to 4s., and find themselves. Several thousand able-bodied labourers are required at present on the works at the Long Saut Canal. Wages, with two years' employment, 18 dollars per month, equal to 4l. 10s. Halifax currency.

I would beg to suggest to your Lordship, that in the event of your sending out any more emigrants, the adoption of the plan at present used by the different parishes in the county of Norfolk, Southampton, Kent and several others, who have sent out a large number of emigrants this season, that in place of paying the money intended for the use of the emigrant, on his arrival here, to themselves, or to the captain of the vessel, it should be remitted to Mr. J. D. Pinnock, Government Agent General for Emigration, at London, who would send out an order to have the same paid to each emigrant respectively, which would insure the poor emigrant and his family sufficiency on his arrival here to enable him to proceed to his destination, or where he would be likely to obtain immediate employment.

I have observed, in many cases, that when they receive the money before sailing, they are very apt to dissipate it on their voyage out in gambling and purchasing ardent spirits from the captain; and I regret to say that very many of the families in the "Allandale" were almost destitute on their arrival here; and a few received assistance to enable them to proceed up the country, from the charitable societies in this city.

Besides, it frequently happens that masters of vessels, or other persons entrusted with such monies, have paid the emigrant in the currency of the country, which at par is ten per cent. less than sterling; and at the present rate of exchange, from 17 to 18 per cent. less than the emigrant should receive if his money was remitted under the control of this department.

The above remarks I respectfully submit to your Lordship.

I have, &c.

(signed) *A. C. Buchanan, jun.*
Acting Chief Agent.

The Earl of Stradbroke,
Henham Hall, Wangford, Suffolk, England.