

ment authorities would afford the emigrants who have been employed in the dockyards and their families. In reply, I have received the answer from the Lieutenant Governor, which I enclose. Your Lordship will perceive that the Lieutenant Governor has no doubt that employment can be found in various parts of the Province for any number of skilled workmen who may be brought to these shores by action of the Imperial Government.

I have, &c.
(signed) *John Young.*

*Toronto,
13 April 1869.*

Enclosure in No. 9.

The Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, to the Governor General.

Sir,

Toronto, 13 April 1869.

I BEG to acknowledge the receipt of copies of cable telegrams, and of a letter from your Excellency to the Colonial Secretary, dated the 8th instant, and having reference to the reception in Canada of artisans discharged from the dockyards in England.

Upon receipt of the papers in question, I lost no time in bringing the matter before the members of my Cabinet.

The subject is one which has recently received much consideration at our hands, and I have this day confirmed the appointment of a special commissioner of emigration, who will at once proceed to England to fulfil his instructions relative to the promulgation there of such intelligence respecting this Province as will be of use to intending emigrants and to societies formed for the purpose of assisting them.

Mr. White, the gentleman appointed, is in every way qualified for the discharge of the task allotted to him. A long connection with the press and a considerable experience in public speaking will be of great service to him in communicating the fund of general information which he possesses respecting the resources of this Province.

The Government of Ontario cordially concurs in the views enunciated in the telegram and letter addressed by your Excellency to the Colonial Secretary, not dissenting from the suggestion that free grants of land may not be what will at first best satisfy the wants of the artisans only newly arrived.

I should, at the same time, observe that with a view of doing everything in its power subsidiary to the efforts now being made in England to further the cause of emigration, the Government of this Province has addressed a circular to the municipal council of every city, town, township, and village in Ontario, asking for a return of the probable number of labourers and mechanics which could be absorbed by each, the several trades and occupations to be specified.

When this information has been obtained, it will be placed in the hands of the agent who may be appointed to superintend the disembarkation of emigrants, and I have no doubt that in this Province alone employment can be found for any reasonable number of skilled workmen who may be brought to these shores by the action of the Imperial Government, which is the subject of the correspondence forwarded to me by your Excellency.

I have, &c.
(signed) *W. P. Howland.*

His Excellency Sir John Young, Bart.,
&c. &c. &c.
Ottawa.