

"there are other citizens who might be induced to make an effort in this direction."

Some years ago, many stations such as Moorhead and Fisher's Landing, as well as boats and railway cars, especially those connected with the North Pacific, were infested with sharpers who pillaged the simple travellers. These fellows planned under the name of "Three card monte men," an infallible operation for carrying out their object; and the unhappy travellers who were tempted to a game of cards were invariably cheated out of their last penny. It is well to expose these things in order that emigrants may be prevented from falling into the various snares which are laid to entrap them.

Finally, the Yankees, who, as we all know, are very industrious, have imagined another trick—the theft of passage tickets. Mr. W. C. B. Grahame, Canadian Emigration Agent at Duluth, thus complains in his report:

"The railway ticket thieves, at Chicago, have given me infinite trouble, irrespective of the loss of money sustained by my agency. This is how these wretches operate: A well dressed individual, belonging to this gang of thieves, gets in the cars at the moment when a train arrives in Chicago by the suburbs. His quick sight has soon enabled him to distinguish the emigrants, either Canadian or English, from the ordinary passengers. He then presents himself to them as if he were one of the railway officials, calling out: "Travellers bound for Manitoba?" All hurry to answer his call and give him their tickets, which the individual in question asks to see and puts in his pockets, remarking that they must be exchanged for new tickets at Chicago, after which he disappears, to be seen no more than the tickets themselves. The emigrants thus tricked are obliged, on arriving at Chicago, to procure other tickets to continue their journey, which sometimes they have not the means of paying for."

Again we say: Be on your guard!

A LAST WORD TO THE EMIGRANT.

The emigrant should not absent himself longer than six months from his homestead, without leave of the Minister of the Interior. Otherwise, he would be exposed to the loss of his privileges.

He cannot cut wood on his land except for his own personal and exclusive use: the law forbids him to sell wood before having obtained his title to the property.

He will be careful not to purchase any transfer of lots before the agent has recommended the issue of letters-patent, as in such case the transfer would be null and void.

He will at once cause the transfer purchased by him to be registered at the office of the Minister of the Interior, he paying a small fee therefor.