

It appears to be the intention of the Legislature to give every possible encouragement to actual settlers,—to have surveys of suitable tracts of land made at the public expense, in manner before described, wherever they are required. Care will I hope be taken strictly to enforce the regulations, in order to prevent fraud. No preference in this matter should be given to Emigrants; they will, of course, be placed on an equal footing with the native population, so that every man of mature age may be able to have 100 acres of his own.

It has been proposed to appoint Agencies in the "Old Country," and send itinerant lecturers through the United Kingdom, for the purpose of diffusing correct information in regard to the character and capabilities of New Brunswick, in order to induce persons of the right kind to come and settle here. There is no doubt whatever that such a scheme, properly devised, and put under the direction of competent persons, would work greatly to our advantage. One lecturer would be enough to begin with. He should be himself an emigrant, zealously and firmly attached to the Province and its institutions. He should be a man who from small beginnings had, by the labor of his own hands and those of his family, obtained a competent portion of property. He should be a healthy and robust man, in order to be, as it were in his own person, a living proof of what he might say in favour of the Province.

I have stated, that such of our new settlers as have attended to the clearing of the land, and conducted their affairs prudently, have been successful. The nature of their operations has, however, in the first instance, been unfavourable to the acquisition of correct agricultural knowledge. For a number of years, no plough is required, or manure needed. The attention of the settlers is, therefore, directed to the clearing up of the new land, and the raising of crops therefrom, and in cutting the grass and making it into hay. In these matters, I believe that no people in the world can excel the natives of this Province; but when the process of clearing the land is finished, they generally turn out to be unskilful ploughmen, and unable to keep the land in a productive condition. The introduction of farm laborers, would, therefore, be a great benefit to them, and such improvements as have been made in many parts of the Pro-