

EMIGRATION. Some of the public works, which have hitherto afforded employment for recent emigrants, are already, or will shortly be, completed. But other works of similar character are in progress. The St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railway, the Montreal and Lachine Railway, as well as other lines about being commenced in the western section of the province, will probably demand a large amount of emigrant labour in the ensuing season. Very general attention has been recently drawn to the minerals of the country, also; and it is possible that one or more associations, for mining and smelting ore, may go into early operation. The more closely the resources of the country are examined into, the more extensive appears the field for enterprise and industry.

Without desiring to raise unreasonable expectations, I may conclude by repeating Mr. Hawke's remarks, that the province is steadily advancing in wealth and population, and is capable of sustaining in comfort a large annual accession of labourers, provided they be transported to the places where their services are required.

Having endeavoured to bring before your Excellency every subject connected with this department, which has appeared worthy of notice, and in such a manner as to afford a condensed view of the transactions of the year, I beg to submit this report to your Excellency's favourable consideration.

I have the honour, &c.,
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APPENDIX.

No. 1.

Appendix No. 1. The following Statement shows the Weekly Arrivals of Emigrants at the Ports of Quebec and Montreal, during the year 1846, specifying the number of adults, males and females, as also the male and female children under 14 years of age, with the number of infants; as well as the number of voluntary emigrants, and those who received parochial aid, with the number of cabin passengers.

Date of Return.	No. of Cabin Passengers.	Adults.		Children 1 to 14 Years.		Children under 1 Year.	Received Parochial Aid.	Voluntary.	Total.
		M.	F.	M.	F.				
16th May	88	1,169	932	248	240	118	86	2,503	2,589
23rd „	66	1,102	811	323	286	80	47	2,475	2,522
30th „	48	1,596	1,279	420	428	82	686	3,037	3,723
13th June	32	1,708	1,463	513	518	176	153	4,049	4,202
20th „	15	1,335	1,151	389	395	141	76	3,194	3,270
27th „	59	1,794	1,722	589	555	160	118	4,542	4,660
31st July	72	1,849	1,724	610	607	207	22	4,768	4,790
22nd August	34	689	647	224	240	75	5	1,795	1,800
5th September	47	360	323	189	187	38	35	1,024	1,059
26th „	55	391	437	166	165	54	..	1,159	1,159
3rd October	57	222	220	143	115	28	21	679	700
31st „	27	151	183	87	78	21	9	490	499
	600	12,366	10,892	3,901	3,814	1,180	1,258	29,715	30,973
Steerage Passengers							30,973		
Children under 1 year							1,180		
Total Steerage							32,153		
Cabin							600		
Total Persons landed in the Colony							32,753		