

We have heard a great deal about the number of Canadians who have gone to the United States during the past few years. I have often thought that hon. gentlemen opposite—yes, and hon. gentlemen possibly in all parts of the House—have not given as much attention as they should to the actual causes that have brought about in many cases the emigration of Canadian workmen to the United States. A few years ago the United States inaugurated a quota restriction regulation, with the result that during the boom times, particularly the early part of 1923, industry in the United States found it difficult to get a sufficient number of workmen, and through friends of Canadians in the United States opportunities were frequently offered to Canadian workmen to go to that country. Another new condition in the United States is the immigration into that country of people from Mexico. I am going to ask permission to place on Hansard, Mr. Speaker, a statement showing the number of immigrant aliens admitted to the United States from Canada, Newfoundland and Mexico during the two years ended December 31, 1924, by months.

The statement is as follows:

Immigrant aliens admitted to the United States from Canada, Newfoundland, and Mexico, during the two years ended December 31, 1924, by months

	Country of Last Permanent Residence		
	*Canada	Mexico	Newfoundland
During 1923—			
January.. . . .	7,995	3,238	
February.. . . .	7,405	5,506	
March.. . . .	8,857	7,508	
April.. . . .	16,427	7,097	
May.. . . .	18,912	8,258	
June.. . . .	19,157	8,248	
July.. . . .	16,184	9,110	
August.. . . .	16,396	9,322	
September.. . . .	16,657	8,097	
October.. . . .	15,858	6,131	
November.. . . .	20,962	4,925	
December.. . . .	17,559	4,184	
Total.. . . .	182,369	81,624	
During 1924—			
January.. . . .	15,598	4,920	
February.. . . .	14,092	6,461	
March.. . . .	13,474	12,954	
April.. . . .	17,517	10,696	
May.. . . .	17,216	7,587	
June.. . . .	19,177	4,949	
July.. . . .	7,768	2,001	46
August.. . . .	10,154	2,385	87
September.. . . .	9,905	2,325	174
October.. . . .	10,143	1,870	236
November.. . . .	12,321	1,631	281
December.. . . .	11,733	1,489	259
Total.. . . .	159,098	59,268	1,083

\*Prior to July, 1924, Canada and Newfoundland were combined.

[Mr. Murdock.]

These figures show that in 1923 the number of Canadians who went to the United States was 182,369, and the number of Mexicans 81,000, while in 1924 the figures were 159,098 from Canada and 59,268 from Mexico. But there is another side to that question: not all the Canadians who went to the United States remained there, by any means. Many of them went there to work for a while and to return to Canada as soon as they could. I have here a report showing the number of Canadians who returned from the United States, after an absence of six months or longer, during the eleven months ended February 28, 1925, and I would ask permission to place it on Hansard.

The statement is as follows:

Report of returned Canadians from the United States, after an absence of six months or longer, during the eleven months ended February 28, 1925.

	Canadian-born citizens	British subjects who had acquired Canadian domicile	Naturalized Canadian citizens	Totals
April.. . . .	3,608	289	190	4,087
May.. . . .	4,170	505	261	4,936
June.. . . .	3,962	447	311	4,720
July.. . . .	4,426	405	296	5,127
August.. . . .	4,023	552	416	4,991
September.. . . .	2,952	434	239	3,625
October.. . . .	2,844	394	242	3,480
November.. . . .	2,614	357	215	3,186
December.. . . .	2,618	353	194	3,165
January.. . . .	1,395	199	121	1,715
February.. . . .	1,641	239	132	2,012
Totals.. . . .	34,253	4,174	2,617	41,044

I also have a statement of Canadians who went to the United States and returned within six months, each of whom paid the head tax of \$8 on his admission to the adjoining republic, which amount was refunded when he returned to Canada.

The statement is as follows:

During	1923	1924
January.. . . .	2,839	3,614
February.. . . .	2,927	2,339
March.. . . .	3,473	5,503
April.. . . .	3,749	5,813
May.. . . .	4,418	5,888
June.. . . .	4,384	5,030
July.. . . .	3,397	3,803
August.. . . .	3,376	3,272
September.. . . .	2,626	2,218
October.. . . .	3,150	1,610
November.. . . .	3,843	1,693
December.. . . .	5,250	2,033
Total.. . . .	43,432	43,316

These figures, which are very interesting show that in 1923 Canadians to the number of 43,432 returned from the United States and