

## APPENDIX No. 1

mentioned active immigration work is carried on, while from Southern and Eastern Europe there were only 29 per cent. On the other hand, during the same period the United States has received 77 per cent of its European immigrants from the south and east, and only 23 per cent from the British Isles and northern continental Europe.

Turning now to the effect which immigration has had upon the actual settling of the land in the Northwest, we find very gratifying results which, while not wholly attributable to immigration, is largely effected by it. The Canadian Pacific Railway land sales increased from 376,046 acres in 1908-9 to 975,030 acres in 1909-10, or an increase in one year of 159 per cent. Canadian Northern Railway land sales increased from 116,662 acres in 1908-9 to 246,996 acres in 1909-10, or an increase of 112 per cent, and the acreage of land homesteaded from 6,252,960 acres in 1908-9 to 6,650,880 acres in 1909-10. We thus find that the land disposed of by the two companies mentioned and taken by homestead from the area of free grant land controlled by the Dominion Government increased from 6,745,668 acrts in 1908-9 to 7,872,906 acres in 1909-10.

*By Mr. Sproule:*

Q. You have no information, I presume, to show how much of that land was taken up by immigrants?

A. The homesteads were not all taken up by immigrants; a great many were taken up by Canadians. For instance, in the calendar year 1910, the total number of homestead entries made was 48,257. Of this number 13,494 entries were made by Canadians from all parts of the Dominion, and 672 by Canadians returning from the United States.

*By Mr. Best:*

Q. What remuneration is paid the immigration agents?

A. The regular agents of the government are paid a salary and also travelling expenses while away from headquarters. The booking agents are paid a bonus for the farmers, farm labourers and female domestic servants when they book, but receive no salary.

Q. Tell us what it cost the Dominion of Canada in 1910 to bring immigrants from the British Isles.

A. Do you mean for bonuses?

Q. The total cost of bringing out these immigrants in the form of bonuses, salaries and advertisements?

A. The approximate cost of bringing immigrants to Canada from the British Isles during the fiscal year 1909-10 was \$233,577. This includes salaries, bonuses, expenses of farmer delegates, advertisements, &c.

*By Mr. Wilson (Lennox and Addington):*

Q. Can you tell us how many immigrants each agent has sent or handled in the Old Country?

A. No.

Q. Do not the agents report?

A. No.

Q. Why do they not report? You pay the booking agents a per capita sum for every immigrant they send?

A. Yes.

Q. Why not have the same information from your regular agents?

A. We have never considered it necessary.

Q. Why?

A. Because they are working in all parts of the country, not selling tickets.