

## APPENDIX No. 2

## IMMIGRATION FROM THE BRITISH ISLES.

Period.	To Canada.	To U.S.A.
July 1, 1900 to June 30, 1901.....	11,810	45,546
" 1901 " 1902.....	17,259	46,036
" 1902 " 1903.....	41,792	68,947
" 1903 " 1904.....	50,374	87,590
" 1904 " 1905.....	65,359	137,134
" 1905 " 1906.....	86,796	102,193
" 1906 " 1907.....	120,779	113,567

Not only does the payment of bonus to booking agents induce them to make exertions to secure the classes desired for Canada, but it puts the department in a position to impress strongly upon them the classes not wanted, and the times when for various reasons it is undesirable for large numbers to arrive. If a booking agent is discovered sending persons unsuited for the country or in other manner departing from the policy of the department in carrying on his Canadian business, his attention is drawn to the fact and his refusal to change his methods is followed by drastic measures which soon remove the cause of complaint. In this regard can be quoted three recent cases. One of the largest booking agencies in the British Isles persisted during the past winter, when work was scarce here in advertising for 2,000 labourers for Canada, and, in spite of the protests of the department, refused to cease such practice. They were removed from the bonus list and representations made to the British authorities which caused the cancellation of their booking license.

Another organization sent to Canada an undesirable family which it was found necessary to return to the old country. The organization was made to pay all expenses incurred. An organization sent a number of immigrants to Oshawa, who in the fall of the year were thrown out of employment. The organization was charged with and has paid the cost of the transportation of their people to a point where work was available.

*By Mr. Wilson (Lennox):*

Q. Would you mind telling us how many persons they sent away and how much it cost them?

A. I have not the figures here.

Q. Have you the information at your office?

A. Yes, I have it at my office.

A statement is sometimes made that a Canadian bonus is paid on immigrants proceeding to the United States. No bonus is paid on any immigrants except those who state that they intend to take up their residence in Canada, and whose intended and past occupations bring them within the bonus class. Any immigrant who having declared Canada as his destination and who later desires to remove to the United States must appear before the American authorities to receive permission to do so. This department obtains monthly from the American authorities a list of all immigrants who apply for admission to the states within one year of their arrival in Canada. This list is checked name by name with the list on whom bonus is paid, and in all cases where the bonus has been paid and the immigrant afterwards proceeded to the United States, the bonus is deducted from the next payment made to the agent selling the ticket. While the number who proceed to the United States averages almost 10,000 per year for the last five years, the great bulk of such persons is made up of those whom (on account of their occupation, past or intended) no bonus has been paid. While mechanics may have a better chance of success across the border, the