

to the distressed Emigrant population. By this sum 803 persons have been assisted. But as many of these persons were weekly pensioners, it will be more explanatory to state, that 73 persons in distress have, on the average, been relieved each week, at an outlay of about £5 15.

In consequence of the passing of the Provincial Act, during the last Session of the Legislature, intituled "An Act to create a fund for defraying the expense of providing Medical assistance for sick Emigrants, and of enabling indigent persons of that description to proceed to the place of their destination," the Quebec Emigrant Society, in common with the sister establishment at Montreal, has been placed on a more permanent footing, as regards its funds, with, however, an increased responsibility. A fund has been raised by the humanity of the Legislature, to be applied in forwarding poor Emigrants to their destination in these Provinces; and it will remain for the Committee appointed this day, to carry the benevolent intentions of the Provincial Government into execution. The performance of this duty will be rendered more satisfactory, by the reflection that every precaution has been taken by the Executive and the Legislature against the dangers and inconveniences which might have been apprehended from a numerous Emigration, without any provision for the sick and indigent—while at the same time, the means of relief have been extended to the sick Emigrant, and every aid provided for his speedy establishment in the country parishes, by assisting him to reach the place of his destination. The Emigrant Hospital, under the arrangements so judiciously made by the Board of Health, has been re-established on a most satisfactory footing; and the Committee have been informed from official authority, that accommodation for 300 patients can be furnished, if required, under the humane management and care of the Medical Members of that Board.

In alluding to the Fund placed under the direction of the Emigrant Society by the Provincial Act above mentioned, the public will understand that no advances of money are to be made to any Emigrant from that source.—The Society will, therefore, as before, have to depend upon the charitable contributions of the public, for means of relief to the poor widows and orphans of Emigrants who may die after their arrival here, and to others who come