

NORTH AMERICAN EMIGRATION.

The emigrant tax realised in course of the past season was as follows; viz.,

|                     |              | £.    | s. | d. | £.    | s.    | d. | Emigrant Tax. |
|---------------------|--------------|-------|----|----|-------|-------|----|---------------|
| At Quebec:          |              |       |    |    |       |       |    |               |
| 22,567 adults       | - at 5s.     | 5,641 | 15 | -  |       |       |    |               |
| 7,883 1 to 14 years | - „ 3s. 9d.  | 1,478 | 1  | 3  |       |       |    |               |
| 7 -                 | - „ 7s. 6d.  | 2     | 12 | 6  |       |       |    |               |
| 36 stowaways        | - „ 47s. 6d. | 85    | 10 | -  |       |       |    |               |
|                     |              |       |    |    | 7,207 | 18    | 9  |               |
| Montreal:           |              |       |    |    |       |       |    |               |
| 124 adults          | - at 5s.     | 31    | -  | -  |       |       |    |               |
| 51 1 to 14 years    | - „ 3s. 9d.  | 9     | 11 | 3  |       |       |    |               |
|                     |              |       |    |    | 40    | 11    | 3  |               |
| <u>30,668</u>       |              |       |    |    | £.    | 7,248 | 10 | -             |

Being equal to an average of 4 s. 8 d. on each emigrant from Europe above the age of one year. The total expenditure on the emigration, including the cost of the maintenance of the quarantine establishment, amounted to 7 s. 9 d. per head; but excluding the expense of the Grosse Isle Establishment, and taking the direct expenditure on the relief and assistance of the destitute among the immigration of the year, the average outlay per head is 5 s. 3 d.

At page 14, I add copy of the annual report received from Mr. Hawke, the chief agent for Western Canada, on the result of the season's immigration to the section of the province under his more immediate charge. Mr. Hawke's Report.

From this report it will appear, that the total arrivals of immigrants in Canada during the year was 71,220: viz., 32,097 by the route of the St. Lawrence, and 39,123 by the route of the United States; and of the whole number, 37,034 proceeded to the Western States, and 34,186 have remained as settlers in Canada.

The attempt to ascertain the final place of settlement of the immigration, is always attended with difficulty, and a precise result cannot be produced by any extent of inquiry. I submit, however, the following Table, which I have drawn up from the best resources at my command, and which may be considered to be a near approximation to the truth.

| ARRIVALS:   |   |               |
|---|---|---------------|
| Number of immigrants landed at Quebec, inclusive of cabin passengers  | - | 30,257        |
| Number received from Portland, per railway return; viz.,  |   |               |
| From Europe   | - | 1,087         |
| From United States  | - | 1,784         |
|   |   | 2,871         |
| At Toronto and Hamilton, from ports on Lake Ontario, as stated by Mr. Hawke   | - | 3,180         |
| At Hamilton, by route of Niagara Suspension Bridge, as stated by Mr. Dixon, emigrant agent at that place  | - | 35,943        |
|   |   | <u>72,251</u> |
| DISTRIBUTION:   |   |               |
| Proceeded to Western States from Hamilton, by Mr. Dixon's Report  | - | 37,034        |
| From Eastern Canada, from return  | - | 685           |
| Returned to United Kingdom by steam and sailing vessels from Quebec, according to Customs return, 1,356, one-half of whom are estimated to have been immigrants of the season | - | 678           |
| Number lost by the burning of the steamer "Montreal"  | - | 191           |
|   |   | <u>38,588</u> |
| Settled in Canada   |   | <u>33,668</u> |