

as to character may be required, but, generally speaking, the Canadian employer of labour advises the newcomer that he can tell in twenty-four hours what he is worth to him, no matter how many testimonials he may have from other people.

A willing worker will succeed, and he will learn quickly, whatever branch of life he takes up, but he will also be happy if he remembers that it pays to be sympathetic and considerate to those about him in the home to which he may for the present be going.

In Canada everybody expects to help, and the youth who spends his leisure moments in doing odd jobs about the place will never regret making himself useful, and all should always remember that in Canada, at least, all work is deemed honourable.

Overplus of Male Population.

It is obvious, on looking at the census returns of the population of Canada, that there is still an overplus of male population. There is a continuous and keen demand for household workers and others of the gentler sex, and no young woman need fear the lack of a cordial welcome on arriving in Canada. Household workers are needed in every province and in every town at very high wages. Unfortunately for the mistresses who engage them, many of them marry, but this is not a condition which the Government or the people of Canada in any way object to. The real remedy is this: More women should go out to Canada than in the past. Whether this can be accomplished by further inducements is a matter for the authorities to consider.

There is no country that I know of where desirable organisations for women continue so active and are so predominant as they are in Canada. It is literally impossible for a young woman to lack real friends of her own sex, or in fact to avoid the considerations of the Women's Societies, unless she deliberately intends to do so. She can go to almost the first woman she meets on the street in any town in Canada, and through her secure a woman's sympathy and direction to official friendship and support without any serious difficulty.

In Canadian Homes.

In towns and cities the household worker has a standing somewhat similar to that in the Old Land, but there are many labour-saving devices in Canadian households. There are fewer fire-grates to clean, and therefore no ashes to carry out, or to make uncleanness in the household.

The Canadian mistress appreciates the welfare of those who live in her house, and the household worker has only to work in the same spirit for her mistress as she would if she had a husband to keep house for, in order to secure ready recognition and consideration which are always so much desired.

This occupation among farmers is somewhat different. In many cases the household is small, and the maid has her meals