

Opportunity for selling or settling their Lands. By the 30th Clause of the First Agreement with Lord Bathurst, it will be observed that if the Company pay for Lands without settling them, a heavy Expense as Settlement Duty becomes payable, operating as a Penalty upon the Company, besides the Provincial Tax on Wild Lands remaining in the Company's Possession unsold, thus adding to the Cost of unsaleable Lands.

I have deemed it right to bring these Facts prominently before your Lordship, before soliciting Reference to the annexed Statement, made up from the most authentic Sources, showing the annual Progress of Emigration from this Country to Canada, and also to the Eastern Colonies, since 1829.

It will be observed that the Emigration to Canada has almost ceased, while that to the Eastern Colonies is rapidly increasing.

This Change in the Tide of Emigration has probably, in some degree, been produced by the recent State of Affairs in Canada; but it has been still more influenced and mainly promoted by the Expenditure of the Proceeds of the Sale of Crown Lands in the Eastern Colonies, in Payment of the Expenses of Emigrants proceeding to these Colonies.

To this important Subject I am requested by the Directors of the Canada Company to solicit the Attention of Her Majesty's Ministers.

Without claiming as an Act of Justice to the Province of Upper Canada as well as to the Company, that the Sum of 245,000*l.* already paid by them to the Crown for the Purchase of Waste Lands should be expended in promoting Emigration to that Province, yet in regard to the Sum of 60,000*l.* above referred to as still due for Lands purchased, or such a Sum as has been paid by the Company for Waste Lands to the Crown since the Principle has been adopted above referred to for the Advantage of other Colonies, I am requested to claim respectfully that a similar Appropriation should be made in favour of Emigration to Upper Canada; an Act which appears to be due in Justice to the Inhabitants of that Colony, and which would be highly appreciated by them, and would tend greatly to promote the best Interests, both of this Country and of the Colony.

I am to add that the Directors will at all Times be prepared, if desired, to afford their Services in directing the Expenditure of the Money in the Way best calculated to promote Emigration with Economy and Advantage; although they are by no means desirous of undertaking the serious Responsibility which must attend the Performance of such a Duty.

I have, &c.
(Signed) CHARLES FRANKS.

COMPARATIVE RETURN of EMIGRATION to QUEBEC and AUSTRALIA,
to June 1839.

	QUEBEC.	AUSTRALIA.
1829	- - 15,945	
1830	- - 28,000	
1831	- - 50,254	
1832	- - 51,746	
1833	- - 21,752	
1834	- - 30,935	
1835	- - 12,527	
1836	- - 27,728	From 1832 to 1837.
1837	- - 21,901	3,444
1838	- - 3,266	14,021
To June 1839	- 3,390	To June 6,261
		Estimated at 9,000