

foreign countries: that a man is valuable as a man and even as a commercial benefit to the Home Land ~~and~~ it is of importance that the energetic men seeking opportunities for improving themselves should remain within the limits of the Empire.

It has been admitted that the Canadians and Australians rendered valuable support to the Empire in South Africa. Every man going outside of the Empire becomes lost to us as a member thereof, or as a unit to be used in its defence. The only benefit the Empire gets from him is the trade and commerce caused by the expenditure of his earnings, and we know that in foreign countries efforts are made to keep this expenditure entirely within the limits of such countries and have as little as possible go to Great Britain.

United States writers state that every Canadian is worth per capita, in trade, to the Empire, fifteen or more citizens of the United States. In addition, Canadians claim that every emigrant who goes to a British possession remains a British subject, and though he may not return to fight for the defence of the Empire, yet if he will but carry on the work in such branch of the Empire he frees the service of some other member who will fight and take his position as an active defender of our country.

The Englishman who emigrates to a part of our Empire is also a benefit to the Home Land and is not a loss. The increase of expenditure in Canada by these emigrants over what they spent in England produces as profitable business to England as if they had remained at home, yet the burden of the education and support of their families is not put upon the ratepayers of England, but is paid by the colony.