

Ireland, and one in the Channel Islands. The States of Minnesota, Montana, Idaho, and Wisconsin, and the country between Red and Missouri Rivers, are fully described in the publication. Recent journeys by rail to the most westerly point now opened (Moorhead) are detailed, and the soil, climate, stock-raising, fruit, vegetables, coal, grain, and scenery are amply discussed for the information of settlers.

Now all this kind of advertisement should be thoroughly considered by the Dominion Government, if it wishes to make the Canadian Pacific Railroad prosperous and attractive. People in England know as yet but little about this new national scheme, and only hear of it when accidentally alluded to in the debates in the Houses of Parliament. If certain Members who spasmodically introduce the subject of our colonies to a half-unwilling audience would propound some policy, and insist upon the two Governments recognising the importance of keeping the nation *au fait* in the working of a project we are asked to guarantee by a loan of public money, they would better help a cause in this than any other way, especially as they cannot be expected themselves to have mastered the details of a subject which are difficult of explanation except by persons who are resident on the spot.

It may be worth while mentioning that the arrangements for the reception and disposal of Immigrants at New York are a credit to the country. The fact that in 1871 228,962 persons were received there from Europe speaks volumes; of these 113,112 were from the United Kingdom (62,500 of them were Irish), 84,298 from Germany, 19,595 Scandinavians, and 2009 Hollanders.

As regards Vancouver Island, the Archdeacon of Vancouver sends an interesting Report home through the Bishop of British Columbia, to one of our Societies in February last, saying he is ministering in a tract of country which contains about 450 square miles, in the Eastern part of Vancouver, about 35 miles from Victoria, the capital. There are, he says, throughout the district, at intervals of several miles, small scattered settlements of Europeans and Cana-