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## ADVANTAGES OF QUEBEC AS A LANDING PORT FOR EMIGRANTS.

## How the Strangers in a Strange Land are Received—A Substantial Breakfast at Montreal—What the Immigrants Say.

"Hearing that a large detatchment of immigrants landed at Quebec from the Allan Steamships 'Austrian ' and 'Sarmatian ' on Wednesday morning, were due at the Government Immigration Depôt at the Tanneries Junction at an early hour yesterday morning, a *Herald* reporter was despatched to the depôt to see how the party were treated by the Government and railway officials.

"As the train with its heavy load of passengers had not yet arrived. the reporter was shown over the eating and cooking rooms. Here is served to the immigrants a good substantial meal of Irish stew, bread, butter, and coffee or tea. Shortly before six o'clock the signal was given that the train was approaching, and instantly the kitchen and eating room, which had before been deserted, became as busy as a beehive. Here were to be seen the cooks carrying in huge cans of stewed meat, giving out a most inviting odour; there were the waiters carrying the tea and coffee to the various tables, and again were huge stacks of bread laid out for the weary travellers. By this the train had arrived, and as the cars slackened their pace. cheerful but sleepy-looking faces made their appearance at the doors The and windows, wonderingly asking the reason of the stoppage. idea of receiving a breakfast at that early hour was not to be believed. and when it was stated that the meal was to be free, the incredulity increased. . But some of the visitors, more credulous than others, had by this time caught sight of the loaded tables through the windows, and quickly the news was spread through the cars. The party numbered nearly 1,000, including over 100 who had been assisted to emigrate by the Baroness Burdett-Coutts, about 500 Church of England emigrants under the charge of the Rev. J. Bridger, the wellknown emigration chaplain at Liverpool, the remainder being generally persons who had emigrated from their own resources. There were many farmers with capital-fine, ruddy specimens of true Englishmen, gentlemen's sons, with plenty of cash, mechanics, tradesmen, and labourers, and taken as a whole, they were fine specimens of humanity, and exactly the kind of people the country wants. About one-third of the party were women and children, a very noticeable fact being the wholesale emigration of entire families. A pleasing feature was the number of young Londoners, who, determined to better their lot, were going out to try their luck on the western prairies, and that they will succeed, backed up by their determination to do well, is certain. The reporter, in conversation with the travellers, found one and all more than satisfied with the manner in which they had been treated since