

dent that care would be taken of the Emigrants on their arrival.

Great care and caution, however, should be used in preventing helpless paupers being sent out either by Parishes or Landlords, and the Emigrant Agent, or one acting under him, should be empowered by the Legislature to compel Captains to take them back, or pay a certain sum for their support.

Many contend that the capitation tax now levied should be increased, in order to establish and support asylums for the poor and infirm as well as widows and orphans; and I confess that with the enormous Emigration pressing towards Canada, something towards permanent relief must be devised by our Legislature.

The only expense that would be incurred by Government would be for the salaries, &c., of the different agencies in these Colonies; and were Boards of Colonization established, with paid Secretaries, there are in every one of the large towns, gentlemen who would belong to them as Commissioners, without pay or emolument; as there is nothing of greater interest to the Colonist than settling the barren wilderness; and it has been with most sincere regret we have seen, year after year, the Emigrant on our wharves, without being able to say, "here is a home prepared for you."

An annual grant of £20,000 would suffice for the establishment of seven paid Secretaries at £300 a-year, in St. Johns, New Brunswick; Quebec, Montreal, Bytown, Kingston and Toronto, and London, with three assistants each, at £150 a-year; one of