#### CANADIAN ALIEN LABOR LAW.

Following the precedent set by the United States, a bill has been introduced and has passed its second reading in the Dominion Parliament, to prohibit the importation and immigration of foreigners and aliens under contract or agreement to perform labor in Canada. The provisions of the bill, which are based upon those of the United States law, are as follows :-

- t. From and after the passing of this act it shall be unlawful for any person, company, partnership or corporation, in any manner whatsoever, to prepay the transportation, or in any way assist or encourage the importation or immigration of any alien or aliens, any foreigner or foreigners into Canada, under contract or agreement, parole or special, express or implied, made previous to the importation or immigration of such alien or aliens, foreigner or foreigners, to perform labour or service of any kind in Canada.
- 2. All contracts or agreements, express or implied, parole or special, which may hereafter be made by and between any person, company, partnership or corporation, and any foreigner or foreigners, alien or aliens to perform labour or service, or having reference to the performance of labour or service by any person in Canada, previous to the immigration or importation of the person or persons whose labour or service is contracted for into Canada, shall be void and of no effect.
- 3. For every violation of any of the provisions of section one of this act, the person, partnership company or cor-poration violating the same by knowingly assisting, encouraging or soliciting the immigration or importation of any alien or aliens, foreigner or foreigners into Canada, to perform labour or service of any kind under contract or agreement, express or implied, parole or special, with such alien or aliens, foreigner or foreigners previous to becoming residents or citizens of Canada, shall forteit and pay for every such offence the sum of one thousand dollars, which may be sued for and recovered by the Dominion of Canada, or any person who shall first bring his action there-for, including any such alien or foreigner who may be a party to any such contract or agreement, as debts of like amount are now recovered in any incompetent court of the Dominion of Canada, the proceeds to be paid into the hands of the Receiver General for the Dominion of Canada; and separate suits may be brought for each alten or foreigner being a party to such contract or agreement aforesaid, and it shall be the duty of the county attorney of the proper county to prosecute every such suit at the expense of the Dominion of Canada of Canada.
- 4. The master of any vessel who shall knowingly bring within the Dominion of Canada on any such vessel and land or permit to be landed from any foreign port or place any alien, labourer, mechanic or artizan who, previous to embarkation on such vessel, had entered into contract or agreement, parcle or special, express or implied, to perform labou, or service in the Dominion of Canada, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not

more than five hundred dollars for each and every such alien, labourer, mechanic or artizan so brought as aforesaid, and may also be imprisoned for a term not exceeding six months at hard labour.

5. Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent any citizen or subject of any foreign country, temporarily resid-ing in Canada, either in private or official capacity, from engaging, under contract or otherwise, persons not residents or citizens of Canada, to act as private sec retaries, servants or domestics for such foreigner temporarily residing in Canada as aforesaid; nor shall this act be so construed as to prevent person or persons, partnership or corporation from engaging, under contract or agreement, skilled under contract or agreement, skilled workmen in foreign countries to perform labour in Canada in or upon any new industry not at present established in Canada, provided that skilled labour for that purpose cannot otherwise be obtained; nor shall the provisions of this act apply to professional actors, artists, lecturers or singers, nor to persons employed as personal or domestic servants: Provided, that nothing in this Act shall be construed as prohibiting any individual from assisting any member of his family, or any relative

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7. The Receiver General for the Do-minion of Canada may pay to any informer who furnishes original information that the law has been violated such a share of the penalties recovered as he may deem reasonable and just, not exceeding fifty per centum, where it appears that the recovery was had in consequence of the information thus furnished.

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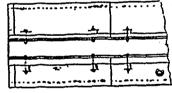
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