

the flood of emigration by teaching the people how they may live happily and independently at home, and even become rich, rather than spend their days in a strange land, ground down by poverty. The above named Company, not content with stemming the current, worked ceaselessly in the hope of attracting others to our shores, who might open up the immense regions where nature still retained her pristine beauty. In making known to other countries our agricultural resources and the wealth of our forests, they secured for our country the best colonists of every nationality, whose one regret, after settling among us, is that they had not come at an earlier date. The European travelling in Canada is as much impressed by the immensity of our horizons, as he is filled with admiration at the marvellous fertility of our soil. Indeed, land is here measured out with no sparing hand, and our vast plains offer the wealth hidden in their bosom to whosoever will pay the price of manual labour. In the Province of Quebec there are large regions for colonization, namely:---Gaspé, Metapedia, Lake St. John Valley, the district north of Montreal, the Gatineau Valley and the Témiscamingue Valley; besides these, there are tracts in Northern Ontario, Manitoba and the immense Territories of the North-West. The Colonization and Repatriation Society of Quebec extends its operations over all these districts, and plays the part of providence to the colonists, pointing out the best lots, arranging for reduced passenger and freight rates on the boats and railways; even procuring for the very poor, provisions, clothes and farm implements.

It is in this branch of the work that women are most needed. The "National Council of Women of Canada" have already realized that they are being looked to for help, and with that zeal, directed by intelligence, which characterizes their undertakings, we shall, doubtless, see them putting "their white hands to the wheel." Charity, which finds a fruitful soil in the soul of woman, will guide their action. Here there is no need for importunity; it is enough to say: "In this country there are others like yourselves, 'colonists,' as they are picturesquely called, women, many of them poor and with little children, but nevertheless laying the foundation of a great and prosperous country." "We understand," they answer, and already they have begun to work. The simply expressed letters of touching gratitude which are constantly being received by those who direct the work of the Aberdeen Association, are eloquent proof of woman's power to help and her skill in organ-