

modern poverty that has yet been conceived.”

“To take a man who has gone down in the struggle for subsistence in a great city, transport him to the irrigated plains of Colorado and lend him a sum sufficient to keep the wolf from the door, until by his own exertions he has produced sufficient for the primary needs of his family, is to reclaim at least two generations from poverty or perhaps worse.

“To assist the movement, the United States Government has created a colonization bureau and provided for the issue of bonds to the amount of \$5,000,000 a year for ten years, a total of fifty million. This money is used to establish bona fide worthy families on farms. These loans must not exceed \$1,500, and the money is to be used for the purpose of erecting houses, purchasing implements, stock and supplies.”

The testimony of Dr. Albert Shaw as to the effectiveness of the farm colonies is quite unqualified.

In an article in the Review of Reviews he said : “One of the chief advantages of the colony is that there can be supplied to each uninstructed comer the necessary oversight and guidance. Where there is industry, fair intelligence, energy and a determination to get on, the chance of failure is reduced to a minimum. May these happy and wholesome farm colonies be multiplied by the thousands and may they take hundreds of thousands of unfortunate town-dwellers to the busy but serene and wholesome life of the irrigated farm.”—*The Daily News, Toronto.*

SECURE BRITISH SETTLERS AND STRENGTHEN THE BONDS OF THE EMPIRE

There are at present thousands of prospective immigrants in the British Isles, and with a little assistance these ready-made citizens could be installed each on a farm in Alberta or Saskatchewan. Some scheme could be devised whereby intending immigrants could be assisted by loans of money, stock and implements in founding new homes in the west. The help would be only temporary, as the money advanced could be returned when the new settler was able, so that the expense of the scheme would be small indeed and insignificant compared with the enormous advantages which would accrue to Canada.—*The Mail and Empire, Toronto.*

THE BEST SETTLERS ARE OF PRICELESS VALUE

There is no doubt that the rapid settling of Northern Ontario