

Technical and Bibliographic Notes/Notes techniques et bibliographiques

The Institute has attempted to obtain the best original copy available for filming. Features of this copy which may be bibliographically unique, which may alter any of the images in the reproduction, or which may significantly change the usual method of filming, are checked below.

L'Institut a microfilmé le meilleur exemplaire qu'il lui a été possible de se procurer. Les détails de cet exemplaire qui sont peut-être uniques du point de vue bibliographique, qui peuvent modifier une image reproduite, ou qui peuvent exiger une modification dans la méthode normale de filmage sont indiqués ci-dessous.

- Coloured covers/  
Couverture de couleur
- Covers damaged/  
Couverture endommagée
- Covers restored and/or laminated/  
Couverture restaurée et/ou pelliculée
- Cover title missing/  
Le titre de couverture manque
- Coloured maps/  
Cartes géographiques en couleur
- Coloured ink (i.e. other than blue or black)/  
Encre de couleur (i.e. autre que bleue ou noire)
- Coloured plates and/or illustrations/  
Planches et/ou illustrations en couleur
- Bound with other material/  
Relié avec d'autres documents
- Tight binding may cause shadows or distortion along interior margin/  
La reliure serrée peut causer de l'ombre ou de la distorsion le long de la marge intérieure
- Blank leaves added during restoration may appear within the text. Whenever possible, these have been omitted from filming/  
Il se peut que certaines pages blanches ajoutées lors d'une restauration apparaissent dans le texte, mais, lorsque cela était possible, ces pages n'ont pas été filmées.
- Additional comments: /  
Commentaires supplémentaires:

- Coloured pages/  
Pages de couleur
- Pages damaged/  
Pages endommagées
- Pages restored and/or laminated/  
Pages restaurées et/ou pelliculées
- Pages discoloured, stained or foxed/  
Pages décolorées, tachetées ou piquées
- Pages detached/  
Pages détachées
- Showthrough/  
Transparence
- Quality of print varies/  
Qualité inégale de l'impression
- Includes supplementary material/  
Comprend du matériel supplémentaire
- Only edition available/  
Seule édition disponible
- Pages wholly or partially obscured by errata slips, tissues, etc., have been refilmed to ensure the best possible image/  
Les pages totalement ou partiellement obscurcies par un feuillet d'errata, une pelure, etc., ont été filmées à nouveau de façon à obtenir la meilleure image possible.

Docket title page is bound in as last page in book but filmed as first page on fiche.

This item is filmed at the reduction ratio checked below/  
Ce document est filmé au taux de réduction indiqué ci-dessous.

10X	14X	18X	22X	26X	30X
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12X	16X	20X	24X	28X	32X

EMIGRATION (CANADA).

C O P Y

OF THE

ANNUAL REPORT

FROM

THE AGENT FOR EMIGRATION IN CANADA,

FOR 1836.

(*Mr. Hume.*)

---

*Ordered, by the House of Commons, to be Printed*  
*21 March 1837.*

---

*Printed on Stationery of James*

**EMIGRATION (CANADA).**

---

RETURN to an ADDRESS of the Honourable The House of Commons,  
dated 14 February 1837;—for,

**C O P Y**

OF

**THE ANNUAL REPORT**

FROM

**THE AGENT FOR EMIGRATION IN CANADA, FOR 1836.**

---

Colonial Office, Downing-street,  
17 March 1837.

G. GREY.

*(Mr. Hume.)*

---

*Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be Printed,*  
*21 March 1837.*

---

## LIST.

---

DESPATCH from the Earl of Gosford to Lord Glenelg, dated 23 December 1836; enclosing Annual Report - - - - -	p. 3
ANNUAL REPORT from A. C. Buchanan, dated 12 December 1836 - - - - -	p. 3

### CONTENTS OF ANNUAL REPORT :

NUMBER of Emigrants arrived this year greater than last - - - - -	p. 3
Comparative Statement of this year with last, from the United Kingdom, with number of Emigrants from the Continent - - - - -	p. 3
Number of Emigrants arrived in the Provinces during the last eight years - - - - -	p. 3
One Vessel only shipwrecked, with the loss of three lives - - - - -	p. 3
Cases of sickness at the Quarantine Station and at the Marine Hospital, <i>Quebec</i> - - - - -	p. 4
Distribution of Emigrants - - - - -	p. 4
Good condition of Emigrants on arrival - - - - -	p. 4
Increase of Persons ; aided in their Emigration - - - - -	p. 4
Emigrants sent out by Lords <i>Egremont</i> and <i>Stradbroke</i> - - - - -	p. 4
Funds remitted from <i>J. D. Pinnock, Esq., of London</i> , and paid to Emigrants by the Department in <i>Quebec</i> - - - - -	p. 4
Remarks on Payments made to Emigrants previous to sailing - - - - -	p. 4
Settlement on the <i>British American Land Company's</i> Lots in the Eastern Townships - - - - -	p. 4
Favourable Accounts of same - - - - -	p. 4
Number of Emigrants this year to the Eastern Townships - - - - -	p. 4
Conduct of Ship Masters and Brokers - - - - -	p. 4
Difficulty of obtaining redress - - - - -	p. 5
Increase of Emigration, via <i>New York</i> , with remarks on same - - - - -	p. 5
Healthy state and condition of the <i>Canadas</i> for the reception of Emigrants - - - - -	p. 5
Scarcity of Labourers, and public Works and private Improvements - - - - -	p. 5
Favourable anticipations for the season of 1837 - - - - -	p. 5
Contemplated Works and Improvements in <i>Upper Canada</i> and the Eastern Townships - - - - -	p. 5
Conclusion - - - - -	p. 5

---

### APPENDIX :

No. 1.—STATEMENT of arrival of Emigrants, with number aided to emigrate - - - - -	p. 6
2.—Names of Ports from whence Emigrants came:— <i>England, Ireland, Scotland, Lower Ports, Havre de Grace</i> - - - - -	p. 7
3.—Comparative number of Emigrants arrived since 1829 inclusive - - - - -	p. 9
4.—Distribution of Emigrants arrived this year ; Number of Emigrants who died at <i>Grosse Isle</i> and the Marine Hospital - - - - -	p. 10
5.—Return of Emigrants from the United Kingdom who have arrived at <i>New York</i> , for the last eight years - - - - -	p. 10
6.—Number of Pauper Emigrants from <i>England</i> , Funds intended for whom were trans- mitted to this Department, through <i>J. D. Pinnock, Esq., Government Agent General at London</i> , for distribution to them on their arrival here - - - - -	p. 11
Number of Pauper Emigrants who received their Money previous to leaving <i>England</i> - - - - -	p. 11
Extracts from weekly Reports - - - - -	p. 12
Letters from landed Proprietors in <i>England</i> , with Answers thereto, from <i>A. C. Buchanan, jun., Acting Chief Agent</i> - - - - -	p. 15
Letter from <i>J. D. Pinnock, Esq.</i> , with <i>Mr. Buchanan's</i> Answer to same - - - - -	p. 22
Letter to <i>Mr. Webster</i> , Sub-Commissioner British American Land Company, with Answer thereto - - - - -	p. 25
Letter from <i>Mr. Hawke</i> , Government Agent in <i>Upper Canada</i> - - - - -	p. 28

---

EMIGRATION (CANADA).

COPY of a DESPATCH from the Earl of Gosford to Lord Glenelg, transmitting a Copy of the ANNUAL REPORT from the Acting Agent for Emigration in Canada, for 1836.

Castle of St. Lewis, Quebec,  
23d December 1836.

My Lord,

I HAVE the honour herewith to transmit the usual Annual Report on Emigration to these Colonies, which I have recently received from Mr. A. C. Buchanan, jun., the Acting Agent here.

Your Lordship will observe, that the number of Emigrants who have this year entered the Canadas, by the river St. Lawrence, exceeds that of last year by 15,191; the numbers in 1835 being 12,527, and in 1836, 27,728.

I have, &c.

(signed) Gosford.

---

COPY of ANNUAL REPORT from A. C. Buchanan, Esq., Acting Chief Agent for Emigration in Canada, addressed to the Earl of Gosford, &c. &c. &c.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 12th December 1836.

My Lord,

THE navigation of the river St. Lawrence being closed for this season, it becomes my duty, according to annual custom, to lay before your Excellency, for the information of His Majesty's Government, the following Report of the emigration to these provinces, during the present year.

Your Excellency will, doubtless, derive great satisfaction from the knowledge that a very considerable augmentation has taken place in the number of emigrants who have arrived at Quebec this year over that of the year 1835.

On reference to Paper No. 1, at page 6 of the Appendix, it will be seen, that the total number of emigrants recorded at this office, from the opening of the navigation to its close, amounts to 27,728, being an increase over last year of 15,191 souls.

Paper No. 2, at pages 7, 3 and 9 of the Appendix, shows a detailed statement of the ports from whence these emigrants sailed, as well as the particular number from each country. From England, the total compared with last year gives an increase of 9,121 persons; from Ireland, the increase is 5,488; while from Scotland, the number merely exceeds that of last year by 97 souls.

From the continent of Europe 483 emigrants have arrived during the season, chiefly Swiss and Bavarians, who sailed from Havre de Grace. Part of the latter proceeded to join their countrymen on the Ohio, and about 200 have settled in the Eastern Townships.

Paper No. 3, at page 9 of the Appendix, exhibits a comparative account of the number of emigrants who have arrived in the province during the last eight years, amounting in the aggregate to 238,887 souls.

It affords me much gratification that I have only to report one shipwreck this season, attended with the loss of life. The "Charlotte Douglas," from Londonderry, with 260 passengers was wrecked on Point Peter, but most fortunately with the loss of only two passengers and one seaman.

Number of Emigrants greater this year than last.

Number of Emigrants from United Kingdom.

Number from the Continent.

Number of arrivals during last eight years.

One shipwreck, with loss of three persons.

It must be a source of great and continued thankfulness to all, that no death from cholera has been reported in these provinces during the past season. I regret, however, to state, that several cases of sickness terminating fatally, occurred among the emigrants at the quarantine station and at the marine hospital, near this city; a statement of which your Excellency will find in Paper No. 4, at page 10 of the Appendix.

Your Lordship will remark also in Paper No. 4, at page 10 of the Appendix, a statement of the several places to which the emigrants of this year proceeded for settlement and employment. I have much pleasure in stating, that, generally speaking, they landed in good condition, and, with the exception of a few from the south and west of Ireland, were possessed of sufficient means to make their way to their respective places of destination.

A very important increase, in comparison with the year 1835, has taken place in the number of the persons of the working classes, particularly agricultural labourers and artisans, who have been aided in their emigration either by parochial assistance or by their landlords. The total number of persons arrived this year, as will appear on reference to Paper No. 1, at page 6 of the Appendix is 4,625, while that of 1835 was 1,043, showing an excess in favour of this year of 3,582.

The majority of these individuals so aided by the parish or by the landed gentry, came from Norfolk, Suffolk, Kent, Hampshire, Wilts and Sussex; and ample funds had been remitted for their benefit on their arrival at Quebec. Amongst the number are 266 persons aided by the Earl of Egremont, from his estates in Sussex, through whose continued benevolence these provinces are every year enriched with many useful settlers; and 177 aided by the Earl of Stradbroke, from his property in Suffolk, which last were particularly recommended to this department in a letter from his Lordship. These two parties proceeded immediately on arrival to Upper Canada.

I have also received several communications from magistrates and clergymen in different parishes who have aided their tenantry to emigrate. In many instances a considerable amount in cash has been remitted through Mr. J. D. Pinnock, Government Agent General for Emigration, to this department, which has been paid over in accordance with the instructions received.

On reference to Paper No. 6, at page 11 of the Appendix, your Lordship will find a detailed statement, with the names of the vessels in which the emigrants arrived, the county they are from, the sterling amount remitted, and the amount, in Halifax currency, paid to each party. The same paper also shows a statement of those emigrants who received the sum allotted to them in England, previous to sailing, or from the captain of the ship, on arrival here. This arrangement I do not consider favourable to the emigrants, or likely to fulfil the wishes and intentions of their benefactors, since, in frequent instances, persons so assisted, dissipated nearly all their money on their passage, principally in purchasing ardent spirits from the captain. The consequence was, that on landing, they were unable to proceed further, and recourse was necessarily had to the charitable societies of this place to forward them. This happened to several families on board the "Allandale," sent out by the Earl of Stradbroke; and I took the liberty of communicating the circumstance to his Lordship, and of recommending, in the event of any further emigration from his estates, the adoption of Mr. Pinnock's arrangement, by which all money intended for the benefit of the emigrant is now paid to him on his arrival at Quebec, under the superintendence of this department.

I have forwarded a separate Return for each parish to the Government Agent in London; and in my letter, to be found at page 16 of the Appendix, it will be seen that I have alluded at some length to the circumstances abovementioned. There cannot, I think, be any reasonable doubt of the ultimate success of the emigrant who receives parochial aid, or of the permanent benefit which will have been conferred upon him by his change of situation, provided only he follows the instructions given to him, and conducts himself with ordinary industry and sobriety.

A considerable number of persons, assisted as above, have settled on the British American Land Company's lots in the eastern townships, and in the newly opened settlements on the Salmon River. The accounts which I continue to receive of the progress of emigrants settled in that part of the country are most satisfactory, especially with reference to two parties from the county of Hants. The first arrived here early in May last, and, according to my directions, proceeded at once to Sherbrooke, with my letter of recommendation to the sub-commissioner at that place. All who wanted employment obtained it immediately; while a considerable number of families went on lands, and were sufficiently early to get in a small crop, which will enable them to pass the approaching winter in comparative comfort. The second party alluded to did not arrive until September, and although they have not the advantages which the first party possess, still they have been enabled to get upon their land, and have a comfortable log-house, with their winter provisions secured.

I beg to refer your Excellency to two letters from Mr. Webster, the sub-commissioner of the British American Land Company at Sherbrooke, at pages 25 and 26 of the Appendix, which allude to these people, and furnish besides some general information as to the views and intention of that Company. The number of emigrants who have proceeded to that section of the country since the opening of the navigation is upwards of 6,000 souls, who are all well satisfied; and from the arrangements going forward and in contemplation, I anticipate next season a very extensive emigration to that part of the province.

I have to regret, my Lord, that many complaints still exist against the conduct of certain masters of vessels and ship-brokers to passengers, with frequent positive infringements of the new Passenger Act. A very general charge is the insufficiency of the supply of water, and

Sickness at Quarantine Station and Marine Hospital.

Distribution of Emigrants.

Good condition on landing.

Increased number of labourers and artisans.

Aided in Emigration.

Emigrants sent out by Earl of Egremont; by Earl of Stradbroke.

Funds remitted and paid to Emigrants.

Payments made to Emigrants previous to sailing; Objectionable.

Settlement on British American Land Company's Lots in Eastern Townships. Favourable Accounts of same.

Number of Emigrants to Eastern Townships.

Conduct of Ship-masters and Ship-brokers.

and that, even when sufficient in quantity, in many cases it is of a quality impossible to be used. In every instance a remedy has been applied where it was found practicable, or notice has been taken, and the minutes entered on the books of this office, against the vessel in question. Owing, however, to the hurry in which the emigrant generally is to depart by the first steam-boat after arrival, through want of written agreements with the captain or broker, from defective evidence, and other unforeseen and unavoidable causes, it is extremely difficult to obtain justice, or to visit the offender with the penalty which he has so palpably incurred. Difficult to obtain redress.

Your Excellency will observe, on reference to Paper No. 5, at page 10 of the Appendix, a very considerable increase in the number of emigrants who have arrived from the United Kingdom at New York this season. The augmentation is upwards of 42,326 souls over the number of last year. Although the emigration by the St. Lawrence has also greatly increased, the preponderance in favour of New York may doubtless be accounted for by the representations of settlers in the Upper Province, writing home to their friends, and complaining of the privations and hardships to which they were exposed in previous years in coming out by this river, and the detention they met with at the quarantine station. It affords me, however, great satisfaction to be able to state, that there has been no cause of complaint against that establishment during the past season. Other causes have also tended to increase the emigration by the way of the United States. The superior accommodations and less crowded state of the American vessels, which generally perform the voyage in a shorter space of time, offer of themselves sufficient inducement to those who can afford it, to give the preference to that route; while the many facilities which they meet on arrival, smoothing the way, as it were, to the Province Line and the borders of Lakes Ontario and Erie, have obtained for the transit by way of New York a large share of popular favour. It is gratifying, however, to recal to mind that Upper Canada receives every year by this route a valuable accession of prudent and steady settlers, whose means and capital enable them at once to become permanent occupiers of land. Increased Emigration by way of New York.

I consider myself fully justified in reporting to your Lordship, that the sanatory state of these provinces was never more favourable, or were they ever in a better condition to receive a number of the surplus population of the United Kingdom. The increasing demand for all denominations of the working classes, as also for agricultural labourers and artisans, to whom the very highest rate of wages is given, affords the strongest inducements to emigration. In several communications which I have received from the contractors on public works in Upper Canada, it is stated that they find it impossible to procure a sufficient number of hands; and it is notorious, that from this cause many public and private improvements have been retarded during the past season, particularly in Upper Canada. From the numerous public works which will be commenced next spring in that province, and from the expressed intention of his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to throw open new townships, I anticipate no difficulty in obtaining settlement and immediate employment for 20,000 persons of the labouring class during the season of 1837. The Commissioners of the Lower Canada Land Company have also exerted themselves greatly during the past season, and have furnished employment to all who required it of them. The improvements in the townships contemplated by that company are of a very extensive description, and will require a large number of labourers; several new roads are to be opened, leading to the back settlements; and a joint stock company is in contemplation, to construct a rail-road from the village of Sherbrooke to Port St. Francis, a distance of 90 miles, which, when carried into effect, will be of immense advantage to that part of the country, in the extension of trade, and in the providing employment for the industrious emigrant immediately on arrival in the province. Healthy state of the Canadas.  
Demand for Labourers and Artisans.  
Public Works and private Improvements.  
Favourable anticipations for season of 1837.  
Contemplated Improvements.

I regret extremely that the indisposition of my relative, the chief agent, now in England on leave of absence, for the recovery of his health, still continues; and although I am very sensible of his superior ability and long experience, I trust that no exertions have been wanting on my part to remedy, as far as possible, the absence of his superintending care over this department. I confidently trust, however, that he will be enabled to resume his duties in these provinces on the opening of the navigation next spring. Conclusion.

Begging leave to refer your Excellency generally to the Appendix for various information explanatory of this Report, and soliciting the honour of your Lordship being pleased to transmit the same to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, for the information of His Majesty's Government,

I have the honour to be, &c. &c.

(signed) A. C. Buchanan, jun.,

Acting Chief Agent.

## APPENDIX.

Appendix, No. 1.

— No. 1. —

Weekly arrivals  
at Quebec and  
Montreal in 1836.

THE following STATEMENT shows the WEEKLY ARRIVAL of EMIGRANTS at *Quebec* and *Montreal* during the Year 1836; specifying the Number of Males, Females and Children under 14 Years; also the Number of voluntary Emigrants and those that received Parochial Aid.

Week Ending	Males.	Females.	Children under 14 Years.	Parochial Aid.	Voluntary.	TOTAL each Week.
May - - 21 - - -	353	200	123	20	656	676
" - - 28 - - -	580	269	297	279	867	1,146
June - 4 - - -	1,514	946	627	129	2,958	3,087
" - - 11 - - -	2,272	1,323	957	1,011	3,541	4,552
" - - 18 - - -	1,329	694	459	475	2,007	2,482
" - - 25 - - -	1,639	825	620	265	2,819	3,084
July - - 2 - - -	989	551	366	22	1,884	1,906
" - - 9 - - -	146	67	44	-	257	257
" - - 16 - - -	215	98	69	235	147	382
" - - 23 - - -	1,429	763	482	223	2,451	2,674
" - - 30 - - -	1,036	573	373	611	1,371	1,982
August - 6 - - -	372	228	137	256	481	737
" - - 13 - - -	323	171	132	231	395	626
" - - 20 - - -	566	311	210	359	728	1,087
" - - 27 - - -	341	181	125	100	547	647
September 3 - - -	493	249	168	318	592	910
" - 16 - - -	209	90	58	-	357	357
" - 17 - - -	244	115	80	66	373	439
" - 24 - - -	85	32	23	-	140	140
October - 1 - - -	57	22	15	25	69	94
" - 8 - - -	52	23	18	-	93	93
" - 15 - - -	169	94	57	-	320	320
" - 22 - - -	14	5	5	-	9	24
" - 29 - - -	8	3	3	-	14	14
November 5 - - -	12	-	-	-	12	12
TOTAL - - -	14,447	7,833	5,448	4,625	23,088	27,728

Emigrant Department, Quebec, }  
12 December 1836.

(signed)

A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

## — No. 2. —

Appendix, No. 2.

NAMES of PORTS from whence EMIGRANTS came during the Year 1836, with a  
 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of the Numbers arrived at *Quebec* and *Montreal* during  
 the five preceding Years.

## ENGLAND.

NAMES OF PORTS.	1836.	1835.	1834.	1833.	1832.	1831.
London - - - -	1,666	762	1,051	1,287	4,150	1,135
Chatham - - - -	-	-	22	17	-	-
Shoreham - - - -	-	-	62	-	99	-
Portsmouth - - - -	778	247	163	251	932	-
Southampton - - - -	-	-	1	20	-	4
Newport - - - -	-	4	20	2	156	1
Dartmouth - - - -	76	30	82	81	196	9
Poole - - - -	74	6	1	84	150	106
Plymouth - - - -	88	211	850	440	1,398	474
Torquay - - - -	-	10	-	-	48	-
Exeter - - - -	-	1	-	-	6	-
Falmouth - - - -	11	-	59	31	107	77
Penzance - - - -	-	13	12	-	28	19
Jersey - - - -	27	2	17	2	-	-
Padstow - - - -	8	13	29	53	335	5
Bideford - - - -	16	-	-	-	60	51
Bridgewater - - - -	-	2	37	16	306	280
Bristol - - - -	283	129	64	107	1,836	764
Gloucester and Frome - - - -	22	3	10	7	-	6
Milford - - - -	7	1	5	35	138	15
Carmarthen - - - -	-	6	-	22	-	45
Swansea - - - -	-	-	32	-	63	-
Aberystwyth - - - -	-	2	37	42	27	-
Llanelly - - - -	-	-	-	-	21	-
Liverpool - - - -	3,748	388	1,060	551	2,217	2,261
Lancaster - - - -	-	-	-	61	45	43
Whitehaven - - - -	110	-	72	413	795	138
Maryport - - - -	15	182	538	315	884	421
Workington - - - -	-	-	29	-	246	399
Berwick and Newcastle - - - -	16	210	459	208	340	239
Sunderland - - - -	155	16	57	40	206	86
Scarboro' and Shields - - - -	14	1	49	1	12	-
Stockton - - - -	-	18	192	233	132	-
Whitby - - - -	71	59	273	46	236	471
Brant - - - -	8	-	-	-	-	-
Hull - - - -	465	462	1,171	655	1,288	2,780
Ipswich - - - -	555	-	-	-	-	-
Yarmouth - - - -	3,025	203	345	171	793	514
Lowestoft - - - -	119	-	-	-	-	-
Colchester - - - -	-	-	-	-	145	-
Tynemouth and Wigton - - - -	21	-	-	-	-	-
Lynn - - - -	810	86	-	7	86	-
TOTAL - - - -	12,188	3,067	6,799	5,198	17,481	10,343

Ports from whence  
Emigrants came.

## IRELAND.

NAMES OF PORTS.	1836.	1835.	1834.	1833.	1832.	1831.
Dublin	2,438	912	5,879	3,571	6,595	7,157
Wexford	18	6	23	21	157	229
Ross	208	259	278	325	926	1,159
Waterford	629	205	1,008	197	877	1,216
Youghal	249	65	203	53	159	210
Cork	2,588	861	2,261	925	1,987	2,735
Baltimore	166	99	-	-	184	-
Tralee	250	42	217	67	133	114
Limerick	906	641	1,097	602	1,689	2,759
Clare	-	-	-	19	-	-
Galway	-	-	-	190	425	452
Westport	-	194	221	-	529	720
Killala	288	-	-	-	-	514
Sligo	1,687	893	2,114	657	2,961	4,079
Ballyshannon	122	-	154	71	86	200
Donegal	66	-	2	-	113	-
Londonderry	1,427	1,041	1,580	1,852	2,582	2,888
Larne	-	-	-	-	137	-
Belfast	1,209	1,350	3,024	2,637	6,851	7,943
Newry	144	537	945	725	1,374	1,591
Strangford	-	-	117	41	349	169
Drogheda	-	-	-	60	90	-
Kilrush	-	-	4	-	-	-
Kinsale	118	3	2	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,596</b>	<b>7,108</b>	<b>19,208</b>	<b>12,013</b>	<b>28,204</b>	<b>34,135</b>

## SCOTLAND.

NAMES OF PORTS.	1836.	1835.	1834.	1833.	1832.	1831.
Dumfries	-	26	-	137	-	-
Ayr	-	-	221	24	-	40
Kirkwall and Thurso	149	-	-	-	-	-
Inverness	-	183	-	138	-	361
Cromarty	345	181	276	298	638	460
Greenock	519	597	1,140	1,458	1,716	2,988
Campbelltown	-	-	-	192	110	-
Glasgow	32	80	462	168	160	176
Montrose	19	16	87	75	60	-
Peterhead	-	42	29	41	18	13
Dundee	11	37	99	194	439	249
Grangemouth	6	1	-	-	-	196
Leith	45	247	661	622	1,145	664
Aberdeen	696	545	647	116	478	158
Isla	-	123	358	601	181	-
Lochinbar	28	-	-	-	-	-
Annan	-	30	391	-	175	-
Lochindoil	174	-	-	-	-	-
Alloa	-	13	87	-	231	-
Leven	-	6	-	39	112	-
Irvine	-	-	-	6	37	-
Kirkaldy	-	-	33	47	-	-
Tobermorey	-	-	99	40	-	-
Troon	-	-	1	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,224</b>	<b>2,127</b>	<b>4,591</b>	<b>4,196</b>	<b>5,500</b>	<b>5,305</b>

LOWER

Appendix, No. 2.

LOWER PORTS, &c.

Ports from whence Emigrants came.

	1836.	1835.	1834.	1833.	1832.	1831.
Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Cape Breton, West Indies, &c. &c. &c. - - - }	235	225	339	359	561	424

CONTINENT.

Havre de Grace - - -	485	—	—	—	—	—
----------------------	-----	---	---	---	---	---

Emigrant Department, Quebec, }  
12 December 1836.

(signed)

A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

— No. 3. —

Appendix, No. 3.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of the Number of EMIGRANTS arrived at *Quebec* since the Year 1829 inclusive.

Comparative Number of Emigrants since 1829.

WHERE FROM.	1829.	1830.	1831.	1832.	1833.	1834.	1835.	1836.
England and Wales - -	3,565	6,799	10,343	17,481	5,198	6,799	3,067	12,188
Ireland - - - -	9,614	18,300	34,133	28,204	12,013	19,206	7,108	12,590
Scotland - - - -	2,643	2,450	5,354	5,500	4,196	4,591	2,127	2,224
Hamburgh and Gibraltar - - -	-	-	-	15	—	—	—	—
Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, West Indies, France, &c. } &c. &c. - - - - }	123	451	424	546	345	339	225	235
Havre de Grace - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	485
	15,945	28,000	50,254	51,746	21,752	30,935	12,527	27,722

GRAND TOTAL - - - 238,887

Emigrant Department, Quebec, }  
12 December 1836.

(signed)

A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

Appendix, No. 4.

— No. 4. —

Distribution of  
Emigrants in 1836.DISTRIBUTION of EMIGRANTS arrived at *Quebec* in the Year 1836, as far as can  
be ascertained.

LOWER CANADA.			
City and District of Quebec	- - - - -	1,000	
District of Three Rivers	- - - - -	200	
District of St. Francis, and Eastern Townships	- - - - -	6,000	
City and District of Montreal	- - - - -	1,500	
Ottawa District	- - - - -	900	
TOTAL to LOWER CANADA			9,600
UPPER CANADA.			
Ottawa, Bathurst, Midland and Eastern District, as far as Kingston included; portion of these are employed at the Long Saut Canal	- - - - -	3,600	
District of Newcastle, and Townships in the vicinity of the Bay of Quinte	- - - - -	1,500	
Toronto and the Home District, including Settlements round Lake Simco	- - - - -	3,000	
Hamilton, Guelph and Huron Tract, and situations adjacent	- - - - -	1,400	
Niagara Frontier and District, including the Line of the Welland Canal and round the Head of Lake Ontario to Hamilton	- - - - -	1,500	
Settlements bordering on Lake Erie, including the London District, Adelaide Settlement and on to Lake St. Clair	- - - - -	2,000	
TOTAL to UPPER CANADA			13,000
Died at Grosse Isle	- - - - -	58	
Died in the Marine Hospital at Quebec	- - - - -	30	
Returned to Picton	- - - - -	67	
Gone to the United States	- - - - -	4,973	
			5,128
GRAND TOTAL			27,728

Emigrant Department,  
Quebec, 12 December 1836. }

(signed)

A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

Appendix, No. 5.

— No. 5. —

Number of Emi-  
grants arrived at  
New York for last  
Eight Years.RETURN of the Number of EMIGRANTS arrived at *New York* from the United Kingdom  
for the last Eight Years.

	England.	Ireland.	Scotland.	TOTAL.	
In the Year	1829	8,110	2,443	948	11,501
	1830	16,350	3,499	1,584	21,433
	1831	13,808	6,721	2,078	22,607
	1832	18,947	6,050	3,286	28,283
	1833	-	-	-	16,100
	1834	-	-	-	26,540
	1835	-	-	-	16,749
	1836	-	-	-	59,075
TOTAL				202,288	

Emigrant Department,  
Quebec, 12 December 1836. }A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

## —No. 6.—

Appendix, No. 6.

THE NUMBER of PAUPER EMIGRANTS who were sent out from different Counties in *England*; as well as the sundry Sums remitted to this Department to be distributed among them on arrival here; also the Number sent out who received their Money previous to leaving *England*.

Pauper Emigrants from England.

Number sent.	Name of the Ship they came by.	Name of the County they came from.	Amount in Sterling remitted.	Amount in Halifax Currency paid them here.
			£. s. d.	£. s. d.
20	Procris - - -	Southampton - -	28 - -	33 12 -
279	King William - -	Wilts - - -	370 2 6	439 16 11
29	James and Ann - -	Southampton - -	20 10 -	24 12 -
15	- ditto - - -	- ditto - - -	24 - -	28 16 -
38	- ditto - - -	- ditto - - -	51 - -	61 4 -
29	Anne - - -	Norfolk - - -	37 10 -	45 - -
45	Lavinia - - -	Southampton - -	56 - -	67 4 -
26	Caroline - - -	Kent - - -	41 - -	49 4 -
2	- ditto - - -	- ditto - - -	17 - -	20 8 -
19	Cairon - - -	Norfolk - - -	23 15 -	28 10 -
20	Eurus - - -	- ditto - - -	29 17 6	35 17 -
23	Penelope - - -	- ditto - - -	27 13 6	33 3 11
45	Hartley - - -	Southampton - -	68 5 -	79 12 5
390		£.	794 13 6	947 - 3

THE NUMBER sent out who received their MONEY previous to leaving *England*.

3	per the Ship Lavinia	- - -	from	- - -	Southampton.
162	- "	- Anne	- - -	- - -	Lynn.
266	- "	- Hebe	- - -	- - -	Portsmouth.
166	- "	- Caroline	- - -	- - -	London.
177	- "	- Allendale	- - -	- - -	Yarmouth.
185	- "	- Venus	- - -	- - -	- ditto.
187	- "	- Cairon	- - -	- - -	- ditto.
119	- "	- Albion	- - -	- - -	Lowestoft.
150	- "	- Severn	- - -	- - -	Bristol.
68	- "	- Eurus	- - -	- - -	London.
177	- "	- Venus	- - -	- - -	Ipswich.
235	- "	- Lochiel	- - -	- - -	- ditto.
223	- "	- Morning Star	- - -	- - -	Yarmouth.
445	- "	- Brunswick	- - -	- - -	- ditto.
166	- "	- Ardwell	- - -	- - -	Lynn.
256	- "	- Columbia	- - -	- - -	Yarmouth.
186	- "	- Heartly	- - -	- - -	Portsmouth.
142	- "	- Mayflower	- - -	- - -	- ditto.
217	- "	- Eliza Riddle	- - -	- - -	Lynn.
100	- "	- Portsea	- - -	- - -	London.
140	- "	- Mary Stuart	- - -	- - -	Ipswich.
178	- "	- Indemnity	- - -	- - -	Yarmouth.
66	- "	- Marmion	- - -	- - -	London.
25	- "	- Newhaven	- - -	- - -	- ditto.

4,039

Emigrant Department, Quebec, }  
12 December 1836. }

(signed) A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

EXTRACTS from the several WEEKLY REPORTS made to the GOVERNOR-IN-CHIEF by  
the ACTING CHIEF AGENT for EMIGRATION at *Quebec*.

## Week ending 21st May 1836.

THE emigrants arrived this week are principally of the working class, and all possess sufficient means to enable them to reach their destination. They are principally gone to Upper Canada.

In the ship "Procris," from Poole, a few families, in all about 20 souls, who were sent out from the parish of Breamore, in the county of Southampton, with directions and instructions from J. D. Pinnock, Esq., Government Agent General for Emigration, who forwarded me an order for 28*l.* sterling, to be distributed among them, one half on their arrival here, and the balance on reaching their destination. They all, with the exception of two, proceeded to the Eastern Townships, and received every assistance and advice from this office. They went off in good spirits.

## Week ending 28th May.

The emigrants arrived this week are, with the exception of a few families in the "Breeze," from Limerick, and the "Elizabeth Ann," from Cork, all well provided with means to enable them to proceed to Upper Canada; and they have received every advice and attention from this office. Among those arrived this week are 130 pauper families, in all, 279 souls, sent out by the parishes of Downton, Whiteparish and Standlynch, in the county of Wilts. They are all well provided; I have received a draft for 370*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* sterling, to be distributed among them.

## Week ending 4th June.

The emigrants arrived this week are principally farmers and labourers, with a few trades; the latter generally obtained employment immediately on their arrival here; the majority of those who have left this are gone to Upper Canada, and a considerable number to the Eastern Townships, as also to the United States. The very high rate of wages which labourers obtain there, have induced many, who otherwise intended settling in the Provinces, to go there.

They are all in good health, and some of them in possession of considerable means, and all have sufficient to enable them to proceed from this.

The "James and Anne" brought 81 families sent out by the parishes of Hurtsbourne Priors, St. Mary Bourne and Long Parish, in the county of Hants, with an order for 95*l.* 10*s.* sterling, equal to 114*l.* currency, to be paid to them on their arrival here; they have all gone to Upper Canada.

The "Lavinia," from Portsmouth, has also on board 48 passengers from the county of Southampton, under similar circumstances, but they have not yet landed.

There has been several complaints lodged at this office against the captain of the brig "Bellisle," from Dublin. The passengers complain of a short allowance of water, and what they did get was so bad as to be almost impossible to use; and that two of their number died on the voyage from a violent attack of dysentery, brought on by the unwholesome water. These charges are undergoing investigation, and so soon as it is finished, I shall submit the whole to his Lordship; I have written to Mr. Pinnock, Government Agent General, Colonial Office, informing him of these charges and of the steps I had taken.

## Week ending 11th June.

Among the emigrants arrived this week there are a considerable number of families possessed of large means, and who have proceeded to settle in the Eastern Townships.

The number of families who have gone to settle on the Company's lands this spring, are very numerous, and amount to upwards of 1,000 souls; the facilities and attention afforded by the Company have induced very many to proceed there, in preference to Upper Canada.

There is a very considerable number of English emigrants arrived this week, who have received parochial assistance: among them are 266 souls sent out by the Earl of Egremont from his estates in Sussex, in the "Hebe;" they are all well provided with means. The Earl of Stradbroke has also sent 177 out, from his estates in Suffolk. There are also 568 emigrants sent out under the direction of J. D. Pinnock, Esq., who have received assistance from this department; they are from the county of Kent and Southampton, and proceeded all to Upper Canada.

## Week ending 18th June.

The greater part of the emigrants who arrived this week were in a very destitute condition, and were forwarded to Montreal by the Emigrant Society; they are principally from the west and south of Ireland. The majority of English emigrants who arrived this week were sent out by their parishes, and had sufficient means to enable them to proceed to their destination, which was principally Upper Canada.

They received every attention and advice from this office, and all those who required, received recommendation for employment on the public works at present going on in Upper Canada.

The Scotch emigrants this year are very respectable, and are all well provided with means, and have generally friends already settled in the Upper country, where they have gone. Extracts from  
Weekly Reports.

#### Week ending 25th June.

The emigrants arrived out this week are principally labourers, and some few tradesmen; many of the former class were quite destitute, and those who had families were sent forward by the Emigrant Society. Thirty-four of the passengers from the wreck of the "Charlotte Douglas" have come up; they have saved very little of their baggage, and most of them landed here without any means, having exhausted their small remaining stock of cash in getting up from the wreck; they also state that the passengers who remain below were very badly off, and almost all unable to pay their passage up here. They received every attention from this department, and advice where they would be certain of employment.

#### Week ending 2d July.

Among the emigrants arrived this week are 215 in the "Chieftain," from Havre; they are principally Swiss and Bavarians; the majority are agriculturists, and a few mechanics. They proceed to Montreal, with the intention of settling in Ohio. About 20 families have gone to the Eastern Townships; they all appear to have sufficient means to enable them to proceed on their route.

The remainder of the passengers who were wrecked at Point Peter, in the "Charlotte Douglas," have arrived, amounting to 260 souls—many in a very destitute condition. They received assistance from the Emigrant Society, and were forwarded to Montreal and Port St. Francis.

The remainder of the emigrants arrived this week are of a better class, and many possessed of considerable means. Six families, 22 in number, were assisted to emigrate from the parish of Beachamwell, in Norfolk, by J. Motteaux, Esq., who remitted 80*l.* sterling to be divided among them; they have gone to settle in the neighbourhood of Port Hope, where a number of their friends proceeded last year; and from the favourable accounts received from them has been the cause of these people coming out.

The number of emigrants arrived up to this period is near three times as many as at the same period last year; and I am disposed to think, from accounts received, that we may anticipate a very considerable number yet; and at the lowest computation I think we will have from 25,000 to 30,000 out this season. I still continue to receive very favourable accounts from all parts of the provinces of the increasing demand for labourers and mechanics, and I can obtain immediate employment for all that may arrive this season, even should they surpass my highest expectation.

#### Week ending 23d July.

The emigrants arrived this week are in general of a good class, such as respectable farmers, and trades of various kinds, and farm labourers, almost all in good circumstances, and enabled to proceed to their several destinations.

In the "Morning Star," from Yarmouth, there came out 223 emigrants, who were sent out by their different parishes, and are principally from Suffolk; some of them had letters of recommendation to his Excellency the Earl of Gosford, and they have proceeded to Montreal to deliver them. The remainder have left this, with the intention of settling in the Eastern Townships. They all received every advice and assistance necessary to enable them to procure immediate employment from this office.

I have received several complaints from the passengers in the "Celia" and "Kingston," from Liverpool; they complain very much of the treatment they received from Messrs. Shaw & Co. (and their agent, a Mr. O'Neill), passenger agents at Liverpool. This is the third complaint made by passengers this season against these parties. They have also charged the full tax of 4*s.* 6*d.* sterling on all the children, as they did in a previous case in the passengers per "Eliza," from the same port, and which I have reported home to Mr. Pinnock, Government Agent General for Emigration.

#### Week ending 30th July.

The emigrants arrived this week are generally well supplied wherewith to enable them to proceed to their destination. Among the arrivals 270 emigrants came from Havre; they are principally from the Rhine, Bavarians and Germans, and have all gone to the United States, with the exception of about 40, who were unable to proceed from want of means. The number of families who have gone into the Eastern Townships this week is very considerable, being nearly 800 souls; many are possessed of means, and intend to purchase lands for themselves and friends, whom they expect out this fall.

The demand for labourers on the St. Lawrence Canal still increases; they are at present in want of 2,000 hands, by accounts which I received a few days since.

#### Week ending 6th August.

The emigrants arrived this week consist principally of tradesmen, farmers and labourers, of whom very few remain in Quebec; the majority are Irish, and have all proceeded up to

Montreal; very many are induced to go to the United States, owing to the exaggerated accounts of wages given them on the numerous railroads and canals at present in construction. I am informed that the party of Germans who arrived last week in the "Hero," from Havre, have been induced, with the exception of a few families, to settle on the Company's lands in the Eastern Townships, and upwards of 200 returned from Montreal to Port St. Francis.

#### Week ending 13th August.

The great proportion of emigrants arrived this week are from Ireland, with 231 English pauper emigrants, that are from the county of Southampton. A party of them, 55 in number, have been assisted to emigrate from the parishes of Wonston, Mileheldiver, Stoke, Hunton and Woodmancote, and have been strongly recommended to this department by the Rev. A. R. C. Dallas, Rector of Wonston, who has transmitted the sum of 68 *l.* 5 *s.* sterling, to be divided among the different families, under the direction of this department. They are all proceeding to the Eastern Townships, and from their appearance and character I have no doubt of their success. Very many of the Irish have gone to the States, and many have obtained orders for employment on the St. Lawrence Canal.

#### Week ending 20th August.

The emigrants arrived this week are very respectable, and generally well supplied with means to proceed to their destination. Among the number are 65 cabin passengers in the "Hampshire," from London; many of the party have been in the country before, and went home for their families and friends; they are proceeding to Upper Canada, to the vicinity of Hamilton and Dundas. Three hundred and fifty-nine of the arrivals this week are pauper emigrants, and principally from Norfolk and Southampton; a very large proportion proceed to the Eastern Townships. They received every advice necessary for their guidance.

I received a note from Captain Phillpotts, *r. e.*, stating that 1,000 labourers were required on the St. Lawrence Canal, at wages of 15 and 17 dollars per month, and that board can be obtained for seven or eight dollars a month.

#### Week ending 27th August.

The emigrants arrived this week are, with the exception of a few, well provided with means, and have all proceeded to the Upper Province. A considerable number of Scotch families have come out, and are all going to the Glengarry settlement, where many of them have their friends; they have the appearance of steady industrious settlers, and all possessed of means.

#### Week ending 3d September.

The emigrants arrived this week are principally from England and a few from Scotland; they have all proceeded up in quest of employment; some, particularly the Scotch, are well provided with means.

#### Week ending 10th September.

There were several complaints made this week against the brig "Mariner," Captain Collin, by a party of emigrants, 67 in number, who stated that they engaged their passage with an agent of Messrs. Allan & Sons, of Leith, who was to send a vessel early in the spring to Thurso, to bring them out to Picton, but that on their getting on board, the captain stated that he was bound to Quebec; and when these poor people wished to have back their money it was refused, and as they could not afford to lose it, they were obliged to come out here; they have been now a week in town, waiting an opportunity down to Picton. This is a case of peculiar hardship and imposition practised on this party; and from the want of any written agreement, I was unable to obtain any legal redress for them.

#### Week ending 17th September.

But few emigrants arrived this week; among them were 66 paupers in the "Marmion," from London. They have all sufficient means to take them to their destination, principally Upper Canada.

#### Week ending 15th October.

Labourers are much wanted about town, and those among the arrivals this week, who wished, obtained immediate employment at good wages; the farmers in the neighbourhood are complaining of the scarcity of hands; the town and neighbourhood is unusually free from emigrants; I do not anticipate any further arrivals this season of consequence.

THE following are Copies of some of the numerous LETTERS addressed to this Department, from Magistrates, Landed Proprietors and others in the County of Norfolk, and other Parts of the United Kingdom, in relation to their sending out Emigrants; with ANSWERS thereto, from Mr. A. C. Buchanan, jun., Acting Chief Agent.

Letters from Landed Proprietors in England, with Answers thereto.

From the Parish of *Sherborne, St. John.*

Charles Brace, wife and family	-	-	-	-	-	8
George Mathews - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	6
William Croff - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	7
James By - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	10
Thomas Gardiner - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	4
_____ Bennett - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	7
Charles Moor and wife	-	-	-	-	-	2
George Gibbons, single man	-	-	-	-	-	1
Henry Gibbons - ditto	-	-	-	-	-	1
						<hr/>
Total from Sherborne	-	-	-	-	-	46

From the Parish of *Dean.*

Charles Mathews, wife and family	-	-	-	-	-	5
----------------------------------	---	---	---	---	---	---

Sherborne, St. John, near Basingstoke, Hants,  
2d April 1836.

Sir,

THE above persons from the parish of Sherborn, St. John, and the adjoining parish of Dean, near Basingstoke, Hants, 51 in number, will sail in a few days from the port of Bristol, in the ship "Severn," for Quebec, with the design of proceeding to Toronto, Upper Canada. I have directed them, upon landing at Quebec, immediately to wait upon you, as His Majesty's Chief Agent for Emigrants at that port, and to deliver to you this letter, which I take the liberty of addressing to you, the object of which is to request that you will afford them all necessary advice and assistance for expediting their journey up the country to Toronto with the least possible delay, and also to request that you will be so kind as to favour me with a line, as soon as may be convenient to you, to inform me of their arrival at Quebec, and of their subsequent departure from that place.

And I take this opportunity of thanking you for your very obliging attention to a similar application which I made to you last Spring, on behalf of a party of 25 emigrants, whom I then forwarded to Quebec from my parish of Sherborn, St. John, on board the same ship in which the present party will take their passage, of whose safe arrival you were so good as to inform me by letter, in compliance with my request to you. That party proceeded immediately under your direction to Toronto, and were kindly received there by Mr. Hawke, His Majesty's Chief Agent for Emigrants at that place, to whom they also delivered a letter, with which I have entrusted them; they were by him sent, together with my letter, to Sir John Colborne, who located the three families of James Lovegrove, George Turner and John Skew, in the vicinity of Brantford, assigning to each family five acres of land and a house, without expenses, for three years, and of which Mr. Hawke was so kind as to inform me.

I have subsequently received letters from the poor people themselves, who are much pleased with their situation and prospects, and thankfully acknowledge the kind treatment they received from the Government, and indeed from every body. They say, they are truly thankful to us for having sent them out, and they hope that their old friends and neighbours may be enabled to follow them.

The accounts they have sent home made a great impression on the labourers in this part of the country; and if means of providing passage, &c., could be found, almost any number of emigrants would freely emigrate, and we are now sending out the present party. I think it is much to be regretted that Government do not render some assistance to the agriculturists in transporting the emigrants to the colony. Our expenses for those we have sent amounts to more than 6*l.* a head, for young and old. If the Government would only fit out a certain number of vessels to convey emigrants, and merely to give them their passage, charging a moderate sum for provisions, it would be a great help, and the country would not be under any very heavy expenses.

The persons in whose behalf I now address you are all agricultural labourers, and are very anxious to be settled, if possible, in the vicinity of their old friends and neighbours, whom I recommended to you last year; and I should consider it a great favour if you can in any way promote that object. If you will be so good as to do it, I shall write by them to Mr. Hawke, at Toronto, to the same effect.

I am very anxious, and so also are these poor emigrants themselves, that they should not be delayed at Quebec; I am sure you will take care to send them on their journey to Toronto as soon as possible after their arrival. Commending these poor people to your protection, and again thanking you for your attention to my application last spring,

I am, &c.

(signed) *John Harrison,*

Vicar of Sherborne, St. John,  
near Basingstoke, Hants.

George

## Appendix.

Letters from  
Landed Proprietors in England,  
with Answers  
thereto.

George Mathews, now sent from Sherborne, St. John, and Charles Mathews, sent from Dean, are brothers.

A party of 23 emigrants sail at this time also with the "Severn," for Quebec, from a parish in this immediate neighbourhood (Church Ountley). The minister of this parish will forward a letter to you by them.

To A. C. Buchanan, Esq., Quebec.

---

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, June 16th, 1836.

Sir,

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2d April, handed me by the passengers per ship "Severn" from Bristol, who arrived here a few days since, and I am happy to say all in good health, though they had a long and tedious passage, and had to put in at some of the lower ports for provisions. They all complain of the quality of the provisions furnished for their use, which they state it was almost impossible to use, and that they were obliged to purchase other provisions from the ship, which exhausted the greater part of their small stock of cash. On their arrival here, very many had scarcely sufficient to pay their passage up to Montreal; and they will consequently, on their arrival there, become a burthen on the charitable societies. I furnished them all with letters of recommendation to the different Government agents on their route to Toronto, and also a letter to Mr. Hawke, the Government Agent at that city, with recommendations to the contractors on the different public works for employment.

I should recommend to your attention, in the case of any more emigrants being sent from your part of the country, the adoption of the plan at present pursued by the different parishes of Norfolk, Suffolk, Southampton, Kent and several others, who have sent out a very considerable number of emigrants this season; that, in place of paying the sum intended for the use of the emigrant on his arrival here to himself or to the captain of the vessel, it should be remitted to J. D. Pinnock, Government Agent General, at the Colonial Office, London, who would forward an order to this department for the distribution of the money among the different families, in accordance with a list furnished, showing the amount to be paid to each individual or family; and these poor people would be certain to receive full benefit of the difference of currency and exchange. Besides, it frequently happens that when the money is entrusted to the captain, they sometimes pay them in the currency of the country, which, at par, is 10 per cent. less than sterling, and at the present rate of exchange, is from 17 to 18 per cent. less than the emigrant would receive if his money was transmitted under the control of this department.

I merely offer these remarks, as I think they might tend to the ultimate benefit of the poor industrious emigrant, who emigrates to this fine country in hopes of providing for himself and family.

The emigration of this season has been very large, and, up to this period, more than the total number of last year, being now over 11,000 souls, who have all been able to get employment so soon as they arrive.

The accounts I have received from all parts of the country are very encouraging, labourers of all descriptions being in great demand, and with very high wages. Carpenters receive from 6s. to 7s. 6d. currency per day; masons from 4s. 6d. to 6s.; blacksmiths, 5s. 6d. to 10s.; common farm labourers, 3s. 9d. to 4s., with their board; tailors and shoemakers in very great demand, and immediate employment on their arrival here.

You will have the kindness to mention to the Rev. Mr. Harrison, that I received his letter, and the parties which he recommended have all proceeded to Upper Canada, and that they received every advice and assistance they required from this office.

I shall at all times feel much pleasure in forwarding your views in advancing the interest of the emigrant who may seek an asylum in these fine provinces.

I have, &c.

(signed) A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

To the Rev. John Harrison,  
Vicar of Sherborne, St. John, Basingstoke,  
Hants, England.

---

Sir,

North Runcton, near Lynn, Norfolk, 13 April 1836.

I SEND you herewith the letter which you were good enough to send to me, printed with extracts of letters from Norfolk emigrants. I have taken the liberty of altering your letter slightly here and there. It has produced a considerable effect in this neighbourhood; and, indeed, the effect of the New Poor Law Bill, together with the favourable reports from Canada, has induced a very considerable emigration from Norfolk this spring.

I have not succeeded in persuading any labourers from this and the adjoining parishes to leave England; but several of my friends have been more successful, and amongst others the Rev. Robert Hankison, of Walpole, who has requested me to ask your kind attention  
towards

towards the families leaving that place, and whom he has advised to locate on the lands of the Canada Land Company. Letters from Landed Proprietors in England, with Answers thereto.

I shall be very happy to receive any further communication from you that you consider might forward the great and desirable object of emigration.

I am, &c.

(signed) *Daniel Gurney,*  
Justice of the Peace for Norfolk.

To A. C. Buchanan, Esq., &c. &c., Quebec.

Sir,

Henham Hill, Wangford, Suffolk, 18th April 1836.

THE first portion of emigrants to Toronto, from this part of Suffolk, sail by the "Allandale," Captain Allcock. It is the wish of the Board of Guardians here, that they should be forwarded as quickly as possible from Quebec, and not allowed to go on shore there, except in case of urgent necessity.

I am, &c.

(signed) *Stradbroke.*

The Government Agent for Emigration, at Quebec.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 12th June 1836.

My Lord,

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of the 18th April, per "Allandale," Captain Allcock, who arrived safe a few days since, passengers all well. Agreeable to your wish, I arranged with the steam-boat to go alongside the vessel, and embark the passengers, with their baggage, and proceed immediately to Montreal, on their route to Upper Canada. I also furnished them with letters to the different agents, on their route to the Upper Province, as also recommendations for employment on the public works at present in operation; and if they will follow the advice and instructions which they have received, there is no doubt but that, in a few years, they will be above all want, and themselves and families in a fair way to realize a comfortable independence.

The demand for labourers and tradesmen of all descriptions in this province and Upper Canada is very great. Carpenters receive from 6s. to 8s. 6d. per day; masons, 6s. to 7s. 6d.; blacksmiths from 5s. to 10s.; common labourers, 2s. 6d. and their board, and 3s. 9d. to 4s., and find themselves. Several thousand able-bodied labourers are required at present on the works at the Long Saut Canal. Wages, with two years' employment, 18 dollars per month, equal to 4l. 10s. Halifax currency.

I would beg to suggest to your Lordship, that in the event of your sending out any more emigrants, the adoption of the plan at present used by the different parishes in the county of Norfolk, Southampton, Kent and several others, who have sent out a large number of emigrants this season, that in place of paying the money intended for the use of the emigrant, on his arrival here, to themselves, or to the captain of the vessel, it should be remitted to Mr. J. D. Pinnock, Government Agent General for Emigration, at London, who would send out an order to have the same paid to each emigrant respectively, which would insure the poor emigrant and his family sufficiency on his arrival here to enable him to proceed to his destination, or where he would be likely to obtain immediate employment.

I have observed, in many cases, that when they receive the money before sailing, they are very apt to dissipate it on their voyage out in gambling and purchasing ardent spirits from the captain; and I regret to say that very many of the families in the "Allandale" were almost destitute on their arrival here; and a few received assistance to enable them to proceed up the country, from the charitable societies in this city.

Besides, it frequently happens that masters of vessels, or other persons entrusted with such monies, have paid the emigrant in the currency of the country, which at par is ten per cent. less than sterling; and at the present rate of exchange, from 17 to 18 per cent. less than the emigrant should receive if his money was remitted under the control of this department.

The above remarks I respectfully submit to your Lordship.

I have, &c.

(signed) *A. C. Buchanan, jun.*  
Acting Chief Agent.

The Earl of Stradbroke,  
Henham Hall, Wangford, Suffolk, England.

Letters from  
Landed Proprietors  
in England, with  
Answers thereto.

Sir,

5th April 1836.

THIS letter will be delivered to you by one of a party of emigrants from the parish of Long Parish, near Andover, in Hampshire. I shall feel myself indebted for any assistance you may be able to render them in proceeding up the country, and obtaining employment; and it would be a great satisfaction to myself, as having been instrumental in assisting them to emigrate, as well as the friends whom they leave behind, if you would be good enough to send an account of their different destinations. A sum of money has been transmitted to you, through Mr. Pinnock, to be paid to each on their arrival at Quebec. I can recommend them as steady industrious men, accustomed to every kind of agricultural labour.

I am, &c.,

(signed) *H. Barneley Greene*, Vicar of Long Parish.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq., &c. &c. &c., Quebec.

Sir,

Necton Hall, 13th April 1836.

I THIS year again do myself the honour of communicating with you upon the subject of emigration to His Majesty's possessions in Canada, by acquainting you that this letter is put in the hands of some emigrants who to-morrow leave Necton, for embarkation at the port of Lynn.

I beg to say that the parties are all *honest* and *industrious* sort of people, and really leave England for no other reason than there being here so great a deficiency of employ. Benjamin Bone and his family have sent me a letter, from which I learn that your kind offices have been the means of placing him in advantageous and happy circumstances.

I beg to recommend the within-named to you; and have the honour to be, &c. &c. &c.

(signed) *William Mason*,

J. P., a Deputy Lieutenant, county of Norfolk,  
and Lieutenant-Colonel E. N. M.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq., &c. &c. &c., Quebec.

James Ligelened, wife and nine children; Robert Thusbon, wife and four children; James Redhead, wife and three children; John Nelson, wife and four children; Richard Brett and wife; Charles Preneson, single man; James Gren, ditto; Christopher Hill, lad; Mary Lent, single woman—TOTAL, 34 souls:

Sir,

Pickenham Hall, Brandon, Norfolk, 28th April 1836.

THIS letter will be given you by one of 25 emigrants, including children, whom I am sending from my parishes, and I shall be much obliged by your giving them any advice and instructions where to get the best work. They are generally of fair character, and all industrious, farming business (except Richardson, a blacksmith,) having been always employed. Took had a little land of his own, and understands gardening, &c., and is a very good and hard-working man, and can be particularly recommended. Took Starling pays his own passage; and the rest will, I doubt not, work well in good employment, and at good wages. I have paid 23*l.* 15*s.* to Mr. Pinnock, which he has instructions to get paid through you to the emigrants on their landing, and I shall be obliged by your letting them have the money in proper time. I have described them as all belonging to the parish of South Pickenham in my letter and the form sent to Mr. Pinnock, but one (Took Starling) though born here, has acquired a settlement at Hardingham, where he belongs, and William Ship belongs to Great Cressingham, an adjoining parish to this. I mention this to prevent any mistake, and to clearly identify the parties. I have transmitted

For Summons and his family	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£. 6	-	-
„ Oatley and his family	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-
„ A. Richardson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
„ T. Williamson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
„ W. Parker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
„ Mary Parker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
„ John Starling	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
„ Took Starling	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	-
„ James Mathews	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
„ William Ship	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	-
								£. 23 15		-

As these labourers are from a rather light land, and may be frightened, as Norfolk labourers sometimes are, by a very heavy land, a region of not the heaviest land might be desirable for them. Upper Canada I should think preferable for them; but if they choose Lower Canada, I have given them a letter to the British American Company's agent, if they like to go there, and you think it desirable for them so to engage themselves. It would be a satisfaction to me, and a comfort to their relations here, if you would trouble yourself to write a line to tell me in what state they may have reached Quebec, and where they may have gone.

I am, &c. (signed) *W. Wigget Chute*.

Sir,

Beachamwell, Norfolk, 10th May 1836.

Letters from  
Landed Proprietors  
in England, with  
Answers thereto.

I HAD the satisfaction of learning from your letter to my friend, Mr. Daniel Gurney, the report which he had received from you of the success of the emigrants from this parish, whom I had ventured to recommend to you last year, and who sailed from Lynn by the brig "Shannon." The accounts received here by the relations of the parties themselves have excited such a desire to remove to Canada among the labouring people, that I have resolved to assist four families and two young men with means of emigrating, and have selected persons who, as able and dexterous labourers in husbandry, are well qualified to expect success in that line, and one youth, brought up a tailor, with probably talents enough to be useful in those parts. I have not invited my tenants to undertake any of the expenses attending this expedition, so that this not being exactly a parish measure, I again, by the advice of Mr. Pinnock, of the Colonial department, address all these people to you, soliciting your kindest interest in their behalf and aid to forward the whole of them to Port Hope, on Lake Ontario. I enclose you one of the office forms, filled up with the names of the party, amounting (including an infant) to 23 individuals, with the signatures of such of the men as were able to write.

On account of this undertaking I send you enclosed a remittance of 80*l.* sterling, to be paid to you by the Quebec Branch of the Montreal Bank, together with the addition of the current exchange; which sum of 80*l.* sterling I paid into the hands of Messrs. Thomas, Wilson & Co., of Warnford-court, London.

The Schedule annexed to this letter points out in detail the apportionment of the above sum to the purposes of expediting the emigrants by the conveyances to Lake Ontario, and the sums to be paid to them in coin by the King's Receiver of Upper Canada to each family or individual, with the sums appointed to be received by the people, and which cannot be invaded or touched on their journey in any way. I hope these people will find themselves set down in Upper Canada under very advantageous circumstances. They will all have a little money in their pockets; I do not know what they may have of their own, by sale of their furniture, &c., but I have given to the captain 12 half-sovereigns in gold to be distributed among them, according to instructions, as soon as they shall be quite clear of the Channel; and they will also, I believe, get some present of money from the farmers they have worked for, as well as hops, &c., from me.

I should hope that the Spicer family, who are steady people, with four able persons among them, may, with the sum of money appointed for them to receive, and under your directions, be able to settle very advantageously.

I shall be glad to learn the safe arrival of the "Penelope," with those emigrants in good health, and be very gratified for the services and kindness which you will bestow upon them.

I remain, &amp;c.

(signed) *John Motteaux.*

To A. C. Buchanan, Esq., &amp;c., Quebec.

## Beachamwell and Strangham emigrants by the "Penelope," from Lynn:

Above 14 years	- - Spicer's	- - 5						
"	- - Reeves	- - 2						
"	- - John Furbys	- - 2						
"	- - Henry Furbys	- - 2						
"	- - Cornwall	- - 1						
"	- - Moorcroft	- - 1						
			13	- -	£. 1 11 6	20	9	6
Under 14 years	- - Spicer's	- - 4						
"	- - Infant	- - -						
"	- - Reeves	- - 3						
"	- - John Furbys	- - 1						
"	- - Henry Furbys	- - 1						
			9	- -	1 less	7	4	-
						27	13	6
To be paid in coin on the parties landing at Port Hope by the hands of His Majesty's Receiver, Upper Canada.								
To William Spicer, self and family	- -	£. 20						
" William Reeves, for ditto	- -	10						
" John Furbys, for ditto	- -	6						
" Henry Furbys, for ditto	- -	6						
" C. Cornwall	- -	2						
" William Moorcroft	- -	2						
						46	-	-
To meet any contingencies, and the residuc, if any, to be divided	- -					6	6	6
						£. 80	-	-

Letters from  
Landed Proprietors  
in England, with  
Answers thereto.

If any death occurs previous to the distribution, the portion to go to the remainder of the family.

(signed) *John Motteaux.*

Beachamwell, 10th May 1836.

The above sums are to be paid, together with all benefit arising from the course of exchange.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 4th July 1836.

Sir,

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 10th May, with a party of emigrants from your parish, who I am happy to inform you arrived safe and in good health, and have all proceeded on their route to Port Hope.

Your draft for 80*l.* sterling, I obtained eight per cent. premium, equal to 96*l.* currency, which was distributed according to your wishes; the balance I remitted to the Government Agent in Toronto, with directions to pay it over to the people on their arrival at Port Hope, in accordance with a list I inclosed him. The allowance of 6*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* which you allowed to meet contingencies I divided among these people, with the exception of 1*l.*, which I placed at Mr. Hawke's disposal, to meet any unavoidable expenses, with directions, should any remain, to pay it over; there was no expense incurred here whatever.

As I am anxious these poor people should have all the advantage of your kindness and munificence towards them and their families, I have directed Mr. Hawke to communicate to me their arrival at their destination and their place of settlement, a copy of which I shall send you for your information.

The demand for labourers and mechanics of every description is very great in all parts of the provinces, and I feel satisfied of being able to obtain immediate employment for any number of labourers on the public works in Upper Canada, and in the Eastern Townships.

The British American Land Company have done a very great deal to advance the interests of emigrants who settle on their lands in the Eastern Townships, which is a beautiful country, and the land equal to any in Upper Canada, and they have the advantage of commanding the two best markets in the province, of, viz., Montreal and Quebec, where they can obtain at least one-third more for their produce than in Upper Canada, and a certain market.

The prices given to labourers at present are, to good mechanics 5*s.* to 7*s.* 6*d.* per day; labourers, 2*s.* 6*d.* per day and found; farmers pay from 12 to 15 dollars per month, besides board, to agricultural labourers.

Families with small means can get land from the Company at 4*s.* or 6*s.* per acre, with a clearance of five acres and a log-house, the whole payable by annual instalments in six years without interest. They are also allowed seed potatoes for the first year. This must be particularly gratifying to an industrious man with a large family on his arrival in this country, and opens a prospect of speedy independence for himself and family. I shall at all times be most happy to forward your views in promoting emigration, and in advancing the interests and welfare of the industrious emigrants on their arrival in this country.

I have, &c.

(signed) *A. C. Buchanan, jun.,*  
Acting Chief Agent.

*J. Motteaux, Esq.* Beachamwell, Norfolk.

Wonston Rectory, Whitechurch, Hants,  
2d June 1836.

Sir,

I HAVE felt much interest in promoting amongst my parishioners a desire to emigrate to Canada, and in obtaining the information necessary to enable me to do this, I have had occasion to remark the kindness and attention which you have shown towards the emigrants from other ports, in the discharge of your duties at Quebec. I feel, therefore, that you will allow me to recommend to your protection the small body of emigrants from this and the neighbouring parishes, who go out with the ship "Hartley." There have been many difficulties to encounter in explaining the subject of emigration to the people of these parishes, and it is but comparatively few who have ventured to go forth; much will depend upon the report which the letters of these people convey to the friends at home.

I have ventured to promise that you would give them such information and advice as will enable them to get readily into eligible situations for work; and from the accounts which I have read, I have told them that I thought they had better go up as far as York. This advice, however, is entirely to be submitted to your opinion. From the Parliamentary Papers, and other sources, I have collected such information as I thought important, and printed a plain account of it, a copy of which I inclose you. I also inclose you a list of the names of the persons emigrating from my own and the contiguous parishes, and I have placed opposite the names of each the sum of money which is to be paid to him upon his arrival in Canada. The whole amount is 68*l.* 5*s.*, which sum I have delivered in gold sovereigns, into the hands

of

of the master of the "Hartley," whose acknowledgment is subjoined to the list of the emigrants. I have sent by him a duplicate of this letter. I have informed these emigrants that upon their deciding to what part of the country they will proceed, you will employ some part of this money in arranging their conveyance to the place of their destination, and that the remainder will be paid over to them. I made this arrangement according to the directions of Mr. Pinnock, the Government Agent in London. I shall take it as a great favour if you will take the trouble to inform me of the safe arrival of this party of emigrants, and of the settlement which they are likely to make; and

I have the honour to be, &c. &c. &c.

(signed) *Alexander R. C. Dallars,*  
Rector of Wonston.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq., &c. &c., Quebec.

Letters from  
Landed Proprietors  
in England, with  
Answers thereto.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 15th August 1836.

Sir,

I HAVE the honour to inform you of the safe arrival of the ship "Hartley," from Portsmouth; passengers all well. Among them are 17 heads of families, who have been assisted to emigrate from the parishes of Wonston, Mitcheldriver, Stoke, Charity, Hunton and Woodmancot; and I received a list of their names and occupations from the captain, which stated that the sum of 68*l.* 5*s.* was to be paid them on their arrival here, under the superintendence of this department; which sum, I regret to say, has not been received, and has caused these poor people serious inconvenience. I have, however, advanced them 25*l.* currency, to enable them to proceed to the Eastern Townships, where they will obtain immediate employment and high wages. I have, therefore, to request that you will be pleased to have the funds intended for these people remitted to me immediately, that I may distribute the balance due to them as soon as possible. They have all gone to settle on the lands belonging to the British American Land Company. I furnished them with every direction and information necessary to guide them in their new mode of life, which, if they follow, there is no doubt but they will do well. Waiting your early reply,

I am, &c.

(signed) *A. C. Buchanan, jun.*

Rev. A. R. C. Dallas,

Rector of Wonston, County of Southampton, England.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 20th October 1836.

Sir,

I HAD the pleasure of addressing you on the 15th August last, informing you of the safe arrival of the ship "Hartley," from Portsmouth; passengers all well.

I have now to acknowledge the receipt of your favours of the 23d and 30th June, which I only received on the 10th September; the latter containing a draft on Messrs. William Price & Co. of this city, for the sum of 68*l.* 5*s.* sterling, which was duly honoured, and the proceeds paid over to the different parties, in accordance with your wishes. These people, as I mentioned in my former letter, have all settled in the Eastern Townships on the lands of the British American Land Company; and I have been delayed writing you sooner, waiting advice from Mr. Webster, to whose care I recommended the party. His letter, which gives such favourable accounts of them, I send you a copy, which I have no doubt but it will prove satisfactory to yourself and their friends, and may probably be some inducement for others to emigrate next year.

I am happy to state, that these provinces were never in a better condition to receive a large emigration than at the present time. The demand has been so great for all denominations of the working classes, particularly farm and common labourers, and domestic servants of both sexes, carpenters, masons, blacksmiths, tailors, &c., that it has very much retarded the advancement of public and private improvements in both provinces.

The rate of wages has progressively advanced as settlement increases; and I do not anticipate for years the smallest chance of the Canadas becoming overstocked with agricultural labourers, domestic servants and tradesmen of various denominations.

From these facts, it will be readily admitted that the prospects of all industrious and sober persons of the working classes in the Canadas is exceedingly favourable, and that any failure in reaching a state of comparative prosperity will be entirely at their own door.

The emigration of this year will be little short of 30,000 souls, and the proportion from England very much increased over former years. I anticipate not the slightest difficulty in being able to procure settlement and immediate employment for double that number next year, as the vast improvements in contemplation in this, and more particularly Upper Canada, in making railroads and canals, will require of themselves a very large number of labourers, besides the increasing demand for agriculturists and mechanics.

I wish much to impress on those who take an interest in assisting the poor labouring population of the United Kingdom to emigrate to these colonies, the advantage which they have in arriving here early in the season (say in all the month of May) over those who come out at a later period, as you will observe from some of the remarks in the annexed letter from Mr. Webster (*see page 25 of the Appendix*).

Letters from  
Landed Proprietors  
in England, with  
Answers thereto.

I shall be happy to hear from you, on the prospects of emigration from your part of the country for next year. The Chief Agent is at present in England for the benefit of his health; and if you wish to put yourself in communication with him, address him under cover to the Colonial Department.

I have, &c.

To the Rev. A. R. C. Dallas,  
Wonston Rectory.

(signed) A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

Letter from  
J. D. Pinnock, Esq.

Sir,

Colonial Office, 5th April 1836.

WITH reference to my letter to you of the 26th ult., I have now the honour to acquaint you, that the ship "King William" has been engaged by me for the conveyance of between 200 and 300 emigrants from the parish of Downton, in Wiltshire. The vessel is to proceed to Southampton Roads for their reception; but, with a view of preventing any from seceding after their embarkation, it has been stipulated that the vessel shall sail immediately they are on board. It will be impossible to specify the precise number who may emigrate in the "King William," until they are actually on board; and as the ship sails immediately the embarkation has taken place, it will be equally impossible for me to send you, as in other instances, a bill upon the Quebec Branch of the Montreal Bank for the total amount to be divided amongst them on disembarkation. Under these circumstances, the agents of the ship (Messrs. Carter & Bonus, 11, Leadenhall-street, London) have undertaken to superintend the embarkation, and to inclose to you in this letter an order on their correspondents at Quebec, to pay to you, at sight, a sum sufficient to give 1*l.* 15*s.* to each emigrant on board above 14 years of age, and 17*s.* 6*d.* to all under that age and above one year. They will also inclose the lists and signatures, &c. of the parties to whom such sums are to be given; and I shall feel obliged by your aiding the party in question to locate themselves in that part of the Upper or Lower Province where they may succeed in obtaining suitable employment.

With a view also to the proper fulfilment of this duty on the part of the master of the ship, a portion of his freight will be withheld, until he produces a certificate from you, stating your satisfaction with the treatment of the emigrants. I have, therefore, to request that you will furnish him with such a document, should you consider him deserving of it.

I remain, &c.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq., &c. &c., Quebec.

(signed) J. D. Pinnock.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 26th May 1836.

Sir,

Mr. Buchanan's  
Answer.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th March to hand a few days since, as also yours, of the 28th, per "Procris," Captain Arnold, who, I am happy to inform you, has arrived safe, and passengers all well; they all speak highly of Captain A.'s attention and kindness to them on their voyage. The draft for 28*l.* sterling I disposed to Messrs. F. Walker & Co., seven per cent., and, agreeable to your instructions, paid one-half to the respective amounts due each individual here; and as they all decide on settling in the Eastern Townships, I remitted the balance of their money to Mr. Webster, the sub-commissioner of the British American Land Company, with directions as to its distribution; I also furnished them with letters to the different agents on their route, and recommendations for employment, and they were all in good spirits on their future prospects.

The demand for agricultural labourers and tradesmen in all parts of the country is very great, and I think the country was never in a better condition for the reception of a large body of industrious emigrants than at the present moment, and those who are anxious and willing to work need not be a day unemployed after their arrival here. The British American Land Company are in want of several hundred labourers and carpenters, as they are making considerable improvements in their lands, and opening new roads, so that the industrious emigrant can obtain immediate employment on his arrival here. Domestic servants, both male and female, are very much wanted in this city and Montreal, with very high wages; I have also had several communications from By-town and different parts of Upper Canada, complaining of the want of farm servants.

The other vessels you alluded to shall meet with every attention and despatch on their arrival here; and it will afford me much pleasure in attending to any instructions you may be pleased to send with them.

I have the honour to be,

(signed) A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

J. D. Pinnock, Esq.,  
Government Agent for Emigration, London.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 4th June 1836.

Letter from  
Mr. Buchanan.

Sir,

I HAVE now to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of the 5th April, per ship "King William," Captain George Thomas, and the brig "James and Anne," Captain Brown; the passengers all well. I am also in receipt of a letter from Messrs. Carter & Bonus, inclosing a draft on Messrs. William Rice & Co., for 370 *l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*, which has been duly honoured at 7 per cent. exchange, equal to 440 *l.* currency, which I have paid to the different parties in accordance with your instructions. The order received per "James and Anne," on the Montreal Bank, was for 95 *l.*, and not, as stated in your letter, 95 *l.* 10*s.*, and for which I obtained eight per cent. exchange, equal to 114 *l.* currency. The emigrants by these vessels have all proceeded to the Upper Province, with the exception of about 50, who are gone to the Eastern Townships, where they are certain of obtaining immediate employment and good wages, say 2*s.* 6*d.* per diem and board, or 3*s.* 9*d.* per day, and they find themselves.

I have arranged with the steam-boat agents, that they send their boats alongside the vessels, as my wish is to prevent the passengers being detained in town, where they are liable to meet with inducements to spend their money, and put to the expense of lodgings.

In the case of the passengers per "King William," I advanced each head of a family here sufficient to purchase them some fresh provisions, and paid them the balance on their reaching Montreal, after securing them their passage to Upper Canada.

I am now in hopes of making such arrangements as will enable me to secure their passage at this place immediately on their arrival to any part of Upper Canada; and by advancing each individual sufficient to purchase them some fresh provisions here, he would receive the remainder on his arrival at his destination in Upper Canada.

I furnished Captain Thomas with the necessary certificate, as there were no complaints made against him by the passengers.

The total number of emigrants arrived this year at this port are:—From England, 4,045; Ireland, 3,629; Scotland, 285; Total, 7,959. Corresponding period last year, 3,349; and there are near 600 at Grosse Isle and in port, but not yet reported; this shows a considerable increase in emigration over last year, and they all appear well provided with means to enable them to proceed to Upper Canada.

I have had very few complaints against ship-captains this year; and the only one which I have heard of an aggravated nature is against Captain Sutherland, of the brig "Bellisle," from Dublin, with 112 emigrants. The passengers complain of an insufficiency of water, and what was supplied, it was almost impossible to use; two of their number died on the passage, owing to the water, and the doctor has furnished a certificate to this effect.

These charges are undergoing investigation, and so soon as it is closed, I shall forward copies of the same: if we can substantiate them the captain should be severely punished.

I have just received your favour of the 6th April, per "Lavinia," from Portsmouth; the passengers will not land before to-morrow, when they shall meet with every attention from this office, and be sent forward with as little delay as possible. The "Caroline," from London, and the "Anne," from Lynn, are also reported.

I have the honour to be, &c. &c.

(signed) A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

J. D. Pinnock, Esq.,  
Government Agent for Emigration, London.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 25th July 1836.

Sir,

I HAVE the honour to inclose Returns of all emigrants arrived up to the period, whose expenses have been paid by their respective parishes, in accordance with your instructions, and under the superintendence of this department. Letter from Mr. Buchanan.

I send you a separate Return for each parish, which you will please forward for the satisfaction of the different parties who have interested themselves in these people. The following is a list of the inclosed Returns:—

"Procris" - - - -	Arnold	-	Poole	- - -	Parish of Braemore.
"King William" - -	Thomas	-	Portsmouth	-	Standlynch.
"	"	"	"	"	Dornton.
"	"	"	"	"	White Parish.
"James and Anne" -	Brown	-	"	"	Hartsbourn Priors.
"	"	"	"	"	St. Mary Bourne.
"	"	"	"	"	Long Parish.
"Lavinia" - - - -	Martin	-	"	"	Whitshirebourne.
"Anne" - - - -	Long	- -	Lynn	- - -	Parish of Burnham Thorpe.
"Caroline" - - - -	Grieg	- -	London	- -	Saltwood.
"Carrion" - - - -	Elliot	- -	Yarmouth	- -	South Pickenham.
"Eurus" - - - -	Knox	- -	London	- -	Hoekering.

Containing in all 549 souls, who have arrived in good health, and principally gone to Upper Canada, and a few to the Eastern Townships.

Letter from  
Mr. Buchanan.

There have arrived eleven other vessels with emigrants, who have been assisted by their parishes to emigrate, amounting to 2,721 souls. These people, with the exception of a few, received their money on leaving England, and the consequence is, that very many, on their arrival here, were almost destitute, having spent their money in purchasing provisions and spirituous liquors from the captains during the voyage. This occurred particularly in the "Allandale," from Yarmouth, with 177 passengers, sent out by the Earl of Stradbroke. Some of them on their arrival here were almost destitute, and had scarcely sufficient means left to pay their expenses to Montreal. In my letter to his Lordship I took the liberty to mention, in the event of his assisting any more families to emigrate, the adoption of your printed instructions. There have been very many complaints made to this department by the passengers who have arrived from Liverpool, for imposition and detention, which is practised on them in that port.

In the case of the "Eliza," Captain Fox, which vessel was chartered by Messrs. Shaw & Co. to bring out emigrants, they were detained several days after the time fixed for sailing, and an overcharge for emigrant tax was made on the children under age, having charged 5s. currency per head; whereas the law allows two children under fourteen years, and three under seven years, for a full passenger.

I inclose you a list of the names of 17 families, who were overcharged to the amount of 57. 11s. sterling, and I hope you will be able to recover the same for these poor people. I did endeavour to make the captain responsible; but, on submitting the case to the Attorney-General, I found I could not do so legally, and have therefore to request your interference in this matter.

Messrs. Shaw & Co. have sent out a considerable number of emigrants this season, and there have been complaints made against them by them all for imposition and detention. A considerable number of them mentioned that they applied to the Government Agent in Liverpool, but could not get any redress. Several other cases of a similar nature have occurred in vessels with emigrants from Ireland and Scotland; and the passengers by the "Glasgow," from Greenock, were charged 10s. a head for tax.

It would be advisable if the Government Agents at the different ports were furnished with a copy of the provincial Statute, as far as relates to Emigration.

This tax was renewed last Session of the Provincial Legislature until the year 1838. It imposes a tax of 5s. currency on every passenger arriving from the United Kingdom over 14 years, and allows two children under 14, and three under seven years, for a full passenger.

A Report made a few days ago from the inspecting physician at Grosse Isle to the Governor in Chief, of a case of gross neglect on board the ship "Celia," which was chartered by Messrs. Shaw & Co., and the "Kingston," both from Liverpool, the former with 427, and the latter 347 passengers. The water casks of each were of so bad a quality, having pine heads, and otherwise insufficient, that a great portion of the water leaked out, and the passengers suffered the greatest inconvenience. In the first-named vessel, but five days' water remained on board on their arrival at Grosse Isle; and a few days after sailing, the whole of their berths, with the exception of four, fell down in a slight gale, and severely injured many of the passengers. In the "Kingston," though but thirty-nine days on her passage, the passengers were on short allowance of water for six days. I wish to make you acquainted with these facts, in hopes that such measures may be adopted as will prevent their occurring in future. I would beg to suggest, that, in sending out passengers in future, it would be well to prohibit the captain selling to them spirituous liquors, unless it was ordered by the medical attendant on board; as in very many instances those people who received their money through my hands were in debt to the captain to the amount of 12s. and 15s., which reduced their small allowance very much.

The emigrants have been very considerable this season: the number arrived up to the present date is 22,228 souls; and all those in want of employment have obtained orders for it immediately on their arrival here.

There are several thousand labourers at present wanted on the public works in Upper Canada. All descriptions of mechanics will meet with immediate employment and high wages on their arrival in the Eastern Townships and Upper Canada.

I have the honour to be, &c.,

(signed) A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

J. D. Pinnock, Esq.,  
Government Agent General, London.

LIST of PASSENGERS, per the "ELIZA," Captain Fox, from *Liverpool*, who were over-charged in the Emigrant Tax for their Children under 14 and 7 Years; say 4s. 6d. sterling, or 5s. currency, for each, which is the Tax for an Adult. Two Children under 14, and three under 7 Years, is allowed for a full Passenger.

Enclosure in  
Mr. Buchanan's  
Letter.

PARENTS' NAMES.	Under 14.	Under 7.	Amount charged.			The legal Charge.			The Sum overcharged.		
			£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Lawrence Kilroy - - -	1	- -	-	4	6	-	2	3	-	2	3
Ditto - - - - -	-	3	-	13	6	-	4	6	-	9	-
George Dorman - - -	3	- -	-	13	6	-	6	9	-	6	9
Ditto - - - - -	-	4	-	18	-	-	6	-	-	12	-
James Bourke - - -	-	1	-	4	6	-	1	6	-	3	-
James M'Elvin - - -	-	1	-	4	6	-	1	6	-	3	-
Edmund Murphy - - -	-	1	-	4	6	-	1	6	-	3	-
David Caren - - - -	-	2	-	9	-	-	3	-	-	6	-
Martin Kilroy - - -	-	3	-	13	6	-	4	6	-	9	-
John Kilroy, sen. - -	-	1	-	4	6	-	1	6	-	3	-
Michael Darby - - -	-	1	-	4	6	-	1	6	-	3	-
Honor Noonan - - -	-	2	-	9	-	-	3	-	-	6	-
Charles Buckley - -	-	1	-	4	6	-	1	6	-	3	-
George Alcock - - -	-	2	-	9	-	-	3	-	-	6	-
Dan. Hornabrook - -	-	2	-	9	-	-	3	-	-	6	-
Denis Conniff - - -	-	1	-	4	6	-	1	6	-	3	-
Lant. Rehoe - - - -	-	3	-	13	6	-	4	6	-	9	-
Robert Morrissey - -	-	2	-	9	-	-	3	-	-	6	-
John Kilroy, jun. - -	-	4	-	18	-	-	6	-	-	12	-
	4	34		8	11	-	3	-	-	5	11

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 20th May 1836.

Sir,

I BEG to inclose you the within statement relating to a few families sent out by the parish of Breamore, in Hants, county of Southampton, and as they have decided on settling in the Eastern Townships, I have taken the liberty of troubling you and requesting your interest in their favour. Letter to Mr. Webster.

I have received a very particular instruction with these families from J. D. Pinnock, Esq., Government Agent-General for Emigration, as also a sum of money to be distributed amongst them on their arrival here, and a further sum on their reaching their destination.

I beg to inclose you a draft on the Bank of Montreal for 14*l.* 8*s.* which you will please cause to be distributed in accordance with the inclosed statement; and you will have the goodness to cause duplicate receipts to be taken and forwarded me, that I may transmit them to the Government Agent-General.

Mr. Pinnock advises me that there will be four or five more vessels out this spring, with a similar description of emigrants; and I should be most happy to receive from you any suggestions which you might offer tending to advance the interests of the emigrants in general, and the probable prospect of employment which may be expected in your part of the country during the summer.

I have the honour to be, &c. &c. &c.

(signed) A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

A. C. Webster, Esq. Sub-Commissioner  
B. A. Land Company, Sherbrooke.

Office of the British American Land Company,  
Sherbrooke, 27th May 1836.

Sir,

I BEG to acknowledge the due receipt of your letter of the 20th instant, inclosing a list of persons forwarded *via* Port St. Francis to this place, and a bill of exchange on Montreal for the sum of 14*l.* 8*s.* to be distributed, under instructions annexed. Mr. Webster's Answer.

The emigrants themselves have not yet arrived, having been detained by a series of bad weather since their departure from Port St. Francis; I now, however, expect them hourly; and should they prove of respectability, with the inclination to be industrious, I have every confidence that a short period only will be required to place them in an independent situation. The funds remitted for their use shall be applied strictly in accordance with your directions, and I shall forward to you the vouchers in the form required.

Appendix.

Mr. Webster's  
Answer.

Mr. Yarwood, the company's agent for Montreal and Quebec, will shortly lay before you some information respecting the Eastern Townships of this province, and particularly the prospects of the labouring classes of emigrants to the country, as will place you in a situation fairly to judge of the comparative merits of the Upper and Lower Provinces as places of settlement.

In the mean time, and lest this information should fail to reach you so early as is now anticipated, I beg to say that throughout this part of the Lower Province, there now exists an extensive and steady demand for mechanics of almost all descriptions, as well as for agricultural labourers. The former receive wages varying from 5 s. to 10 s. per day. The latter 2 s. 6 d., and board is obtained inclusive of these rates. The company's undertakings employ at the present time a large number of hands of both classes, and such arrangements have been made as will secure full employment to any additional number which may be introduced into the country. In the common rates of wages afforded by the farmers and other residents in this part of the country to emigrants, will be found a sufficient encouragement to industry on the part of the latter; and even the means for their acquiring comparative wealth. Farm servants, with a knowledge of the modes of practice of the country, readily obtain from 12 to 15 dollars per month and their board and lodging, equal to from 36 l. to 45 l. per annum. Newly arrived immigrants naturally receive less, but the reduction is not more than from 2 dollars to 3 dollars per month, leaving from 10 dollars to 12 dollars as the wages per month for such persons as may now be expected to arrive. These rates it is the object of the company to maintain, as being neither so low as to induce the emigrant to proceed to Upper Canada or elsewhere, nor so high as to discourage an extension of agricultural and other improvements by the persons of capital disposed to attempt it. The company may be considered to guarantee to labourers 2 s. 6 d. Halifax currency per diem, and board or its equivalent, and further this rate will be paid in money weekly.

The expenses incurred in reaching Sherbrooke from the port of debarkation are trifling when compared with those which fall upon the immigrant in the course of a long journey to the Upper Province. From Port St. Francis, Sherbrooke is distant 90 miles only, and transport may be procured at the rate of 3 s. 9 d. per cwt. for this distance. Lands are to be procured by such persons as are desirous of forming settlements on the line of road from Port St. Francis to this place, or in its neighbourhood, and in this part of the province, on many extensive tracts, both wild and partly improved, in which purchases may be made at from 4 s. to 10 s. per acre, six years' credit being given for the payment of the instalments.

The company does not appropriate funds to the forwarding of settlers; nor do they receive direct assistance until inrolled in the company's labour lists. But not only are the company's agents instructed by every means to facilitate the transport of immigrants and their property into the country, but arrangements have been made here as well as at the new settlements at the Salmon River to secure the accommodation and comfort of all who appear calculated to benefit the country by their establishment within it.

I am, &amp;c. &amp;c.

(signed) A. C. Webster,  
Sub-Commissioner.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq., &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

Office of the British American Land Company,  
Sherbrooke, 27th August 1836.

Dear Sir,

I HAVE to acknowledge your letter of the 15th instant, received during my absence from this place.

The party of immigrants to whom it had reference duly reached their destination, and received every assistance which it was in the power of the Company to provide.

They were all furnished with employment without delay; and I have no doubt that they will, in common with those who have preceded them on this route, find ample room for the exercise of their industry, with benefit to themselves as well as to the country.

The sum of money which you advise, as expected, to be forwarded for distribution among these people, shall be duly paid them, under your instructions, when received.

I am, &amp;c.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq.  
&c. &c. &c.

(signed) A. C. Webster.

Office of His Majesty's Chief Agent for the Superintendence of Emigration  
in Upper and Lower Canada, Quebec, 2d September 1836.

Sir,

I HAVE much pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of your favour of the 27th ultimo, and am glad to hear such favourable accounts of the small party of immigrants per "Hartley."

I received, a few days since, from the Rev. Mr. Dallas, the money intended for them; and inclosed you have a list, showing the balance due to each family, amounting to 54l. 15s. currency, which you have inclosed in Bank of Montreal notes (say 219 dollars), and which I shall feel obliged by your having distributed at your earliest convenience, in accordance with the inclosed. There was one young man, Thomas Baverstock, who was detained at

Grosse

Letter to  
Mr. Buchanan.Mr. Buchanan's  
Answer.

Grosse Isle sick, and did not go up with the rest; but I believe he has since gone. You will oblige me by making inquiry among his fellow passengers respecting him; and should he not have gone to your part of the country, you can return me his money (2*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.*) by any favourable opportunity you may find. Mr. Buchanan's Answer.

Among the arrivals to-day, is the brig "Indemnity," from Yarmouth, with 178 passengers, who are all going to your part of the country. The vessel proceeds, to-morrow, by steam-boat to Port St. Francis.

I remain, &c.

A. C. Webster, Esq.  
&c. &c. &c.

(signed) A. C. Buchanan, jun.,  
Acting Chief Agent.

Office of the British American Land Company,  
Sherbrooke, 12th October 1836.

Dear Sir,

I BEG now to inclose receipts in duplicate for the several payments required to be made under the terms of your letters of the 20th May and 2d September last, many of the parties having left this place for their settlements previously to the receipt of the remittance made by the latter opportunity. I have been prevented, until now, from furnishing you with these vouchers. With the exception of Charles Baverstock, who is supposed to have remained at the quarantine station, all the persons designated have received their proportions of the fund; and I trust the receipts will be found in the correct form, and corresponding to the payments. Letter from Mr. Webster.

The amount payable to Baverstock is now inclosed, as desired by you.

I was gratified in being enabled to state, that persons whom you forwarded to this part of the country generally, but particularly the members of the two parties for whose benefit the remittances were made through the company's hands, have succeeded in the objects of their emigration from England. They have, without difficulty, found employment, whether as day labourers or as farm servants, on permanent engagements: in the former case, receiving not less than 4*s.* 2*d.* per day; in the latter, from 40*s.* to 60*s.* per month, with board and lodging. A large proportion, including all the families, have established themselves on the company's lands, and are now comfortably settled, with the means in their possession of supporting themselves throughout the winter, and of preparing a portion of their land (from three to six acres per family) for the reception of seed grain, pulse, roots, &c., at the proper season next year. I may mention, that the first party forwarded arrived sufficiently early to be assisted in clearing a small portion of land, and in planting it with potatoes; and these persons have now the advantage of a very tolerable crop of this valuable root, as a provision for the ensuing winter.

I am, &c.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq.  
&c. &c. &c.

(signed) A. C. Webster, Sub-Commissioner.

Office of the British American Land Company,  
Sherbrooke, 13th November 1836.

Dear Sir,

I HAVE great pleasure in replying to your letter of the 7th instant, and should have been glad if the means within my reach had enabled me to furnish you with statements respecting the immigration to this part of the province, during the past season, more in detail than those now supplied. Letter from Mr. Webster.

The number of families of settlers established on the Company's lands amounts at this time to 400, including only those who have made purchases and are actually residing on their lots. The larger portion of them are within the settlement of Victoria, occupying the township of Bury and parts of Lingwick and Hampden; the remainder are established on scattered lands throughout the country. The returns from the former settlement cannot, at the present moment, be made up, and I am consequently unable to give the exact number of the population; but having correct statements of the number of persons forwarded from hence, I can judge of the number actually settled on the lands, exclusive, of course, of all settlers not immigrants of the past year. There remains in Sherbrooke and in the neighbourhood a much larger number of immigrants, whose views have been directed to the obtaining of employment alone, and who have not been disposed to make purchase of land. There are also many persons who have left this part of the country for the present, and who will only return to it on obtaining the means to purchase lands and establish themselves independently. Taking these classes together, and considering them as permanent residents, I estimate the proportion of the immigration of the past season not secured as an increase of population as very small.

With respect to the total number of persons who have entered the Eastern Townships, I cannot confidently speak, there having been no precise means of ascertaining it. The company's agents at William Henry and Port St. Francis have kept lists of immigrants landed at these places; but as the routes from Montreal, from Quebec, from New York, from Boston and from Portland, have all been employed for the ingress of settlers, it will be perceived that no correct account of their numbers could be made up. From the returns of the company's agents, and fair estimates of the numbers received through other channels, I am

Letter from  
Mr. Webster.

led to compute the immigration to the Eastern Townships, in 1836, at 6,000. In this number are, however, included some Americans, and many persons from Upper Canada, from New Brunswick and from Cape Breton.

The majority of the immigrants have been of the labouring classes; but some mechanics have entered the country, and a number of persons of the superior classes and possessing moderate capital, have also added themselves to the population. The two first have readily found employment, the ordinary labourers receiving 2 s. 6 d., and the mechanics from 5 s. to 10 s. per day, exclusive of board; and the demand for mechanics of nearly every description continues. The public works carried on by the company having furnished employment for the labouring class throughout the summer, and being now necessarily stopped, there is not at the present time so general a demand for labourers as existed during the season of immigration. But so large a proportion of the immigrants having been provided with lands on which to employ themselves when work is less easily found, the remainder have not experienced any considerable difficulty in procuring situations affording the means of subsistence through the winter, nor is there any considerable reduction from the summer rate of wages now enforced upon them. I am led to believe therefore that no class of the last year's immigrants will meet with real difficulty in supporting themselves through this their first winter. And as works of equal, if not of greater extent, will be carried on next year, I am encouraged to look for the very general success of the entire new population. With respect to the company's settlers, the progress already made is a sufficient guarantee for their further advance; and being in some degree assisted by the company, they cannot fail to secure ample means of present subsistence, while they prepare for taking full advantage of the employment that will be continued to be furnished to them.

I remain, &c.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq., &c. &c. &c.

(signed) A. C. Webster,  
Sub-Commissioner.

Emigrant Office, Toronto, 5th July 1836.

Sir,

Letter from  
Mr. Hawke.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st May last, and weekly returns of emigrants arrived at Quebec from 11th May to 25th June, addressed to John Joseph, Esq.

I should have written you at an earlier date, but in consequence of the continued indisposition of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, I have been obliged to superintend the affairs of his office, as well as my own. I trust however that I shall find leisure to write you at length on the subjects you refer to in the course of a few days.

Your favour of the 20th June, inclosing a draft on the Montreal Bank for 62 l. 6 s. 10 d. (say 62 l. 6 s. 10 d. currency) to be distributed among a party of emigrants sent out by J. Motteaux, of Beachamwell Hall, county of Norfolk, Esq., is also before me; and I have this day endorsed the same and inclosed it to William Kingsmill, Esq., of Port Hope, with the request that he will pay the parties the sums opposite their respective names and transmit the receipts to you.

With reference to the 2 l. 12 s. 10 d. to cover any unavoidable expenses, I have requested Mr. Kingsmill to distribute it among them in equal proportions, unless any expenses have been incurred, of which I am not aware.

I have, &c.

A. C. Buchanan, Esq., Quebec.

(signed) A. B. Hawke.

