

each of the years named, who stated their intention of settling in Canada :

IMMIGRANT SETTLERS IN CANADA, 1880-1887.

1880.....	38,505
1881.....	47,991
1882.....	112,458
1883.....	133,624
1884.....	103,824
1885.....	79,169
1886.....	69,152
1887.....	84,526

485. It is stated that 27,390 persons went into Manitoba and the North-West Territories during the year, and that 5,705 persons went out, making the net total number of settlers 21,685, leaving 62,841 persons as settlers in other parts of the Dominion.

Settlers in
the North-
West.

486. Assisted passages were granted during the year to agricultural labourers and their families, and to female domestic servants, but the Government have decided to change their policy in this respect, and no assisted passage tickets have been granted since the 27th of April in the present year, it being now their intention to encourage desirable immigration in every possible way, except that of paying any part of the passage money, or arranging for tickets at reduced rates. In a country situated geographically as Canada is, it is impossible to organize any system by which the ultimate destination of the immigrants can be guaranteed. It is hoped that the new policy will not cause any material check in the immigration of desirable classes, and it is to be remarked that the conditions are now different than those which obtained when the assisted passage policy was inaugurated.

Discon-
tinuance
of assisted
passages.

487. Some of the Australasian colonies did offer large inducements in the way of free and assisted passages, but with one exception, they have at present withdrawn from

Assisted
passages
in Aus-
tralasian
colonies.