

secured employment on railway construction. The splendid character and quality of the immigrants from the United States is matter of special comment. The value of the money and effects brought in by the 58,312 immigrants from the United States in 1907-08 is estimated at about \$52,000,000, or nearly \$1,000 per head. Forty-eight thousand of these American arrivals took up homesteads; most of the remaining immigrants purchased land and went into farming, a life that 90 per cent of them had been following in their old home.

Juvenile immigration from United Kingdom.

During the year 1907-08 2,375 juvenile immigrants were brought over to Canada by British charitable and philanthropic institutions, all being subject to careful inspection in Canada by officers of the Department of the Interior. High praise is given to this work by Dr. T. J. Macnamara, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the British Local Government Board, who in a letter to Sir Wilfrid Laurier wrote :

I should like to say what very real pleasure it has given me to note the extraordinary kindness with which your people in Canada treat these children, and to say also how very much I appreciate the care which your officers of the Department of the Interior take to keep an eye on them. Nothing has given me such real pleasure during my three months at the Local Government Board as the reading of the reports.

Immigration during the calendar years 1905-08.

The following table shows for the four calendar years 1905-08 the total number of immigrants by principal countries of origin. Amongst the orientals are included Hindoos, Chinese, Syrians, Arabians, Egyptians, etc.

	1905	1906	1907	1908
United Kingdom—				
English	49,321	72,360	98,808	39,805
Welsh	762	905	1,054	528
Scotch	11,393	18,631	25,187	11,676
Irish	3,924	5,861	7,011	3,718
Other British Possessions	765	955	4,324	2,785
United States	44,532	63,782	56,687	57,213
Europe—				
France	1,403	2,029	2,640	1,944
Italy	4,278	9,217	13,076	4,006
Belgium	932	1,167	1,300	775
Germany	2,114	2,689	2,511	1,386
Austria-Hungary	10,393	10,754	22,305	11,021
Russia	3,877	4,658	7,932	3,868
Norway	1,291	1,573	1,707	654
Sweden	1,680	1,881	2,266	1,015
Other countries	8,544	13,580	17,067	4,615
Oriental and negroes	1,413	5,870	13,498	3,691
Totals	146,622	215,912	277,373	148,700