

IMMIGRATION.

Her Majesty's Emigration Commissioners in London, England, by their Agents at the various ports, procure and give gratuitously information as to the sailing of ships and the means of accommodation for emigrants, and, whenever applied to for that purpose, see that all arrangements between ship-owners, agents, masters and intending emigrants are duly and satisfactorily performed. They enforce strict compliance with the provisions of the Imperial Passenger Act, which compel all British vessels taking passengers to have sufficient and proper accommodation and provisions for them. They also afford all the assistance in their power to protect intending emigrants against fraud and imposition, and endeavour to obtain redress when injury has been inflicted upon them.

Their officers, in the United Kingdom, are:—Commander Lean, R.N., London, 65 Fenchurch Street; Commander Prior, R.N., Liverpool; R. A. Smith, Esq., R.N., Southampton; Captain Stoll, R.N., Plymouth; Captain McKenzie, R.N., Glasgow and Greenock; Captain Kerr, R.N., Cork; Captain Gough, R.N., Londonderry.

CANADA.

The principles upon which the Government of Canada acts with respect to immigration are:

To afford to the emigrating classes in Great Britain and several other European countries correct information respecting the position and resources of the country, the rewards offered for labour, and the cost of living.

To avoid most carefully, in so doing, all statements which would lead intending emigrants to form too sanguine estimates respecting their prospects.

To give to emigrants, on their arrival, the advantage of official, and therefore disinterested superintendence and advice. To inform them in what part employment for their particular industry is most likely to be found, and, in certain cases, to continue this care until they reach their destination or find places. Also to furnish information as to the quantity, quality, and price of Crown lands open for settlement in the various districts.

The Government Immigration Agents in Canada are: A. C. Buchanan, Esq., Chief Agent for Canada,—old Custom House, Quebec; L. Stafford, Esq., Assistant, Grand Trunk Railway Station, Point Levi; J. H. Daly, Esq., Montreal; A. J. Wells, Esq., Ottawa; J. McPherson, Esq., Kingston; J. A. Donaldson, Esq., Toronto; R. H. Rae, Esq., Hamilton.

These gentlemen, in addition to discharging the above duties, will receive and forward letters, (post-paid) and remittances from persons who have settled here, for their friends in Europe.

From 1829 to 1865 inclusive, 1,034,765 emigrants arrived at the port of Quebec, the arrivals since 1852 being given in the annexed Table:—

Country whence they arrived.	1852	1853	1854	1855	1856	1857	1858	1859	1860	1861	1862	1863	1864	1865
England	9,276	9,585	18,175	6,754	10,353	15,471	6,441	4,846	6,481	7,750	6,877	6,317	5,013	9,296
Ireland	15,983	14,417	16,165	4,106	1,688	2,016	1,153	417	376	413	4,515	4,949	3,767	4,682
Scotland	5,477	4,745	6,446	4,859	2,794	3,218	1,424	793	979	1,112	2,979	3,959	2,914	2,601
Continent of Europe	7,256	7,456	11,537	4,864	7,343	11,368	3,578	2,722	2,314	10,618	7,728	4,182	7,453	4,770
Other Ports	1,181	496	857	691	261	24	214	---	---	---	47	12	---	6
Totals	39,176	36,699	53,181	21,274	22,439	32,097	12,810	8,778	10,150	19,923	22,176	19,419	19,147	21,355

The emigrants of 1865 were conveyed out as under—the table also showing their nationalities:—

	English.	Irish.	Scotch.	Germans and Prussians.	Norwegians, Swedes and Danes.	Other Countries.	Total.
Ocean Mail Steamers	4,475	4,149	194	783	643	726	10,970
Glasgow Steamers	203	2,547	1,890	---	112	77	4,829
London Steamers	323	90	1	5	170	45	634
Sailing Ships, England	69	---	---	---	---	---	69
do Ireland	---	50	6	---	---	---	56
do Scotland	---	---	21	---	---	---	21
do Germany	---	---	---	1,308	76	---	1,384
do Norway & Sweden	---	---	---	---	3,380	---	3,380
do Other Countries	---	---	---	---	1	11	12
Totals	5,070	6,836	2,112	2,096	4,382	859	21,355

Of these, 10,435 were adults, whose callings are thus classified by Mr. Buchanan, from whose admirable report all the figures in this statement have been taken:—

Farmers, 2,339; Laborers, 4,036; Mechanics, Tradesmen, &c., 3,148; Professional men, 433; Servants (male) 5; Clerks, &c., 460.

The total immigration into Canada in 1865, at all points, with an approximate estimate of their distribution, is reported to have been as under:—

LANDED AT QUEBEC IN 1865,—19,795 steerage passengers, of whom there remained in Canada	4,577
ARRIVED IN CANADA FROM THE STATES—By Suspension Bridge and Detroit, as per return of Hamilton Agent 25,748, of whom remained in Canada	11,276
By Steamers on Lake Ontario, from Rochester and Oswego, as per return of Toronto Agent	68
By Steamers from Oswego and Cape St. Vincent, as per return of Kingston Agent	1,446
Number who reached the Ottawa Agency, as per return of Mr. Wells	193
By Lake Champlain to Montreal, as per return of Mr. Daley	624
By Steamers from Portland, from 1st January to 27th April	610
Do do from 23rd November to 31st December	164
Total remaining in Canada	18,958

Of which number about 16,000 appear to have settled in Upper Canada, and the remainder in Lower Canada.