

reasonable policy that can be worked out with great advantage to all classes.

The immediate occasion for Mr. Scott's statement was an article which appeared in The Globe recently directing the attention of the Department to the murder of a Croatian on the day of his arrival in Toronto from his native land, the murderer being also a Croat or Serb. It was urged that no commissions should be paid on immigrants booked from countries other than those of northern Europe. A statement by Hon. Frank Oliver in the Commons on January 15 shows that Austria-Hungary, from which these most undesirable citizens came, is one of the countries respecting which provision is made for the granting of bonuses to booking agents. Mr. Scott now supplements this statement with the very satisfactory assurance that Slavs coming to this country are coming without any Governmental inducements whatever, direct or indirect. Mr. Scott states that booking agents have been selected in only the following countries:—Norway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, France, and Finland. It will be observed that these do not include Austria-Hungary or Russia proper. No bonuses have been payable or have been paid by the Department on citizens coming from those countries since November, 1906.

Canada will continue to draw immigrants from southeastern Europe as the United States does to-day, but The Globe is glad to have these official statements that no endeavor is being made on the part of the Immigration Department to attract them. The overflow from northern Europe and from our kindred of the United States will fill up our vacant lands in good time.

#### THE IMMIGRATION POLICY.

Mr. W. D. Scott, Superintendent of Immigration, in a very complete statement of the policy of the Department published in another column, makes the position of the authorities at Ottawa in respect to undesirable immigrants quite clear. The intention is to continue the policy of aggressive attraction of farmers, farm laborers, and others who will go directly upon the land, as well as of domestic servants, and at the same time to exclude or make difficult by restriction the immigration of persons who are undesirable either because of racial or personal characteristics, or because there is no demand for the sort of service they are prepared to offer. The people of Canada generally will recognize this as a wise and