

NEW RATES DIVERT IMMIGRANTS FROM SOO

Are Now Travelling Through St. Paul to the Canadian Northwest.

For some time immigration from lower Michigan to Canada has not been quite so extensive as from other parts of the United States. A large part of the population of Michigan and Wisconsin is of a farming class but owing to the high price of land and the scarcity of it, there has been a continual emigration.

This was much impeded by the fact that all C.P.R. lines give colonists a special rate on freight and a one-cent a mile passenger rate. This rate could only be granted in two places, one in Detroit and the other in Marquette. Lately, the C.P.R. having secured control of the D.S.S. & A. this rate has become effective on that road and all C.P.R. Agents on lines there can give this permit.

This at once threw immigration in a part away from the Sault as colonists travel via Minneapolis and St. Paul and would have been about 800 miles out of their way by travelling via the Soo, Sudbury and the main line of the C. P. R. to the Canadian northwest.

Residents of the Sault can well look forward to the completion of the A. C.R., since, if that railway also gives rate immigration will again be diverted to the Sault.