

Annually, many die from famine, from diseases brought on by intemperance or worse vices, and in a few years the Country will be deserted. The Chase diminishes every day. The Trader finding no occupation will be forced to take the Plough and raise enough of Corn to feed himself. This in fact is a change of which we already see the effects at several of the Posts. The present Leases of the Posts ought not to be renewed. Surveys of the tract ought to be authorized and the Land sold to the highest Bidder in Lots, on condition of immediate settlement. In a few years the Government would draw a much larger Income from it than it does now, would have added many to the number of its Subjects, and instead of fostering a system, vicious in itself, already unprofitable to all, would open new Sources of Wealth.