

practice, and shew to the inhabitants of the Parishes that they are easy and profitable. The Legislature might greatly promote them: but the difficulties are yet great, the habits of the people, living with contented indifference on what they can get by their present mode, so much so that year after year they go on getting sometimes not more than the seed corn at others about 1, 2, 3 or 4 to 1 increase; whereas 20 to 1 is sometimes the increase of other countries. And their poverty prevents many of them from attempting improvements; their present labours taking up all the time of those that have not grown up children, and when the children do grow up, they are either sent to the towns, the Upper Province or on new concessions, when by the cultivation of the *En Friche* lands they might be kept at home with more advantage to their country.

But it must be by example only of a more productive mode of agriculture plainly visible to their eyes and feelings, by the successful and profitable practice of a better mode of farming by their neighbours on these agricultural farms employed or encouraged by the Legislature, or societies of agriculture, or some other description such as emigrant societies, it must be by such means as these only where they see that more profit is made by this mode than by their own, and where they feel a jealousy arising therefrom, or that their neighbours on their farms raise more produce for sale than they do, and can perhaps undersell them. For this end it would be better that these agricultural farms should be conducted by French Canadian farmers, owners of the same, but engaged by the Legislature or societies to adopt the modern agriculture of rotation crops &c: under the direction of persons well understanding the same. Each of these should also be interested in introducing this practice into the country by rewards proportioned to their success, or some such mode.

The capital improvements required are five, viz: Agricultural grasses on and ploughing and sowing their hay lands, pasturage for their cattle instead of their *en friche* "herbage."

Composts or manures for rotation turnip, pease, beans, clover, or potatoe crops and claying the sandy or gravelly uplands, and if to these are joined a better practice of husbandry in tilling, cleaning and laying out the lands, agriculture will be in as good a state as can be looked for in a young country where taxes and rents are low and land so cheap.

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#### ERRATA IN ORIGINAL SOURCES OF HEALTH, &c.

No. 11, Pa. 105; line 3rd, for *sweetened* read *strengthened*; and line 24, for *free sentiments* read *presentiments*; and line 27, for