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PLAN FOR ORGANIZATION OF A MODEL FARM AT LA TORTUE. SUBMITTED BY M. OSSAYE, DIRECTOR, TO THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

Gentlemen,—The 3darticle of agreement between the Lower Canada Agricultural Society and the director of the model farm is in these terms:—

"The choice of an assistant is left without reserve to the director; as to the
management of the soil, and the mode of
cultivation, these will be submitted in a
plan by the director to the committee,
where it will be discussed and, the plan once
fixed upon will then be considered the
rule by which the director is to be guided, without being interfered with at all, as to
the means he may consider fittest for its
execution.

This article has no need of comment on my part. In adopting it, I, as well as yourselves, have been impressed with the idea that the plan for the general organization of the farm ought to be submitted for revisal to the Committee of management, but that the means of its execution, and all details should be left entirely to the discretion of the person to whom you have confided its management.

To merit your confidence, and gain that of the public, so necessary to the success of our establishment, I believed it my duty to submit to you to-day more than a plan for the organization of the farm. I have, in fact, to make you, if I may so express myself, my profession of agricultural faith; for it is of much importance to you, and still more so to the agriculturists, -in whose behalf, you have given me situation I now hold, to know the principles upon which the organization of the farm shall be based, its system of cultivation, and the teaching of the college, or, in other words, the good or evil genius which shall preside over the institution.

In thus developing to you the plan