

nized that none but the most intelligent methods can make a farmer successful. A College of Agriculture must be, then, one of the most important of those constituting any Canadian university. In order that the different parts of the university may be in touch with one another and constitute one coherent whole, they must be placed close together. The agricultural college can only exist in the country; therefore the necessity for its presence constitutes a strong argument for giving the whole university a rural situation. In an article intended to be read by Canadians, it is scarcely necessary to insist upon the importance of instruction in farming. The Canadian Dominion and Provincial Governments already eagerly support Experimental Farms and Schools of Agriculture. These institutions, with the Department of Agriculture, have done much to awaken an appreciation of the importance of proper methods in farming. Their work must be reinforced and completed by courses of instruction in Canadian universities, where the farmer may be taught his profession with the same care and accuracy as the doctor or lawyer is taught his.

The second consideration, which makes it desirable that a university should be placed in the country, is urged strongly by the results of the work of the Royal Commission appointed to enquire into the cause of the deterioration which has occurred in the physique of the inhabitants of Great Britain. This Commission reported that town-living is the most important of the causes tending to lessen the strength and robustness of the bodies of those living in Great Britain, and it reported that working-class families moving to the towns from the country rarely survive for more than two generations in their new environment. The "back-to-the-land" movement in Great Britain, which aims at emptying the crowded quarters of large towns and at establishing their inhabitants in the country, has received a great impetus from the report of this Commission. A similar condition of affairs should never exist in Canada; the congestion of massed populations should never be permitted. We Canadians living to-day,