

air pure ; the situation admirably adapted to commercial pursuits. These are permanent advantages, and may reasonably be expected to be attended with permanent effects. In consequence of their operation, the country may long be expected to rise in opulence, and in number of inhabitants. With this increase, however, of commerce and riches, we must look for the same disadvantages which other countries have derived from the same causes. Vices will multiply, and all sorts of degeneracy commonly arising from increased affluence and abundance of the conveniencies of life. It is, therefore, highly necessary to make some provision against this certain and coming evil. Instruction is the only means that can be devised, for preparing the minds of the lower orders to resist the additional temptations which they will then have, to imitate the increasing prodigality and debauchery of their superiors. This is the only means that can be expected to cure that improvident spirit; for which they are already but too remarkable, and which will certainly grow upon them by imitation and example. And though this remedy cannot be expected to remove the evil entirely ; it is yet the only one which can be employed with any prospect of success, and, at all events, it will most certainly be attended with numerous, and permanent advantages.

THE education of the people at large in this Province, is the only means of uniting the inhabitants of Canada. It is by this means that they may be blended into one people. While the lower classes remain wholly ignorant, there will never be wanting among their superiors,