

the position of the farm-laborers in England, their condition here is infinitely superior. I speak from actual knowledge of those who have come out from the counties of Kent, Cambridge, and Rutland. If the British Government could send out some free of expense every year, they might be settled advantageously, and become useful additions to our population. We want producers at this time in greater number, and not consumers. As compared with Canada, as far as by other but limited goes, our advantage is in the ease with which prairie land is brought under. The clearance in Canada seemed to me to be effected with difficulty; here it is easy, and in a very few years the farm can be in good order.

On the ground of education, let none fear to make trial of the country. The parochial school connected with my own church, is equal to most parochial schools which I have known in England, in range of subjects, superior to most, though in method and in the apparatus of the school necessarily a little inferior.

I look forward with much hope to the effect of the new road which your Commissioners are opening from Red River to the Lake of the Woods. It is thought to be about 96 or 100 miles in length. I should much like that we should have a station on the lake. If I could find some of our young men willing to go out and take up land there, I should be willing to promise them a clergyman, a church and school, and it would soon grow into a town. If you could at the same time plant some Canada settlers at Fort William, or at some other spot on the northern shore of Lake Superior, the communication would virtually be opened. Until this is done, all the traffic will be through the United States, *via* St. Paul's.

I shall hope to have a few lines from you acknowledging the receipt of this letter, and if you can persuade the Educational Department to admit us, as a special and peculiar case, as purchasers of books and apparatus on the same terms as their own schools, or on some modification of the terms, it would tend, I am sure, to cement that union between the two countries which is now, in the providence of God, advancing slowly but securely from year to year.