

ers, every thing considered. Upper Canada has a richer, stronger soil, but it is far from market, both for imports and exports; and in many parts of it they have no good water. Besides, almost every one that goes there takes the fever and ague; and other fevers, which they call the lake fever and cannon fever, are also prevalent. It has been the scene of contending armies, and may again be the same. New Brunswick, including St John's and Miramichi, has a soil in general more sandy and light, except a long way up St John's River, than that of Prince Edward Island. Nova Scotia and Cape Breton have timber as heavy as it is upon the Island; and after that is cleared away, the stones found upon many parts require as much labour as the wood to clear the soil, and make it fit for agriculture. And the grain and potatoes are seldom so good in their quality as upon the Island, and much oftener a failing crop is to be expected from the injurious nature of the fogs and blighting damps. And as the Island has the most pure and healthful air, water of the very best quality in numerous springs, or at no great depth to sink for, a dry pleasant soil for cultivation when once cleared of the timber, almost the whole of it sufficiently level for all the purposes of agriculture, and seldom a failing crop but when the cultivator has himself to blame for it—its local situation the most convenient for trading in all directions, and none of the inland parts far from the shore, protected on all sides from the rude incursions of a foreign foe, and requiring only more settlers, more mechanics of every kind, more clearances, better roads and bridges, oat and barley mills, &c. to render it as pleasant a place to live in as the climate will admit of.—I am, &c.

TO THE READER.

For want of room, I have been obliged to suppress the Description of the Fruit Trees, and various productions of the Garden. The History of the Island, and the State of Religion there, I may treat of in another publication, if the present is well received by the public.

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