

when, all the while, the remedy of most of the hardships they complain of is in their own hands, if they would only open their eyes to perceive it, and put forth the energy that is necessary to apply it. I trust that a better day is now beginning. Some individuals have shown how much may be accomplished by skill and activity. Others, I hope, will follow their example; and, ere long, New Brunswick will be independent of other countries for the supply of her bread-stuffs, for which such sums are now annually drawn from her not very abundant capital. I would say to the inhabitants of this land, of every class, in the words of Thomson—

"Venerate the plough!
 "In ancient times, the sacred plough employed
 The kings and awful fathers of mankind:
 And some, compared with whom your insect-tribes
 Are but the beings of a summer's day,
 Have held the scale of empire, ruled the storm
 Of mighty war; then, with unwearied hand,
 Disdaining little delicacies, seized
 The plough, and greatly independent lived."

In the month of May, Dr. Jack read a very able paper on the Plurality of Worlds. At the time when you were listening to it, I was tossing upon the waves of the Bay of Fundy, being then on my way to Canada. I had not, therefore, the pleasure of hearing the Paper read by its learned author; nor did I enjoy the benefits of the remarks that were made upon it by the members, on the occasion of its delivery. It has since, however, been put into my hands, and I have perused it with great attention and unmingled delight.

The question must, I think, have suggested itself to the reflecting mind from the beginning—What purpose were those brilliant bodies that bedeck the heavens designed to serve? Were they merely intended to shed a lustre over the globe we inhabit; or to furnish a richer treat to the eye of the contemplative admirer of the Almighty's handiwork? Before the invention of the Telescope, little was known of the number, and still less of the individual size, of these bodies; and up to that time, so far as I am aware, the question was never raised, whether or not they were inhabited by beings like ourselves. Modern discoveries, however, having enlarged our conceptions of the boundless extent of the visible creation, and shown the