

work is concerned, is, that the market has, on account of the high protection in the United States to a great extent, and the comparatively limited character of the local market, not been sufficiently large to warrant operations on a more extensive scale than he had previously undertaken them. Now, however, things have changed, and the British market is virtually becoming closer every day, as finer lines of steamships are being put on the route between British ports and St. John, N. B.

The Kennebecasis valley is especially well situated for raising produce in large quantities for the British market. Through its whole length, with numerous stations, runs the Intercolonial Railway, with many trains a day passing in both directions. Sussex is but forty miles from St. John, a little over an hour's run under ordinary circumstances and including stops. This being the case, it can be readily seen that shipment of produce could nowhere be carried on more readily, but a single change being necessary after it is placed on the car.

Let us now look a little more closely at the conditions as they actually present themselves in this section of the country. Again leaving Sussex, let us drive, we will say, in an easterly direction up the valley. As soon in this case, as we strike the limits of the town, the same panorama of farms stretches before us as when driving in the opposite direction. This, however, is true irrespective of the road you take. Now we will come to a farm-house, set well back from the road and surrounded by willows, elms, butternuts and one or two other varieties of shade and ornamental trees. Here and there a few Lombardy poplars will suggest some parts of France, and again the thick, wavy-edged leaves of the oak recalls another country very much dearer to the Canadian. English and Canadian oaks here grow side by side; an elm or two, with an occasional willow will stand out in the centre of some great field of oats, that by the middle of August, is yellowing at the approach of harvest time. Beyond them, again, are fifteen or twenty acres of land, from which the hay has been cut, and which is now covered with