

farm-seekers. This should be easily obtained from the railway people, because no matter how small the fare or how few the number travelling on such business the railway company will stand to gain, not lose. It would be a new business, a new income, something every railway company pays attention to, and is very anxious to secure, especially as it is a business having for its aim the settling of people along their own road, on which the success of every railroad so much depends.

These matters of free homesteads and special railway fares for farm-seekers and settlers are so important and necessary to the people, the government, and railway company, that I hope to see all take joint interest in the matter.

THE FARMER.

After all, what life is better than the farmer's. He is a happy man. Happier by far than his brothers in the city. He is a stronger, a healthier man. Though he may not have a dollar in his name, he is satisfied with himself and his surroundings. Better satisfied than is the well-to-do dealer in the city. The farmer is paying no rent; every day's work is done for himself. In the evenings we may find him tired, but he is strong and hearty. If the season's hay-crop is not good he can sell some of his cattle. If the potato-crop is not good, the chances are the turnip-crop is, and so on. If he falls sick for a few days he may be worried a little over the loss of time, but he is not nearly as wretched as his city brother would be if he were not able to go to work when his office-hours come round. His brain begins to reel with thoughts of the rent bill, his loss of business that day, or the losing of some chance or deal on which perhaps his whole year's livelihood depends.