

in the hands of the Government, \$30,000 of which could be advanced to persons who may be willing, but have not the means to take homesteads in the interior. Such an amount would give at least fifty families a good start on free homesteads in any part of the Island. \$20,000 more could be well spent in establishing Agricultural Societies throughout the Colony, and the balance of \$22,000 would be sufficient to pay for new material used in repairing bridges, wharves, etc., during the year.

All this could be done with that one year's Road Grant, and hundreds of families could be placed on farms every year since then, because the keeping up of the Experimental Farm would not take much, being well stocked at first, or another year's grant could be used in establishing an Agricultural School in connection with the Experimental Farm, where the growing up population would receive a good training for farm-work, on a guarantee, however, that after taking such a course they will settle on a homestead in some part of the country.

Perhaps the reader has already sufficient proof that the thousands of dollars the government finds necessary to pay for work on roads and bridges would greatly promote our efforts in farming, and open up the country in a very short time, thus keeping hundreds of our people at home.

EXPERIMENTAL FARM.

There are a few things more I wish to say regarding the Experimental Farm and Agricultural Societies. Besides existing for the purpose of proving to the country and the world the fertility of Newfoundland soil, the farm should be a great producer clear of the experimenting