

various facilities, as regards fish-offal, and such manures, which should frequently be used instead of sea weed;—and, in several respects, the full benefit is not obtained from the means of humble comfort, which are within the reach of honest industry. This is matter of regret and remedy;—it does not arise from inactivity, or want of means, generally speaking, but from inattention, and the absence of that education which would greatly increase the general intelligence. In places where Schools and Churches appear, the soil and the dwellings almost invariably improve in character; showing that comfort and prosperity are always connected with intellectual and moral advancement.—Modern farming implements are unknown in some Settlements,—sleds are used summer and winter, and, from Miramichi to Canso, the Missionary did not see a cart or wagon. Such matters mark privations which should rather be allowed to continue among an industrious and well informed people.

Though the scenery of the coast is impressive, and occasionally grand, the difficulties in the way of a traveller make the course irksome, except he be impelled by higher motives than those of the tourist. The desire to raise and inform, to save from evil and to do good, may well triumph over much greater obstacles than those presented on the shores of Nova-Scotia. They have impelled men to visit dungeons and deserts, to dare pestilential swamps, and to face death in many forms. Still the toil of travelling along a coast where roads are scarcely known, is great, compared with the same number of miles in more favoured parts; a guide is required between the Settlements; and, on the water, frequently, while cheerful beams enliven the interior, dense fogs prevail, adding to apprehended dangers from shoals and rocks.

Much diversity, in personal characteristics, appears along the coast. A traveller sees, broadly marked, the various races which agree in making the Province their home. The aboriginal inhabitants have there the wigwam and canoe,—the descendants of the Pastoral Acadians retain the simple, hospitable manners of other days,—Germans and Dutch exhibit the sturdy industry