

mashed with a few potatoes, are not bad food); the seed is not expensive; sow it thick, that the lly may have his share, and leave a share for you also. The second year, sow the potato and turnip land with some wheat and some oats; try some rye also—it is a sure crop, and if the wheat fails, will make excellent bread; and if you sell it, the brewers will give you three shillings and six pence to four shillings per bushel for it. Unless the land is very good, you should not take another grain crop off the same piece of ground; but if it is very strong, you may sow oats or rye on it the third year also; sow grass seeds, red and white clover, and timothy as liberally as you can afford, with either the first or second grain crop, according as you intend it to be the last. The next year you will cut the hay. Now you should not cut hay on this ground another year, unless you top dress the land; if you can't do so, pasture it. You will say you have few stock to make manure, and no time to get, or way of hauling, mud to make composts. I am quite aware of these difficulties, and those best off may have to yield in some degree to circumstances. But go to work the right way from the first, and you will do much more than you think; if you are industrious in clearing, and raise turnips, you will be able to keep a cow and pig the second year: place a good lot of earth in the shed under the cow, it will catch the urine; keep adding fresh earth to the sty where the pig is kept in the autumn, and have a good quantity of it under him all winter. In many places fern grows plentifully, by the road side and through the woods; it is very valuable as manure. Make it a rule, that each child shall every day in summer gather an arm full, and throw in the pig sty or cow house; in autumn, when the leaves fall, gather as many as you can, and throw in the cow house; every spring, turn all out of the cow house and pig sty, and make it into a heap. Every little helps, and in a year or two, by the time you want manure, you will have a respectable pile. I often see new settlers selling ashes; don't do this—the trifle you get for them is not worth the time wasted in bringing them to market.