

fall into the common error of refusing reasonable wages on their first arrival.

DEMAND FOR LABOUR.—The progress of agriculture in New Brunswick causes a steady demand for labour in the rural districts, and, for the last two years, farmers have suffered more than any other class, from an inadequate supply of agricultural labourers and female domestics. In the towns there has also been great scarcity of female servants, and a supply of these is greatly needed. Boys from 12 to 18 years of age are greatly in demand throughout the Province by farmers and mechanics. Unskilled labourers are generally sure of employment, from 2s. 6d. to 4s. sterling per day, according to their ability and the length of time for which they are engaged. Masons, bricklayers, carpenters, and joiners are in request at good wages; and there is no scarcity of employment for millwrights, smiths, foundrymen, and workers in iron generally, painters, tailors, and shoemakers.

THE CLEARING OF WILD LAND is to be understood as cutting down and burning the trees, fencing, and leaving the land ready for crop, the stumps and roots alone remaining to impede the operations of the farmer. The expense varies greatly according to circumstances, but may be stated at £2 to £4 sterling per acre. A comfortable log house, 16 by 24 feet, two floors, and shingled roof, costs £12 to £15 sterling, but much less when the work is chiefly performed by the emigrant himself. When properly built, this description of house is extremely warm and comfortable. No emigrant should undertake to clear land and make a farm, unless he has the means of supporting his family for 12 months. It is better that the emigrant should engage himself to a farmer for the first year or two after his arrival, by which he will obtain experience as to the work of the country and the mode of conducting a farm, while laying up his wages wherewith to make a beginning in the forest.

If the emigrant is possessed of some capital, he should by no means expend it in endeavouring to make a farm in the wilderness, as he will be almost certain thereby to waste his means. He should buy and partially cleared, either in crop