

sent out to this colony, a considerable part turned out to be *kiln dried*. The soil for hemp should be rich, deep, light, and moderately dry. Of this description much can be found on the banks of the creeks and rivers in Canada*. Upper Canada, from the nature of its soil and climate, has been thought to be peculiarly well adapted to the cultivation of hemp, and some good samples have been produced and brought from thence. Whether it will ever become an article of general cultivation in this province is dubious† from the high price of labour, and the loss it is supposed a farmer would sustain by the culture of hemp instead of wheat and other grain. This apprehension, however, does not apply to New Brunswick or Nova Scotia, where the lands are equally good, and calculated for the cultivation of this valuable article, and where it appears experiments have been made with success and profit.

“Estimate of the produce and expence of an acre of land cultivated with hemp in *Nova Scotia*.”

PRODUCE.

Ten hundred weight, at 35s. per cwt. - - £17 10 0

EXPENCES.

First ploughing, 7s. 6d. second and third, 8s.	-	0	15	6
Three harrowings	- - - - -	0	6	0
Two bushels of seeds, at 12s.	- - - - -	1	4	0
Sowing, covering seed, and water furrowing	-	0	5	0
Pulling, eight day's work, at 2s. 6d.	- - - - -	1	0	0
Drying and bundling, two days	- - - - -	0	5	0
Watering, grassing, drying, and housing	- - -	1	0	0
Carting to and from the water, say one mile	-	0	10	0
Dressing ten hundred weight, five days' work,	}	5	0	0
per hundred weight, 2s. a day				
Rent of land	- - - - -	1	0	0

Total expence £11 5 6

Clear profit per acre £6 4 6

In this calculation abundance of labour is allowed, and large prices for it, particularly for the dressing, which is the heaviest expence. In the winter season, labourers might be paid and fed for half the wages allowed, and would soon, it is thought, do more work. Yet after deducting all expences

* Wissett on the Cultivation and Preparation of Hemp.

† Transactions of the Society of Arts, &c. vol. 21. p. 457,