

The difference of time between Trinity bay and Valentia bay is about 2 hours and 48 minutes.

### ANTIQUITY OF FARMING.

Agriculture is not only the means of supporting life, but it is to be venerated for its antiquity. Its origin has priority over all other arts. This fact alone should give it a deep place in our affections. It might seem, therefore, that the individual who casts reproach upon it is incapable of just appreciation and of logical deduction; and, that he is a stranger to refined moral perception, as well as guilty of a species of impiety. It is an attribute of our nature, and a dictate of revealed religion that we reverence the institutions of Heaven. Is not agriculture one of these institutions? Is it not the first of them? Did not man receive his commission to till the ground from the Deity himself? Was it not, too, on the very completion of the material creation, as if to constitute man his associate in a ministration of beneficence, that God placed him in the garden of Paradise, to dress it and keep it? And, as if to make this labor of man a sacred adjunct to the labor of Heaven while imparting life and joy to God's rational creatures in all coming life, was not the commission for it bestowed the very day of nature's grand jubilee, when the morning stars shouted and sang in a loud anthem of praise? Was it not granted beneath the delightful bowers of Eden, where fragrant odors and spicy aromas floated on every breeze!

To our apprehension, the circumstances attendant on the institution of agriculture, should give it the same pre-eminence in physical economy that the Christian ministry has in the moral world; a pre-eminence that should shield it from reproach and desecration of every kind. These circumstances have an impressive sanctity which cannot be resisted by the well trained mind. In order to see an object in the full splendor of its own beauty, we are often constrained to place it in company with other objects. Thus, how much more beautiful appears each hue of the rainbow when placed in juxtaposition with the others, than though it were seen alone!

### MONEY MADE BY FARMING.

One of the most hacknied abuses of agricultural labor is, that money cannot be made from it. This is the common slang of those who are too stupid or too indolent to secure to themselves from such labor the remuneration that would result from skill and enterprise, and perseverance. These very persons get a living, somehow or other, from the soil; it may be a living without luxury or elegance, though favorable to health and muscular vigor; yet, were they depending for subsistence on many other occupations, and to manifest as little talent and application to judicious industry as they do on a farm, they would starve to death, or be compelled to take shelter in an almshouse. The mass of slanderers upon agriculture seem to imagine that getting a living upon a farm is not making money. They do not seem to consider that we do not eat silver and gold as we do beef-steaks, mutton-chops and potatoes. They do not seem to realize that money is valuable only as the representative of property that can be used in social and domestic economy—as the means by which we may obtain what we need for food, or apparel, or the other things wanted in life.