

Bouiface, the industrious Sisters of Charity still continue its cultivation and work up the raw material on a scale sufficient to meet their own wants.

It is well known that flax and hemp come only to perfection in a cool country; their bark in southern climates is harsh and brittle, because the plant is forced into maturity so rapidly, that the lint does not acquire either consistency or tenacity. With immigration and enterprise, no doubt, our North-West will prove equal for flax and hemp growth to Northern Europe.

BEEES

would also, no doubt, thrive well in the North-West, as they require a clear, dry atmosphere, and a rich harvest of flowers; if the air is damp, or the weather cloudy, they will not work so well. Another reason why they work less in a warm climate is, that the honey gathered remains too fluid for sealing a longer time, and, if gathered faster than it thickens, it sours and spoils. Our clear, bright skies, dry air, and rich flora, are well adapted to the bee culture, and, since the process of burying bees during the winter has been introduced successfully in Minnesota, and generally adopted in the North-Western States, the length and coldness of our winter ceases to be an obstacle. In fact, experience in Minnesota proves that bees succeed better there, consume less honey during the winter, and the colony comes out much stronger than in warmer climates.

GAME.

The prairies and forests abound in a great variety of wild animals, among which are deer, bears, wolves, foxes, wild cats, raccoons and rabbits. Otter, mink, beaver and muskrat are the principal aquatic animals that frequent the water courses. Buffalo in the Saskatchewan valley. Pigeons, grouse, partridges, and prairie chickens are among the feathered game. In the fall and spring, ducks and geese are found in immense numbers.

FISH.

The larger lakes abound in white fish, a delicious article of food, weighing from four to five pounds. The fisheries of the lakes, when properly developed, will form an important source of revenue. The rivers and streams abound in pickerel, pike, catfish, sturgeon, sun fish, gold eyes, &c., so that Manitoba, and the North-West to the Rocky Mountains, present superior attractions to the tourist and sportman.

THE MINERAL RESOURCES

of the North-West Territories may be said to consist mainly of copper and iron, coal, gold, limestone and clay, of the latter of which there is an abundance underlying the soil, from which bricks of a good quality are made.