

be necessary, as the natives generally make but little use of the fertile belt, even as a hunting-ground; and but few inhabitants are found scattered over it. After one or two successful settlements have been formed, some of the more intelligent and influential natives from Canada should be induced to visit them, that they may persuade their brethren to remove there. The most stringent regulations must be passed to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors to the natives, and every inducement which can be thought of must be held out to lead them to abandon their former mode of life as hunters. By the plan proposed, it is obvious that they can at once obtain, with little or no previous training, sufficient support for themselves and families, while, as they advance in civilisation, they may become possessed of competency and even wealth, such as numbers of the New Zealanders are at present enjoying. Then, let all who love their fellow-men be up and doing, and let us not allow so glorious an opportunity of redeeming the past be cast thoughtlessly away. Now is the time—to-morrow it may be too late.

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