

so that the cattle may pass from one to the other when required. This division into six fields, may require on most farms new fencing, and it will be proper, beforehand, to see how this can be done with the least possible expense. I shall now suppose the farm prepared to receive the application of this system, and that is the one which I have found the best for even the poorest settler.

1st. Root crops, such as potatoes, carrots, beets, parsnips, &c., [turnips and also flax] and in cases where the land is not sufficiently open for a crop of this kind, the field must be left in fallow.

2d. Crop of Wheat or Barley.

3d. Crop of Hay.

4th. Pasture.

5th. Pasture.

6th. Crop of Oats or Peas.

In beginning the application of this system, that field of the series which is in best condition for a Root crop, should be called field

The best for Wheat or Barley A

That which is actually in Hay..... B

The Pasture fields..... C

That which is best for Oats or Peas..... D & E

..... F

Each field for the first year ought to be appropriated to the crops above mentioned, and after the fashion now in use among the farmers of Lower Canada, except in the case of field A. By this plan they will at all events still get as much from their five fields as they get at present.

The culture of field A and of crop No. 1, come up together for the first year, and ought to be the object of special attention, as this is, in fact, the key to the whole system; for the good culture of this field has for its object, and ought to have for its effect, not only a good crop for the first year, but also to improve the land for the five other years of this Rotation of Crops.

In the following year, the cultivation of the different crops will be according to the following order:

Crop No. 2 in the field A

Do. " 3 " B

Do. " 4 " C

Do. " 5 " D

Do. " 6 " E

Do. " 1 " F

and so on, changing each year until the seventh, when crop No. 1 will come back to field A, and the whole will then be in a good state of fertility, and free from weeds. The above system has been proved to be capable of restoring old land, and extirpating all weeds.

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