

nevertheless be able and willing to farm in case no other opening should offer upon his arrival in the settlement. It must be borne in mind that the exhaustive labor of clearing land is unnecessary in the North-West. Nature has provided much for the settler there. The vast prairie, with its virgin soil and its luxuriant pasture, is before him, productive beyond any Canadian experience, and capable of sustaining innumerable droves of cattle and horses. One yoke of oxen breaks up the turf everywhere, and men can be hired in the settlement to plough the virgin soil for five dollars per acre. If the emigrant has a large family, he ought to leave behind such members as are sick or infirm, or unable to assist him in the new country, until he has fairly established himself in his new home, when he can send for them. If a man of family, he ought to take with him from Ontario not less than \$500 cash, inclusive of the outfit hereafter specified. Single men may get along very well with \$200 to \$250. Emigrants ought to take farming implements with them, but had better confine themselves to such as are absolutely necessary, such as ploughs, harrow teeth, scythes, &c., unless they can afford to take through patent rakes and seed drills, mowers and reapers—which indeed are almost a necessity, and can be used everywhere in the North-West. Threshing machines can be purchased in Minnesota. It is well to remind the emigrant that he will be at no expense in building a barn for storing his crop. The dryness of the climate admits of the stacking of grain in the fields, where it is also threshed out.

OUTFIT.

The following is what a good outfit should consist of: Usual winter clothing, of which 100 lbs. including trunk or case will be carried free to western limit of railway travel; 2 pairs good Mackinaw blankets; 1 heavy quilt; 1 India-rubber blanket or oil-cloth; a stout cotton tent, (optional, but a good thing to have both on the route and in the territory;) 1 fowling piece with powder, shot and ball; 1 revolver with ammunition; 2 tin pails made to fit into each other, with lids; 1 frying-pan; 2 tin