Lord Selkirk and others on this subject, might be traced advantageously. It has occupied so much *practical* attention at all times, and is dignified by the consideration given to it by so many illustrious names, that the author looks back, with much diffidence, upon this very brief statement of his own plans and it is hoped that he will be understood to have "sketched" and published them in the expectation of real benefit being derived as well to England as to Canada.

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