

The work so far accomplished demonstrates what can be done along this line. While it shows that the prisoners can be usefully employed, it is all the more important because of the fact that since the farm was opened at Fort William nearly 1,400 men have been cared for there and have been discharged in good condition, able to resist temptation and resolved to lead better lives.

What has been achieved at Fort William may be repeated elsewhere throughout the province, thus doing away with the idleness which has been the source of much evil in the gaols. In fact, Toronto has now two Industrial Farms—one for men and another for women—both doing good work.

It is not the policy, however, to restrict this reform to single counties, each to provide its own establishment. On the contrary, it is provided that counties may be grouped together for the establishment of one Industrial Farm to take the place of the three or four gaols now supported by the counties and to do away with the expense of maintenance.