

continue to operate upon society, we can with certainty look forward to the happiest results.

Hitherto the farmer has considered himself too much a machine, adapted only to physical labor, and although the writer of these pages is well aware how difficult it is for the sons of toil, under the burden and influence of constant exertion, to devote to the mind that care which is so much its due, yet the thinking principle only requires exercise, in order gradually to develope itself, and whether at the plough or in the bush, in the wheat field or in the barn yard, under every circumstance, we say,—**THINK**. Let common sense assert its sway—it is a trust-worthy guide, when well exercised, and a monitor whose instructions are free to every human being.

To the farmers of Canada the whole country must look for support. **AGRICULTURE IS OUR STAPLE TRADE**; and a trade, moreover, than which no country can furnish a more honorable one. We glory in belonging to the class, and of all the titles in the power of our beloved sovereign to confer, we are conscious that none would sit so easily on our brow, nor afford us so large an amount of honest pride, as that of a

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