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TO OUR FRIENDS.

This being the tenth number of our Journal for this year, we would earnestly request our Subscribers, and all those to whom we have sent the Journal, to send us the amount of their subscription for this year, and any that may remain due for last year. It would not, of course, be worth the cost for us to send an agent to collect these small sums, and we therefore hope that all who have received our Journal, and consider it worth a dollar annually, may send us the subscription by the post-office to Montreal, or to pay the amount to our publisher, Mr. J. C. BECKET, St. Paul Street, when more convenient. We have stated, in a former number, that we shall never attempt to enforce payment for this Journal, but will rely upon those to whom we send it, that they give us the necessary support, if they conceive it deserving of any encouragement. Every individual to whom we address it, must be perfectly aware that the Journal cannot be published without considerable expense—and we trust it is not too much to hope that we shall meet with that degree of encouragement and support which the object of our publication ought to obtain. However we may have succeeded, we have devoted much of our time and money to forward the improvement and prosperity of agriculture—and though, in doing this, we may have given offence to some, yet, we hope this will not deprive us of that support which a publication of this nature should receive from all farmers, and all who wish well to the agricultural interests of Canada. Our publications are before the public for many years—their object cannot be mistaken; but notwithstanding all this, we regret to say that farmers, in Eastern Canada particularly, have been our worst supporters; and though we have done all in our power to promote their interest and prosperity, we have very few of them to thank for any favour or support in return, but, in many cases, the contrary. We have acknowledged before, and we now do so again with the greatest satisfaction, the favour

and countenance we have received from some individuals, and we are sorry that we cannot name them publicly that they might not be mistaken from others who have acted differently towards us. We are aware that those who have generally supported us have done so on public and general grounds, and were not influenced by that narrow-minded envy and prejudice which blinds the eyes of some men, so that they will not see or acknowledge merit or usefulness in any thing but what proceeds from themselves. We now appeal to the public generally. If our humble endeavours are approved of, may we have some manifestation of it, by answering this call in support of this Journal. We expect it only from those generous and enlightened minds who can understand that other men may be actuated by worthy motives, and even devote their best energies to promote what they conceive to be the general interests of their country and fellow-men. If this appeal to the public is successful, we shall consider ourselves amply rewarded, by such a mark of approval, for all our exertions.

AGRICULTURAL REPORT.

The month of September throughout, was unfavourable for harvesting the crops, and we fear much damage has been done to some of the wheat, as the greater part grown in Eastern Canada was uncut on the first of the month. There has been fine days occasionally, but not so many in succession as would enable farmers to dry the grain and secure it, before it was again wet. In unsettled weather, farmers have much difficulty in saving their crops, unless they have ample command of labour. When the crop gets wet, in swarth or in sheaf, it may take the whole time that is dry to prepare it for the barn or stackyard, and if there is not full command of help to secure it when dry, it may be again wet, perhaps becomes injured, and more labour and time is lost by it. Settled dry weather, at harvest time, is of great importance to farmers, and enables them