

MONTREAL, SATURDAY, MAY 28, 1836.

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But in another point of view, besides the profit to be derived from the wool, a good market will always be found in the large towns and villages for the carcasses of the sheep, that it may be necessary annually to kill. It is well known fact, that neither of the Provinces have a sufficiency of animal food for its own consumption. In regard to Upper Canada, the live stock which is required for the new settlement, which are every year springing up all over the country, must be chiefly taken from the surpluses which was destined for consumption; and hence the necessity of importing animal food to a certain extent, is evident. But in Lower Canada, no such cause has been in operation in any material degree. The Seigniorial lands have long been peopled, and so also has a portion of the Eastern Townships, and yet we remain to this day in a measure dependent for our supplies of animal food upon our neighbours who are far more highly taxed, and who have to pay dearer for labour and for land than ourselves, and who have, moreover, to bring their produce a greater distance to market. This anomalous state of things furnishes a singular commentary upon the absurdity, and we may add, cruelty of the blind patriotic leaders, who would urge the habitants to divert their industry from agricultural pursuits to manufactures, which, to be profitably prosecuted, require great capital and a high degree of skill, when they and the rest of the inhabitants are all the while indebted for much of the simplest necessities of life to the adjoining States. Whether, it is more creditable, or becoming in a purely agricultural country, to import meat cattle or grain, is a question which I do not hesitate to dignify as a grievous.

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GIVE LAZER.—Permit me to direct your attention during this period of agitation, upon several grievances, to a subject which has destined, if not causing, the distress to the habitants to seek the protection of the Clergy Reserved to the purposes of general education.

Again, at the public hand becomes the property of the British nation, that all His Majesty's subjects have an equal claim. Wherefore we have come to the conclusion that, as in civil matters, a contract counts he broken without the consent of the parties, (except when private right interferes) so in ecclesiastical matters. We have resolved, that it is an infringement to the habitants not to interfere with Catholic titles or Catholic property of any description, or being maintained at the expense of the State.

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