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 As purehaser, or biniller, he may adapt his dwallinir lo thi wantś or circumsances of his family; as a tenant, he sullers a thonsmat incouseniancies and moritionions, rather than make improvements on umolier man's property. As a matter of profil, there can he no rumestion that tontury is not the trest positionfor any one in it place where property is ripidly improving. While providing himself, by purchave, with a home, ai an annual cost not exceeding that of a rented honse, un individual obtains the benctit of thr increase, in value of the wite. The instances are numberless of the purchase of $n$ homestead turning out to be, in the coirse of years, a fortune of greater or less amount.

Among the rural population, and in the villages, alnost every resident is a. proprietor ; lut it is not so in our cities. In all probability, this is to be attributed inore to the highevalue set upon property in large towions, than any other cause. It requires a very large amount of eapitial to be taken from a business to provide, near the centre of trade, such a home as is required for the wants of a reputable family. It is felt, also, that a permanent house in the eity is not a desirable thing, and almost every one cherishes the hope that, at some future time, he may attain to the possession of that much-coveted thing-a house in the country. Happily the day has gone by when the neeessity of being near their hace of labour or business compelled all the work-people and tradesmen of a eity to live within it. Railroads (eonveyancees both rapid and eheap) have brought the once-distant hills and fieds and rivers, as it were, to our very doors, and rendered it no longer necessary for the citizen to wait till he retires from business ere he can enjoy the advantages of pure air and healthful enjoyment. The inestimable privilege of a country home can no longer be monopolized by the wealthy eitizen. At the distance of a few miles from the eity, building ground may be obtained at prices which bring it within the reach of all but the poorest. It is true that, in removing to the country, you and your family may be called to relinquish some associations and friendships, some amusements, perhaps, that you have learned to eherish in eity life But mark what compensation you gain,-a home, -that which you never truly had, nor can have, in the hired city lodging. Inistead of a house, built, only to be let, and to yield profits to its owner, you have, or should have, one made for your own accom--modation, and suited to the condition and uses of your family; a house which. the pride and pleasure of possession will prompt you constantly to improve and adorn; a house, not squeezed in between others, not dimly lighted in front and rear, not looking out upon pavements and brick walls and narrow yards, but standing by itself, surronnded by the free, pure air, with a grass plat on which your children ean play; with flowers, and shrubs; and shade trees of your own planting, and fruits and vegetables of your own raising.

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It is clear that, in such a residence, the expense of living may be sensibly diminished, while its actual comforts will be largely increased. A family in the country shoild produce in part, at least, their own vegetables, poultry, egrs, and pork. In most cases, a cow onight be added, and this single advantage of pure milk for children, instead of the vile leavings of the distillery, would repay the trouble of living out of the city were it ten times as great. Nor is it only in the supplies of the table that country life proves less expensive. In mad of dress, furniture, \&ce., the tyrant fashion is less exacting than in the city. To these considerations, let us add what is gained' in regarl to healih. The amount of disease among city children is absolutely appalling. Even in our healthiest summers, the deaths during hot monthis are often doubled, and the new victims are drawn almost entirely from the ranks of childhood. Can it be doubted that a large part of these might foe saved if sent to the country and cared for there? How soon do sallow yheeks glow with ruddy health, and soft, emaciated museles roupnd into firmness and strength and beauty when the child is taken on a sloort visit to the conntry during the summer months! The expense of that change of residence is usually so great that the children of the rich only can enjoy it. The middle class ean secure the advantages of pure air only by seeking their permanent home in the comntry.

But rural life can claim other and still higher praise. Its moral influences are as much better than those of the city as its air is more salubrions. Experience seems to say, that, in the country alone, men can be reared. From it the leech-like city receives her new recrnits, while itself produces almost none. To the country we must look as the proper home and nursery of children. Here they are away from the dangers and temptations, the unnatural excitements and morbid stimulants, the hundred baits' and haunts of vice with which the city abonads. Here parental authority is less counteracted, family discipline is more easily maintained, and the virtnes, atlections, and benefits of home are more frequently and more eflectually wectired.
'To men familiar with city noise and activity, the quiet country often seems sluggish and monotonous. Unhappy they who have become unable to applecate the power and beauty of repose! Be assured that in these calm scenes may be fond a peace and jay unknown to the restless town. 'In the culture of domesti a flections; in training your children to habits of industry, learning, and goodness; in reading and reflection; in the pleasant toils of the garden; in social intercourse with your neighbours; and in good offices to all who need them-yoid will find heahhlinl and delighting occupation for every hour which you are permitted to pass at home. This is not an imaginary picture. The experiment has been tried by thousands who are now enjoying its fruits. Men, women, and children who once wilted and pined among stones and bricks in the close city air, but who now luxuriate among trees and grass and flowers, and feasting upon their own unbonght dainties, are happier than kings.
a mile and a quarter, which eommunicates directly with the two stations. A new road, direelly through the property, has likewise been laid out, of the width of 80 feet, which will be planted with trees, and will form a handsome avenue, upon which lots wall be laid out.

The vieinity of two lines of railway affords to residents of this neighbourhood constant communication with the city at all hours of the day, and will also give aceess to the great northern territory opened up by the Ontario, Simcoe, and Huron Railway, as well as the western peininsula by the Grand Trunk. The extensive water power available at Weston renders eommunicafion with distunt localities of peeuliar importance. There are large establislıments already in operation on the Humber, but there is ample room for a greater number; and the railways nöw supply all that was wanting to make Weston the most eligible place for a manufacturing village in this part of Canada.

It is understood that Victoria College will be moved to Weston, should the proposed arrangements to sell the building now used by the Institution at Cobourg be earried out.

In beanty of situation, this Property is not surpassed in the neighbourhood. From all parts, a fine view is commanded of the Valley of the Humber ; the character of the land is undulating; the soit is extremely fertile, and the Black Creek and other smaller ereeks whieh cross the lot afford natural drainage not very easy to secure by artificial means.

The taxes charged on the property are those of the Township of York, amounting to a mere trifle when compared with those paid in Toronto. Building materials can also be had in the neiglibourhbod moch cheaper than in the city, and almost every article of provision is sold at a lower rate. 'To men of leisure, or those who are not engaged in business to a late hour, this proptify


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