

The Editor of the Carleton Sentinel, on his rambles, visited a new settlement, the description of which might well cause bitter regret to arise in the minds of those working men in the city who might have settled on lands two or three years ago if they had had a little more courage, and who are to-day as poor and as thriftless as they were then: –

We now enter the far famed settlement of Glassville, of which we wrote, from personal observation, two years ago, on which occasion we were able, with difficulty to penetrate into the settlement three miles. On the present occasion we travelled, with horse and waggon, nearly seven miles, finding, where two years ago there was no road, and where the forests stood in their unbroken wilderness and scarce penetrated gloom, vast clearings bearing the golden grain, or the evidence of a harvest already reaped. This visit afforded us peculiar pleasure, from the moment we entered the settlement. First we passed troops of fine healthy, happy looking children, not “creeping like snails unwillingly,” but moving cheerfully along to their school, which is taught by Mr. Simpson, with whose conversation and deportment we were favorably impressed, and we are disappointed if Mr. S. is not a good teacher. Let us add that we noticed here, and in Knolesville, that the children were all remarkably good looking and attractive in their appearance. – Another source of pleasure was the improved appearance of the houses and barns, the latter, particularly, will compare favorably with those of any part of the County. Then, better still, we found many of these large barns filled to repletion with the harvest, and others being rapidly filled – one instance, where on our former visit there was no barn, on the farm at all, we now find a good one, and a part of its contents comprised about ten tons of hay. The universal testimony was that the crops were good, and a feeling of contentment and thankfulness general. The hay, oats, wheat, barley and potatoes which we saw were all most excellent. The houses, as a general thing, are of a superior class to those generally erected in new settlements, and we found frequent evidences of the tastes of the settlers in garden plats fenced in, containing flowers of various kinds and vegetables. The road through the settlement was, all along, hard and dry, the greater part being good, and some portions, even in the upper part of the settlement, superior. The settlers seem all desirous to do what they each can for the general good and convenience of the whole settlement. \* \* \* As far as we can judge Glassville contains some thirty families, and must become, judging from the soil and the character of the settlers, ultimately one of the most influential settlements in the County.