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Ralph Martin’s *Food Security* is the only book I’ve read on the subject where Dostoyevsky, Blake, indigenous teachings, Siddhartha, cutting-edge science, hockey, the Wizard of Oz and the Queen all cogently make an appearance. This is one eclectic story. Ralph delightfully meanders through the big concepts and challenges of our time and doesn’t shy away from tackling our culture’s addiction to materialism, growth, waste, self-delusion and disrespect for the earth and each other. Yet he manages to combine these big thoughts seamlessly with the everyday details, delights and travails of farm life. This is a deeply personal but also profoundly analytical treatise on how to save ourselves and other species. There’s space here for technological and ecological innovation, but also for new ways of spending time together, all in the spirit of healing what ails us. Ralph Martin is Canada’s Wendell Berry.