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"Within five and twenty or thirty miles of Toronto the better class of farmers consider thirty bushels of wheat to the acre an average crop; and this return is obtained in spite of all the imperfections of a comparatively primitive system of husbandry. If half the care were bestowed upon the preparation of land for wheat which is devoted to that operation in Great Britain, fifty, instead of thirty bushels to the acre, would be the average yield on first class farms. It must be borne in mind that subsoil draining is unknown among our farmers; that top-dressing in the fall with long dung is never practised; a proper rotation of crops scarcely ever adopted; frequent repetitions of the same crop general: farm-yard manure applied without any previous preparation; and yet, under all these disadvantages of ART, NATURE, with her fertile soil, and admirable agricultural climate, produces most abundant crops when she is not too grossly abused.'

"And again—

"One fact, however, appear to be certain that in a very few years the farmers in the front townships of Western Canada will be compelled to pay more attention than hitherto to the cultivation of a variety of crops. Independently of that deterioration of the soil, which, as a general rule, must result from a frequent repetition of the same kind of crop, and the absence of cheap special fertilizers, the aspect of coming years induces the belief that the price of Canada's staple agricultural production—wheat—will not maintain even its present diminished range. It is, in fact, at the present time, a matter not only of individual, but also of national importance, that farmers should turn a careful attention to the agricultural productions of other countries, and endeavour to see how far they, by their introduction into this province, may be made to assist and develop its husbandry. It is equally a matter of individual and national importance that every earnest well-wisher of Western Canada should contribute his mite to elevate the industry of the country, and extend the knowledge of her capabilities to the tens of thousands across the seas, who would willingly, and even joyfully, make this fertile British Province their home, had they confidence in its climate and soil.'

"SOWING, PLANTING, AND REAPING SEASONS.

"Generally speaking, the snow is off, and the ground is fit for ploughing between the 25th of April and the 1st of May.

Pease may be sown up to the 20th of May.

Indian Corn do. do. 20th do.

Spring Wheat do. do. 15th do.

Swedish Turnips do. do. 25th do.

Aberdeen do. do. 10th of July.

Oats do. do. do. 1st of June.

Potatoes do. do. do. 24th do.

"Cabbage seed is planted in a box about the 15th of April, and transplanted to the open ground by 1st of June.