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NOTICE TO THE FARMERS OF THE COUNTIES OF PICTOU, KINGS, ANNAPOLIS AND LUNENBURG.

By direction of the Board of Agriculture, Dr. Lawson, the Secretary of the Board, will visit the counties of Pictou, Kings, Annapolis and Lunenburg, this season, for the purpose of explaining the provisions of the Act for the Encouragement of Agriculture, advising with the officers and members of Agricultural Societies, inspecting their books, and where necessary, assisting in the formation of new societies.

Dr. Lawson will visit Pictou county during the first week of September, and thereafter will proceed successively to Kings, Annapolis, and Lunenburg.

Gentlemen in these counties desirous of arranging meetings will please address the Secretary without delay. "Dr. Lawson, Dalhousie College, Halifax."

The Field and Farm Yard.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CROPS.

Halifax, 27th August, 1865.

THE HAY CROP—PASTURES.

Haying was pretty well finished on uplands in Halifax county by the first week of August, and immediately thereafter we had a heavy fall of rain accompanied by wind. The rain so thoroughly soaked the ground that mushrooms ap-

peared in the pastures on the ninth of August, and the supply has since been continuous, although the middle of the month was dry and warm. As to the quality and quantity of the HAY CROP, we have little to add to what was said in a previous Report. In YARMOUTH, Mr. CROSBY reports the crop a very heavy one, at least one quarter above an average for the county.

In WESTERN CORNWALLIS, Hay is a fair average crop and has been mostly secured in good order. (E. Calkins, Esq.)

In UPPER STEWIAKRE, Hay is nearly an average. The frosts in June injured some parts of the low land very much.—(James S. Tupper, Esq.)

In ANTIGONISH COUNTY, the Hon. JOHN MCKINSON, M. L. C., reports that the Hay Crop will prove to be an average crop, better in general than was expected before making it.

In BARRINGTON, R. H. CROWELL, Esq., reports that the hay crop is good and has been secured in fine order.

JOHN A. KIRK, ESQ., writes from Glenelg in reference to Guysboro' Co. The crops generally have not looked better for many years than they do now. Hay, which is now being stored, proves an abundant crop, although the season is not very favorable for making it.

In CAPE BRETON, H. DAVENPORT, Esq., writes from Sydney under date 18th August. The hay harvest commenced fully three weeks ago, and is still going on; weather very bad for making.—intense heat and rain storms alternate—

much got in injured. Crop heavy in some places, in others very light. I presume it will scarcely be an average.

THE CEREAL GRAINS.—WHEAT, OATS, BARLEY AND RYE.

In CAPE BRETON, (H. DAVENPORT Esq.,) grains generally look well, and are in full ear (18th August.)

In WEST CORNWALLIS, Oats, barley, and winter rye are reported by Mr. CALKINS as a good crop. Wheat, very little sown, and considerably hurt by the fly or midge so-called. Other crops are looking well except fruit.

In UPPER STEWIAKRE, there is not much wheat this season, but part of what was sown is very much injured by the weevil, although some people have good crops. Oats are generally light on the ground, owing to the wet in the spring, and then the drought being very severe in summer. Buckwheat and barley look well.—(James S. Tupper, Esq.)

In ANTIGONISH COUNTY, (Hon J. MCKINSON,) the early sown wheat is in most localities a complete failure, destroyed by the weevil. The late sown wheat looks well so far. The oats promise to give a large crop in straw and grain.—The barley crop is excellent. Of Indian corn little is raised; buckwheat—hear nothing about it.

In GUYSBORO, on the other hand, Mr. KIRK reports that it is generally thought that wheat will be a better crop than for many years, especially the early sown, the weevil not being so very destructive.