

notice quite an abundance of blooms on the fruit trees, and think under favorable circumstances for the future, there may be an abundance of fruit; as the season for maturing crops is not yet arrived, much depends upon it and hoping for a better autumn than spring,

I remain yours,  
J. GRAHAM.

#### WINDSOR.

In West Hants, the cold dreary weather of early spring gave way in May to fine dry weather, and, although a little later than usual, the farmer had a most propitious season for seed time, a large breadth of oats was sown, and a greater area put under root crops than usual, especially in Mangolds. This latter crop has increased much in favor, in the last few years, and bids fair to take its true place in farming.

The dry time has been succeeded by plentiful rains, and as a result, the grass is in fine condition, as also the oats, except very in low lands, and we may look forward to a bountiful harvest in this cereal, and in hay. Root crops in low grounds are being drowned and perhaps altogether, the rain is proving unfavorable to the potatoes, some of the farmers complaining of the seed rotting, but on the whole, I think, in this part of the country, we have great reason to look hopefully for harvest time. Notwithstanding the apparent scarcity of hay in April, it has been found, since the grass has come, that there is still a large quantity of old hay in the country.

Windsor, June 19th, 1874.

FROM STEPHEN PUTNAM, ESQ., MAITLAND.

Maitland, June 24th, 1874.

DEAR SIR,—In answer to your letter asking for information regarding crops, &c., we have had a meeting of our Agricultural Society, and from opinions expressed at the meeting can report crops looking satisfactory. Grass in particular seldom looks as well at this season of the year. Grain crops too are looking very well. About roots, cannot speak so encouragingly. The early planted potatoes are looking very well, but doubts are felt regarding those planted late; owing to the very wet weather it is feared the tubers will rot in the ground.

Taking it as a whole, the prospect for the farmer is very encouraging.

Yours truly,  
STEPHEN PUTNAM,

Secy. Union Agricultural Society of Maitland.

FROM I. LONGWORTH, ESQ., TRURO.

Truro, June 25th, 1874.

MY DEAR SIR,—The reports of the crops that have lately reached me from

several parts of this district, are of the most assuring character. Winter kill has not been mentioned, and uplands and well drained marsh, meadow and interval lands in every direction are said to be bearing as fine a burthen of grass as was ever known for the time of year. The wet season, in places naturally wet, has proved somewhat injurious to grain and root crops, and it is doubted if these will be so extensively, or so successfully, grown as last year. Already every description of crop is beginning to feel the bad effects that are sometimes produced from too much moisture and too little heat, and would be greatly improved by some dry and warm weather. My own experience, from a recent visit to different parts of Colchester, is quite confirmatory of all I have written from intelligence received about the state of crops in parts of the district I have had no opportunity to visit. In brief, whatever may be the fate of the grain and root crops, the hay crop is now considered so safe here, that many who buy their fodder are, as a matter of curiosity, surmising upon what pretext farmers will start the price of hay this season, at a high figure; and much gratification has been expressed by several that all the indications point to so very abundant a crop, that it is thought a farmer who can find an argument to hang a peg upon, why hay should rule high, must be a lawyer, and a good one too.

Yours, &c.,

I. L.

FROM F. R. PARKER, ESQ., SHUBENACADIE.

Shubenacadie, June 19th, 1874.

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your Circular of 10th inst., in reference to the prospect of crops in this locality, I beg leave to state that, on account of the high price of hay and the wet weather, a less quantity of seed than usual, has, as yet, been committed to the soil. There has been nearly the same quantity of oats sown this year as usual, but, of wheat, the quantity has been considerably less than in former years. An unusual quantity of barley has been sown this spring, as the farmers here are getting into the way of using it largely for feeding stock. Buckwheat is coming more into disuse every year. Potatoes and other Cereals have been planted in the usual quantities. The appearance of the grass at present indicates an unusually large crop of hay. The season has been so very wet that there are, at this date, 19th June, considerable quantities of oats, potatoes, &c., yet to be put into the ground. If the present heavy rain, which has now lasted for two days without intermission, does not injure the crops, there is every appearance that the harvest this year will not be below the average yield.

It is to be regretted that while our farmers are giving increased attention to the cultivation of hay, they are not giving that heed to the cultivation of grain and roots which the necessities of the place require.

Yours respectfully,  
F. R. PARKER.

FROM C. C. HAMILTON, M.D., CORNWALLIS.

MY DEAR SIR,—In reply to your note of the 10th inst., I beg to say, that while in some respects it would be premature to give anything like a definite statement as regards the crop prospects, yet upon the whole a fair estimate may be made.

The Spring, although cold, was very favorable for farming operations, and a large breadth has been put under cultivation, to oats and potatoes especially, the two leading cultivated crops of our county.

Oats have come well and present a strong healthy appearance and now require warm weather perfect to their growth, and while it is too early to say much of the potato crop, as far as I can learn, they are coming strong and well, the early planted ones being very forward for the season. I have half an acre of early roses coming into blossom.

A moderate quantity of Spring wheat, rye and barley have been sown, which presents a good healthy appearance.

The weather of late has been rather cold and wet for corn, and the prospects are that the crop will be light.

Grass looks exceedingly well and the recent rains have placed it beyond any effects of even a drought.

There is no doubt but the hay crop on the upland, interval, and dyked marsh will be heavy.

It would be premature at this time to speak with any degree of certainty as regards the fruit crop. I have seldom seen the trees, of all sorts, blossom more fully. Cherries and pears are setting pretty full; plums will be scarce, not even calculating the ravages of the curculio. Apples are also setting very well, and the prospects of a good fair crop are good. Stock maintains high prices; on the whole the farmers prospects are good.

Yours truly,

C. C. HAMILTON.

Cornwallis, June 25th, 1874.

FROM H. LOVETT, ESQ., KENTVILLE, KING'S COUNTY.

Kentville, June 15th, 1874.

DEAR SIR,—Your favor received, and in reply beg to state that for many years past there has not been greater prospect of good crops generally in this county than there is this season. The grass everywhere is very good, and is now so far advanced as to secure the certainty of