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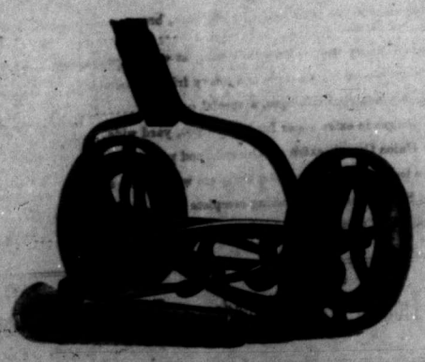

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A CROP ESTIMATE.

First Government Bulletin of the Season.

Outlook is Generally Good—Fall Wheat Stood the Winter Well.

The following is the first estimate of the crops for Ontario for 1898, made by the Ontario Depatment of Agriculture, based on the reports of the regular correspondents of the Bureau of Intries. The returns are for the first week of May:

The weather—The past winter has been very mild, every month being above the average. March was about seven degrees above the March of 1897, and nearly eleven degrees above the average of the same month for the previous sixteen years.

Fall Wheat.

Our November reports were to the effect that the area of fall wheat had been increased, especially in the western part of the province, and that there would have been still more but for the delay caused to seeding by the drouth of September and the early part of August. Reports from correspondents just to hand are to the effect that in most cases the crop came out in the spring in about the same condition as it entered the winter. There was some mention of a little heaving, of smothering, and of slight injury from frost, but these were exceptional. Little harm appears to have been done by insects, wire-worm being reported in a few cases. The first two weeks of April were far from favorable for the crop, and although rains later helped the plant, it is hardly in as forward a condition as usual. Where sown early on summer fallow fall wheat has never been more promising, but many fields were hastily prepared owing to the rise in the price of wheat, and this, with the drouth prevailing at the time of seeding, gives the fields a patchy and weak look in many quarters. In several of the western and central counties some plowing up has been done, but not to any considerable extent. The present acreage of the crop, therfore, may be set down as quite up to the average and the average condition in the first week of May as "fair." The outcome of the crop, of course, depends upon the weather of the next six weeks.

Clover.

The prospects for clover, as correspondents wrote, were most favorable. Some heaving by frost—occurring chiefly in the early part of April—is reported in nearly every district, but not to so great an extent as to be considered serious; while, on the other hand, many reports describe clover as looking splendid, especially in the case of new fields. Reports from the St. Lawrence and Ottawa counties are particularly good. Alsike did not stand the winter as well as red clover.

Vegetation.

Correspondents differ greatly in their opinions as to the condition of vegetation, some considering growth as being well advanced for the time of year, and fully as many others regarding the season as being rather backward. In most sections there was a fair bite for cattle at the beginning of May, and early fruit trees were coming nicely into bloom. In the eastern part of the province the season was relatively more advanced than in the west.

Live Stock.

The majority of the reports concerning live stock are of a most satisfactory character. Horses, as a rule, are in fine condition, although cases of distemper occurred here and there. Cattle are also reported to be in good health, but looking thinner than the abundance of fodder would warrant. Lumpy jaw was reported in one or two places, but not to a serious extent. Sheep came through the winter in capital shape, and lambs are many and strong. A few cases of hog cholera occurred in some western sections, but the disease was quickly stamped out. With this exception, swine are described as being in fine condition. Hogs are now chiefly sold when weighing from 120 to 180 pounds. The supply of fodder was plentiful, and there is an abundance of straw.

Farm Supplies.

There appears to be a surplus of hay in nearly every section of the province, but more especially in the west. Much of the crop is not of good quality, although, of course, there is a fair amount of first-class hay yet to be had. Owing to the large quantity available for sale, prices were low all winter. Reports regarding oats vary, for while many claim that there is a scarcity, others hold that there is still a good supply left. Oats were fed more freely than usual during the winter, and during the last few months a large quantity was marketed, consequently there was hardly as much as usual in the hands of farmers at the beginning of May. "Dollar wheat" created an active market, and during the last month an immense quantity has changed hands. It looks as if nearly all the crop has been disposed of in some quarters, although farmers are occasionally spoken of as having from fifty to a few hundred bushels of wheat ready for a further rise in price. Store cattle are said to be scarcer than usual, but in some places "equal to the demand." Complaints are made of the low price for beef, especially when offered for fat animals, and many of this class of animals are being kept for a better figure in some of the western counties, and consequently there are rather more in the hands of farmers than are desired; but in the eastern counties fat cattle are scarce.

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M. Causgrove, having completed his contract of fencing, has returned from London.

W. S. Everett, our popular teacher, was elected president of the East Kent Teachers' Association.

We are pleased to notice an improvement in the health of Mrs. T. Bluit.

A. Campbell was severely injured in a runaway, but is rapidly improving.

Corn planting is in order.

CROTON.

Wm. Buchanan purchased some fat cattle here last week.

Dr. Henry Buchanan is here from Detroit, looking after his farms.

Mr. Miller has raised a new barn barn on his farm.

If the township council would charge so much a head for sheep, cattle, and horses running on the road they would have revenue enough to keep the roads in repair. It is high time this habit was done away with.

Miss B. Newcombe is learning dressmaking in Chatham.

Lon. Wilcox lost a valuable cow last week.

Frank and Milton Richardson, of the East Branch, Wallaceburg, called on Mrs. Healy. They were en route to visit their sister at Bothwell, Mrs. Lidster.

Archie Monteith has built a fine new barn on his farm near the C. P. R. station, North Thamesville.

Clark Phillips visited his parents at Wallaceburg on Sunday.

Miss Aggie Mugan has a new wheel.

Tuesday May 11th, Rev. Mr. McTavish, of Dresden, was to have given his popular lecture entitled "Our Girls," but was ill and could not be here; but he sent substitutes in the persons of the Misses Rudd, Huff, Myrch and Campbell. The music, readings and recitations given by the young ladies were very entertaining. Those talented young ladies are a credit to their town and may be sure of a hearty reception whenever they favor us with another program. Mr. Carscallen drove the ladies up here Tuesday evening. Miss Campbell's paper on "Little things," was full of pointed facts. A stranger, she said, can generally judge a settlement and its teacher by the way children conduct themselves at school and on their way home.

Mrs. Phillips, of the Burg, visited her son Clark last week.

Mr. Healy, north of the village, is talking of putting up a house for a tenant on his farm in the near future.

Mrs. W. Smary was up to London last week.

A girl only partly returns a man's affections when she returns his letters and retains his presents.

EDMUND TATTERSALL.

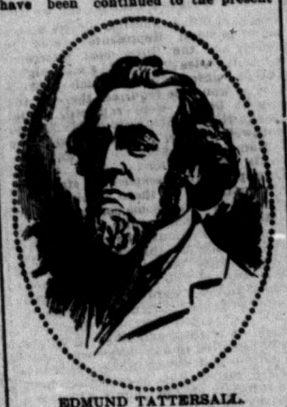
FAMOUS HORSEMAN AND TURF PATRON IS NO MORE.

For Nearly Forty Years He Had Been the Head of the Great Horse-Auction Firm Founded by "Old Tat" in the Year 1766.

CABLE dispatch announces the death of Edmund Tattersall, head of the great London horse auctioneering firm of Tattersalls.

Owing to the infirmities of age, Edmund Tattersall had not been active in the business for the last two years, during which period it was under the management of Granville Tattersall, but to the end he was the guiding spirit which dictated the policy of the firm, and his was the personality that formed the connecting link between the past and the present.

The history of Tattersalls and the English Jockey club dates from almost the same year—the former being founded in 1766 and the latter in 1768—and in many ways they have represented the progress and growth of the English turf. The firm, whose name and credit are almost as famous as that of the Rothschilds, owes the foundation of its fortunes to the great turf and stud career of one of England's most famous horses, Highflyer, the property of Richard Tattersall, "Old Tat," whose methods of business and traditional honesty and courtesy have been continued to the present



EDMUND TATTERSALL.

day. "Old Tat" was the founder of the firm. Excepting only Childers and Eclipse, Highflyer was the most celebrated horse up to that date on the English turf. Though in training only two years he won $50,000 in stakes, a large sum for that period, and was beaten only once. Inscribed upon a tablet which marks his last resting place is this epitaph: "Here lieth the perfect and beautiful symmetry of the much lamented Highflyer, by whom and his wonderful offspring the celebrated Richard Tattersall acquired a noble fortune, but was not ashamed to acknowledge it." At Hyde Park Corner in 1766 Richard Tattersall established "Tattersalls," and there the business was conducted until 1865, when it was moved to the present quarters near Albert Gate, Hyde Park. He soon secured a complete monopoly in the business and prospered, and then he became part proprietor of the London Morning Post. Later, on account of disagreement, he established the Morning Herald as a rival, but it was not a financial success. After serving a term of three months' imprisonment on conviction of libeling the duke of Richmond Mr. Tattersall changed the politics as well as the policy of his paper, upholding the prince of Wales, Mrs. Fitz-Herbert and Fox, who later became his intimate friends.

Richard Tattersall lived to a ripe old age, dispensing hospitality with a generous hand at Highflyer hall, and conducting his great business in London and at Newmarket.

The business was continued by his son Edward until the latter's death, in 1816, when Richard, of the next generation, succeeded. Upon the death of Richard, in 1859, the succession fell to Richard and Edmund Tattersall, the latter of whom has just died.

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