

for the right to the lot, having the original price to the Canada Company to pay besides, at the rate of 1½ dollar-per acre, besides interest. I paid sixty dollars in one payment to the Company, and some money since. I did not remove to live on the lot till the spring of 1838, but in the fall and winter of 1837-38, I chopped on it, and that spring I put up a "shanty" (a small log house) and cleared land for spring crops. The first crops I had were in the harvest of 1838. I have now a good log-house with a log barn and other additions, and about thirty-five acres of cleared land, and well fenced. This land I have cleared all myself except one acre, which I paid for.

My land is exceedingly well watered, for the river Avon passes through my lot. This is the stream which goes through the above village, and on which the Stratford mills are built. This village is situated at the corner of this township, and the adjoining three townships. My crops this year are of fall and spring wheat, oats, barley, peas, and potatoes. My stock of cattle consists of one yoke of working oxen, one yoke of two year old steers, and two steers one year old, four cows, two heifers in calf, three calves, seventeen sheep, and twenty hogs. I sold a yoke of working cattle lately. The waggon which I have cost me seventy-five dollars, and I have other necessary articles for a farm, as a fanning mill, plough, &c.

I am not inclined to over-estimate my property, but I would not accept of 1500 dollars for my farm and stock; but I feel so comfortably placed, that this sum would not tempt me to sell. We have been blessed with good health, and considering that (saving our luggage, which held our clothing) when we arrived as before observed at this place, our means were small and I was in debt, my success as a settler has been progressively advancing. Many emigrants in this township can verify my statement in their own experience, for my prosperity is not singular. An emigrant needs to be watchful and industrious, and with sober habits there is the same (and perhaps a better) prospect than mine before him.

(Signed)

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