## State of Crops Throughout the Province.

JULY CROP BULLETIN, 1890.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,

FREDERICTON, July 22nd, 1890. Notwithstanding a very wet and backward spring, I am able to

The past winter was of an unusual character, the early part having been remarkably open with frequent rains, the latter part generally severe, especially in the Gulf counties, where both the cold and snow severe, especially in the Gulf counties, where both the cold and snow are said to have been greatly in excess of the average. On the whole stock wintered well, but the lateness of the average. On the whole stock wintered well, but the lateness of the spring caused an unusually large consumption of food, so that the supply of old hay on hand is probably much less than for some years past. Some of my correspondence of the high has been mentioned to may by others, in the regular correspondence of the office. Others of my correspondence of the office. Others of my correspondences of the shortness of feed last fall, cattle went into the barns in poor condition, and were consequently not in shape to stand the vintered well, they require most of the summer to regain lost ground.

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Seed time appears to have been from ten days to three weeks later than usual, according to locality, perhaps an average for the whole Province would be a fortnight later than the general run of years and nearly three weeks later than last year. In view of this, the reports as to the breadth in crop are very interesting. In two hundred and fifty-seven cases the area sown is reported as equal to that of last year, which, as every one remembers, was an exceptionally fine spring for putting in a crop; in one hundred and twenty-six cases a decrease is reported, and in ninety-nine an increase. Taking these returns in connection with the individual crops reported on and the localities from which. Seed time appears to have been from ten days to three weeks later than usual, according to locality, perhaps an average for the whole Province would be a fortnight later than the general run of years and nearly three weeks later than last year. In view of this, the reports which, as every one remembers, was an exceptionally fine spring for putting in a crop; in one hundred and twenty-six cases a decrease is reported, and in minety-mine an increase. Its fitting these returns in connection with the individual crops reported on and the localities from which are the reported come, I conclude that the acreage in crop is fally as large as any other, and potatoes as great an increase in event. New hard potatoes as great an increase in event in the properties of the acreage in the special potatory. The dature is exercised in preparing grain for the market, we need not look for much change, and thousands of dollars will continue to go out to the other Provinces for what we could just as well produce at home.

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pretty general awakening on this most important subject. I have not published the replies of those who simply reported that no increase was observable to them. I think we may look with confidence for a further improvement in this line. Recent legislation, the lectures that have been delivered and are now being delivered in the Province on the question of dairying, the great prominence given to the matter of the province, so that there may be said to be a snow storms set in generally as soon as the rain stopped. The prospects and any shortcoming in the hay crops will be due to the backward weather in May and June.

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Luther Goodspeed. on the question of dairying, the great prominence given to the matter by the Provincial Farmers' Association, and the co-operation of the press must produce very beneficial results. It may be worth considering whether it would not be well for the Municipalities to have the index of the one of the right to appoint inspectors of butter. There is a too general complaint that sufficient distinction is not made in the market between good and inferior grades of butter. Undoubtedly, if inspection were provided inferior grades of butter. Undoubtedly, if inspection were provided for, butter that received an A1 certificate would bring a better price than an inferior article, and thus would be removed all ground for the claim that it did not pay to make a good article.

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Take this opportunity of saying that I am able to note an increasing interest in improved farming and stock raising. The Agricultural Societies are showing a more liberal spirit and generally there

S. C. Hudon, St. Basil—A hard winter; forage was short in many are many reasons to feel encouraged. I do not think that it can any cases. longer be said with truth that the farming community is not responsive to efforts made to stimulate an interest in better methods. It is true that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that the attendance at the Farmers' Association or at the Agriculture that th tural lectures is not as large as is desirable; but it must not be forgotten that the provincial newspapers have dealt so generously with these events, that the most of what has been said or done has been reported

Thomas Parker, Derby—The first part of the winter was favorable, but from the first of February on it was the worst known for to my circulars. It entails some trouble upon them, for which of reports more valuable if more receive no direct recompense. It would make these say to those persons who do not reply to circulars send their replies in too late to be used, that they would confer a favor upon the department and the public, if they would kindly answer the circulars as soon as received. If there are any gentlemen who would circulars as soon as received. If there are any gentlemen who would many of the grass roots. Prospects of hay are fairly good. be willing to act as correspondents, I would like to have their names and post office addresses.

In the reports which follow, an excellent idea is given of the present cases prepared with a good deal of care and they will repay perusal.

CHAS. H. LUGRIN, Secretary for Agriculture.

THE PAST WINTER AND THE HAY CROP.

the warm winter and absence of snow; but the hay crop will be a full cold. one. The winter was favorable to stock.

There was not much snow and a good deal of ice; but the hay crop was not hurt and its prospects are good. C. J. Bennett, Rosevale — The sudden changes in the weather fair on upland. Poor on lowlands.

were hard on stock, and heavy rains, with ice forming, hurt the grass. Hay prospects are good on marshes and lowlands, but on highlands they are poor. Alex. Rogers, Hopewell Hill—The winter was not severe on all kinds of food to be scarce. The prospects of hay are excellent.

stock; but the spring was late and feed scarce. Not much grass was winter-killed. The hay on the marshes is better than last year, but is not so good on the uplands.

CARLETON COUNTY.

H. T. Scholey, Centreville—The winter was cold, with plenty of snow. Clover was not killed, which we take as a sign that grass lands did not suffer. New meadows look Al: old meadows not so with the solution of the solution did not suffer. New meadows look A1; old meadows not so promising. Stock did very well.

go off until late, consequently grass roots wintered well. New seeded lowlands are injured by water and cannot make a full crop. go off until late, consequently grass roots wintered well. New seeded meadows are exceptionally good. Hay prospects generally are good.

W. D. Smith, Blissville—The winter was very mild and favorable to stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock; but there was much heavy rain and the ground being bare, but by the stock is the stock in the stock in the stock in the stock is the stock in the stock in the stock in the stock is the stock in the stock in the stock in the stock is the stock in the stock in the stock in the stock in the stock is the stock in the s

usual, probably owing to short pasturage in the fall. The grass land some places and weeds coming up instead. From present appearances hay will not be more than from 75 to 80 per cent. of an average. was not hurt and the prospects for hay are very good.

E. M. Shaw, Victoria Corner — A very favorable winter for stock, and a fine winter, generally speaking. Where land is wet and not drained grass is light, having either been killed out by the frost or and favorable for stock. Grass land was not hurt and hay prospects and fodder corn. A thirty per cent. decrease in other crops

very well. Grass was not winter-killed any in this locality and hay fields were winter-killed. Until the last week in June hay looked very looks badly will be a good crop.

grass. The prospects for hay are better than for some years.

to stock, and was mild; but grass lands were winter-killed to a con- to good.

J. T. Vautour, St. Louis—The winter was not favorable to stock, especially the latter part of it. The ice which covered the land lay late in the spring has hurt and delayed the grass crop. The hay lay late in the spring has hurt and delayed the grass crop. The hay

MADAWASKA COUNTY.

L. Theriault, M. P. P., Edmundston — Grass was very little injured last winter and hay promises an abundant yield.

Honore Cyr, St. Helaire — An unfavorable winter for stock. es. Grass land was not hurt and hay promises well.
P. O. Byram, St. Leonards—A favorable winter where hay wa

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Thomas Parker, Derby - The first part of the winter was favor-

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

Albert Palmer, M. P. P., Hampstead—The winter was hard and corn, 85 condition of farming in the Province. They are evidently in most grass land was considerably injured, but the prospects for hay are land wintered well. The prospects for hay are good, both upland and interval, but the water will hurt the low land grass to some extent.

DeLacy McAlpine, Cambridge—Stock wintered well, and went to grass in better shape than usual, but are not doing as well as they would if the summer were not so wet, grass, not being as sweet and very good.
G. L. Colwell, Cambridge—A favorable winter for stock. Grass would if the summer were not so wet, grass not being as sweet and nourishing as usual. The winter was not favorable to grass, being very wet with insufficient snow. Hay is looking well where the land is good, but old meadows are poor. The late rise of water covered the lowlands and will hurt the grass. On the whole we will not have

RESTIGOUCHE COUNTY.

W. Murray, M. P. P., Campbellton - The past winter was a hard

W. W. Hubbard, Burton - The winter of 1889-90 was remarkably S. E. Campbell, Brighton—The winter was mild and long; on the whole unfavorable to stock; but it did not injure the grass land.

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David Burtt, Centreville—The winter did not injure grass in this good and we will have a full hay crop. Stock did as well as usual.

James Love, Glassville—Fodder was scarce towards spring. Hay will be an average crop, but late.

A. W. Hay, Lower Woodstock—Except that it was unusually long the past winter was not severe on stock. Grass was very little injured by frost. Hay will be late; but about an average crop.

James Simonson, Jacksopville—Stock did not winter as well as usual. It was universal probably owing to short pasturage in the fall. The grass land supported by the stock of the grass land supported by the stock of the grass land supported by the grass being entirely killed in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as stilled in hollow places; but, perhaps, not to as great at two as still did not promise at grow deviced fields look well and promise at grow deviced. Hay on the uplands will be about 75 per cent. of a crop; the will be an average as last year. May barley, 81; potatoes, 100.

J. M.G. Powell and C. T. Walker—The acreage in oats, wheat and buckwh

ST. JOHN COUNTY. W. E. Skillen, St. Martins — The winter was mild with little snow

Gideon Phillips, Coldstream - Stock came through the winter to stock but the late spring was hard on feed and very little old hay is ry well. Grass was not winter-killed any in this locality and hay libe a good crop.

G. L. Cronkite, Royalton — Λ favorable winter for stock and G. L. Cronkite, Royalton for some years.

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CHARLOTTE COUNTY.

John S. Magee, St. Andrews—The winter was very favorable

T. C. Olive, Lancaster—A mild winter, favorable to stock. Frequent rains kept the meadows bare and considerable grass was winter-killed. Old meadows are thin and bare. Hay prospects are from fair

VICTORIA COUNTY.

siderable extent. The prospects for hay are poor.

John S. Maxwell. St. Stephen—The winter was mild and favorable to stock, with little or no winter-killed grass. Hay will be late and about 75 per cent. of last year's crop.

H. E. Hill, St. Stephen—A favorable winter for stock and for the grass lands. Prospects of hay are good.

J. W. Stevenson, St. Patrick—A favorable winter for stock, with little or no winter-killed grass, which is year has compensated for the hardships of the winter and cattle look very fine. We had very deep snow, and it appears to have been beneficial. There are no complaints of winter-killed grass, which is well, as the old hay is about exhausted. Hay prospects are excellent, except spring lambs, a large per cent. of which died, from some except spring lambs, a large per cent. of which died, from some cause. The snow fall was light, and grass was hurt on the

intervals. The hay crop will be 25 per cent below last year's; and the grass is full of weeds.

F. M. Murchie, St. Stephen—A favorable winter for stock, which came out looking well in the spring, partly on account of better care and much on account of better feed. We see a great improvement in this line in horses and cattle especially. The winter was not hard on grass lands, and hay is about an average crop.

A. M. Mealy, Pennfield—Stock wintered well. The lack of snow was injurious to grass land, though highland did not suffer much. Hay will be a light crop in this section, as so much grass was winter-killed.

P. McLaughlin, Bocabee—A very favorable winter for stock. Considerable grass winter-killed. Hay prospects fair, say 90 per cent.

James Barry, Melrose—The winter was favorable to stock as it and the grass is full of weeds.

F. M. Murchie, St. Stephen—A favorable winter for stock, which came out looking well in the spring. There was much loss with sheep and lambs. Mares and foals have done well. Owing to deep snow the winter was favorable to grass. Clover survived it well; but on flat lands where there was not much chance for the water to run off, ice formed and much grass was winter-killed. Slopes and sheltered spots were not much damaged. Low-land hay is better than highland; last year the reverse was true. The prospects of hay are unusually good: 33 per cent. above average and it will contain an unusual amount of clover.

WESTMORLAND COUNTY.

James Barry, Melrose—The winter was favorable to stock as it

James Barry, Melrose—The winter was favorable to stock as it was not cold, but the spring was cold, backward and hard on animals. An unfavorable winter for grass lands as from lack of snow much grass was winter-killed. The hay crop looked light until lately, when the weather became warm and showery. If it continues thus for a short lime the hay crop will be fair.

This is unfortunate for the owners, because where cattle have not wintered well, they require most of the summer to regain lost ground. In this connection it may be well once more to call attention to the importance of growing fodder corn, or some other green food to supplement the pastures. This is being done largely in King's and some other parts of the province with the best results.

The congruiants of winter-killed grass are not so general as usual, or as hight be expected after a winter characterized by so light a snow which vegetation started, and it tends to confirm the theory that all green portion of the winter-killing is done after the snow goes off in the pastures.

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YORK COUNTY.

THE ACREAGE IN CROP.

[The percentages are of acreage as compared with last year's crop.]

ALBERT COUNTY.

W. P. Robinson, Elgin — Oats, barley, potatoes, turnips, and fodder corn the same as last year; wheat and buckwheat, 75 per cent.

W. E. Bishop, Irving Settlement — Oats, 90; wheat, 80; barley, 15; buckwheat, 80; turnips, 75. nckwheat and potatoes, 95; turnips, 85. C. J. Bennett, Rosedale—Oats, 90; wheat and turnips, 100; barley, buckwheat and potatoes, 105.
Alex. Rogers, Hopewell Hill—Oats and barley, 100; buckwheat, 110; potatoes, 80; turnips, 75.

CARLETON COUNTY.

cent decrease; barley, 20 per cent. decrease; buckwheat, average; potatoes, 20 per cent. decrease; turnips, average.

A. W. Hay, Lower Woodstock—Oats, 90 per cent.; wheat, 110; barley and buckwheat, 100; potatoes, 105; potatoes, 120; fodder James Simonson, Jacksonville - Wheat, 85; other crops the same

John S. Magee, St. Andrews - A 25 per cent. increase in turnips H. E. Hill, St. Stephen - About the same area in oats and turnipe ALBERT COUNTY.

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More than an average hay crop.

L. P. Farris, White's Cove — A favorable winter for stock. Grass as last year; 25 per cent. less wheat; 25 per cent. more barley; 10 per was winter-killed to some extent; but on dry ground the prospects of hay are fair. On lowland they are poor, on account of the wet and hay are fair. The acreage in crops is about an account of the wet and have a subject to the whole winter for stock. Grass as last year; 25 per cent. less wheat; 25 per cent. more buckwheat and potatoes. An increase in the area in have a subject to the whole winter for stock. Grass as last year; 25 per cent. less wheat; 26 per cent. more barley; 10 per cent. more buckwheat and potatoes. An increase in the area in have a subject to the whole winter for stock. Grass as last year; 25 per cent. less wheat; 26 per cent. more buckwheat and potatoes. An increase in the area in have a subject to the whole winter for stock. Grass as last year; 25 per cent. less wheat; 26 per cent. more barley; 10 per cent. more buckwheat and potatoes. An increase in the area in have a subject to the whole winter for stock. Grass as last year; 25 per cent. more barley; 10 per cent. more buckwheat and potatoes. An increase in the area in have a subject to the whole winter for stock. Grass as last year; 25 per cent. more buckwheat and potatoes. An increase in the area in have a subject to the whole winter for stock. Grass as last year; 25 per cent. less wheat; 26 per cent. more buckwheat and potatoes. An increase in the area in have a subject to the whole winter for stock. Grass last year; 25 per cent. less wheat; 26 per cent. less wheat; 27 per cent. less wheat; 28 per cent. less wheat; 29 per cent. less wheat; 29 per cent. less wheat; 20 per cent. less whea J. W. Stevenson, St. Patrick - The acreage in crops is about ar

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Isaac C. Burpee, Upper Gaspereau — A favorable winter for stock.

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Much grass was killed for want of snow early in the winter. Hay is foir on unload. Poor on layland. Poor on wheat, 125; turnips, 120; carrots, 100. A. M. Mealey, St. George—Oats and barley, 125; other crops

GLOUCESTER COUNTY. W. Walsh, Pokemouche - Oats, 100; wheat, 130; barley, buck wheat, potatoes and turnips, 100.

James Hyden, Pokemouche — Oats, 110; wheat, 115; barley, 100; buckwheat, 120; potatoes, 120; turnips 90.

Horace Hornibrook, New Bandon — No perceptible increase ex-

fine and open. Lack of snow in the early winter, with frequent thaws and consequent ice, together with a long duration of freezing nights and that the control of the contr KENT COUNTY.

John Jardine, Jr., Kingston — The acreage in crops is about the same as last year. No fodder corn is grown but oats and tares for

fodder are largely sown.

Rev. F. X. Michaud, Buctouche—About the same acreage in I not suffer. New meadows look A1; old meadows not so proming. Stock did very well.

T. L. Alexander, Fredericton Junction—The winter was mild. Stock did well and grass was not injured. Hay on the uplands will be a fair, perhaps an average crop, though ten days later than usual. The lowlands are injured by water and cannot make a full crop.

W. D. Smith. Blissyille—The winter was very mild and favorable.

T. A. Michaud, Buctouche—About the same acreage in crop as last year; less in oats, more in buckwheat.

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T. Ventour, St. Jonic, October 10 per cent. in oats and wheat, and of 5 per cent. decrease in potatoes; other crops a larger acreage and better prospect than last year.

W. D. Smith. Blissyille—The winter was will.

and barley, the same as last year. A 50 per cent. decrease in buck-wheat, due to changeable weather. A. C. Fairweather, Rothesay - Less acreage in crop than usual in N. P. Wanamake, Hammond - The acreage in crop are about the

Thomas Roach, Sussex — Oats, 90; wheat, 100; barley, 110; buckwheat, 90; potatoes, 110; turning, 100; fodder corn, 100. Corn

MADAWASKA COUNTY.

L. Theriault, M. P. P., Edmundston - Almost the same average in crops as last year.
S. C. Hudon, St. Basil—Oats and buckwheat, average; barley,

**OUEEN'S COUNTY.** 

Albert Palmer, M. P. P., Hampstead — Oats, buckwheat and potatoes, 70 per cent. of last year; wheat, 60 per cent.; barley and turnips, 50 per cent.
G. L. Colwell, Cambridge — Wheat, barley, rye and fodder corn about as last year; buckwheat, 25 per cent. increase; oats, 20 per cent. decrease; turnips, 25 per cent. decrease.

DeLacy McAlpine, Cambridge — Oats are below the average acreage. Wheat is grown only to a small extent. Barley is not grown to any extent. Buckwheat and potatoes more than average. Fodder corn, and rive an average.

H. Wilmot; Burton — The prospect for apples and small finite is fair.

Hon. A. Harrison, Maugerville — Apples will be light; a cold storm blighted the trees.

ST. JOHN COUNTY.

S. J. Shanklin, St. Martins and Simonds — Apples promise well.

W. Murray, M. P. P., Campbellton — Potatoes, 90 per cent.; barley and buckwheat, 80; other crops about as last year.

W. W. Hubbard, Burton - Fodder corn, 80 per cent. of last year;

veet corn, 45 per cent.; other crops the same.

W. Barker, Sheffield — The acreage is generally smaller than last are fairly good. r.
T. L. Alexander, Fredericton Junction — Oats and buckwheat the ac as last year; potatoes, 80 per cent.; wheat and turnips, 75 per Alfred Raworth, Upper Cape — Apples, plums and cranberries same as last year; potatoes, 80 per cent.; wheat and turnips, 75 per W. D. Smith — An increase of 25 per cent. in barley and buck- pro wheat; a decrease of 10 per cent in turnips; other crops about the

H. Wilmot, Burton—I cannot speak of individual crops; but think the acreage in the whole is 20 per cent. less than last year.

Isaac C. Burpee, Gaspereau—Oats, buckwheat, potatoes and turnips, 100; wheat, 50; barley, 25.

Hon. A. Harrison, Maugerville—Oats, 50; barley, 110; buckwheat, potatoes and turnips, 100; wheat, 50; barley, 110; buck-

peared in a few days. T. C. Olive, Lancaster — A 10 per cent. increase in oats and turnips.

A. W. Coburn, Harvey—Fruit looks as though it would be an average crop, but there is some damage from worms.

James Barry, Melrose—The acreage in crop is about the same as last year with a ten per cent. increase in wheat.

F. A. Dixon, Sackville—The oat crop is 20 per cent. under average; barley and fodder corn shew a 20 per cent. increase. Other crops about as last year.

Howard Trueman, Point de Bute—No perceptible increase in the principal crops.

Gilbert Wilhur Shedisc—Oats barley potatoes and fodder corn better than they were last year.

wheat, 120 per cent.; turnips and wheat 110 per cent.; barley the same last year.

E. Lundon, Canterbury—The acreage in crops is ahead of last but a general feeling that something better ought to be done. Luther Goodspeed, St. Mary's—Stock wintered well. Owing to wet weather and lack of snow much grass was winter-killed. Hay will be below average.

J. H. Murch, Bear Island—A favorable winter for stock. A good deal of grass was winter-killed. Hay prospects are average.

John A. Campbell, Spring Hill—Turnips and buckwheat, 100; barley, 95; oats, 90; wheat and potatoes, 85 per cent.

John Rutherford, Tweedside—The acreage in crops is about the same as last year. Farmers are beginning to experiment with fodder same as last year. Farmers are beginning to appreciate the advantage of keeping better stock and of taking record care of it.

> the same as last year, except a 25 per cent. reduction in wheat.
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> A. W. Coburn, Harvey—An average acreage in crops.
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> J. L. Inches—It is difficult to give a correct statement of the average of crops, but it is no doubt less than usual because of the bad state throughout the whole Parish of Aberdeen.
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> James Simonson, Jacksonville—No increase just here, but there in prospective yield.
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> Luther Goodspeed, St. Mary's—The acreage in crops is about the

same as last year.

J. H. Murch, Bear Island — Oats, 80; wheat, 50; barley, 75; buck-discourages farmers from extending their operations in any line. wheat, 110; potatoes and turnips, 100.
E. D. Estabrooks, Prince William — Oats, 110; wheat and potatoes,

THE FRUIT CROP.

ALBERT COUNTY.

C. J. Bennett, Rosevale — The prospects of fruit are not very en-Alex. Rogers, Hopewell Hill—Not much interest is taken in fruit dairying, both in the quality and quantity of the product, especially wing. We are too much exposed to the wind from the Bay of dairying.

A. M. Mealey, Pennfield—More interest is taken in dairying

CARLETON COUNTY. S. E. Campbell, Brighton — All fruit promises well.
H. T. Scholey, Centreville — All apples are very promising; plums largely damaged by cold winds when the trees were in full bloom; wild fruit will be abundant. F. E. McNally — Apples and wild fruit promise to be abundant. No other fruit grown here.

James Love, Glassville — Fruit promises well.

A. W. Hay, Lower Woodstock — Fruit will be plentiful, especially New Brunswickers and Fameuses. E. M. Shaw, Victoria Corner — A poor prospect for fruit. A cold but the low price of butter discourages production. wave passed over the country at blooming time and hurt the crops. G. L. Cronkite, Royalton—Fruit will be rather light. Gideon Phillips, Coldstream - Apples and small fruit will be a

H. E. Hill, St. Stephen — Fruit prospects are fair.

J. W. Stevenson, St. Patrick — Apples will be an average crop.

F. M. Murchie, St. Stephen — The fruit crop is fairly encouraging, except plums and cherries.

A. M. Mealey, Pennfield — Fruit is 25 per cent. better than last P. McLaughlin, Bocabec - Trees blossomed well, but heavy winds

Little or no other fruit grown here.

KENT COUNTY. John Jardine, Jr., Kingston - A good promise of apples, plums and cherries if late frosts have not damaged them.

Rev. F. X. Michaud, Buctouche — The season is too backward to judge of the fruit crop; but not much is raised here.
P. M. Theriault, St. Mary — Fruit will not be very abundant; blossoms were very numerous, but there will not be very much fruit. J. T. Vautour, St. Louis - The prospect for apples, plums and currants is pretty fair.

J. McG. Powell and C. Y. Walker, Ford's Mill's—Fruit is not less than 50 per cent. better than last year.

Rev. F. X. Cormier, Cocagne—Prospects of fruit are very good,

Hon. O. J. LeBlanc, St. Mary - A good prospect for apples.

but apples only are grown here. KING'S COUNTY.

Hon. G. H. Flewelling, Clifton — Strawberries winter-killed and the crop will be short. Raspberries are average. Gooseberries and currants look well. Not many apples raised here. A good season for Abram Alward, Butternut Ridge — All fruits promise well. C. I. Keith, Havelock Corner — Prospects for fruit are only fair, as the frost hurt the blossoms a good deal.

N. P. Wanamake, Hammond — Fruit promises well. Our prin-

KING'S COUNTY.

Hon. G. H. Flewelling, Clifton—The acreage is about the same as last year. Late rains interfered with the sowing of grain, but if the Abram Alward, Butterput Pilar.

W. C. King, Chipman—There is an increased interest in dairying here.

Isaac C. Burpee, Upper Gaspereau—There is an increase in quantity and an improvement in quality.

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wild fruits promise an abundant yield. plums are a total failure.

John Galloway, Napan — The prospects for fruit are very good.

QUEEN'S COUNTY. G. L. Colwell, Cambridge—The prospect for apples and small fruit is very good; but for plums and cherries, very poor.

DeLacy McAlpine, Cambridge—Apples promise to be an average; the improved varieties are doing better this year than for some time past, are growing better and show signs of an abundant yield. Small fruits are not much grown, but the interest in their cultivation is in-

W. D. Smith, Blissville — Apples will be above the average, but not as heavy a crop as the blossoms promised. The plum crop is likely H. Wilmot, Burton — The prospect for apples and small fruits is

VICTORIA COUNTY. Jas. McNichol, Kincardine — Fruit prospects are good.
C. McCluskey, Grand Falls — What little fruit is grown here promises well. There is a disposition to grow it more largely.
George Murton, Birch Ridge — Orchards are not abundant here; very small apples appear to be bearing well.

WESTMORLAND COUNTY

James Barry, Melrose — Fruit promises well, though we had a light frost when the trees were in bloom. Apples, plums and cherries Howard Trueman, Point de Bute — I think the prospects of fruit Gilbert Wilbur, Shediac - Apples, plums, cherries and gooseber-

promise a good crop.

D. Sinclair Smith, Petitcodiac — Apples will not be a good crop; plums and pears a failure. Small fruits promise well.

W. F. George, Sackville — Apples promise well. Small fruits an

GLOUCESTER COUNTY. W. Walsh, Pokemouche -A good number of apple trees have been planted, but they are too young to bear yet.

Jas. Hayden, Pokemouche — Fruit is not much grown, but promises Horace Hornibrook, New Bandon — Owing to the severity of the winter, fruit in general is light, though some varieties look well.

W. Rogers, Bathurst — Apples, black plums, and currants promise an abundant yield.

YORK COUNTY

Daniel Elliott, Stanley - Apples will be 10 per cent. above the average.

E. Lundon, Canterbury — The prospects are of a very large crop of apples, plums and small fruits.

John A Campbell, Spring Hill, — The largest apple crop for years.

John Rutherford, Tweedside — Fruit prospects are not very good.

Cold weather after blossoming injured the crop.

G. M. Sleep, Upper Hainesville — Apples a failure; plums half a George Armstrong, Lower St. Mary's - Small fruits look well; apples do not thrive on our soil. A. W. Coburn, Harvey - Fruit looks as though it would be an

THE DAIRYING INTEREST.

Albert County.

G. M. Sleep, Upper Hainesville—Oats, 90 per cent; wheat, 50; barley, turnips and carrots, 100; potatoes, 75; buckwheat, 110.
G. Armstrong, Lower St. Mary's—The acreage in crops is about the same as last year, except a 25 per cent. reduction in wheat.

In the day preciate the advantage of keeping setter stock and of taking good care of it.

H. T. Scholey, Centreville—I think there is no increase in dairying.

Three cheese factories have lately cut into the dairy business.

David Burtt, Centreville—I think there is some improvement in

is further up the country.

E. M. Shaw, Victoria Corner — Probably there is somewhat more interest in dairying; but the outlook is uncertain as to markets, and

Charlotte County. John S. Magee, St. Andrews - No increase in dairying in this neighborhood; but greater efforts are being made to raise milk-producing cows in consequence of the demand for milk and cream at the John S. Maxwell—No increase in dairying here, and little interest in it and there will not be, until the farmers adopt co-operative dairying and make a more uniform grade of butter, thus putting mselves in a position to govern the market.

H. E. Hill, St. Stephen — There is an increased interest in dairy-W. T. Robinson, Elgin—So far as can be ascertained, the fruit ing, but the low price of butter discourages production and leads to spects are fair. J. W. Stevenson, St. Patrick - There is an increased interest in dairying.

F. M. Murchie, St. Stephen — There is a decided increase in

than for many years.

Gloucester County. James Hayden, Pokemouche—A general desire to produce superior butter and obtain the latest and most approved utensils is Horace Hornibrook, New Bandon - A slight increase in dairying David Burtt, Centreville—Plums promise a full crop; apples 75 is observed; but the price for butter is low, and buyers do not hold out inducements to make good butter, paying as much for poor as good. Hence there is not the interest there ought to be. W. Rogers, Bathurst — An increase in dairying and dairy stock.

More pure-bred animals are coming in, and stock is greatly improved;

Kent County.

Gideon Phillips, Coldstream—Apples and small fruit will be a d crop.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY.

John S. Magee, St. Andrews—Apples promise well.

John S. Maxwell, St. Stephen—Apples not up to average.

Small

P. M. Theriault, St. Mary—Farmers are raising better cattle and there is an increased interest in dairying.

Rev. F. X. Cormier, Cocagne—Dairying is beginning to increase.

Hon. O. J. LeBlanc—There is an increased interest in dairying.

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King's County. Hon. G. H. Flewelling, Clifton - My opinion is that the dairy Abram Alward, Butternut Ridge — There is perhaps a slight increase in dairying.

A. C. Fairweather, Rothesay — There is an increased interest in dairying.
C. J. Keith, Hayelock Corner — There is a little increase in the interest taken in dairying. This would be a first-class place for a man of enterprise to take advantage of the encouragement given by the overnment to start a butter factory, as there are a large number of ows kept and neither a butter nor cheese factory.

N. P. Wanamake, Hammond—There is an increased interest in airying; farmers are securing better stock and giving this industry

O. N. Price, Havelock — An increase in proportion to the growth of the place. About half the farmers use creamers.

Madawaska County. S. C. Hudon, St. Basil - We hope to have a better factory next

Queen's County.

G. L. Colwell, Cambridge - Dairying is not carried on in our locality for want of help to take care of the milk. I think that butter and cheese factories are the only chance for us here.

DeLacy McAlpine, Cambridge—The interest in dairying does not seem to be any greater. We have no butter or cheese factory. A few farmers make cheese; mostly all make butter. The number of cows has not increased but holds the average. I think the general entlest for this year is not an average the season is so backward. outlook for this year is not an average, the season is so backward.

W. C. King, Chipman — There is an increased interest in dairying

P. O. Byram, St. Leonards — Fruit is not much cultivated; but ild fruits promise an abundant yield.

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T. L. Alexander, Fredericton Junction — I think there is a steady increase in dairying, but it does not develope as it should.

W. D. Smith, Blissville — More interest is manifested in dairying, and feeding cows, as we have been sending milk to St. John. We have built an ice house at Hoyt Station, holding 40 tons of ice, to keep milk cool during the hot season. We believe when this trade is fully established it will be a great benefit to this continuous. established it will be a great benefit to this section.

H. Wilmot, Burton — The interest in dairying, is undoubtedly in-

> York County. Daniel Elliott, Stanley — Dairying is on the increase in this district. Farmers are paying more attention to milch cows than for-

E. Lundon, Canterbury - The low price of butter has caused a decrease in dairying the past few months.

John Rutherford, Tweedside — There is an increase in the intercreasing.

Isaac C. Burpee, Gaspereau — A pretty good prospect for fruit.

RESTIGOUCHE COUNTY.

W. Murray, M. P. P., Campbellton — All kinds of fruit cultivated and promise an abundant yield.

SUNBURY COUNTY.

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