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DROUGHT—CROPS—MARKETS.

DROUGHT.—Want of Rain, want of drink and food for Cattle, thirst. Such are the reports that have for some time reached us from many quarters, indeed from most parts of North America. Wisconsin laments "the terrible drought"; from Illinois and Arkansas the same sound is heard; and New York and Middle, as well as the Western States, echo the report. "More injury is done by the drought than by the chinchbug," "though the crop is entirely destroyed by the chinchbug," is one gloomy report, too much so, we think. "In our country the crops are literally burning up," writes a correspondent. "A dismal account of the drought in Middle and Western Tennessee," writes another. After all, the loud outcry, we believe, is far greater than the injury. Here also we have had a drought almost uninterrupted for several weeks, and though we feel its pressure, and more especially for water and feed for our stock, we can bear it without such an outcry.

CROPS.—This year is called by some of our exchanges "The year of general productiveness." There can, however, be no doubt, that of some products, roots especially, will in consequence of the drought, be a lighter yield than we sometimes have; with potatoes (this is the case); but though the drought may have lessened the number of tons or bushels, this will be compensated by the superior quality of potatoes, as well as of grain. There is more alimentary food in both. It is true a wet season is more detrimental in Britain than in Canada; the grain there is more subject to maling and sprouting, and the potatoes to disease; but here too the quality of grain and other edible products of the soil are superior in a dry season.

MARKETS.—The markets here, are, in a great measure, ruled by the crops and markets of Europe. According to the leading European authorities, the British and Continental harvests of this season will return a yield above the average. The deficiency in England will be much less than last year. England and Switzerland will be the only purchasers, and in Russia, Germany, Austria, and Hungary the yield is good, and generally of good quality; Oats, what few are grown, exceptionally fine, with short, bright straw; winter beans very good, but rather short in stalk; potatoes good, showing little or no disease; turnips, variable; mangolds good. The Mark Lane Express says:—"The fall (in prices) in France have made quite a revolution in prices, and if a cheap loaf means national prosperity, we seem very near its attainment." Our last reports are that "After an almost continuous decline in wheat and flour, amounting to some 20 or 25 per cent., the market, the last week or two has been more settled; with a slight reaction in price, influenced no doubt by a falling off in the supply of last year's product, and the falling in freights to Europe to the lowest point in several years."

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MIDDLESEX. 97-179, Township of Metcalfe.—220 acres, 180 acres improved; beech and maple; a fine orchard of grafted fruit, about ten acres; clay and sandy loam; well fenced; never falling creek; large frame house in bad order; good and extensive out-buildings; brick dairy; cheese factory on the farm; market town and railway station 2 1/2 miles; churches and schools near. Price,

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