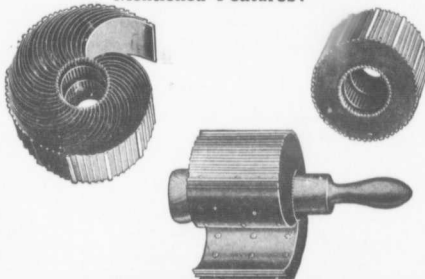


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THE SEASON OF 1911 BELOW AN AVERAGE FOR ONTARIO FARMERS

Grain and Hay Crops Short, Potatoes and Roots Below the Average, Corn the Best Crop. Good Prices in Many Lines Will Partly Offset the Shortage. Views of Some Farm and Dairy Correspondents.

WITH all of their crops safely harvested, Ontario farmers are now in a position to sum up the results of their season's work. A few farmers in a few sections will have good crops. Over the greater portion of the province, however, the general verdict will be that the season of 1911 was not an average one from the standpoint of crop yields.

Grains generally were short in the straw, and in the greater part of Western Ontario did not thresh out well. The hay crop as a whole was considerably below the average, although a large portion of Eastern Ontario had a good crop. Potatoes are close to a failure. Roots did not germinate well, and hence could not yield well. Corn, however, is an average crop, and will help to make up for a shortage in other feeds.

WHAT OUR CORRESPONDENTS SAY
Several Farm and Dairy correspondents have written to us expressing their opinion on this season's crops. Mr. P. B. St. John, of Ontario County, states that they have the poorest crop in years. He believes, however, that farmers are in good condition financially and can stand the reverse. Mr. J. McIntyre, of Dufferin County, agrees that crops are not up to the average, but states that "They might be worse." "Farmers who are behind will not reduce their indebtedness this year," says W. A. Caverhill, of Middlesex County. Mr. Albert G. Wright, of Lambton County, thinks that although crops are not up to the average, farmers generally are satisfied with the returns of the year.

If crops are short prices generally are high. The following table gives the market quotations for November 1st of this year and the same date in 1910:

	1911	1910
Cheese	\$. 1.05 to \$ 1.34	\$. 1.11
Butter, cream-ery .....	. 25 to . 28	. 25 to . 27
Beef, butcher cattle, choice ..	\$5.50 to \$5.00 to \$4.00	\$5.75 to \$4.00
Hogs .....	. 27	. 29
Eggs .....	. 43	. 35
Oats .....	. 90	. 55
Barley, malt .....	. 57	. 55
ing	1.09	1.20
Buckwheat	15.00	12.50
Wheat	2.00	1.90
Hay, No. 1		
Hay, No. 2		

It will be noted that while hogs and eggs are slightly below quotations of last year and beef cattle and butter practically the same, coarse grains, hay and cheese are all selling at a premium.

Prices for potatoes in particular are 50 per cent greater than at this time last year.

DAIRYING MOST PROFITABLE

Dairymen who have had an opportunity of sending their milk to the cheese factory have had a particularly good chance to balance up their accounts on the right side. Cheese has been a record price, having sold on several boards for 15c and average almost 14c, while last year the average price in Ontario was 10.3c. Mr. J. J. Houser, our Haldimand County correspondent, notes this fact when he says that "Farmers are making more money by dairying than in other lines." Market conditions point to a continuation of the high prices ruling for dairy produce, and the feed conditions at a profit this winter will be those fed to dairy cattle.

Ontario stock farmers will not feed as many steers this year as they did last, since feed is scarce and prices for beef have not been satisfactory.

The tempting prices that are ruling for the raw products of the farm, particularly hay and coarse grains, do not seem to be tempting farmers to sell these products at the expense of their stock and the fertility of their farms. Grain dealers state that there is very little trade moving. In fact in many sections farmers have little feed, and will require to feed it all to carry over what stock they have. More feed than usual will have to be purchased. Concentrated feeds and millstuffs will be the feed most generally to be purchased by the dairy farmers who have a good supply of the rough fodders in their corn ensilage and fodder.

The good prices that prevail for dairy produce will be an inducement to the farmers to feed their grain at home, and to buy the concentrates they need.

The reports of some of Farm and Dairy's correspondents follow:

AN OPTIMISTIC REPORT

"Hay and grain crops are better than last year. Potatoes will be one-quarter of a crop, corn one-half a crop. Farmers have plenty of feed for winter and are financially well satisfied."—A. Smith, Frontenac Co.
"Crops are considerably below last year. Hay is a good average. Straw is short and grain low in yield. Buckwheat and potatoes are almost a failure. Corn is good. The supply of feed for winter is much below the average, shortage of pasture leading many farmers to feed early."—T. W. P., Northumberland Co.
"Crops as a whole are not up to last year. Hay, oats and roots particularly are below the average. Potatoes are very poor. Fall wheat is good, and barley fairly good. Corn is a good crop, but about a fair supply of rough fodder on hand."—A. Shearer, Peterboro Co.

NOT SATISFIED

"Crops are not as good as last year. Potatoes and clover are very poor. There is a fair supply of feed on hand. Farmers are not at all satisfied."—Jas. Keith, Victoria Co.
"We are not had as poor crops for 15 years. Buckwheat and barley are the best. All other grains are slack. Feed is very scarce and farmers will be unable to put their stock in good condition for market. We have had good crops and good prices for a number of years, and being in good condition financially, we can stand a reverse."—P. B. St. John, Ontario Co.

CROPS ONLY ONE-HALF

"Crops are about half of last year. Peas are a failure, oats and barley fair, and hay good. Returns are not satisfactory, but about a fair supply of rough fodder on hand."—J. McIntyre, Dufferin Co.
"Crops are up to the average. The worst failure is in peas. Oats and barley are a big crop. There is an abundance of feed. Most of us are satisfied."—R. J. Watson, Dufferin Co.

"On the whole return this year will show crops averaging 75 per cent of 1910. Prices are better and our incomes will not be much short. All crops are a little short."—F. M. Lewis, Brant Co.

DAIRYING MOST PROFITABLE

"Our crops are not profitable to those of last year. What is above the average. Oats are light. Farmers are making more money by dairying than in other lines."—J. J. Houser, Haldimand Co.

"Crops are not quite equal to last year but will compare favorably with an average of five or six years. Corn,

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