

those in the western part of Old Ontario. At Monteith Farm part of the oat crop was in the barn by the middle of August, and the remainder was rapidly approaching maturity. From Monteith south to New Liskeard the grain harvest was as far advanced last week as it was in the county of York, and in the north country last week I lost more weight by perspiration while walking than I did while helping in with the hay crop at home in hot July.

FROST DANGER GROWING LESS.

It is true the seasons are not always dependable in New Ontario. Sometimes frost comes late in spring and early in autumn. But men are still living who can tell of frozen grain in Bruce, and even in Ontario and Durham counties in the early days. With each passing year, and each addition to the area under cultivation, the danger of frost will grow less. Even to-day, in a stretch of country as long as from Toronto to Owen Sound, Dawson's Golden Chaff in winter wheat, Marquis or Prelude in spring, O. A. C. No. 3 oats and O. A. C. No. 21 barley will give surer yields than can be obtained in the West. Potatoes, mangels and turnips do well over the whole of that territory, and clover is literally a weed.

NO NEED OF NURSE CROP FOR CLOVER.

Alsike grows by the roadside everywhere. Near Englehart alsike was scattered among the stumps on a piece of freshly-cleared land. Neither plough nor harrow has yet touched the ground. No "nurse crop" was sown, but to-day the growth of clover is so thick one can hardly walk through it. It is a little far north for corn, but Mr. R. H. Clemens, manager of the experimental farm at Monteith, thinks he has found a substitute for corn ensilage in a mixture of peas, vetches and oats, which he has siloed this year, and that gave a yield (green) of eight to ten tons to the acre.

ALFALFA GROWS HERE, TOO.

On this same farm is a plot of alfalfa that has passed through four winters and still covers the ground, the crop now growing carrying a splendid promise in seed, for which it is being saved. When digging for a turnip cellar alongside this plot alfalfa roots were traced to a depth of nine feet.