

## OPPORTUNITIES IN NORTHERN ONTARIO 71

covered with 12 to 18 inches of moss in which the trees stand. This is burnt off and the stumps pulled out by a horse. Poplar land is generally put into hay and left so till the stumps are decayed.

**CLIMATIC CONDITIONS.** Hot summers, and cold, dry winters are the rule. The dryness of the atmosphere prevents the cold of the winter from being unpleasantly felt and the snow is light and dry. At times it gets very hot in summer. Pleasant falls are the rule.

**FODDER CROPS.** Clover and timothy hay pay especially well. The yield is commonly three tons to the acre.

**GRAIN CROPS.** Wheat, oats and barley need a crop of peas to precede them to do best, especially where the land has been heavily burned over. Wheat has not as yet been extensively grown. The varieties known as "Wild Goose," "Red Fyfe" and "Dawson Golden Chaff," are well adapted to this district.

**MARKETS.** Extensive lumbering operations, the wonderful mining development and new towns springing up, provide an immediate outlet for all farm and garden produce at good prices.

**MINERALS.** Only the fringe of the mineral wealth of North Ontario has been touched, yet the mining camps of this region, founded in the last few years, are famous all over the world. See under "Mining," pages 15-22.

**SOCIAL CONDITIONS.** Good highways are being rapidly constructed, giving access to towns and means of social intercourse. Churches and schools have gone rapidly up all over the country. Great attention is paid to education.

**SPORTSMAN'S PARADISE.** Moose, deer and bear are abundant. The rivers and lakes are full of trout and bass.

**SUMMER TOURISTS.** North Ontario is the Mecca of thousands of summer tourists, who revisit this district year after year, providing a source of income to the farmers and storekeepers in the district. The Temagami Steamboat and Hotel Company operates a series of first-class hotels in connection with their line of boats. Lakes and rivers intersect the whole country.

**TIMBER.** The principal trees are white and black spruce, balsam, poplar, balm of Gilead, tamarac, white birch and white and red pine. The undergrowth consists of swamp alder, moose maple, mountain ash, ground hemlock, raspberries, blueberries and cranberries.