

now to be seen on the New Ontario exhibition car. Heads of oats containing as much as 150 grains could be found in the sheaf Mr. Schell had on exhibition. Mr. Schell does not spend all of his time in New Ontario, but has men in charge during his absence at his farm in Oxford county. His settlement in the clay belt dates back only six years.

Mr. W. Netherton.

Successful New Ontario settlers have not all come from farms in the older settled parts, but from office and shop as well. Mr. W. Netherton, of Brentha, between Charlton and Englehart, left the shops of the Massey-Harris Company in Toronto, attracted by New Ontario's charms and bound on making himself independent, rather than to serve under numerous bosses for the rest of his life. He has been in the country about ten years. At the time of his arrival Englehart was not on the map. He cut ten acres of the townsite, and this was about the first work he did in the way of hiring out and earning his first money in the new district. Mr. Netherton is one of the growers of record crops, and specializes in potatoes, barley, oats and clover. He grows a large quantity of turnips each year for feeding his stock, and considers them an economical feed. He admits that the early days, before the railway was built, were not ones of perpetual sunshine. Difficulties and hardships had to be overcome as in any other new district. Means of travel were very inadequate, as the early settlers had to do much of their own road building. To get a roadway into his lot he had to fill one hundred loads of clay into a ravine.

Mr. Harry Hackford.

There are few settlers in New Ontario who have had as varied a life as Mr. Harry Hackford, of Englehart. Mr. Hackford, however, is not a stranger to the profession of farming, having been raised on a four hundred acre farm in Herefordshire, England. He landed in New Ontario seven years ago with a capital of \$50. The old adage that a poor beginning makes a good ending appears to work out according to directions in his case at least. His first lot was located in the winter, and when the snow left in the spring he found that the greater part of his farm was muskeg. He cancelled his right to it and bought another farm, the one he now holds. He was at one time connected with the 41st Regiment of Wales, and served in Egypt and Africa. He has also had some experience in mining. Mr. Hackford's strong specialty is in the growing of vegetables, at which he is an expert, and the vigorous growing season and splendid soil of New Ontario makes conditions the best for his favorite pursuit. He has won many prizes from his various exhibits of vegetables, including the silver cup given by the Union Bank of Canada for the best collection of vegetables grown on a farm. It must not be supposed that he goes exclusively into vegetable growing, however, for he grows excellent hay and grain crops as well. He has