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It is worth your while to give your spare moments to gain a few subscriptions for The Canadian Dairyman and Farming World? Others win prizes, why not you? Look at the back cover of this issue, and see what is going past you to others. Testimonials, such as the following, will show you how easily you might make your spare moments of value.

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Crop Conditions for June

The crop reporter for June, issued by the Bureau of Statistics, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, has the following to say of the crops reported.

SPRING WHEAT.—Area sown to spring wheat is estimated to be 3.7 per cent. more than the area sown last year, indicating a total area of about 17,710,000 acres, or 631,000 acres more than sown last year. The condition of spring wheat on June 1 was 95 per cent. of a normal, as compared with 88.7 on June 1, 1907, 93.4 June 1, 1906, and 93.2, the June 1 average of the past ten years.

WINTER WHEAT.—The condition of winter wheat on June 1 was 86 per cent. of a normal, as compared with 89 on May 1, 1908, 77.4 on June 1, 1907, 82.7 June 1, 1906, and 81, the June 1 average of the past ten years.

OATS.—The area sown to oats is estimated to be 0.6 per cent. less than the area sown last year, indicating a

total area of about 31,644,000 acres, or 103,000 acres less than last year. The condition of the oats crop on June 1 was 92.0 per cent. of a normal, as compared with 81.6 on June 1, 1907, 85.9 on June 1, 1906, and 88.9 the June 1 average of the past ten years.

BARLEY.—The area sown to barley is estimated to be 3.0 per cent. more than the area sown last year, indicating a total area of about 6,607,000 acres, or 249,000 acres more than last year. The condition of the crop on June 1, was 80.7 per cent. of a normal, as compared with 84.0 on June 1, 1907, 93.5 on June 1, 1906, and 89.5, the June 1 average of the past ten years.

RYE.—The condition of rye on June 1 was 91.3 per cent. of a normal as compared with 90.3 on May 1, 1908, 88.1 on June 1, 1907, 89.9 on June 1, 1906, and 90, the June 1 average of the past ten years.

MEADOWS.—The condition of meadows (hay) on June 1 was 96.8 per cent. of a normal, as compared with 93.5 on May 1.

PASTURES.—The condition of pastures on June 1, was 97.7 per cent. of a normal, as compared with 92.6 on May 1, 96.6 on June 1, 1907, and 91.3, the June 1 average of the past ten years.

Comparing the prospects this year with last, as given above, they are approximately 93 per cent., as against 85 per cent. This will no doubt mean much to the ultimate prosperity of the country.

EUROPEAN CONDITIONS

Throughout most of Europe there has been a visible and in some parts a great improvement in crop promise during May. In central and western Europe generally the excessive rainfall of April was succeeded by sunshine and genial weather, and the progress of the crops was proportional to the extent of the change. In Hungary and Italy the most extreme contrast between the two months was experienced, while the crops developed rapidly in consequence, danger has now made its appearance in an urgent need of rain. The warm, dry spell was entirely beneficial to Germany, where an abundance of moisture was stored in the soil, and here perhaps the maximum improvement in plant life is to be found. France, especially in the north, was favored with less warmth and sunshine and Great Britain with still less, so that in both countries fine, growing weather is required. The south of France, like Italy, needs additional moisture.

Great Britain.—The weather of May while not so warm as desired, has caused a decided improvement in crop prospects. Vegetation made rapid strides, and wheat largely regained its lost color. At the same time the effort of the continuous cold and damp of the preceding months has not been entirely dissipated, and the crops remain decidedly backward in growth as compared with their normal development at this date. It is noteworthy that the better results are now anticipated on the poorer soils, on light and chalky soil rather than on clay. It seems to be commonly assumed that the wheat area is slightly larger than last year, but no definite information on the subject is available. Spring grain seems likely to suffer less seriously than wheat from the general backwardness of the season. The prospects are said to be satisfactory, and heavy yields of clover and mixed grasses are looked for. Local complaints of damage from insects, of the blackening of oats from frost, of the yellowing of wheat, and of the rotting of potatoes, are heard; these drawbacks are attributed largely to insufficient warmth and sunshine, and to excessive precipitation.



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