

Ontario Government has guaranteed him a title to his farm, free, to be delivered to him as soon as he has done enough work, for himself, to entitle him to receive it. His family need not suffer with the cold in winter because of a coal famine or of lack of funds to purchase it; thousands of cords of the best of firewood are near at hand, free for the cutting. He is independent of the ice man in summer. The network of rivers and lakes of the purest of waters, which cover the country, provide ice of the finest quality in winter and no matter how busy the settler may be he can spare a couple of days to harvest and store enough of this necessity to last through the following summer. For buildings he need not pay high prices for lumber or frame timber. There is plenty of it near by; the only cost is the labor in felling the trees and hewing the timbers. Then for the lumber there are numerous sawmills throughout the district where custom sawing is done where the farmer may haul his logs. If the settler does not desire to do so he need pay no cash as the owner of the mill will accept a small percentage of the lumber so cut in payment of his sawing account.

Then as to providing for the table. Invariably every settler has his little flock of poultry and a number of hogs, and at least one cow; thus, with this stock, milk and butter, pork, eggs and fowl are furnished. A half-acre patch of garden will provide a sufficient quantity of potatoes, cabbage, beets and other table vegetables for the average family for a year. Plums, raspberries, strawberries and blueberries grow almost everywhere. The quality is of the best and the yields immense. The writer picked several cupfuls of red raspberries near New Liskeard on September 15. In size the berries were equal to the improved varieties in cultivation and the flavor the finest. Wild strawberries, too, grow of great size in New Ontario. The wild black and red currants and the high bush cranberries are found in great quantities every season also. The same can also be said of gooseberries. All these are to be had for the picking and it is therefore not surprising that every thrifty New Ontario farm housewife has each year such a variegated stock of preserved fruits. In some of the homes the pantry shelves contain displays of fruit that would prove a big feature at an exhibition. So much for the natural resources of the great clay belt of Ontario, and after reading the above the reader's first thought will no doubt be that money is not required in order to live comfortably there. Such is the case, nevertheless, for very little money is required. Truly, a country must be almost perfect when conditions are such. It is one of the reasons why it is easy for the settler to save money. His bank account swells quickly because he has so little expense, and the returns from his crops, aside from what is wanted for clothing and other incidentals, is added to it. For the wage-earner in the cities who has ambition enough to create in him