

There are some exceptions, owing to the wet spring, especially in the low lands and in the heavier soil, for want of proper drainage. The hay, clover and timothy crops are extra heavy and have been generally well harvested. Fall wheat is magnificent and housed in splendid condition. Spring wheat equally good and is now being cut in good order. Oats promise an abundant crop, which in some cases is being harvested. Peas are also being harvested, and the yield is splendid, without a blemish; no pea bug has made its appearance in the district. Barley, rye, buckwheat and flax are equally good. Hops growing luxuriantly and heavy laden. The Indian corn is not as good this season as in former years. This is owing to the wet spring; generally it has been a good crop. Root crops cannot be surpassed. In fact this district is hard to be equalled both in yield and quality. Garden vegetables are in unusual abundance and of the best quality. I notice the potato bug has made its appearance generally throughout the district. I obtained apples growing in several localities, principally on the islands. Strawberries, raspberries and gooseberries cultivated and wild in abundance. Currants in all their varieties excellent.

"Having resided in the District nearly twenty years, and from observations more or less during that time, I can unhesitatingly assert that the District of Algoma is well adapted for agricultural pursuits. Having abundance of good water, and being well timbered, the grazing is of the best quality. The District is troubled very seldom with frosts which injure crops no frost being in the ground on the opening of spring, seed can be sown early in April, and where fall ploughing has been done the ground is ready for the seed as soon as the snow leaves the ground. Grass springs up immediately, and cattle can be turned loose to graze for themselves."

LORENZO LONDREY, a well-known farmer, near Sault Ste. Marie, says:

"I have lived in Algoma for some eight years; I formerly lived in the county of Grey; I find the winter healthier here than in Ontario, for the simple reason that the weather is not so changeable, and is dry under foot. This country is well adapted for grain growing; we have fine crops this season. I have just arrived home from a trip in Eastern Ontario, and I can safely say that the crops there are not so good as ours generally. The world cannot beat our peas; consequently we can raise any amount of pork; also stock of all kinds and dairy products; for we can grow any amount of hay and the pasture is always green—never dried up and parched with the sun as