

Recent Improvements In Farm Implements

IN jotting down a few items for this corner of the ILLUSTRATED, our mind naturally turns to Mowing Machines, which will shortly be used extensively over the entire Dominion. There is every indication of a magnificent grass and clover crop, and conse-

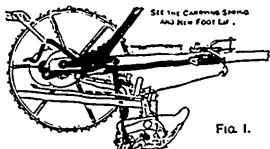


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quently there will be much anxiety to harvest it successfully. Many farmers who have gone through the poor crops of the last few seasons with their old and nearly worn out mowing machines will find them inadequate to cope with the crops of the present year, if we may judge from the present indications. The wise farmer will, therefore, look into the subject in advance, and, having decided to purchase a new mower, will want to know what the latest and best improvements are.

The splendid line of Grass Cutters made by Massey-Harris Co., Ltd., viz., the Toronto and Brantford Mowers, are known everywhere for their excellent workings and sterling qualities. The present season some notable improvements have been made, particularly in the Brantford Mower, to which attention is drawn. First, there is a new Foot Lift, which admits of raising the bar inside or outside, or both, as may be desired. This Lift is very conveniently located, is easy to work, and greatly facilitates handling the machine especially when at work on rough land. Fig. 1, above, shows this Lift. It also indicates the position of the heavy carrying spring.

A very marked improvement in the new Brantford Mowers is the introduction of the Massey-Harris Perfected Roller and Ball Bearings, concerning which we have spoken in previous issues. Fig. 2 shows the gearing as used in Brantford Mowers fitted with the Roller and Ball Bearings.

On the following page are illustrated a number of invaluable features of this splendid machine. The great width of tread as compared to competitors', is a point not to be overlooked, and adds much to the comfort and safety of the driver. The great flexibility of the Cutter Bar is a feature which has given the Brantford Mower a wonderful reputation, it being possible to cut on all kinds of levels, in all kinds of positions, in and out of furrows, up and down over knolls, and save a larger percentage of the crop

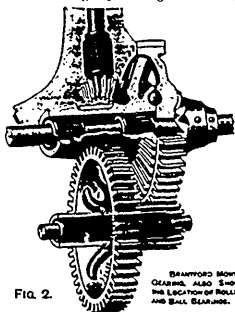


FIG. 2.

than possible with other styles of machines.

Canadian farmers want the best machine made, and it is a matter of pride to them that that best machine is a Canadian machine made in Canada by Canadian workmen,