

He has also good buildings and all the live stock and machinery he requires. Mr. Kingston arrived in Canada five years ago, coming direct from England, where previous to that he had been engaged almost from his boyhood on the estate of the Duke of Portland. He admits frankly that he had never seen a real forest before coming to Canada. Large, well-kept groves were the nearest he had ever seen to one. The farm he chose was a particularly good one. The soil is of a rich sandy loam with a heavy clay subsoil. Mr. Kingston told the writer that he would never consider going back to England to live. He does not mind the cold winters of Canada, and considers the climate healthier than that of England. For agricultural purposes he considers the soil and climate of New Ontario vastly superior to that of England. In justice to many other farmers in that district it should be mentioned, however, that Mr. Kingston came better prepared than the majority of settlers. He had \$2,000 to invest and he began farming earlier than it would have been possible for him to do had he arrived in the country with only a few dollars. The investment was a good one, though, and his annual returns to-day are not far from the amount he possessed at the start. Mr. Kingston estimates the cost of clearing land on his farm, which is heavily wooded, at \$75 per acre. The value of the timber removed in the clearing, however, brings in a much greater amount than this. He estimates that the price which can be secured for the pulp wood and timber will pay the whole cost of clearing the land ready for the plow.

#### **Mr. John Prospect.**

Mr. John Prospect of Chamberlain township located his farm when the first surveys were made around Englehart. For five years he could not get his team out to the town for the reason that there was no road, excepting in winter. Like the great majority of the early settlers he has now got a well improved farm, good buildings, farm stock and machinery. Mr. Prospect thinks New Ontario is the best place for the man who wants to homestead and has only a small capital. It is better than the West, as work of some kind can be had any time during the year, while in the West there is practically nothing to do from the finish of the threshing until seeding time in the following spring. In New Ontario the winter is by far the busiest time. The big trouble is to get men enough to work at getting out pulp wood and timber. Mr. Prospect has been in the country only six years, and when he landed on his lot had only three dollars to his name. He tented out while making a clearing upon which to build a small log house. His first crop was of vegetables, mostly potatoes, and was put in among the stumps with a hoe. The crop of the small area cleared, however, was sufficient to keep the family in vegetables throughout the winter. He was obliged to work out a part of the time during the first summer, to earn enough money to keep his family in provisions while the crop was growing, so together with the time spent in building his house and