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BROCKVILLE. 7th July, 1863.

To George Taylor, Esq., M.P.,

South Leeds.

DEAR SIR,—

We, the delegates selected, whose names are hereto annexed, met you as agreed at Brockville on the 4th day of July and proceeded with you to Ogdensburg, and spent three days driving through different portions of the best farming and dairying sections in St. Lawrence and Jefferson Counties in the State of New York, stopped at farm houses, talked with farmers and cheese manufacturers, visited a number of stores, obtaining samples of goods and prices also, visited harness shops, agricultural implement dealers, carriage dealers, blacksmiths' shops, etc., etc., in order to carry out the instructions contained in your letter. We embody in this our report to you several interviews we had with some of the men with whom we talked. We conversed also with many others and found them all fairly agreed in the views of those herein reported. From all we could learn we found that farmers in Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties, where we visited, pay as much or more for what they have to purchase and get no more for the produce they have to sell than do farmers in the County of Leeds. We also found that they are not any more prosperous, and from all we could gather are more heavily mortgaged than farmers in the County of Leeds. We also found that well improved farms of the very best of soil, free from broken lands, and lying within from two to ten miles of the city of Ogdensburg, as well as in other localities where we made enquiries, can be purchased much cheaper than lands of the same quality with same improvements similarly situated in the County of Leeds; that lands have depreciated in value more in the last ten years in St. Lawrence and Jefferson Counties than similarly situated lands in the County of Leeds. In regard to prices we found cotton goods of all kinds will average about the same in the United States as in Canada; woollen goods of all kinds and clothings are very much higher in the States than in Canada; sugar and teas are higher in the States than in Canada; provisions about the same; agricultural machinery and binder twine are higher in the States than in Canada; waggons and buggies, considering quality, the Canadian goods are as cheap if not cheaper than the American; cheese furnishings are higher in the States than in Canada, while cheese is not so high; taxes, irrespective of school and poll taxes, are higher in the States than in Canada; western corn is very little, if any, used by the farmers in the section of country visited by us for feeding purposes, farmers using chiefly their own coarse grains. The following are some of the prices quoted by merchants in Ogdensburg, Hewvelton, Redwood and Clayton, New York, for their leading articles:—