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Ottawa, August 17, 1929, noon. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports the receipt of the following telegrams on the condition of crops in Canada at the middle of August.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.- From the Dominion Experimental Station, Charlottetown: The hay crop was above average and was saved in perfect condition. Scattered showers have fallen in many districts. Harvest started in West Prince with grain well filled. Roots, potatoes and corn above average. Pastures are getting dry. Fruit about average. Vegetables maturing early, are a good crop.

NOVA SCOTIA.- From the Dominion Experimental Station, Nappan: Weather extremely dry. Hay sixty per cent harvested. Early sown grain just turning. Roots and sunflowers badly in need of moisture. Corn doing very well. Pastures drying up fast. Fruit crop prospects fairly good. Maximum 84°, minimum 41°, precipitation .35 inches. Sunshine 117.8 hours.

QUEBEC.- From the Dominion Experimental Station, Ste Anne de la Pocatiere: Harvesting hay crop, proceed slowly last ten days, should be finished coming week, above average. Grains improved materially through last rain, will probably be below average. Few exceptional fields are now getting ripe. Potatoes prospect good. Season for vegetables and field crops good. Pasture good. Cows holding well. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Cap Rouge: Haying nearly over. Pastures good. Silage corn and grain somewhat delayed by cold and rainy weather of first week of August. Apples, potatoes and garden crops are very good, particularly. All crops are in need of heat. Summer ploughing all done. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Lennoxville: Haying is finished with a good crop of excellent quality. The rain has done much for the grain crop which was suffering from lack of moisture. Corn, root crop and potatoes are growing well. Orchards look promising. From the Dominion Experimental Station, La Ferme: Temperature has been favourable and frequent rains have insured a steady growth and development of vegetables, potatoes and grains. Pastures are good and so is the flow of milk. Ploughing is progressing under favourable conditions. Early oats and barley are beginning to ripen. Their yield should be good. Local prices good.

ONTARIO.- From the Ontario Department of Agriculture: Fall wheat harvest is almost completed and threshing is general. The total crop will be well above the average. Yields of 40 and 45 bushels to the acre have been reported from many counties. Harvest of spring grain is progressing rapidly. Straw is short but in most cases yields will be fair. Alsike, though variable, is yielding fairly well. Haying is completed except in the north and second cutting of alfalfa. Weather permitted the making of excellent hay and the yield was good. Harvesting of early potatoes has commenced in Central and Northern districts with fair yields. The late crop is standing still because of drought in many sections but Central Ontario has not suffered as have other sections. Weather conditions have favoured farm work and this is well advanced. Much land is in good shape for fall wheat and a large acreage has received special cultivation of Weed Control. Ontario generally requires rain. Some sections have no moisture shortage, but on the whole it is very dry. Pastures are being exhausted and in western Ontario counties, cash and root crops are in a critical condition. In some cases water is being hauled for live stock.





MANITOBA.- From the Dominion Experimental Farm, Brandon: Cutting now well advanced many districts. Rust prevalent and will take toll in most late crops. Some threshing with combine. Wheat on summer fallow yielding better than anticipated. Barley poor to good. Oats and potatoes generally poor. Pastures dried up. Fodder corn short. From the Dominion Experimental Farm, Morden: Cutting well advanced, most farmers will finish this week. Number of threshing outfits are already busy. Yield below average, but sample is good. Yields at Experimental Farm Morden so far are: Barley 35, Reward Wheat 25, Fall Rye 43. All samples are very plump and color excellent. Weather conditions dry and cool with no dews but considerable winds. From the Manitoba Department of Agriculture: Sixty to seventy per cent Manitoba's crop ready for binder. Large fields stocked in Southern Manitoba and threshing begun few places. Harvest starting in backward areas. Rust showing in standing crops. Some good wheat, some very poor, possibly three quarters ten-year average. Wheat grains fair to good quality. Barley possibly sixty per cent ten-year average, Oats thirty to fifty per cent. In a few oat and barley fields cannot use binder. Generous showers over considerable area few days ago, will help pastures, potatoes and corn.

SASKATCHEWAN.- From the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture: Regina: Weather conditions remain generally dry except for some local showers and crops have not shown any improvement in the last two weeks. Cutting of the early fields is starting at many points with the prospects of a crop very much below the average. Farmers in the southern portion of the province are making a particular effort to save all the feed available as there are large areas in the south central part where there is a serious shortage of feed.

ALBERTA.- From the Alberta Department of Agriculture: Edmonton: Harvest general in central and southern part of province. No change in conditions. Edmonton district fair but crops north and east from Edmonton as far as Vegreville good and all north west of Edmonton good. Cutting general this district in about a week. Peace River District conditions still hold good. Cutting general next week. Local showers throughout province of last two weeks assisted in pasture growth and filling of late grain. Some hail damage in Gleichen District in south but light on whole through province. No report frost damage. From the Dominion Experimental Station, Lethbridge: Dry hot weather continues southern Alberta. Winter wheat harvest completed, yields reported 25 to 45 bushels, grade about two. Spring wheat harvest at height, yield expected from 10 to 35 bushels, grade two and three. Kernels shrunk due to drought. Irrigated sugar beets excellent. Second crop irrigated alfalfa good.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.- From the British Columbia Department of Agriculture: Victoria: Weather continues dry. Spring wheat cutting general and threshing has commenced, yield will be below average. Oats and barley promise satisfactory yields. Second crop of alfalfa is being harvested and is of excellent quality, although on lighter soils yields are not heavy. Apricots, peaches, plums, and early apples are moving freely. Straight carlots of tomatoes are moving from the packing houses and crop of good quality.

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