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Jeff Coulson, a meteorologist for Environment Canada, was on site Wednesday afternoon to confirm the cause of the damage. Coulson said the tornado struck the Crispin property with winds gusting at 160 to 190 kph.

"It's hard to see your livelihood come down like that," Margaret Crispin said. "Now were not sure what to do. Right now, we're just picking up the pieces and moving on."

"It's frustrating because the farming has been hard as it is and this may have finished us," added Bryan Crispin.

Margaret Crispin's parents came to check out the damage. What they saw stunned them. "It's such a shock," said Wilma Kerkhof, Margaret's mother. "It's unbelievable."

The Crispins, including son Jorge, spent the day cleaning up debris and cutting down the remains of the front tree. Bruce Tractor, where Jorge Crispin works, offered the family a generator to use.

The family's insurance company was contacted, but no damage estimate was available Wednesday.

The twister that hit the Crispins' farm was the stronger of two that Environment Canada confirmed to have hit in Ontario.

A weaker tornado struck in Orrville, near Parry Sound, Tuesday.

Four other possible tornado touch-downs in southern Ontario were unconfirmed late Wednesday.