

# EUROPE SHORT OF WHEAT.

## THE OLD WORLD IS FACING A VERY GRAVE SITUATION.

**Bread is Rising in Price - Beerbohm Says Wheat Will Go to Two Dollars Per Bushel - The Shortage in Europe Said to be Tremendous - What The American Agriculturist Says.**

The bakers in almost every city and town in Canada have given notice that the price of bread must be raised. The prudent housewife will want to know what it is that tends the price of bread kiting and so materially increases the household expenses at the time when the coal bin needs replenishing for the winter. She knows in a general way that the price of wheat has gone up and that the bulls and bears in the wheat gambling houses at New York and Chicago are making and losing fortunes day by day. She may think, indeed, that the price of bread is the stake in this mighty game. As a matter of fact, however, the bulls and bears the men who try to put up the price or to bear it down, are merely flies on the wheel. Behind them as the real arbiter of the price of wheat and of bread stands the spectre of famine which begins, to haunt Europe and has already set the French papers talking of bread riots.

### A GRAVE SITUATION.

The American Agriculturist, perhaps the greatest authority on the continent, in its latest issue says:—The food crop situation abroad is indeed grave. Commercial estimates of Europe's, including England's, needs of wheat imports range all the way from 800 to 400 million bushels. Inquiries conducted for a month past by American Agriculturist indicate that the higher estimate is the more conservative. Europe's wheat crops for 1895-4-3 averaged about 1,500 million bushels. In the famine year of 1891, Europe's wheat product was only 1,200 millions. The impression is gaining ground that Europe's wheat crop this year is even less than in 1891. If so, she must not only import her usual supply of wheat but 300 million bushels more on top of that.

But this is not the worst of it. Europe usually produces as much rye as she does wheat. It is the bread grain of the masses. The rye crop of the principal European countries, Russia, Germany, France, Austria, Bulgaria, Roumania, Italy, the low countries and Sweden, had averaged about 1,300 million bushels annually for 1896-5-3. This season, according to American Agriculturist's carefully compiled reports and inquiries through reliable correspondents in the countries of principal production, the rye crop of these countries cannot much exceed 875 million bushels. Here is a shortage of 325 million bushels of rye. Europe's shortage in rye is even more serious than her wheat deficit. The two crops together are apparently over 600 bushels less than the normal.

Quite as bad is the potato prospect. Europe produces in ordinary seasons twice as many bushels of potatoes as of wheat. Her potato crop is about equal to her rye and wheat crops together. The normal potato crop in the countries above enumerated is 2,850 million bushels. Due allowance for the fears and exaggerations even of our well-informed European representatives still leads American Agriculturist to the conclusion that only about 1,850 million bushels of potatoes will be harvested in these countries this year. Without regard to the United Kingdom or other Europe, there is a shortage of some 1,000 million bushels of potatoes.

### THE EUROPEAN SHORTAGE.

The European shortage, compared with the average, is as follows:—

	Bushels.
Wheat . . . . .	300,000,000
Rye . . . . .	325,000,000
Potatoes . . . . .	1,000,000,000
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>1,625,000,000</b>

No part of the world, apparently, has any considerable surplus of cereals except the United States and Canada. The potato crop in these countries is about 25 per cent. less than last year, and may be still smaller. The United States, has no potatoes for export. But if prices go high enough, the United States can spare 240 million bushels of wheat, 300 million bushels of corn, 100 million bushels of oats and 10 million bushels of rye, total say 650 million bushels.

This will about offset Europe's needs of wheat and rye, but where is she to find a substitute for her enormous shortage in potatoes? The twelve months ended June 30, 1892, following Europe's short crops of 1891, the foreigner bought from the United States flour and wheat amounting to 225 million bushels at an average export price considerably above \$1 per bushel; of corn, 177 million bushels at an average value of over 55c per bushel; of rye, more than 12,000,000 bushels at an average of 95c per bushel.

### BEERBOHM'S FRANTIC CABLE.

Why must not the foreigner expect to pay around these prices to-day? Beerbohm must have had an inkling of Europe's shortage in rye and potatoes when he frantically cabled over from Liverpool that England would be compelled to pay \$2 for wheat before the next crop comes in. But new wheat from the southern hemisphere will be on the market in January, the European situation as a whole is certainly no worse than in 1891-2, there

will be large underconsumption. All these factors must be kept in mind. Don't get excited. To refuse a good fair price is to assume speculators risk. Moreover, Russia has not yet prohibited the exportation of rye as she did about this time in 1891.

### A TREMENDOUS SHORTAGE.

Europe's potato crop this year compared with her full average crop in 1896 and 1893, and her short crop in the "famine" year in 1891, as gathered by American Agriculturist's representatives and correspondents in those countries:—

	(In Millions of Bushels.)
Russia . . . . .	1897 1896 1893 1891
Sweden . . . . .	367 538 556 280
Denmark . . . . .	53 62 61 51
Germany . . . . .	16 20 21 14
Holland . . . . .	849 1,180 1,270 730
Belgium . . . . .	46 51 54 43
France . . . . .	110 159 162 98
Italy . . . . .	428 445 463 410
Austria . . . . .	25 30 32 28
Roumania . . . . .	263 348 328 244
	2 3 3 2
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>1,859 2,836 2,899 1,931</b>
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### EUROPE'S RYE CROP

this year compared with her fair yield of rye last year, her full average rye product in 1894, and her shortage in 1891, compiled from comprehensive returns furnished by American Agriculturist's foreign correspondents:—

	(In Millions of Bushels.)
Russia . . . . .	1897 1896 1893 1891
Sweden . . . . .	510 671 840 483
Denmark . . . . .	20 23 18 22
Germany . . . . .	17 19 16 18
Holland . . . . .	174 244 260 188
Belgium . . . . .	9 11 10 8
France . . . . .	14 29 19 15
Italy . . . . .	62 80 85 59
Austria . . . . .	3 4 4 4
Roumania . . . . .	59 118 129 68
	8 12 6 4
Roumania, etc . . . . .	3 5 6 4
<b>Totals . . . . .</b>	<b>879 1,216 1,393 873</b>

### PAY OFF THE MORTGAGE.

The Agriculturist adds the following bulletin, which may have something to do with the very light delivery of grain in the United States to date:—

Acting under our telegraphic orders, a select number of our most reliable correspondents in the centres of commercial production made a comprehensive canvass to ascertain the farmers' views. Their telegrams up to the hour of going to press with this edition indicate that farmers are very firm holders, they think that they control the situation and will not let go until they get what they consider a fair price under present circumstances. This is further demonstrated by the fact that receipts of wheat since July 1st at primary points up to Aug. 22, were only half as much as in the same period of the boom season in the fall of 1891.

All reports speak of great jubilation among the farmers, rapid payment of their debts, and universal plans for improvements in everything pertaining to the farm, stock and house. The outlook for business in agricultural trade and among the rural population is overwhelmingly brilliant. Should anything like the above figures be generally realized, the American Agriculturist points out that more than half of all the mortgages on all the farms in all the United States can be paid off this year. The American Agriculturist also discusses the worldwide situation as to supplies, demand and prices, showing that the United States is in for a period of unprecedented prosperity. This prosperity should be of prolonged duration because founded upon the solid basis of prosperous agriculture and rich farmers—the rock-bottom foundation of national wealth.

## SAVED HIS BOY.

### A PLAIN STATEMENT FROM MR. ROBT. McLEOD, OF GALT.

**His Little Son Was Paralyzed on One Side and Doctor's Treatment Did Him No Good—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Were Given and Effected a Thorough Cure.**

From the Galt Reporter, Mr. Robt. McLeod is a gentleman well known in the town of Galt and throughout the district. In conversation with a member of the Reporter staff recently, he consented to make public the facts concerning the illness and restoration to health of his little boy. He said:—

"Yes, I believe that had it not been for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills my little boy would not have been living to-day. Willie, who is ten years of age, was taken with an illness that developed into paralysis of the left side. He had the best medical aid within my reach but nothing seemed to benefit him. He got so bad that a pin could be run into his left hand to the bone without his feeling it in the least. If he attempted to walk he could only get over the ground by dragging his left foot behind him; he had no power in it whatever. One night I was feeling pretty blue about him. I felt that he was going to be an invalid all his life, and I viewed things in their worst light. On this particular night I put on my hat with the intention of going out to take a quiet walk, but just as I got to the door I saw lying on a step a pamphlet. I picked it up listlessly, and saw it was an advertising book of the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co. I only read a few words when the conviction seized me that here was something that might possibly benefit my boy. I at once went down to Mr. Ferrah's drug store and purchased a box of the pills. By the time he had taken two boxes the color had come back into his hand and arm, and by the time he had taken half a dozen boxes he was cured, and now he is better than he ever was before in his life, and as hearty and strong as any boy in the town. Yes, sir, I believe Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a wonderful medicine."

### NEARLY CAUGHT.

Why, George, you haven't smoked any of those cigars I gave you for a birthday present. No, dear; I couldn't find it in my heart to burn anything you gave me.

### THESE SHIRT WAIST GIRLS.

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### UNANIMITY OF OPINION.

Fellows, you wouldn't take me to be a member of a millionaire's family, would you? Frankly, we would not. Neither would the millionaire; I asked him last night.

### ADAMS' GINGER BEER.

One bottle. One half to one cake. One half ounce. Two gallons. Dissolve the water, cream of tartar and yeast in the water, add the extract and bottle; place in a warm place for twenty-four hours until it ferments, then place on ice, when it will open sparkling, cool and delicious. The ginger beer can be obtained in all drug and grocery stores in 10 cent bottles to make two gallons.

### BIKE DEFINITION.

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