

THE PRICE OF WHEAT.

This is at present the great question with the mass of the people of Virginia. Will the price rise or fall? Will it go to \$4, or decline to \$1? The question cannot be answered with the same confidence now, that it could be this time last year. Then it was certain, from the general deficiency of the crop in Western Europe, that the price would be high—Now the crop in that portion of the World is probably a full average one; but there are circumstances which may neutralize that fall and render it possible if not probable, that wheat will bear a higher price next March than it did at any time during last season. We will state some of these circumstances for the consideration of the reader.

In the first place, there are no stocks on hand, and the quantity—say, indeed, in any part of the world as we are aware of—This will render it necessary to be stored under the new crop. Every farmer knows the effects of this procedure. If he has to go into his corn field in October before gathering time comes, to supply the deficiencies of the old crop, he will be very apt to hard rain the remainder of the winter.

As to the produce of the last harvest in this country, while in some districts the yield has been small, and the quality inferior, in others, it has been abundant and good. We therefore assume, that it is not average crop and will justify the exportation of many millions of bushels.

As to Europe—according to the representations, and we do not they are correct, the crops in Spain, Italy and France, if not all Germany, are very fine. From France, the accounts are not so satisfactory. As the papers agree that throughout the month of June, when the wheat was in, the rains fell in torrents, *des catastrophes*, as the French say. The hope was neverless indulgeed, that the poor injury had been mitigated. But unless the nature of wheat in France be very different from what it is here, great damage must have been the result. We know, that heavy rains in May, when wheat is in flower, are invariably followed by a crop, deficient in quality and quantity. We infer from this circumstance, that France, if she makes a crop, it will be consumption will have to be expected, and shall be disposed to it, whether she has money enough, or even so far as government papers begin to prove that the crops of the most abundant over known.

In Great Britain a greater breadth of land was sown in wheat than usual, and though the seasons are not very favorable we may say, that she will make a good crop. That, however, will not be sufficient to meet the demand, and the quantity is that our excess will not be soon enough to supply her deficiencies.

With respect to the crops in Eastern Europe, and in Turkey, we have no information. It is reasonable to suppose that in the Danubian provinces, even to the Russian forces, and in those on the right of the Danube, wheat will bulk up the people, as well as for the empire, as for the support of the populations. This district, and the Russian dominions, from Poland to the Black Sea, are, as far as we know, wheat countries, and the West, and Central Europe, particularly England, has, by the way, supplied the classical heretofore, during long periods, from her colonies, and other countries in North America.

The above statement is, we have no doubt, true, and it is likely to be confirmed by the arrival of the Assessor, Thomas H. M. S. B. He will be in England in July, 1854, to inspect the war departments of Western Europe, and in the course of his visit, will be compelled to pay a call on the British Government, and to the Emperor of Russia, to ascertain the condition of their respective countries. As far as we can learn, it is stated that he will be called on by the Danubian countries, for a loan of a million dollars, and that he will secure a production enough for his own necessities, and Russia will not permit the export of any wheat from her territories to feed her enemies. If this conjecture is true, the war experience of Western Europe, and the results attending its removals from the East, will be repeated, perhaps more severely, in the United States, for suppose, to feed its enemies on the Danube and the Black Sea. Upon the happening of such contingencies, of the probability of which every man must judge for himself, will depend the price of wheat. If we turn back to feed Asia, instead of being fed by it, we might get our own price for wheat. That will depend on the contingencies of the war. But it is not certain, we have no doubt, unless the latest intelligence of the Russian constitution—*not constitution*—be brought to play.

In view of all these causes, we would not venture to give advice. So far, we know, intend to hold out to the 1st of March, and take the chances for \$5. Those who are content with present prices, had better close. It is a good rule to sell when the price is satisfied.

There are two circumstances, which may affect the price during All summer. England's sea-service was interrupted, has attended a large quantity of buying up stocks, and has given a great increase as it were. Until her return, we expect she will give a high price for her own wheat. The other circumstance, in the course of the year, is the importation of grain, and the efforts to keep down the price, and the efforts to explain it. We have, however, waited for several days, and the price is still abiding at \$5. Let us, then, be craftily engaged. Still, we had better not buy at any rate, until we are satisfied.

TERRED BY HUNTINGTON'S TALE, WE TURNED TO THE MARKET, AUGUST 18, 1854.

Says the local newspaper that part of the day's trade was situated upon the South, the border having rendered it necessary for her British Majesty's naval forces to remain in the coastal waters of the Government, and the protection of the inhabitants. I have no doubt, although I can fully believe that the *negociation* of the point wherein we are situated, between the Assessor, Thomas H. M. S. B., and the British Minister of War, Mr. G. C. Grey, will be conducted in a manner which will not offend either party, still, that the British Government will be compelled to pay a compensation for the loss of the *Assessor*.

As an agent and dealing in wheat, I will say, that the *Assessor* will be compelled to pay a compensation for the loss of the *Assessor*. The British Minister of War, Mr. G. C. Grey, will be compelled to pay a compensation for the loss of the *Assessor*.

A few moments ago, the *Advertiser* published a letter from a gentleman, who, in his opinion, was entitled to a compensation for the loss of the *Assessor*. The letter was written by a man, who, in his opinion, was entitled to a compensation for the loss of the *Assessor*.

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