

Milton Mills Has Enjoyable Journey

The Enterprise is in receipt of the following letter from Milton Mills, which we are sure will be of great interest to our readers. We will be pleased to receive further letters for publication from Mr. Mills.

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Dear Dakota Friends:

Just a few lines to let you know that I am living and enjoying good health in this wonderful state of New York. Everything sure looks fine here. Plenty of fruit, but not much to spare on account of so much wet weather here this spring. But what there is is of a good quality, and such a good flavor, compared with what we are used to in North Dakota. The hay crop here this year was immense averaging about $3\frac{1}{2}$ tons to the acre of timothy and clover and the after grass is away up to the cows' knees now. Corn is fine—as large ears as in the corn states. The silo corn is from 7 to 12 feet high and no frost yet. They can fill a 12x30 silo with eight acres. The land here in the eastern part is very hilly, and such fine timber for both lumber and fire-wood. The main industry here on the farms is dairying. Potatoes are only going to be about a 50 per cent crop—so wet that they are rotting in the ground.

We started from Villa Grove, Ill., on Sept. 16, traveled thru the states of Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, in at the southwest corner of New York traveling for two days along the Lake Shore road with summer resorts on one side of the road and fruit farms on the other. Stopped at Niagara and spent one day viewing the sights. A rare and beautiful for a person the first time. We stopped four days at Syracuse, N. Y., looking over farms, bought one of 50 acres, five miles from Lake Ontario, on the State concrete road, thirty-two miles north of Syracuse where the State Fair is held every year. Lovely country there; just rolling enough for good drainage; average rainfall per year 44 inches. We left there Sunday morning at 9:30 a. m. and arrived here at Kjeldgaard's at 8 o'clock p. m., 171 miles, traveling all the time in an Oakland auto with complete camping outfit. Having a good time traveling over these hard roads. Have gone 1800 miles so far, about 250 miles of dirt roads. Will stop here about a week then go south to Washington, D. C., and call on our good loyal Nonpartisan members. Then west to Illinois, traveling in all about 350 miles.

The weather so far has been fine for traveling. We found the folks here all well and a very cozy home, having everything handy and modern; running water in all the buildings fed from springs up on the hills, fine cold pure water.

Well, I will close for this time, and try and write again after we have finished the last half of the journey.

Yours truly,

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Mills