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MEADOW KING MOWER

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BEFORE YOU BUY A MOWING MACHINE, WILL YOU LOOK AT

THE MEADOW KING MOWER?

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THE OLD WAYS AND THE NEW.

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I've just come in from the meadow, wife, where the grass is tall and green ;

I hobbled out upon my cane to see John's new machine ;
It made my old eyes snap again to see that mower mow,
And I heaved a sigh for the scythe I swung some twenty years ago.

Many and many's the day I've mowed, 'neath the rays of a scorching sun,

Till I thought my poor old back would break ere my task for the day was done ;

I often think of those days of toil, in the fields all over the farm,
'Till I feel the sweat on my wrinkled brow, and the old pain come in my arm.

It was hard work, it was slow work, a swingin' the old scythe, then ;
Unlike the mower that went through the grass like death through the ranks of men ;

I stood and looked 'till my old eyes ached, amazed at its speed and power ;

The work that it took me a day to do, it done in one short hour.

There's a difference in the work I did, and the work my boys now do ;
In a mowin' the grass the old way, and a mowin' it in the new ;
But somehow I think there was happiness, crowded into these toiling days,

That the fast young men of the present will not see till they change their ways.

To think that I ever should live to see work done in this wonderful way !

Old tools are of little service now, and farmin' is almost play ;
The women have got their sewin' machines, their wringers and every such thing,

And now play croquet in the door-yard, or sit in the parlor and sing.

'Twasn't you that had it so easy, wife, in the days so long gone by ;
You riz up early and sat up late, a toilin' for you and I ;
There were cows to milk ; there was butter to make ; and many a day did you stand

A washin' my toil-stained garments and wringin' 'em out by hand.

Ah ! wife, our children will never see the hard work we have seen,
For the heavy task and the long task is now done with a machine ;
No longer the noise of the scythe I hear ; the mower—there ! Hear it afar ?

A rattlin' along through the tall stout grass with the noise of a railroad car.

Well ! the old tools now are shoved away ; they stand a gatherin' rust,

Like many an old man I have seen put aside with only a crust ;
When the eyes grow dim, when the step is weak, when the strength goes out of the arm,

The best thing a poor old man can do is to hold the deed of the farm.

There is one old way they can't improve, although it has been tried
By men who have studied and studied, and worried till they died ;
It has shown, undimmed for ages, like gold refined from its dross ;
It's the way to the kingdom of heaven by the simple way of the Cross.

THE MEADOW KING MOWER.

WE present to the farmers of the United States our seventh Annual Circular of the MEADOW KING MOWER, hoping to attract their attention to its superior construction, durability and working qualities.

It has been in use six seasons, and we now offer it to farmers as the cheapest, most simple and practicable machine for mowing grass or spring grain, while it is stronger, more durable and of lighter draught than any other mower now made.

It is composed wholly of wrought iron, cast iron, and steel, of the very best quality—except whiffletrees, tongue and neck-yoke, which are of the best quality of wood.

It has no side-draught.

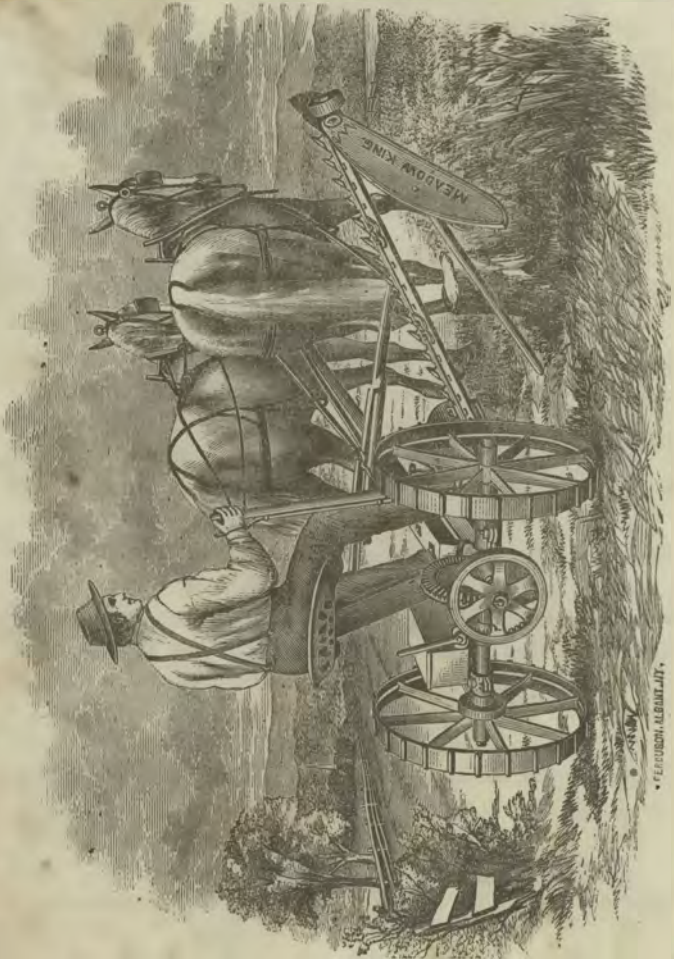
The Finger Bar is without hinges or joints, although flexible in every way. When in operation, it can be raised by the lever to any required height, or dropped to any angle below a horizontal without cramping the Pitman in the least, or stopping the Knife. The Knife is always in line with the Pitman and Crank-head, and will run in any position of the Finger Bar. This novel invention, used upon this machine and no other, makes the only really flexible Finger Bar yet invented.

To avoid friction and regulate the height of the cut, an adjustable wheel is placed at each end of the Finger Bar. These, together with the flexibility of the Bar, enable it to conform perfectly to the surface of uneven ground.

The Finger Bar is made of patent cold-rolled iron, which has been proved to be stronger than steel for use in mow.

ers. It is placed in front of the Drive-wheels, thus enabling the driver to see the cutting, as well as obviating the danger of an accident in case he should be thrown from his seat.

It is drawn by a tongue disconnected from, and independent of the Main Shoe and Finger Bar.



A comfortable spring seat is fixed midway between the Drive-wheels, and behind the axle, so that the weight of the driver shall relieve the team from the weight of the tongue.

The Guards are made of malleable iron, and steel faced, to form a shear edge with the sections.

The knife has a quick motion and a short stroke, enabling the machine to do good work when it moves as slowly as horses or oxen usually walk.

The gearing is arranged in the center of the machine, so as to exclude dirt and grit.

The Mower has double nuts wherever necessary. It is composed of but few pieces. These will be kept constantly on hand by our agents, and will be supplied at the lowest possible rates.

We furnish with the Mower two sickles, two extra guards, two extra sections with rivits, a screw-wrench and oil can, punch and chisel.

We do not claim to have performed a miracle in the construction of the MEADOW KING MOWER; but we do claim to build a machine that with proper handling, will serve for years without repairs.

We have received a large number of recommendations from farmers who used the Mower during the seasons of 1868, 1869, 1870 and 1871. We subjoin a few of these to show the manner in which it performed its work under the many varied tests to which it was subjected.

THE MEADOW KING MOWER differs so radically in its appearance from any other Mower, and in the principles involved in its construction, that it has met with much opposition, especially from manufacturers and agents of machines built with wooden frames, they contending that it would be as well to build a buggy-wagon all of iron as a mowing machine. That idea has exploded; and at this day it needs no argument to convince farmers that iron machines have almost entirely revolutionized all the old

established manufactories of wooden machines; notwithstanding, we would caution farmers from buying even iron mowers that have not been upon the market a sufficient number of years to have all the imperfections incident to a newly constructed machine thoroughly tested and remedied.

The improvements we make are only those that by practical test we have found to be a benefit to the machine, and a convenience to the farmer, and can be applied to any of the machines heretofore manufactured by us. The draught attachment which has been tested two years is so arranged that the power given obviates all side draught, and relieves the machine from all strain in overcoming obstructions, and also counterbalances the weight of the tongue on the horses necks while working.

GUARANTY.

THE MEADOW KING MOWER is guaranteed capable of cutting in a workmanlike manner, from ten to twelve acres of grass per day. The purchaser will be allowed to use it one half day upon trial. If from any cause it fails to work well, notice must be given to the Agent, and proper time allowed him to put it in order. If it again fails to work well it will be taken back and the pay returned or another machine given in its place, at the option of the purchaser. Continued possession of the machine will be deemed as evidence of satisfaction.

DIRECTIONS FOR SETTING UP.

Attach the seat to one end of the flat steel spring. Slip the other end of the spring into the groove on the frame and bolt it firmly thereto with the nuts in front.

Bolt the Tool-box on the left side of the frame. Fasten the Lifting Lever to the right side of the Frame, nuts on the upper side. Drive up the bolt and screw down both nuts until they are perfectly tight.

Fasten the Finger Bar to the Main Shoe with the double nutted Main Shoe bolts, which have counter-sunk heads, the long one being next to the machine. Be careful to drive the heads snugly into the counter-sinks on the under side of the Main Shoe. Screw down tight both nuts on the short bolt and one on the long bolt. Slip in the Knife, and connect it to the Pitman by putting in the pin from the rear. Put the Sickle-holder on the long Main Shoe bolt, and screw down tight the two remaining nuts.

It is very necessary that the Finger Bar should be fastened firmly in the groove on the Main Shoe.

Attach the Track-clearer to the Dividing-shoe.

Bolt the Tongue to the Frame, putting the nuts on top and Whiffletrees under the tongue.

Keep the bearings well oiled, particularly the Pitman-head and Crank-shaft. No machine will last long if the bearings are allowed to become dry.

Keep the Knives always sharp. Keep all the nuts tightly screwed down.

To move the machine on the road, raise the Finger Bar until the wrought-iron pin which is fastened to the Main Shoe catches on the projection from the Frame where the right foot rests in riding; then fasten the hook over the pin. This will hold the Finger Bar so firmly that it can be carried over any kind of ground.



We respectfully submit the following testimonials coming from those who have used the MEADOW KING MOWER, and subjected it to tests which we consider conclusive evidence of its superiority in certainty of action, strength, simplicity, ease of draught and management, in any and all places where it has been tried and in competition with other mowers.

GREGG & COMPANY.

VERMONT.

MIDDLETOWN, Vt., January 1st, 1868.

Messrs. Gregg & Co:—

Dear Sirs:—We, the undersigned, residents of the county of Rutland, State of Vermont, take pleasure in informing you that, in the season of 1868, we each purchased of your General Agent, Walter Scott, a MEADOW KING MOWER. After giving it a fair trial, we unhesitatingly say that we think its draught the lightest; it is the easiest handled over uneven ground; it is the most durable, as it never binds in any place, *and it is just the thing for meeting obstructions*, such as fast stones and stumps, as the Pitman is entirely protected. We wish you success.

Yours truly,

ALBERT A. RANSOM, Castleton	JAMES NOBLE, Timmouth.
ALBERT SPENCER, }	JAY NOBLE, "
CHARLES SPENCER, }	DON BAXTER, "
WM. W. FULLER, Poultney.	WM. POTTER, "
AUSTIN WHITCOMB, Pawlet.	A. J. NEWTON, Clarendon.
CARVER LEACH, Pawlet. [land.	D. P. EDDY, }
ROLLINS THRALL, West Rut-	W. S. EDDY, }

WEST RUTLAND, Vt., Sept. 29, 1869.

Messrs. Gregg & Co:—

I began my haying on the 5th of July, using the MEADOW KING MOWER. It has done the work formerly done by two machines, at about one-half the expense of labor, and to my entire satisfaction. I cut 200 acres of grass in 35 consecutive days. *I have ordered of your General Agent, Mr. Scott, another machine for an adjoining farm of 300 acres.* In my opinion, your machine is the best in market.

Yours Truly,

WM. F. BARNES.

[From Ex. Gov. Page, of Vermont.]

RUTLAND, Vt., Dec. 19, 1870.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

Gents:—I have made a careful examination of the MEADOW KING MOWER, and after thoroughly testing it one season on my farm, am fully satisfied that *it has more good points than any other Mower in the market.*

Yours Truly,

J. B. PAGE.

DANBY FOUR CORNERS, Vt., Dec. 1, 1869.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I hired one of your MEADOW KING MOWERS for a few days during last haying season.

I own the Buckeye, and W. A. Wood's, heretofore the standard Mowers in this vicinity, and good ones too; but I must say that your Mower far out-strips any and all that I have ever seen or used.

I have ordered one for my own use for next season.

Yours Truly,

WILLIAM OTIS.

MIDDLETOWN, Vt., Dec., 6, 1869.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

We think the principles embodied in the MEADOW KING MOWER are superior to anything we have ever seen in the Mowing Machine line. For simplicity, durability and capabilities on stony Vermont farms, and lightness of draught, it has no equal. *Its only enemies in this vicinity are the blacksmiths,* as it very much decreases their custom during harvest.

Yours Very Truly,

A. W. GRAY & SONS.

RUTLAND, Vt., May, 1870.

*To any one interested in Mowers:—*Last season we cut our grass with two new mowers, the MEADOW KING and W. A. Wood's. We worked them on the same ground, one machine following the other. The knives of the MEADOW KING cut twice as much grass with the same grinding, and it seems to us that they will last twice as long. *We regard it as the most simple and durable machine in the market.* We have used the improved Buckeye and seen many of the standard Mowers work, and say with Mr. Otis, of Danby, "that it far out-strips any and all that we have ever seen or used."

BENJ. R. GREENO,
AUSTIN GREENO.

SHARON, Vt., Jan. 10, 1873.

Mr. Day, Agent:—

The MEADOW KING MOWER I bought of you I have used two years. It will work on rough and stony ground the best of any Machine I have ever seen used. I have been at no expense for repairs. It is very easy draught and I recommend it to all desiring a complete Mower.

C. J. DROWN.

ALBURG, Grand Isle Co., Vt., Feb. 6, 1873.

Gregg & Co:—

Gentlemen:—I have used one of your MEADOW KING MOWERS the two past seasons, and I pronounce it decidedly superior to any machine I have heretofore used. I have used it on all kinds of ground. I can truly and honestly recommend it to all in want of a perfect Mower.

Yours Truly

O. HARRINGTON.

STARKSBORO, Vt., Jan. 1, 1873.

We hereby certify that we each purchased of John M. Layn, of Starksboro, Vt., a MEADOW KING MOWER. We do not hesitate to give it the preference over all other Mowers for ease of draught, simplicity of construction, cheapness and durability.

SEXTON TEFFT.

HOWELL SAYLES.

SYLVANUS HILL.

R. R. HILL.

B. CLIFFORD.

Messrs. Gregg & Co:—

We, the undersigned, having purchased and used the MEADOW KING MOWER in all kinds of grass, coarse and fine, wet and dry, on smooth, on rough and rocky and side hill land, we can from practical experience cheerfully recommend it to those desiring to purchase a Mower, as being strong and durable and not liable to get out of order; light draft, easy to manage, well protected in all its parts, and just the Machine for every farmer to own.

CARLOS SANFORD, Castleton,

Vt.

JAMES F. FREEMAN, "

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JOHN S. GREENE, Williamstown,

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GEORGE P. MILLER, Middlesex,

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WM. DILLINGHAM, Williamstown,

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ANDREW PERRY, Poultney,

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JOHN LYNDE, Williamstown,

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JOHN T. HILL, Starksboro,	Vermont.
NILES Q. MOSHIER, Sharon,	"
MAT. OBRINE, East Poultney,	"
M. F. PRESTON, Stafford,	"
WM. HICKS, Wells,	"
WM. DAYTON, East Poultney,	"
GEO. W. HALL, Grafton.	"
CHARLES DAY, Sharon,	"
BRADFORD P. PAGE, Sharon,	"
D. W. LEACH, Westminster,	"
O. S. FISHER,	"

EAST POULTNEY, Vt., Feb. 7, 1873.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

Your agent, W. B. Prindle, of this place, has for the last two years on several occasions tried to have us buy a MEADOW KING MOWER, but we told him we had a better one purchased six years ago, after a thorough test with the Wood, the Buckeye and several other leading machines and believed the one we selected the best, but last season we tried a MEADOW KING with the Victor ; we gave them a thorough trial on the same ground, and have no hesitation in saying that the MEADOW KING more than answered our expectations and bought it believing it to be the best now offered to the public, and would say to brother farmers if you have a smooth meadow, try it, and if your farm is rough, stony, boggy, swampy and hilly, or studded with ant-hills, buy a MEADOW KING, and our word for it you never will regret it.

Respectfully Yours,

J. A. & J. H. MORGAN.

CAMBRIDGE, Vt., Feb. 12, 1872.

Messrs. Gregg, Plyer & Co :—

Having carefully examined and thoroughly tested your MEADOW KING MOWER, can say I think it superior to any Mower I have ever used, or seen in use for the following reasons: 1st, Ease of draught. 2d, Perfect safety of pitman. 3d, The knives will run freely in any position of the bar from horizontal to perpendicular. 4th, Does not clog in grass, wet or dry, light or heavy. 5th, It is perfectly simple in construction with but little gearing, and that in the centre of the machine, thus avoiding wear of gearing, by grit and dirt dropping from the wheels.

Yours Truly,

O. HOLMES.

EAST POULTNEY, Vt., Feb., 1873.

Messrs. Gregg & Co.:--

I have used the MEADOW KING MOWER for the last four years, on all kinds of land, rough and smooth, stony and boggy, and do not hesitate to say I deem it decidedly the best Mower in use. It has proved itself superior in work, workmanship and material. I think the draught about two-thirds that of other Machines which I had used previous to the MEADOW KING.

JOHN W. WOOD.

POULTNEY, Vt., Jan. 7, 1873.

Mr. W. B. Prindle:--

The MEADOW KING MOWER I bought of you works to my entire satisfaction in all places. I have used it in heavy and light grass, coarse and fine, wet and dry, on rough and smooth ground have had no trouble in encountering or avoiding obstructions. In short it works right in all places. It is lighter draught and easier for team and driver than any other I ever used. Nothing failed about it, and I was not at any expense.

G. B. FIFIELD.

CLARENCEVILLE, Province of Quebec, Canada, Feb. 6, 1873.

Messrs. Gregg & Co.:--

I bought one of your MEADOW KING MOWERS. I have used it two years. I have had other machines but find yours the best. It works the best on rough, stony ground of any Mower ever I saw used.

E. HAWLEY.

HENRYSVILLE, Parish of St. George, P. Q., Feb. 5, 1873.

Gregg & Co.:--

I purchased a MEADOW KING MOWER of your agent, Mr. Harrington and have used it two seasons. It works well, and will mow on any ground. I do not hesitate to say it is the best Mower I ever saw.

S. MALAVEN.

HENRYSVILLE, Parish St. George, P. Q., Canada, Feb. 5, 1873.

Messrs. Gregg & Co.:--

I have used your MEADOW KING MOWER this last season, and I prefer it to any machine that I know of. I am satisfied with mine

VARNUM BLOOD.

HENRYSVILLE, Parish St. George, P. Q., Canada, Feb. 5, 1873.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I have used your MEADOW KING MOWER during the last two seasons. It works well on all kinds of ground, and I think it superior to any machine in the market.

MARK MELAVEN.

NEW YORK.

ENFIELD, N. Y., March 17, 1873.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I have run one of your MEADOW KING MOWERS on my farm in all kinds of grass and rough and smooth ground for the last six years, cutting seventy-five acres of grass, besides large quantities of oats and barley each year, and have not been to over five dollars expense on it since I have run it, and I consider it the best Mower that was ever put in grass or grain, or a team hitched to.

OLIVER BYRUM.

WASHINGTON COUNTY, N. Y., April, 1867.

This is to certify that I purchased of F. Whitcomb, of Comstock's Landing, a MEADOW KING MOWER last summer, and cut nearly one hundred acres of grass with it. I have used Manny's, Hubbard's and the Buckeye mower, and have attended a great many trials of mowing machines, where the different kinds of machines are used and tested, and I do not hesitate to give it the preference over any and all I have used or seen used. *One great excellence consists in the simplicity of its construction*, rendering it very unlikely to get out of repair. It can be relied upon for service day after day alike. Another excellence consists in the construction of the gearing of the cutting bar, which is so arranged as to avoid cramping, enabling the bar to work equally well in a horizontal or inclined position; it is also very easy of draught. I cheerfully recommend it to all desiring a complete and serviceable machine.

GEORGE KINGSLEY.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I have cut 100 acres of grass this season with the MEADOW KING MOWER—including all kinds of grass and all kinds of bottom, from steep side hill to low and boggy meadow. The machine has worked admirably throughout, and has cost nothing for repairs. For ease of draught and quality of work, it is far superior to any machine I have ever used.

Yours Truly,

S. T. MERWIN.

AMENIA, Duchess Co., N. Y.

We hereby certify that we have used one of the MEADOW KING MOWERS for the harvest of 1868, and are highly pleased with it. It will work over rougher ground than any other machine we have ever seen used, performing its work in the most perfect manner, readily passing inequalities that other machines could not.

JACOB STALEY,
J. M. LAWSON,
P. Y. VANDERVEER,
WM. STANLEY,
JOHN MARLETT.

SCHENECTADY Co., N. Y.

BUSTI, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1868.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

Dear Sirs:—Last summer, your Agent, Mr. A. Bullock, hearing that I wanted to buy a machine, brought me one of your MEADOW KING MOWERS and wanted me to test it. I told him it would be of no use as I intended to buy a Hubbard, being prejudiced in favor of that machine. But he insisted that I should test it. So I consented, and tested it thoroughly with the Hubbard and other Machines, and found it superior to them in many points. *I have yet to find the machine that I think can compete with it.*

Yours Truly,

D. ANDREWS.

NORTH HAMDEN, Del. Co., N. Y., Oct. 1871.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

Having used an Ohio Mower for three years, but with no satisfaction, I resolved in the Spring of 1871 to try some other mowing ma-

chine. I made my intentions known to the public in these words that I would try all the different mowers that I could find and purchase the one that would suit me the best, independent of anything that any person could tell me. In beginning of haying I went from home and tried several different mowers, and when I commenced haying five other mowers came on my farm, and were left with me for trial. I gave every machine a fair and impartial trial, and came to the conclusion that the MEADOW KING was the machine for me. For these reasons: It draws easy, cuts grass of any kind, moving slowly without clogging. It is well adapted for rough land as well as smooth, the pitman being beyond the reach of stones. It is a simple machine and never gets out of order. It is light on the horses' necks, never need raise the cutter bar when turning a corner. In fact, it's a perfect machine. I cut about 100 acres of grass yearly, a large portion of it very rough. I had no breakage with the exception of a single section. I have no interest in any machine; my only desire is, in writing the above, that my brother farmers may get a MEADOW KING, and not be bothered with a poor mower, as I was with the old Ohio.

Yours Respectfully,

WILLIAM TWEEDIE.

MERCHANTVILLE, N. Y., Aug. 5, 1868.

Messrs. Gregg & Co.:-

Dear Sir:-I bought one of your MEADOW KING MOWERS of J. W. Curtis, of Bath, put a pair of thills to it, and have mowed 25 acres with a horse weighing less than 1,000 lbs., and cutting thirty (30) tons of hay at the rate of nine acres in 12 hours, and on account of this have sold one to one of my neighbors. I think this shows great ease of draught. I can put a machine in my wagon, draw it to a farm and try it, all with one horse.

Yours Truly,

J. W. COLLINS.

WINDSOR, Broome Co., N. Y., Dec. 10, 1868.

Messrs. Gregg & Co.:-

Dear Sirs:-I am well pleased with the MEADOW KING MOWER I bought of your agent, Mr. Edward Harper. I have given it a good trial, and would not give it for any other mower that I have seen.

Yours Truly,

J. E. VAN BARIGER.

COLESVILLE, Broome Co., N. Y., Dec. 6, 1868.

Messrs. Gregg & Co:—

Dear Sirs:—We, the undersigned, certify that we bought a MEADOW KING MOWER of your agent, Edward Harper. *It is the nearest perfection of any we have ever used.* We have mowed on as rough ground as can be mowed with any machine running. We used it one whole season and did not pay one cent for repairs. The draught is lighter than any we have ever seen. If we ever want to get a new one, we would get another of the same kind.

Yours Truly,

ELI CHRISTIAN,
JOSIAH STEVENS.

BUSTI, N. Y., December 18, 1868.

Messrs. Gregg & Co:—

Dear Sirs:—Having a Buckeye Mower I undertook to do my haying with it last season, but having a light pair of colts I found it was too much for them on my side-hill meadows. I was persuaded by your Agent, Mr. A. Bullock, to try one of the MEADOW KING MOWERS, and I found that I could mow any of my meadows without difficulty. *I think it ahead of any machine I have ever seen.*

Yours Truly,

S. WOODEN.

Messrs. Gregg & Co., Trumansburg, N. Y.—

Gents:—I have had one of your MEADOW KING MOWERS in use for the past two years, and take pleasure in saying it has given entire satisfaction. I have used it by the side of the Hubbard, Cayuga Chief, and a variety of other machines, and will say that for simplicity, ease of draught, and adaption to all surfaces, I know of no superior.

Respectfully Yours,

ELIAS H. JENNER.

BUSTI, N. Y.

PENNSYLVANIA.

SUGAR GROVE, Warren Co., Pa.

Messrs. Gregg & Co:—

I am well pleased with the Meadow King Mower I bought of your

Agent, A. Bullock. I have used it two years and am well satisfied with it. I would not exchange for any mower I have seen.

G. A. RICKER.

WOODCOCK, Pa., Feb. 6, 1871.

Messrs. Gregg & Co—

I bought a Meadow King of your Agent and have used it two seasons. I think this ahead of any mower, doing its work better and being more easier handled by team and driver than any machine I have ever seen.

Yours Truly,

JOHN. D. HUMES.

Saegertown, Pa., Feb. 10, 1871.

Mr. A. Bullock :—

Sir:—I have used several mowing machines called the best in this section. Have used the Meadow King two years. I call it the best I have ever seen being easily handled, light of draught, and a perfect Mower.

Yours,

NICHOLAS MOYER.

Sullivan, Pa., Aug. 10, 1865.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I have used your Meadow King Mower this season, and I can pronounce it decidedly superior to any mowing machine that I have heretofore used. I have tried it to-day with the Buckeye and Ohio Mower Combined, in heavy grass on a thick bottom meadow, and the owner of the Buckeye and Ohio, and other parties who were present, freely admitted that *my machine did altogether the best work.*

Yours Truly,

OSCAR LARISON.

Troy, Pa., July 30, 1870.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I bought one of your Meadow King Mowers of your agent in Canton, Mr. J. S. Manley, and it works the best of any mower I ever saw tried. I Bought a Buckeye this haying to run with it, and have done the work on three farms. I put a big team on the

Buckeye, and a little team on the Meadow King, and the Meadow King *worked the easiest and best*. I ask twenty-five dollars more for the Meadow King than for the Buckeye. The Meadow King done a third more work than the Buckeye.

Respectfully Yours,

D. FREEMAN.

CANTON, Pa., July 24, 1870.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

The Meadow King Mower I bought of your Agent, Mr. Manley, is the best mower I ever saw. I have got a little team—they will mow anywhere. It is the best on rough ground of any I have ever seen.

Yours Truly,

J. BRAN.

LIBERTY, Tioga Co., Pa., July 22, 1870.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I bought one of your Meadow King Mowers this haying season. I have used the Buckeye and others. I never used one that made so nice and easy a draught as the Meadow King. It will work on rough and stony ground the best of any that I ever saw used.

Yours Truly,

S. THOMAS.

CANTON, Pa., Nov. 18, 1870.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

The Meadow King Mower I bought of your Agent, Mr. Manley, is a good one. *I have moved with it where it was too rough to ride*. It will mow anywhere.

T. FELLOR.

LEROY, Pa., July 4, 1870.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I had a trial of five mowers in my meadow. It was a good time for trying. It was a damp, wet day. The Meadow King was the only one that cut without clogging. I had the Young Warrior, Wood's, Union and Buckeye. The Meadow King is the easiest of them all on rough or stony ground.

Yours Truly,

E. WILLCOX.

WISCONSIN.

OCONOMOWOC, Wis., Oct. 29, 1871.

S. L. Sheldon, Esq :—

The Meadow King Mower I purchased of your Agent, I have used

the two past seasons cutting for myself and neighbors about 100 acres of grass each year. Some of the ground on which I cut was very rough, but it always did good work; runs light, rides easy, and requires the least "tinkering" of any machine I ever saw used.

Yours Truly,

F. M. SPEAR.

[From the Supt. of Public Property in Wisconsin.]

MADISON, Wis. Oct. 1, 1869.

Messrs. S. L. Sheldon & Bro:—

The Meadow King Mower I bought of you last season, has more than filled the bill in every respect, for durability, good work, and lightness of draught. It seems to me very near perfection. I can suggest no improvement in it. The working of the sickle freely in any position of the cutter-bar is a very great advantage over ordinary mowers.

Yours Truly,

A. A. MEREDITH.

LODI, Wis., Aug. 6, 1869.

Messrs. S. L. Sheldon, & Bro:—

The Meadow King is all right; runs very light for a team, and does the best kind of work. I have cut about seventy-five tons of hay with it, and there is no perceptible wear. I have had some of the worst tangled and lodged grass, and we have cut it under all circumstances. It will not clog under any circumstances. I am confident you can sell more in my neighborhood.

Yours Truly,

SAMUEL STAHL.

LODI, Col. Co., Wis., Nov. 23, 1869.

S. L. Sheldon & Bro:—

You wish to know how I like the Mower I purchased of you last season. I find the draught very light for my team; in fact, the lightest of any mower I ever saw. In cutting lodged grass it works admirably, and we have no trouble in cutting on rough and boggy land. It is not liable to get out of repair, being very simple in construction. The finish and material are good, and the knife running freely in all positions of the cutter-bar, is a great improvement. The long boxes are much preferable to the short ones used on other mowers, and take all things together, I consider this the most perfect mower I ever saw.

Yours,

JOHN PAGE.

HUDSON, Wis., Nov. 30, 1869.

Messrs. S. L. Sheldon & Bro:—

I take pleasure in saying to you and the public that the mower, Meadow King, that I purchased of you last season, gave perfect sat-

isfaction ; being durable, doing its work well, and the lightest draught of any machine I have ever seen in the field.

Yours, &c.,

GEORGE MARTIN.

HONEY CREEK, Wis., July 5, 1869.

Messrs. S. L. Sheldon & Bro:—

The grass being unusually heavy this year, and as there are so many poor mowers offered for sale, I take pleasure in recommending to my neighbors the Meadow King ; which from my own experience *I can say is the best in the market.*

FREDERICK ROSE.

I agree with the above statement.

HENRICH OSCHNER.

DEANSVILLE, Wis., Nov. 18, 1871.

Mr. Sheldon, Gen'l Ag't Meadow King Mower, Madison, Wis.,

Dear Sir:—I purchased through your agent at Deansville, Mr. E. L. Parker, one of the Meadow King Mowers, manufactured for your trade by Gregg, Plyer & Co., and find it far the best Mower that I ever used. It will run anywhere that a wagon will run, cutting twenty acres in a day with ease, and cutting grass that was under water as well as any. I esteem it a light, handy, desirable machine, and as for strength, I cut hickory sprouts 1 1-4 inches through with it without phasing it in the least ; and I can cheerfully recommend it to all in want of a tip-top, first-class mower.

Respectfully yours,

E. L. PARKER, Agent.

C. MILLS, York.

MINNESOTA.

COURTLAND, Sept. 12, 1871.

Messrs. Jones Bros. & Hughs:—

The Meadow King Mower I bought of you this year has given the best of satisfaction in every respect. It runs light for the team ; has no side draught, cuts perfectly in turning around, no matter which way I turn ; is durable ; does not clog in any kind of grass, wet or dry, and I consider it the best mower I ever saw.

DAVID T. WILLIAMS, "Biart."

NEW ULM, Minn., Oct. 24, 1871.

S. L. Sheldon, Esq:—

Dear Sir:—In reply to your favor of the 18th instant, I would say that, as regards the Meadow King Mower which I bought of your Agent, Mr. Schaiffer, it is the best mower I ever saw work. It never clogs, and I have cut old grass with it when there had been no fire,

nor any mowing done for five years, and it worked perfectly. I find it simple, durable, and easily kept in order, and would advise every farmer who wants a mower to buy one with which I defy any other to equal.

Yours Truly,

JOHN BALTIELIA.

DANSVILLE, Blue Earth Co., Minn., Oct. 9, 1871.

Mr. S. L. Sheldon:—

Dear Sir:—Having purchased a Meadow King Mower and used it the past season to cut about sixty acres of grass, on all kinds of ground and in all variety of grass, I testify to the perfect satisfaction it gives both to myself and neighbors. I have used the Buckeye and Wood Mowers, but find the Meadow King out-strips them both, and every other mower I have ever seen used; and to conclude, I advise every farmer who wants good machinery to buy a New Yorker Reaper and a Meadow King Mower.

Yours Truly,

GEORGE HASCHAMER.

NORTHFIELD, Minn., Oct. 20, 1871.

Mr. Sheldon:—

Dear Sir:—I am glad to answer your letter with an opinion of the Meadow King Mower. It has given perfect satisfaction in every respect. I have cut fifty acres grass on rough and smooth ground, tame and wild grass, and it has never clogged once. I have used it beside the Kirby, Advance, Wood's and Hubbard Mowers, and all who saw it declared it rightly named. The long, solid boxes are a great improvement, and, take it all in all, I could hardly get along without my Meadow King Mower.

Respectfully Yours,

E. L. FULLER.

SPRING HILL, Stearns Co., Minn., Aug. 1, 1871.

S. L. Sheldon, Esq:—

Dear Sir:—I purchased of your Agent at St. Cloud, A. Grovener, one of the celebrated Meadow King Mowers. After using it the past season on the roughest slough ground to be found in the State, I would cheerfully recommend it as the lightest and most durable mower made.

Yours Truly,

HUBERT ZIRBZ.

OSAKIS, Douglas Co., Minn., Aug. 1, 1871.

A. Grovener, Esq:—

Dear Sir:—The Meadow King Mower I purchased of you in 1869 is all O. K. I have cut the past season over fifteen hundred tons of hay, and to-day it is as good as new. I have used all kinds of mow-

ing machines, but give me the Meadow King in preference to any other! It is lighter draught, more durable, more simple in construction, and it will work in any ground where a light team can go.

Yours Truly,
DONALD STEVENSON.

ST. PAUL, Minn. Oct. 19, 1871.

S. L. Sheldon, Esq :—

Dear Sir:—The Meadow King I purchased of you last season gives me perfect satisfaction. I have used it on meadows so rough that I could not ride on the machine, and have cut brush with it, and thus far have broken nothing. Have used other mowers, but none which will compare with this in lightness of draft and durability.

Yours Truly,
W. W. FOLSOM.

We, the undersigned, have each purchased one of the Meadow King Mowers for the season of 1871, and have thoroughly tested them on rough, smooth, and marshy land, and in our opinion it is the best and simplest mower manufactured, and would advise all wishing to buy a mower to give the Meadow King a fair trial before buying any other mower.

JOHN PAYNE, Rockville, Stearns Co., Minnesota.

S. W. TURNER, McCanleyville, Wilkin Co., “

S. R. BROWN, Princeton, Milhoc Co., “

THOS. BOLLES, Grove Lake, Pope Co., “

M. LEIZER, Zion, Stearns Co., “

JOSEPH COATES, Sank Rapids, Benton Co. “

S. A. PUTNAM, Big Lake, Sherburne Co., “

J. C. WICKHAM, Osakis, Douglass Co., “

C. A. WARNER, Morris, Stevens Co., “

MAINE.

[From Dr. A. R. Lincoln.]

Mr. Fred. Atwood :—

Dear Sir:—I purchased a Meadow King Mower of you last Spring, and I have given it a thorough trial, having mowed about fifty acres *I am perfectly satisfied with it.* My team (a pair of 900 horses) mowed an acre an hour with great ease, and would average that day after day.

I mowed a large meadow. *On some parts of it the water would stand* and it worked perfectly, NEVER CLOGGING. I also mowed a salt marsh with the same result.

On rough ground it CAN'T BE BEAT. I did not pay out a cent for repairs, and consider the machine as good to-day as when I bought it. I would recommend it above all other mowers I have ever seen.

Yours Respectfully,

A. R. LINCOLN.

Deaneysville, Me., Oct. 25, 1871.

DRESDEN MILLS, Me., Dec. 1871.

Fred. Atwood, Gen. Agent :—

I have tested one of the Meadow King Mowers on side hill, rough and smooth ground, and it is decidedly the best mower I have ever used or seen. It is light draught, easily managed, simple and strong, and I advise farmers that intend to purchase to try the Meadow King and get the best.

A. N. STILPHEN.

WINTERPORT, Dec. 25, 1871.

Mr. Fred. Atwood, Gen. Agent :—

Sir:—The Meadow King Mower used on the town farm the past season gave entire satisfaction. We put thills to it, and used it the entire season with one horse, with ease. It cost nothing for repairs. We recommend the Meadow King to the favorable consideration of farmers of Maine.

Yours Truly,

E. C. AREY, } Selectmen of
H. H. DAVIS, } Winterport.

MONROE, Me., Oct. 14, 1871.

Mr. Fred. Atwood :—

Sir:—The two-horse Meadow King I bought of you this season gave me entire satisfaction. Not wishing to keep two horses, I put thills to it and used it with one horse to do all my haying, and some for my neighbors. Some of it was very rough. It worked with ease. I consider it the best mower in use.

A. P. GILMORE.

WINTERPORT, Oct. 14, 1871.

Fred. Atwood :—

Dear Sir:—The Meadow King Mower I bought of you this season gave entire satisfaction. I mowed over 40 acres of grass, most of it very rough. I mowed one piece that had been given up by other mowers. The Meadow King done it up in good shape and with perfect ease.

The draught is very light. It is managed with ease. The cutter-bar working over rough ground easier and better than any other mower I ever saw. Cost me nothing for repairs.

I am acquainted with other mowers; have taken some pains to ascertain what one was the best, and am fully convinced that the Meadow King *is best*.

J. R. HURD.

BROOKS, Me., Nov. 28, 1871.

Fred. Atwood, Esq., Winterport:—

Dear Sir:—Yours at hand, and in reply would say that the Meadow King Mower I bought of your Agent, Mr. R. Ellingwood, gave me perfect satisfaction.

I mowed about forty acres of *Rough, Rocky* land, that heretofore I had considered it impossible to mow with machine. The Meadow King did splendid work. A part was a *very rough and rocky bottom*. It actually did good work where it was unsafe to ride, owing to the unevenness of the ground. I find it very easily managed, light draught, strong. Frequently brings up with team going on a fast walk, without injury. *I find it impossible to hit or injure the Pitman.*

You told me not to turn out for anything, but to give it a severe test, and in case of injury, you would furnish a new mower. I have tried it severely, in all kinds of ways to assure myself of its strength and durability.

I should ask more than I paid (100), for it now, unless I could buy one of same stamp. I have mowed as much for other parties as for myself; in all about 80 acres.

Yours Truly,

C. E. LANE.

Fred. Atwood, Winterport:—

Sir:—I have run the Union Mower 4 years, the Buckeye 2 years, and have seen the Wood machine work; considered them good machines in their day. But wooden frame machines I consider have gone by. I should no more think of purchasing a wooden frame machine after seeing and using the Meadow King, than I should an old wooden plow.

The Meadow King is the *lightest draught* machine I ever hitched to. I consider it the best adapted to uneven and stony ground, as the connection rod and crank shaft as well as the whole gear is so *completely protected*, that it is impossible to injure them by striking against any obstructions whatever.

I think if the farmers in this section have anything to buy with next year, you will sell quite a number of them. Every one who has seen it work, liked it very much.

Yours Truly,

ANDOVER, Me., Nov. 27, 1871.

A. A. WEST.

Fred. Atwood, Gen'l Agent, Winterport:—

Dear Sir :—I take pleasure in informing you that the Meadow King Mower I purchased of your agent, Col. William Sweet, has fully met my expectations. I have formerly used the Manny and Wood's Mowers, with which I was well satisfied until I saw the working of the Meadow King.

I have mowed the grass on three farms with the Meadow King this year, using a pair of colts weighing about 850 lbs. each, which apparently handled it *easier than a pair of one thousand lbs. each handled the Wood's*. I have used it on some places, *doing good work*, which were so rough that I should not have driven the machine on had I known the ground.

The protection of the pitman is perfect, and relieves the driver of half the care of tending the machine. This would be enough to recommend it to me if it had no other advantages over other mowers.

Yours Truly,

WILLIAM O. BROWN.

SOUTH PARIS, Me., Nov. 17, 1871.

NOVA SCOTIA.

NICTOUX, Annapolis Co., Nova Scotia, Sept. 28, 1871.

Fred. Atwood, Winterport, Me:—

I put a pair of thills to the Meadow King Mower, (4 feet), I bought of your Agent, Mr. Dodge, and my horse is all the team I want to it.

Yours &c.,

I. NEILY.

NICTOUX, Nova Scotia, Sept. 20, 1871.

Fred. Atwood, Winterport, Me., U. S. A:—

I bought a Buckeye Mower upon trial, and not being satisfied with it, I returned it and bought a Meadow King. I never saw the beat of it. I can mow anything with it.

[Signed]

ALBERT GATES.

BROOKLYN, Nova Scotia, Jan. 5, 1871.

Fred. Atwood, Winterport, Me., U. S. A:—

I have Wood's Mower which is a good one, but I must say that the Meadow King *will mow where I could not mow with the Wood's*. I gave them a fair trial last season.

Yours Respectfully,

E. S. DODGE.

AYLESFORD, Nova Scotia, Nov. 6. 1871.

Fred. Atwood, Winterport, Me., U. S. A:—

The Meadow King Mower I bought of your Agent, James P. Dodge, is the best I ever saw. *You can give it the highest recommendation possible.*

[Signed,]

H. C. PARKER.

PARISH, Oswego Co., N. Y., Jan. 22, 1872.

Messrs. Gregg & Co.:—

Dear Sirs:—The Meadow King Mower I bought of your Agent, Joel House, is the King of the Meadow. I have used four different mowers, but this is the model mower. It works well in light or heavy grass, wet or dry. Light draught, durable, easily handled. It works well in stony meadows or in smooth. I have mowed meadows this last season that I always cut by hand that was very rough and stony and it was cut better than it could be done with a scythe. It more than meets my expectations.

Yours Truly,

AMOS J. HOUSE.

WATERLOO, Wis. Nov. 28, 1871.

Mr. Sheldon:

Dear Sir:—I purchased one of the Meadow King Mowers of you two years ago, and have used it to my entire satisfaction in mowing rough or smooth marsh, doing better work and more of it than any of my neighbors who have other styles of mowing machines. It has been no expense for repairs, except \$1.25 for a casting that was broken by my team running away.

It is strong, durable, being almost wholly constructed of steel and iron, and of extremely light draught. In conclusion, I cheerfully recommend the Meadow King Mower to those of my brother farmers who may be in need of mowing machinery combining the most advanced devices for lightening the usually heavy labors of the hay field.

Yours with Respect,

E. O. ROBBINS.

SOUTH WALLINGFORD, Vt., Dec. 27, 1871.

Messrs. Gregg & Co.—

I bought one of your Meadow King Mowers this season and used it where I had supposed I could not use any mower. I found it done good work and the draught very light. Could not get it in any position where it bound or clogged, in coarse or fine, wet grass, with my team going very slow; and can say I think them the best mower in the market.

WM. F. KELLEY.

VENANGO, Pa., Feb. 8, 1871.

Mr. A. Bullock:—

Sir:—This is to certify that we have had some experience in mowing machines, and none has given more satisfaction than the Meadow King. We have used one two years, and it has done just what it was recommended to do. We can't say too much for it.

Yours, &c.,

JOHN H. KEPLER,

JACOB KEPLER.

WALLINGFORD, Vt., Dec. 27, 1871.

Messrs. Gregg & Co.:—

I bought one of your Meadow King Mowers the past season, and

find it the easiest to handle for both man and team, and does its work the best of any machine I have ever seen or used.

HARLEY EDGARTON.

PORT LEYDEN, Feb. 5, 1872.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

Gentlemen:—The Meadow King Mower I bought of your Agent, Mr. George Somers, last season, gives me the best of satisfaction in every respect. It runs light for my team, has no side draught, cuts perfectly in turning, no matter which way I turn; is durable, does not clog in any kind of grass, and I consider it the best mower I ever saw work.

MILTON DOUGLASS.

PORT LEYDEN, Lewis Co., N. Y., Jan. 1, 1872.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

Gents:—I freely certify that the Iron Mower Meadow King, sold by your Agent, Mr. Geo. Somers, is certainly the King of all mowing machines. If I can sell the Young Warrior which I purchased two years ago I shall buy one of your Meadow King Mowers.

CLAYTON D. POST.

PORT LEYDEN, Lewis Co., N. Y., Jan. 30, 1872.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

Dear Sirs:—Last summer, your Agent Mr. Geo. Somers brought me one of your Meadow King Mowers and wanted me to test it. I told him it would be of no use as I had a good machine and did not want another. But he insisted that I should test it, if I did not wish to purchase. So I consented and tested it thoroughly and found it superior to any machine I ever have seen. The result was I liked the machine so well that I would not let it go off my farm. I kept the machine and paid for it cheerfully, and can recommend it to all as being the best mowing machine in market.

PHILO POST.

CANTON, Dec. 16, 1871

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I bought the Meadow King of your Agent, J. S. Manley, in Canton. I have used your Meadow King Mower this haying. It beats them all in any shape or place with one horse.

W. P. AVERY.

TIOGA County, Pa.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I bought one of your Meadow Kings this haying. It works the best of them all, and one man can draw it in the grass and it cuts well.

E. VANDYKE.

I fully endorse the above.

B. B. STONE.

LEROY, Bradford Co., Pa.

ELKLAND, Sullivan Co., Pa.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I bought one of your Meadow King Mowers of your Agent, J. S. Manley. It works the best and easiest of them all. I can work with all ease for man and team. Less wear and tear than any other mower in use.

C. MACARTY.

I fully endorse the above.

H. BROWN.

Tioga County, Pa.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I bought one of your Meadow King Mowers of J. S. Manley. I have tried them all. The King beats them all. T. STULL.

We fully endorse the above.

H. KILBORN,
C. SHAFFER,
H. BRION.

CANTON, Bradford Co., Pa.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

I bought one of your Meadow King Mowers of your Agent, J. S. Manley, of Canton. I have tried them all. I have mowed with the King where they could not mow with the other kinds of machines. It beats them all with ease. N. RUTY.

PORT LEYDEN, January, 1872.

Messrs. Gregg & Co :—

Dear Sirs :—We, the undersigned, residents of the county of Lewis State of New York, take pleasure in informing you that we think the principles embodied in the Meadow King Mower, sold by Mr. Geo. Somers, at Port Leyden, superior to anything we have ever seen in the mowing machine line. For simplicity, durability and lightness of draught it has no equal. It has a good motion and never clogs.

In consequence of the sickle running in any position of the cutter-bar, all friction is avoided and there is no danger of breaking knives ; and the principle of gearing from the center of the machine we like very much. It is just the thing for meeting obstructions, such as fast stones and stumps, as the pitman is entirely protected. We can safely recommend it as a first-class machine in every respect. We wish you much success.

Yours Truly,

WM. H. COLE,
DAVID RUGG.

WINTERPORT, Maine, Nov. 21, 1871.

Mr. F. Atwood :—

The Meadow King Mower I bought of you last July is just the thing to cut hay with. I tried it on rough and smooth ground. The draught is very light, and it runs the smoothest of any machine I ever saw in the field. I bought a Union Mower ; used that six years. It worked very well, but the Meadow King is the machine for me. It never clogs, is easy for the team, gearing simple. It is the best machine for a careless man I ever saw.

Yours Truly,

A. P. CLEMENTS.

WINTERPORT, Oct. 1, 1871.

Mr. Fred. Atwood :—

Sir :—The Meadow King Mower I bought of you this season gave entire satisfaction.

I mowed about 55 acres, most of it never plowed, and a considerable *very rough*. It did the work perfectly, and with ease to my horses. The protection of the pitman, and many other points, I consider much better than any other mower I ever saw. My horses are very light, one weighing 750 and the other 825, yet they made easy work of it. Farmers who have seen my mower like it.

DANIEL S. BAKER.

NORTH NEWBURG, Me., Dec. 4, 1871.

Fred. Atwood :-

I bought a Meadow King Mower of your Agent, C. H. Whitney, last July, on which I used a pair of horses so light that I had many doubts of their ability to carry a mowing machine at all; but on trial found that they made very light work of it. I kept it running during the hay season on all kinds of mowing, with perfect success and satisfaction to all for whom I used it, and without any expense for repairs.

Respectfully yours,

DAVID SIMPSON.

NORTH NEWBURG, Dec. 12, 1871.

Mr. Fred. Atwood :-

Yours of the 9th at hand, and in answer to your inquiry as to how the Meadow King has succeeded in this vicinity, I would say, that I sold several, to be used under a variety of circumstances, on rough and smooth farms, by those who had used other kinds, and those who had not.

I have yet to hear the first word of complaint of the manner of its work, or of the draught.

I used mine on up land and on meadow land, with perfect success, without one cent repairs.

Respectfully Yours,

CALVIN WHITNEY.

SEBEC, Me., Oct. 19, 1871.

Fred. Atwood :-

We bought of your Agent, H. B. Mahew, of East Dover, one of your Meadow King Mowers, with which we mowed 45 acres without any repairs. There is no preceptable wear, otherwise than the knives and they have worn but very little. It worked its way over rocks, through ditches and over cradle knolls to a charm. It did not clog in any kind of grass. For simplicity, durability and lightness of draught we think it has no equal; in short, we think it can't be beat.

Yours Truly,

LEWIS L. STURTEVANT,

WILSON E. ELDRIDGE.

DEXTER, Maine, June 29, 1871.

We, the undersigned, were present at an exhibition of the Meadow King Mower this day, in the field of Jeremiah Page. The ground was rough and rocky. The mower did good work over the rocky ground without using the lever, showing great improvement in this point. The team was several times stopped by catching on large rocks, showing great strength, the heavy shoe counteracting the throw of the knife, obviating the shaking motion usual to other machines. The draught is perfect, machine running light and easy for team. We were pleased with the working in every particular, and recommend this mower to farmers of Maine as a decided improvement over other mowers. [Signed,]

ALMON DOW, East Dover.

ALFRED AUSTIN, Parkman.

JEREMIAH PAGE, Dexter.

CYRUS B. JONES, Dexter.

SAM'L LEIGHTON, "

CHARLES PAGE, "

DRESDEN MILLS, Me., Dec. 1871.

This is to certify that we have seen A. M. Stilphen's Meadow King Mower while at work, and think it superior to any mower we ever saw work.

[Signed,]

JOSEPH CALL,
A. L. STILPHEN,

ALFRED STILPHEN,
W. S. STILPHEN,

J. W. CASTOR.

SOUTH EXETER, Nov. 1, 1871.

To whom it may concern :

We, the undersigned, having used the Meadow King Mowing Machine the past season, do pronounce it a Number One Mower, equal in every respect to any we have ever used, and superior in many. For general durability, adaption to rough ground, simplicity of construction, and lightness of draught, it has no equal.

GEORGE A. ROLLINS,
M. SOUTHARD,

H. H. HOYT,
G. F. LIBBY,

GEORGE F. PEASE.

DRAUGHT OF THE MEADOW KING MOWER, ONE HUNDRED
AND TWENTY-FIVE POUNDS.

At a public trial of Mowers, held July 2, 1870, on the Ward Cotton Farm, in the town of Hartland, Vt., under the management of H. C. Wheeler, Esq., of White River Junction, Vt., the Meadow King Mower received the award of *Best Mower under a draught of 125 pounds*, while the other competing mowers showed as follows :

Granite State	- - - - -	160 lbs.
Buckeye	- - - - -	170 "
Kniffen	- - - - -	200 "
W. A. Wood's	- - - - -	210 "

This was indicated by the dynamometer furnished and handled by the Agent of the Kniffen Mowing Machine Company. The Judges were Messrs. Gales, James Leonard and Geo. S. Marey.

Of the State Fair of Pennsylvania, held at Scranton, October 3 to 6, 1870, the *Scranton Republican* says : "The Committee reported as follows : The Meadow King Mower manufactured by Gregg, Plyer & Co., of Trumansburg, N. Y., is deserving of *especial mention*, it being very simple in its construction and evidently very durable and strong, being composed almost entirely of iron and steel. The novel device, by which the cutter-bar is raised from a horizontal to a perpendicular, allowing the knives and pitman to remain in the same line and always running with equal

ease at any angle, is certainly "a novel and valuable improvement in mowing machines." The Committee further speak of the great number of first-class mowing machines that were present.



At the State Fair of Minnesota, in 1868, the accompanying First Premium was awarded.



In Wisconsin the following First Premiums have been taken by the Meadow King Mower.

Southern Wisconsin Fair	-	-	-	1869.
Northern " "	-	-	-	1870.
Wisconsin Valley	-	-	-	1870.
Lodi Fair	-	-	-	1870.
Fond Du Lac Fair	-	-	-	1870.
Outagamie County Fair	-	-	-	1870.
Dodge County Fair	-	-	-	1870.

And at every other Fair held in the State where the Mower was exhibited and premiums were awarded.

Price List of Extras for the Meadow King Mower,

Manufactured by

GREGG, PLYER & CO.,

Trumansburg, N. Y.

No.	Drive Wheels, each,		\$ 8.00
	Axle,		5.00
1	Swath Board Thimble,		25
2	Dividing Shoe Roller,		50
3	Dividing Shoe,		1.75
4	Small Sickle Holder,		10
5	Large do		25
6	Main Shoe,		5.00
7	False Guard,		20
8	Grass Shield,		3.00
10	Grass Shield Roller,		1.50
	Bolt for Roller,		40
11	Shaft Supporter,		6.00
12	Crank Wheel,		1.50
	Crank Shaft,		2.75
13	Cog Wheel,		1.00
14	Stern Wheel,		3.00
15	Frame,		6.00
16	Small Cap,		40
17	Large Cap,		75
	Cap Bolts,		15
18	Lifter Ratchet,		1.25
19	Lifter Head,		1.25
	Lifter complete,		3.00
22	Shifting Supporter,		40
23	do Slide,		30
24	do Lever,		30
29	do Fork,		15
25	Bevel Wheel,		5.00
30	do do Cover,		75
26	Clutch,		1.00
27	R. H. Ratchet,		2.50
28	L. H. do		2.50
	R. Pawl,		15
	L. do		15
	Knives, each,		20
	Sickle,		6.00
	do Head,		1.00
	Malleable Guards, each,		50
	Guard Plates,		10
	Sickle Tips,		10

	Finger Bar, Drilled,	10.00
	Finger Bar, Complete,	17.50
	Swath Board, Complete,	1.50
	Pitman,	2.25
	do Boxes,	40
	do Rod,	50
	do Wrist,	1.00
	do Pin,	15
	do Head,	75
	do Crotch and Nuts,	1.50
	Guard Bolts, each,	05
	Sickle Holder Bolts, each,	05
	Main Shoe Bolt,	50
	Seat,	1.75
	Seat Spring,	4.00
	Pole,	3.00
	Pole Iron,	50
	Neck yoke,	1.25
	Whiffletrees,	3.00
	Draught Irons Complete,	4.00
35	Draught Castings and Bolts,	45
	Spiral Spring,	05
	Screw Wrench,	1.00
	Rivets, per pound,	40
	Lifting Chain,	50
	Tool Box,	1.00
20	Lifter Socket,	75
21	do Washer,	10
31	Open Dividing Shoe,	1.75
32	New Grass Shield Complete,	3.50
33	do do do Brace,	75
36	Enlarged Main Shoe,	6.00
37	do Shaft Supporter,	7.00
38	New Shifting Slide,	30
39	do do Fork,	15
	Stemwheel Pin,	1.25
	Set Screws, each,	10
	Rubber Balls,	40
	Tool Box, Complete,	4.00
	Oil Can,	20
	Bolts and Nuts,	15
	Swarther Board, Handle and Iron,	45
	Cast Washers,	10

TRIALS OF THE MEADOW KING MOWER.

ORLAND, June 23th, 1871.

—The following results in regard to the operation of the following named mowing machines were ascertained by the undersigned:

Wood Machine—4 feet 6 inch cut, required a draft of 175 lbs. in the grass.

Clipper—3 feet 6 inch cut, 150 lbs. in the grass.

Meadow King—4 feet cut, 125 lbs. in the grass.

EBEN STUBBS,	} Committee agreed upon by the several Agents.
W. H. POWERS,	
ALBION SOPER,	

—At a trial before a Committee chosen by the several Agents of Mowers present at Cambridge, Vt., June 29th, the following draft was ascertained:

Clipper—4 feet 6 inch, draft was 275 lbs.

Sprague— " " " " 225 "

Buckeye—4 feet 3 inch " " 212 "

MEADOW KING—4 ft. 3 in. draft 150 "

 This test was on an up grade.

—At Marrisonville, Vt., June 30th, before similar committee:

Buckeye—draft was 175 lbs.

Clipper— " " 160 "

MEADOW KING—draft was 125 "

—We, the undersigned, present at the exhibition of the MEADOW KING MOWER this day, were much pleased with the working of the same, the work done, the protection of the pitman, its adaptation to working on rough ground, over rocks, and consider it light draught, strong and durable.

F. F. MORTON, P. DYER, STEPHEN RAND, CHARLES E. LANE, A. COFFIN.—*Thorndike*, June 27th, 1871.

THE MEADOW KING MOWER.—A public exhibition of the merits of this machine was given on Thursday of last week, in the garden of the late Mr. J. H. Bond, at a point where the ground was rocky—so rocky, that it should have been thought impossible for a machine to work to advantage on it. On several occasions the team (two horses) was brought to a stand by a collision with rocks, but a slight turn of the team either way followed by a vigorous "get up" on the part of the men, started it along every time without touching the lever. One peculiarity of this machine is the fact that the knife runs equally as far from position from horizontal to perpendicular, and the frame of the machine perfectly adjusts itself to uneven soil, without touching the lever. The swath-board has a rubber attachment, which enables it to adapt itself to obstructions, always springing back to its regular position when the obstruction is passed. The whole machine appears to be simple in construction and must be very strong to stand such shocks as it receives without injury. In these days of improvement in agricultural machinery, it certainly behooves every farmer to examine all the different classes of machines before purchasing any, and in doing so he should not fail to look at the MEADOW KING.—*Gazette*

