



Otsego County The Land Of The Big Potato – Figures Giving Cost Of Growing And Profit

The above cut is a picture of a potato field on J. B. Scott’s farm in 1904. In this field of tow acres he dug 640 bushels of marketable potatoes of the Rural New Yorker variety. He also had six acres in another field which yielded 1530 bushels, or making an average yield of 271 bushels for the eight acres. Below is the cost of growing, harvesting, and marketing the crop. [pg 12 T]

J. B. Scott, Farmer, Potato Buyer and Deputy Sheriff

J. B. Scott – there are few citizens in Otsego County who do not know “Bert” – is a farmer and potato buyer, filling in his spare time by discharging the duties of deputy sheriff. “Bert’s” farm is but a short distance east of town and is among the best tilled in the county, his potato and hay crop bearing evidence of his ability as a tiller of the soil. A half-tone of his cozy home on East Main Street will be found on another page. He is largely interested in timber and farming lands throughout this section, and a firm believer in Otsego County, the land of the big potato. Mr. Scott is a Mason and takes a deep interest in the doings of the local lodge and chapter.



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