

A. More grain would be raised, especially barley and this would be conducive to cleaner farms.

Thos. Daly's evidence before Pork Commission at Edmonton July, 1908.

Q. What do you think to be the cost price of producing pork?

A. From 4 3-4 cents to 5 cents per lb.

Q. Is this enough to warrant you staying in the business?

A. No.

Q. Is there any method whereby conditions could be remedied?

A. Erect an establishment to produce bacon for foreign markets. Farmers will not stay in the business unless a steady market is guaranteed.

Q. Do you consider the prevailing low prices the chief reason for farmers going out of the hog business? asked Commissioner Bower.

A. Undoubtedly, since hog raising is the most profitable live stock industry if prices are right.

Evidence of John McKinley, farmer of Spruce Grove, given before Pork Commission in Edmonton, July, 1908.

Q. Is the hog business profitable with fair prices? inquired the Commission.

A. Yes, the business can be undertaken with very small capital. It would be conducive to cleaner farms, by causing larger crops of barley and roots.

Q. What in your opinion demands the most encouragement on the part of the Government in Alberta agriculture?

A. Attention to the needs of the hog industry would meet with the strongest approval. Emphatically affirmed Mr. McKinley.

R. G. Ottewell's evidence before Pork Commission. Mr. Ottewell of Clover Bar showed up the cost of raising hogs in proportion to the market price obtainable, and gave this as his reason for dropping out of the business. In past years he has raised 300 hogs in a year, now he has 20.

Mr. W. F. Stevens, Live Stock Commissioner for Alberta, in evidence given before the Pork Commission.

Q. Would the yield of hogs increase if a fair price were forthcoming.

A. Yes, the quantity of hogs would be quadrupled.