

good crop last year, and expect a good yield this year, but can't say exact yield until I thrash, but I am sure of 20 bushels of wheat and 30 of oats to the acre and not a grain frozen. My land is clay loam very deep and rich. I cultivate 50 acres and do all my own work. I consider the soil the very best for grain and vegetables, but I think mixed farming the proper thing.

I have been in the Regina district since the 13th of January, '83, and I like the climate well. Myself and family enjoy good health. Considering that farming is easy, no drains to make, no wood to chop down, no taxes to pay (except little school taxes) with good climate, good land, a good local market, good health and plenty of water, I think this is the country to settle in. If the government adopted the "Cape" system of long easy payments for pre-emptions without interest they would be doing the right thing. But taking everything together I have no fault to find, and can with good conscience advise my best friend to come here to live."

WHAT HENRY McELREE SAYS.

Mr. McElree, one of the Regina pioneers and one of our best hardworking, successful farmers, in an interview made the following statement:

"I came to the Regina district in 1882, settled nine miles north-east of Regina. Originally from near Ottawa, Ont., but have spent some time in the States and lived one year at Portage la Prairie, and prefer this district to any other place I have ever lived in. My family consists of my wife, four girls and four boys, and it hasn't cost me \$5 for doctor's bills since I came to the country. The climate is all that I could wish for: the winter is cold, but I never saw a day I could not work. I can send my children to school and there is regular preaching near hand; the land I consider first-class, in fact the finest on earth."

In answer to the questions how much capital had you when you came to this district, and how much do you consider yourself worth now? Mr. McElree said:

"I struck Regina with \$10 in cash, 150 lbs. of bacon and a few other groceries, now I have 640 acres of land, (100 acres ready for crop next year,) 17 head of cattle, 2 wagons, 3 ploughs, 2 harrows, one twine binder, 2 set of sleighs, a few hogs and about 400 chickens. I just sold my wheat to-day for \$1.04 per bushel and when I get my money I will put myself straight with the world, except \$400