



A Bumper Crop of Wheat. Farm of James White, Kinville

tury, and the hunger of many millions now, and many more to come, who must be fed by an increase in the products of the soil.

American land values are pretty well up to the top notch. Canadian land values have only just begun to grow. In the newer parts, where the Canadian Northern is building and extending branch lines, they are at the bottom notch of a first price, and cannot help going higher.

The soils of older countries have suffered from wasteful tillage so long that they can only be brought back to something like their first condition by the patient use of costly fertilizers, if at all. But the soil of Western Canada is fresh from the hands of nature, and requires no such treatment. It is richer than any renewed soil ever can be, and will remain so if it is not made to suffer by the old style of farming, and is tilled from the start in the new ways that get the best crops without using up the elements with which nature has so fully stored it.

An American farmer can sell his place, and with the money he gets for it buy another, many times larger, in that new and growing country, where the crops are heavier, the markets are quick, and the prices as good as and often better than they are in the States. And that new farm will do for him what his old one would not—it will be worth more money every year, instead of standing still or going backward. With equal cultivation, it will pay more per acre.

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The provincial governments of the prairie provinces are pretty much the same as the governments of the various States, with this difference: It is a farming country, governed by farmers, and for farmers. The things that will benefit the farmer are their first care. While they never meddle with any man's lawful affairs, they are quick to help in showing what is best to be done and how best to do it, and to help toward the best conditions of farm work and the marketing of farm products.

These are some of the reasons why those million Americans have gone to Western Canada in the last nine years, and why so many thousands more will go every year until all the land is gone.

THE CANADIAN NORTHERN RAILWAY STANDS READY TO HELP

The Canadian Northern main line is completed and in operation from Lake Superior to beyond Edmonton, across the richest and best parts of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. The branch lines are bringing places hitherto remote into easy access to market, and no spot anywhere within its wide territory will have to wait long for a similar benefit. In a very few years, that whole immense belt of country will be as closely farmed as Illinois and Iowa are now.