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**UNITED STATES CROPS.**

**A Record-Breaking Yield of Corn.**

There appears to be no doubt that this year's crop of Indian corn in the United States will be the largest on record, and it is greatly in excess of that of last year. The estimate of the New York Produce Exchange is 2,716,918,000 bushels, as compared with an estimate of 2,698,117,000 bushels based on the August report. The actual yield last year was 2,407,480,000 bushels. Based on the figures contained in the United States Government crop report issued on Tuesday last, the Produce Exchange estimates the total wheat crop at 704,447,000 bushels, as compared with an estimate of 14,000,000 bushels more based on the August report.

The yield of oats is estimated at 930,317,000 bushels, as against a yield last year of 894,595,000 bushels.

The tables below give areas and yields for several years past:

Corn.		
	Area.	Yield.
Est. Sept., 1905	94,011,000	2,716,918,000
Actual, 1904	92,231,000	2,407,480,000
Actual, 1903	88,091,000	2,244,176,000
Actual, 1902	94,043,000	2,523,648,000
Actual, 1901	91,349,000	1,522,519,000
Actual, 1900	83,320,000	2,105,102,000

Spring Wheat.		
	Area.	Yield.
Est. Sept., 1905	17,613,000	280,047,000
Actual, 1904	17,209,000	219,464,000
Actual, 1903	16,954,000	237,954,000
Actual, 1902	17,620,000	258,274,000
Actual, 1901	19,655,000	289,625,000
Actual, 1900	16,259,000	172,204,000
Actual, 1899	19,234,000	255,597,000
Actual, 1898	18,310,000	292,656,000

Oats.		
	Area.	Yield.
Est. Sept., 1905	27,688,000	930,300,000
Actual, 1904	27,842,000	894,595,000
Actual, 1903	27,638,000	784,094,000
Actual, 1902	28,653,000	987,842,000
Actual, 1901	28,541,000	736,808,000
Actual, 1900	27,364,000	809,125,000

**RUSSIAN TRADE WORTH HAVING.**

"Russia could not have done a wiser or a more graceful thing at this time than to have removed the retaliatory duties on American machinery," said Mr. P. M. Brotherhood, the head of the export department of Manning, Maxwell & Moore, yesterday. "A better trade feeling will be engendered, which undoubtedly will lead to a much larger business with the Czar's subjects in the years to come. While from our standpoint the Russian demand for American machinery has been comparatively insignificant—three or four millions of dollars' worth a year—the possibilities in every line are extremely tempting and will be easy of development under present conditions.

"Heretofore the Russian market has been supplied by the manufacturers of France and Germany. This was perfectly natural, as it was to those countries that Russia looked for ready money to supply governmental and private needs. Thanks to President Roosevelt, and the workings of European politics, the situation is now entirely changed."

President Saunders, of the Ingersoll-Sergeant Drill Co., believes that the good results of the Czar's action through M. Witte will be far-reaching in its effects—in fact, will open up to American manufacturers a new and broad market for all manner and kinds of products.

"I have always had a higher opinion of the Russian market than many other American manufacturers," said Mr. Saunders yesterday. The Government figures of exports to European Russia for the year 1899-1900 were understated, as numerous shipments went to that country by way of England, Denmark, or Germany, that never appeared in our statistics under the heading of "Exports

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to Russia." A large portion of the goods intended for Russia go to Hamburg, not on a "through" but on a port bill of lading, and are trans-shipped from Hamburg either by rail or by steamer—a fact that it is true much more in articles of manufacture like steel and iron goods than in staples like cotton, etc.—New York Journal of Commerce, 13th.

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