

hurt vegetation until September 27th, and then but a slight one; and have now the finest weather imaginable.

We also wish to say that all information furnished us by Mr. J. N. Grieve, Canadian Immigration Agent at Mt. Pleasant, Mich., has been truthful, and any reflections cast on his or Mr. Kirkpatrick's statements are without foundation. We will be pleased to answer all inquiries from any one wanting information about Alberta, and will say for ourselves, we are more than satisfied with the move we made.

Geo. E. Blondheim.

C. J. Blondheim.

William Mogg.

—Isabella County Enterprise (Mich.), Oct. 13, 1899.

LIKES IT BETTER THAN IDAHO.

Lacombe, Alberta, Nov. 25th, 1898.

To the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg.

Sir,—Having been requested to write you as to how I like this country, I may say I came from Cassia County, Idaho, U.S.A., to Southern Alberta, and moved from there here in July, 1894.

I brought here 34 head of cattle, 15 horses, 2 wagons, 2 sets of harness, and \$150 in cash. I homesteaded south-east quarter 28-40-26 west of the 4th meridian; also purchased quarter section C.P.R. land. Have been farming more or less nearly all my life, and I am convinced that you can raise crops 40 per cent. cheaper here than where I came from.

My capital at present, counting everything, is about \$5,000. The yield of my grain all round in 1897 was 60 bushels per acre; this year (1898), yield of wheat per acre, 37½ bushels, oats 50 bushels, and barley 35 bushels; potatoes 400 bushels per acre.

I consider this is a much better country for a man than where I came from, providing he is industrious and has a small capital.

Have a wife and six children, two only able to work on the farm. You get a free homestead here and C.P.R. land is cheap and the terms are easy. I have now made my seventh payment, and am much pleased with my purchase, as the land has much more than paid for itself. School law here is decidedly ahead of where I came from and there are schools wherever there are settlers.

I remain,

Yours truly,

(Signed)

J. A. Toliman.