

gradually giving way before the insidious influences and superior advantages of the Canadian practice of every man living on his own land, and in consequence the villages which have hitherto been such a picturesque feature of the settlements seem now to be doomed to gradual extinction.

As regards the crops in this section of Manitoba it seems difficult to secure reliable information without personal examination. There is an astonishing tendency to misrepresentation among those who are usually supposed to be accurately informed on this subject. Some business men who are right on the ground place the yield of wheat at an average of forty bushels to the acre. This is simply an absurd estimate and is probably just double what the average yield will be. Some few fields of summer-fallow land have yielded thirty-eight and forty bushels, but other fields on the same farms do not go 15. Threshers in nearly every instance say the wheat is running about 18 bushels to the acre. The average quality of the wheat is as yet a matter of doubt. Some of it shows signs of injury by frost, and some of injury by the unfavorable harvesting and threshing weather. The color seems to be in most cases a little off and the berry soft. Experienced handlers say the bulk of it will grade No. 1 northern. Millers say the new wheat is milling beautifully and that they never ground better grain. Its flour making qualities seem to be all that could be wished and in weight the sample is very fine. One sample weighed at Winkler went 64 1-2 pounds to the measured bushel.

Oats in some sections are a fairly good crop and in others are not. The eastern end of this district seems to have yielded the best. The grain is proving to be very light in weight in places, so much so that it will not stand the pressure of the blowers in cleaning.

At the time of writing threshing and stacking operations are being very much retarded by unfavorable weather and in consequence business is not what it ought to be at this time of year in these towns, but on the whole it may be said that the present year will prove, when its full fruits have been realized, to be a year of satisfactory results in the section of Manitoba which has been reviewed.

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Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.45; Bakers, \$2.25.

Bran—Per ton, \$8.00@9.00.

Shorts—Per ton, \$10.00@11.00.

Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 30@32¢ for new.

Barley—Nominal at about 30¢.

Butter—Dairy, Shippers buying at 14@16¢, and 20¢ paid for creamery at the factory.

Cheese—10@10½¢ paid to factories.

Eggs—Buyers paying 15¢ net.

Beef—City dressed, fresh, 4@4½¢.

Mutton—5@6¢.

Hogs—Dressed, 5½@6¢.

Veal—5@6¢.

—Lambs—6@7¢.

Cattle—Butchers 2@2½; export 3@3½¢.

Hogs—Live, off cars, \$4.50 per 100 lbs for best bacon.

Sheep—2½@2½¢ off cars here; lambs, 3¢.

Seneca Root—16@17¢ lb.

Hides—Green city hides, 6½@7¢, for No. 1.

Hay—Baled, on track, \$6.00 @ 6.50.

Potatoes—25@30¢ per bushel.

Wool, 8@9½¢ for unwashed fleece.

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