

have a very high opinion of the Edmonton district and its capabilities, both for mixed farming and ranching, and, in comparison of the value, I do not think cheaper land is to be had in Canada.

Wheat should be in by 30th April, oats by 10th of May, and barley by June 1st, which enables all grain to be cut before danger from frost.

(Signed)

Wm. F. Hawkins.

Lacombe, Alberta, Nov. 25th, 1898.

To the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg.

Sir,—I came from Cascia County, Idaho, U.S.A., to Southern Alberta, and moved from there here in July, 1894. I brought here 34 head of cattle, fifteen horses, two wagons, two sets of harness, and \$150 in cash. I homesteaded S. E. quarter 28, 40, 26, west of the 4th meridian; also purchased a quarter section of 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 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. Tolman.

(Translation.)

Edmonton, Alta., ———, 1898.

Commissioner of Immigration.

I, William Muller, lived for twelve years in South Dakota; brought with me \$2,500 to South Dakota, and lost nearly everything that I had, so that I saw that I could do nothing in South Dakota, and I left the country with \$800 and went to Canada, and have now been here