

What They Say of the Crops.

Some outsiders are so skeptical in regard to the heavy crop yields in Manitoba this season, that it is hardly safe to venture an opinion upon the subject. The following paragraphs have therefore been compiled from exchanges and the sayings of correspondents, and each one will have to be credited to the source whence it came:

A correspondent writes: E. Anderson, Wm. Anderson and Mr. Rodway, of Millbrook municipality, have finished threshing on their respective farms and the result shows a yield of fifty bushels of wheat per acre. Throughout the whole municipality the wheat is turning out fifteen bushels per acre more than estimated before threshed.

Rapid City Indicator: T. Bell has threshed his wheat. He has 2,000 bushels from 50 acres.

Portage Tribune: John Ingram threshed 4,695 bushels of wheat the products of a field containing 108 acres. This is an average yield of 43 bushels to the acre.

Gladstone Age: The grain is turning out well. D. Kerr had 50 bushels and a peck to the acre on 11 acres of new land, while all his wheat averaged 40 bushels and two thirds to the acre.

A West Lynne, Man., correspondent writes: Allan Dillabough threshed a field of 21 acres of wheat which yielded him something over 900 bushels.

A correspondent at Killarney, Man., writes: As far as heard from, the average wheat crop will be thirty five bushels per acre. All kinds of grain are turning out beyond expectations.

Portage la Prairie Tribune: The elevators are kept busy as a large amount of grain is coming in. Threshing is in full swing and the average yield is quite as looked for, the average being from 30 to 40 bushels to the acre.

An Oak Lake, Man., correspondent writes: The following are a few names, with the quantity yielded to the acre placed after each as far as they have threshed: Peter Sutherland, wheat, 36 bushels; Thomas Young, wheat, 40 bushels; U. Cameron, oats, 65 bushels; barley, 65 bushels; Wm. Thompson, oats, 65 bushels.

A Stonewall, Man., correspondent writes: The reports of the yield of grain are very encouraging, 25 bushels of wheat per acre being the lowest we have heard of, and a number say they have as high as 35 bushels per acre. The yield of oats vary from 40 to 70 bushels.

A correspondent writes: R. A. Cowan threshed from one acre 88 bushels of oats weighing 30 pounds to the bushel, and it is estimated that his total crop will yield over 80 bushels per acre, and there are many the same.

Rapid City Indicator: Thirty-five bushels of wheat per acre is not an unusual average in this district.

Portage la Prairie Liberal: Brown & Carruthers threshed the wheat of three acres and found the yield to be 48 bushels to the acre by weight and by measurement 45½ bus. Their whole crop averaged 36 bushels to the acre.

Brandon Sun: Reports continue to come in concerning the yield of wheat, that in ordinary years would be looked upon as incredulous. It

is, though, in order this season to believe almost any crop story that is told you. Several cases have been brought to our notice where the yield will be 40 bushels to the acre.

Winnipeg Sun: John McVicar, who has just returned from a trip through the country, has some facts to report which should set the agricultural world to thinking. He says the wheat crop in the province will average 35 bushels to the acre at least, and that he saw wheat in several places that went 50 bushels and over to the acre. This result was so common that he took no note of it, but when he wandered on to the farm of F. Woods, sec. 27, tp. 12, range 25, northeast of Virden, and found five acres of land yield 315 bushels of Red Fyfe wheat, he pulled out his book and marked it down. He says his statement can be easily verified should any person doubt it.

Brandon Times: Mr. Little, of the Brandon district, boasts of having the largest yield of oats reported. He threshed 745 bushels of good sound grain from 7 acres of land.

Neepawa Register: R. Kerr, of Bridge Creek, threshed 24 acres of wheat a few days ago and the average yield throughout was 48 bushels per acre. C. Stewart had an average of 44 bushels per acre. All through the county the yield is ranging about five bushels per acre more than was expected.

Minnedosa Tribune: Threshing returns are coming in and they exceed the most sanguine expectations. A. Malcolm reports 40 bushels per acre, John Souster 540 bushels from 15 acres. Souster says he threshed sixty-five bushels of wheat from an acre and a half. Geo. Kerr threshed the wheat off 24 acres and it yielded a fraction over 48 bushels to the acre; H. McDonald had 35 bushels per acre, and R. C. Boyd 38 bushels per acre.

Rapid City Spectator: A farmer from the Huron settlement has a yield of 60 bushels of Red Fyfe wheat to the acre.

Brandon Sun: Thos. Tapp, of 27, 11, 26, Dennis county, makes oath that his brother William on the same section grew this year 770 bushels of wheat on 15 acres, or 51 bushels to the acre of grain weighing weighing over 60 pounds to the bushel, that the quantity of seed sown was one and three-quarter bushels to the acre.

Manitou Mercury: John Attleck, who resides in 2-12, near Crystal City, threshed his wheat crop of thirty-three acres on the 3rd inst., the yield being 1200 bushels, or an average of thirty-six and a third bushels per acre. Eight acres of the crop was White Russian, which yielded over forty two bushels to the acre.

Neepawa Register: On Friday last Joseph Little threshed seven acres of oats and the yield was 600 bushels or almost 86 bushels to the acre. By weight the number of bushels would have been considerably greater. Upon a test being made it was found a measured bushel weighed 41½ pounds, or 3½ pound more than a bushel by measure.

Manitou Monitor: S. Umphrey, treasurer of Carlton, was in town yesterday. He says it is a fact that he threshed 57 bushels of wheat per acre off a ten acre field. Two parties in the

same neighborhood, S. Stevenson and H. Dundas had yields equally good.

A correspondent writes: Mr. Wait, of Morris, reports all the wheat harvested. He recently threshed the yield of wheat off 19½ acres of land, which resulted in the immense return of 800 bushels of grain. Mr. Wait says there are many farmers in his neighborhood with equally as heavy, and all the farmers are jubilant as a result thereof.

Brandon Times: Seaton and McKellar, of the southern part of Daly, have had their machine running now for over two weeks and have only found one piece of wheat that went less than 40 bushels to the acre.

A correspondent writes: Geo. Simpson, of our Portage Plains, threshed 1,700 bushels of wheat off 40 acres, which is an average of nearly 43 bushels per acre. Off one field of 18 acres he threshed 900 bushels of No. 1 hard, being an exact average for the field of 50 bushels per acre.

Manitou Mercury: A correspondent writes us from Mowbray as follows: Mr. Frank Beattie threshed four-and-a-half acres. By threshing machine measure there were 120 bags, or 53 bushels to the acre; by weight about 60 bushels. Off this 4½ acres he fed twelve stooks to his pigs before threshing. He sowed two bushels to the acre, Red Fyfe. Threshers say that in no case has the average yield of wheat in this district been less than thirty bushels per acre, and in many instances the average is forty bushels. The crops are turning out even better than was anticipated.

BEATS THEM ALL.

Councillor Pocock, of West Lynne, who is running a threshing machine in the Mennonite reserve, has made the following statement, which he is further willing to endorse by his solemn declaration, and also to produce the declaration of Mr. Jacob Loappke and others. Mr. Jacob Loappke, a Mennonite farmer, living on section 3, township 2, range 3 west, near the village of Kronsard, sowed on the 28th April last a field 193 yards by 230 yards, containing a little over 9 acres, with 12 bushels of seed wheat. The field was cut on the 16th August following, by a self-binder reaping machine, with four horses attached, and for binding purposes 4½ pounds twine were used per acre. Heavy stubble was left on the field. On the 5th October last Mr. Pocock threshed from this same field 604 bushels of wheat, machine measurement, which will easily grade as No. 1 hard. This gives a grand yield, of the full average you may say (taking machine measurement), of fully 67 bushels to the acre. The seed wheat was red fyfe, and the land it was sown upon was new breaking of the season of 1886, which was again plowed deep in the fall.

—Sun.

The Fort Qu'Appelle *Fidette* came out in enlarged and improved form last week.

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