

high. If Branville & I can carry out the policy of farming we have planned or mapped out we will not have so many men. Practically all the land we have had under cultivation is seeded to Bromus grass and sweet clover which means it is a stock proposition being this and fencing the places as they are has taken some time and considerable capital; however owing to the way in which the country has become putated with noxious weeds grain farming does not and cannot be made pay. The land has got to be cleaned and labour cheaper and more settled before grain farming can be successfully carried on. Farmers are in much worse financial conditions this year than last notwithstanding the fact the west has a very good crop. The cost of production has been too high. So much for my opinion on the subject. I did not when I began this letter intend to bore you with my opinions on the subject of farming, but something has got to be done in the way of adjustment.