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Western Crops, 1908

The following is the **Official Government Estimate** of 1908 crops, dated Ottawa, 12th September, 1908, and covering the Provinces of **Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta** only.

Wheat, total yield	104,053,000
Oats, " "	107,860,000
Barley " "	25,591,000

At their present market values, the above crops represent the gigantic sum of nearly **\$159,000,000**

A FEW COMPARATIVE FACTS.

The total **Gold** production from the **Yukon** for **Ten** years,—from 1896 to 1906,—represents a value of \$114,000,000; but, from this year's crop alone, **Our Western Farmers** will earn about **FORTY PER CENT. MORE** than the above sum.

The total value of **Diamonds** produced in 1905 (last available figures) from the world's richest mines at Kimberley,

South Africa was about \$34,000,000

The total output of **Gold**, for the same year from the entire

Transvaal, reached the sum of about 104,000,000

Or, taken together \$138,000,000

Our Western Farmers will realize a greater sum by about **FIFTEEN PER CENT.** from this season's crop.

The Whole World's **SILVER** production for the year 1905, totalled a value of \$282,000,000: **Our Western Farmers** will earn from this year's crop, a sum equal to more than half—or, **FIFTY-SIX PER CENT.** of the value of the whole world's annual output of Silver.

The World's **Gold** production for 1905, totalled about \$380,000,000. The earnings of **Our Western Farmers** from this year's crops will represent a sum equal to about **FORTY-TWO PER CENT.** of the value of the whole world's output of gold for the year mentioned.

Canada represents about one-third of the entire area of the whole British Empire. **Yet**, only one-quarter of this area is at present occupied; and, only about one-eighth is under cultivation.

Any intelligent person will have no difficulty in forming very impressive conclusions from the above plain facts.