

in any particular. The price of agricultural implements has been very substantially reduced. I have in my hand a statement issued by the Massey Harris Company and given to the public on December 11. It appeared in most of our papers:

It is customary at this season for the Massey-Harris Company to determine the price of its farm implements for the coming year, and, in the general consideration of the subject at this particular juncture, the approach has been made with the aim, if at all possible, to establish even lower prices than those which prevailed during the past season, believing which it is in the best interests of both farmer and manufacturer to bring about a closer adjustment between the prices of the things which the farmer has to purchase and the prices which he receives for his product.

Having these views uppermost in mind, we have decided to reduce the price of practically all of our implements, although we cannot feel that actual costs justify such a reduction in view of present manufacturing prospects. Many examples of price reductions could be enumerated, but the following will approximately indicate what has been done in the way of reduced prices: Binder reduced by \$10, mower by \$4.50, rake by \$2, hay loader by \$5, gasoline engine by \$15.50, wagon by \$5, and gang plough by \$5.

The report winds up by stating:

On the whole, it looks as though a decided change for the better has come to agriculture, and that our farmers, east and west, can, with reasonable hope, look forward with greater confidence for prosperity in the outcome of their labours than they have been able to do for several years past.

Another important company manufacturing agricultural implements in Canada is the International Harvester Company. I have been able to obtain from that company a statement of the reductions they have made in their price lists. With the permission of the House, I will insert this table in Hansard, it is based on the price list schedules of the company itself. The statement is as follows:

Agricultural Implements—International Harvester Company  
—Price Reductions

	Jan. 1, 1924	Dec. 1, 1924	Reduction
Binders, 6 ft. with sheaf carrier and tongue truck .....	\$289.00	\$265.50	\$23.50
Mower, heavy, 6 ft. ....	112.00	103.00	9.00
Rake, self-dump, 10 ft. ....	64.00	59.00	5.00
Drill, 14 disc, 3-horse attachment.....	210.00	184.00	26.00
Disc Harrow, out-throw, 12-disc .....	75.00	69.50	5.00
Spring Tooth Harrow, 16-Tooth.....	21.50	20.00	1.50
Field Cultivators, 6 ft., 12-tooth, 3-horse .....	103.00	93.50	9.50
Manure Spreaders, Large 3-horse hitch .....	253.00		
Medium and No. 5, 3-horse.....		204.00	49.00
Ploughs—Walking, 14-in .....	36.00	32.50	3.50
Sulky, 14-in .....	91.00	88.00	3.00
Farm Wagon (McCormick-Deering) 3" x ½" tire .....	204.00	185.50	18.50

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