

WESTERN CANADA LEADS AS WHEAT PRODUCER

342,000,000 Bushels Wheat in 1915; In 1916 Many Farmers Paid for Their Land Out of Their Crop.

That Western Canada is indeed "Mistress of Wheat" to the extent that its 1915 crop exceeded, acre for acre, the production of any country on this continent is a striking fact proved by the following figures:

In 1915 the Dominion of Canada produced 342,000,000 bushels of wheat, which represented an average yield of 29 bushels to the acre. The United States produced 1,011,505,000 bushels, yield of 17 bushels per acre. The only serious competitors in wheat production in South America were Argentina, with 478,221,000 bushels, or less than 12 bushels per acre, and Chile, with 10,000,000 bushels or 13 bushels per acre.

The three Western Canadian prairie provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta produced between them 342,000,000 bushels out of the total Canadian 376,000,000 bushels. It will be seen, therefore, that outside of the United States, Western Canada produced considerably more than the combined production of North and South America. Canada is of course a new-settled country, and the fact that the crop of the United States was practically three times as much is no discouragement. The United States has at present more than twelve times the population of Canada in approximately the same area.

To illustrate further the greater productivity of Western Canadian land, we submit the following figures, showing the 1915 yields per acre in the three provinces of Western Canada and in the states which in that year produced the greatest quantity of wheat. The figures are taken from the U. S. department of agriculture's annual report and from the figures of the Dominion census bureau:

	Bushels per acre 1915
All Canada	29
Western Canada only	29 1/5
Province of Manitoba	28 1/5
Province of Saskatchewan	28 1/2
Province of Alberta	32 1/5
United States, all	17
Montana	26 1/2
Washington	25 1/5
Wisconsin	22 3/4
Ohio	20 2/5
Iowa	19 4/5
Illinois	19
Pennsylvania	18 1/2
Nebraska	18 1/5
North Dakota	18 1/5
Indiana	17 1/5
South Dakota	17 1/10
Minnesota	17
Texas	15 1/2
Virginia	13 4/5
Kansas	12 1/2
Missouri	12 3/10
Oklahoma	11 3/5

In 1916 the crop was not as heavy, but the yields in many districts were very large. So large, indeed, was the acreage under cultivation in 1916 that the resulting crop proved too large to be all threshed the same fall. It overflowed railroads, and made marketing slow. A less amount of fall plowing was done than would have been done in a less heavy year, because the average farmer was too busy with his threshing. All these conditions necessarily reacted upon the acreage seeded in the spring of 1916. Add to this that labor last year, owing to the great number of Canadians who have enlisted, was scarce and high-priced and one factor in the decreased yield—smaller acreage under crop was evident.

Another factor is that this year Western Canada has experienced, in common with the entire North American continent, conditions that have been less favorable to the production of big crops. The conditions have resulted in smaller yield per acre and reduced grade of grain in certain localities.

The average yield of wheat in the three western provinces is estimated by the government at about 16 bushels per acre, oats 43 bushels, and barley 27 bushels.

The financial value of their crops to Western Canadian farmers has been greater this year than ever before. Owing to the high prices of grain that are prevailing, returns have been received that are extremely profitable. With wheat standing at the present time at over \$1.50 per bushel at the Great Lakes, a wheat crop at present figures would pay the farmer, even supposing he had only the average of 16 bushels per acre, over \$300 per acre. A large number are receiving \$750.00, and a few even more than that.

This price of course, is not all profit; it represents the gross return, and the cost of operation must be deducted, but it does not, even at the highest figures, cost more than 65 cents to raise a bushel of wheat in Western Canada so that the profit can be figured accordingly. It must be emphasized that the acre which produces a \$300.00 crop costs in the first case, probably less than that. In the United States the same class of land would cost in many districts from \$100 to \$200 per acre, and even then a return of \$300.00 would be considered extremely satisfactory. In Western Canada the best class of agricultural land, capable of producing crops that in size compare with any country in the world except, perhaps, some European countries, can be obtained at, on the average, from \$20 to \$30 per acre, with irrigated lands some what higher. It is no exaggeration whatever to say that a number of Western Canadian farmers have paid for their land entirely from the proceeds of last year's crop, and this includes men who last year began for the first time.—Advertisement.

All He Had Was Sympathy.

During the severe storm that flooded Galveston and caused some loss of life and much damage to property, an artillery officer, on leave of absence, telegraphed to his superior officer in command of the coast defenses at that point.

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She Had Been Thinking.

"Mother doesn't think she'll go to the theater with us tonight, Albert."
"Is that so? I have got three tickets. What shall I do with the third one?"

"Give it to the man you always go out to see between the acts. He can sit with us, and you won't have to go out to see him."

HIGH COST OF LIVING

This is a serious matter with housekeepers as food prices are constantly going up. To overcome this, cut out the high priced meat dishes and serve your family more Skinner's Macaroni and Spaghetti, the cheapest, most delicious and most nutritious of all foods. Write the Skinner Mfg. Co., Omaha, Neb., for beautiful cook book, telling how to prepare it in a hundred different ways. It's free to every woman.—Adv.

History Fails to Repeat.

"Well, dad," remarked the modern prodigal, as he was about to shove his pedal extremities under the old man's mahogany, "is the obese calf ready for the slaughter?"

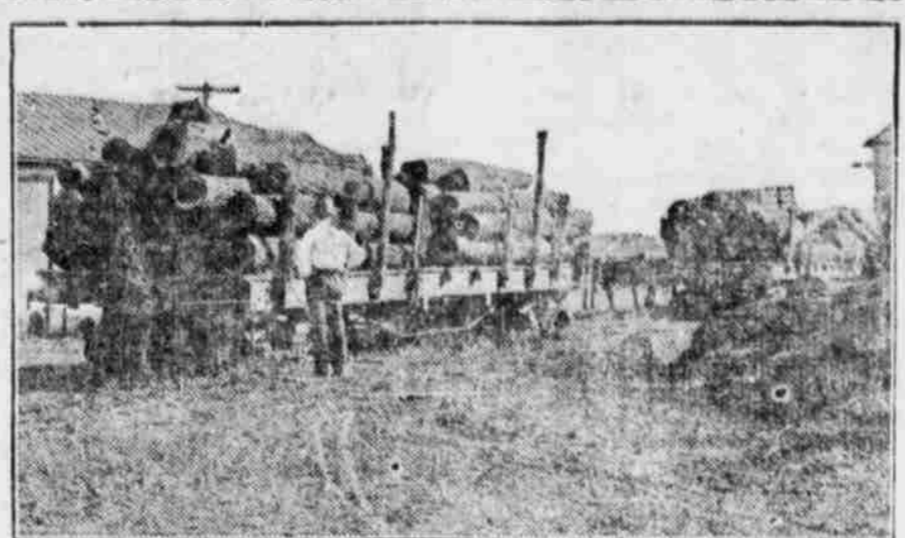
"Gosh, yes!" exclaimed the old granger. "I calkolate it air; but, plingue take it all, I feel kind'r sorry for yew, so I reckon I'll let yew live another week."

ACTRESS TELLS SECRET.

A well known actress gives the following recipe for gray hair: To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 1/2 oz. of Glycerine. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off. Adv.

The question of extracting potash from wool scourings is being investigated.

POINTS IN SELLING WOODLOT PRODUCTS



BLACK WALNUT LOGS, CUT FROM WOODLOT.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The following suggestions taken from United States Department of Agriculture Farmers' Bulletin 715, Measuring and Marketing Woodlot Products, may be helpful to the farmer in securing a fair price for his trees.

(1) Find out from as many sawmills and wood-using industries as possible

timber requirements and prices, since in many cases local markets pay better prices than outside markets because of the saving of transportation charges.

(4) Advertise in the papers and otherwise secure competition among outside purchasers. The expense will be small and outside buyers will be more likely to bid on timber in competition with local buyers.

(5) Secure bids whenever practicable both by the lump and by log-scale measure. A choice is thus offered and the more profitable form of bid can be accepted.

(6) Consider the responsibility of the prospective purchaser before making the sale, in order to avoid slow payment, costly collections, and losses.

(7) Prior to making sales, secure at least a fairly good estimate of the amount and value of the material for sale. Persons acquainted with the business of measuring or estimating timber can usually be found in every region where timber has been handled in the past.

(8) Market the higher grades of timber instead of using them on the farm for purposes for which cheaper material will prove as serviceable. This should be done in many cases even if it makes necessary the purchasing and hauling of lower priced lumber to the mill. Markets which pay good prices usually buy on grade, and inspect closely.

(9) Remember that standing timber does not deteriorate rapidly nor do the uses of wood change greatly within a few years. The owner, therefore, is not forced to place his product on the market regardless of market conditions.

(10) Use a written timber-sale agreement in selling woodlot timber, particularly where the cutting is done by the purchaser.

LITTLE POINTERS ON DUCKS

Do Not Remove Feathers From Last Joint of Wing in Picking—Flesh "Turns" Quickly.

When picking ducks do not remove the feathers from the last joint of the wing or from the upper part of the neck near the head. Also leave the main tail feathers on.

If dressed ducks are to be kept after they are dried off when they are taken from the cooling water, they should be at once placed in the ice-box. Duck flesh "turns" much more quickly than the flesh of hens or turkeys.

A good mash for the young ducks which are to be kept over for breeders is made by mixing one part cornmeal, two parts bran, one part boiled vegetables, and one-half part beef scraps. These should be mixed dry and moistened with milk or water.

TREATMENT FOR SORE NECKS

Tannic Acid is Recommended as One of the Best Remedies for Collar Galls—Keep Collar Clean.

Tannic acid is one of the very best remedies for collar galls. It can be secured from any drug store and is easily applied by rubbing lightly over the collar every morning and evening if the horse is working.

Collar galls usually appear either at the top of the neck or at the point of the shoulder where an improperly fitted collar rubs. It is important that the collar be kept clean at all times in order that it may be kept from cutting into the neck, but special care in keeping it clean is necessary after these galls start. "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

FARM EFFICIENCY

On a great majority of farms success is primarily dependent on three important factors. These are: (1) The size of the farm business; (2) The yields of the crops and the returns per animal, representing the quality of the farm business, and (3) The diversity of the business. Of course many other things have their influence, but the farmer whose business is efficient in these three respects is generally successful. Those farms that are excellent in none of these respects almost universally fail. Those deficient in one or two may succeed, but their chances of success are greatly lessened.

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BY VALENTINE MOTT PIERCE, M. D.
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