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POTATOES AND GRAIN CROPS

Cost of Production per Acre 1908 - 1912

	0 _{ATS}	Barley	WHEAT	Rye	FLAX	Ротатоеs 1907–1909
LAND RENT	\$ 3.83	\$ 3.83	\$ 3.83	\$ 3.83	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.00
Labor	4.33	3.49	3.36	3.22	3.90	15.98
SEED	1.27	1.41	1.37	1.28	1.09	8.96
Machinery	. 88	.76	. 74	. 68	.71	. 60
TWINE	. 20	.20	.18	.18	. 15	
Cash THRESHING	.77	.82	. 64	. 82	. 65	2.44*
GEN. EXPENSE	.74	.65	. 66	. 82	.70	1.20
TOTAL	12.02	11.16	10.78	10.83	10.70	32.18
Cost per bu. (Av. state Ylds.)	. 32	.50	. 76	.56	1.16	. 32
FARM PRICE DEC. 1 (1908-1912)	. 35	.58	. 89	. 63	1.60	. 48

^{*}OTHER CASH COST ON POTATOES.

NOTES: Regular man labor at approximately 14 cents per hour and horse labor at approximately 10 cents per hour.

AVERAGE STATE YIELDS FOR YEARS 1908-1912.

AVERAGE FARM PRICE DEC. 1st - 1908-1912. These prices are considerably higher than the previous five years.

IMPORTANT POINTS OF THE CROPS

- 1. Oats partially replace commercial dairy feeds and should be used for that purpose. Best grain feed for horses.
- 2. Barley is similar to corn in feeding value and may be substituted for corn. It may also be used as a cash crop.
- 3. Rye does well on poor soil and furnishes excellent early spring pasture, and also serves as a "hogging off" crop when ripe.
- 4. FLAX IS ESPECIALLY ADAPTED TO NEW SOD LAND.
- 5. Wheat and potatoes are two important "cash" crops that conveniently supplement live stock farming.

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