

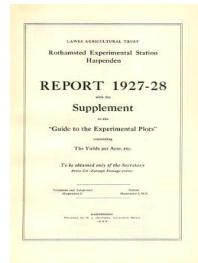
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DATES OF SOWING AND HARVESTING (HARVEST 1927).

Field.	Crop.	Variety.	Sowing began.	Sowing finished.	Cutting began.	Cutting finished.*	Carting finished.*	Yield † per acre.
Gt. Knott, East ...	Wheat	{ Bountiful Cambridge Browick	Oct. 12, '26	Oct. 14, '26	Aug. 17, '27	Aug. 29, '27	Aug. 30, '27	22 cwt.
Gt. Knott, West	Wheat	Million III	Oct. 7, '26	Oct. 7, '26	Aug. 23, '27	Sept. 5, '27	Sept. 5, '27	25 cwt.
Little Knott	Fallow	—	—	—	July 21, '27	July 26, '27	July 29, '27	—
Fosters, East	Grass	Grey, Black	Oct. 11, '26	Oct. 12, '26	Aug. 4, '27	Aug. 24, '27	Aug. 27, '27	20 cwt.
Fosters, West	Winter Oats	Swedish King	Feb. 18, '27	Feb. 18, '27	Sept. 1, '27	Sept. 7, '27	Sept. 7, '27	22 cwt.
West Barnfield	Lucerne	Provence	Apr. 10, '26	Apr. 10, '26	July 19, '27	—	—	—
Long Hoos, East ...	Clover	Late Flowering Red	Mar. 30, '26	Mar. 30, '26	June 27, '27	June 28, '27	June 28, '27	—
Long Hoos, West ...	Potatoes	Arran Comrade	May 24, '27	May 25, '27	Oct. 7, '27	Nov. 1, '27	Nov. 1, '27	7 tons
New Zealand ...	Swedes	Dreadnought	June 14, '27	June 14, '27	—	Oct. 7, '27	Oct. 7, '27	19 tons
Stackyard	Sugar Beet	Dutch Seed	June 11, '27	June 13, '27	—	Oct. 21, '27	Jan. 18, '28	3½ tons
Gt. Harpenden	Clover	Late Flowering Red	April 1, '26	April 1, '26	June 21, '27	July 6, '27	July 11, '27	35 cwt.
Sawpit	Wheat	Little Joss	Oct. 28, '26	Nov. 1, '26	Aug. 22, '27	Aug. 31, '27	Aug. 31, '27	17 cwt.
Sawyers	Barley	Spratt Archer	April 4, '27	April 5, '27	Sept. 6, '27	Sept. 20, '27	Oct. 5, '27	9 cwt.
Broadbalk	Spring Wheat	Little Joss	Mar. 9, '27	Mar. 9, '27	—	Sept. 12, '27	Sept. 13, '27	16 cwt.
Little Hoos	Fallow	Million III	Oct. 6, '26	Oct. 6, '26	—	—	—	—
Hoos	Wheat	Victory	Feb. 18, '27	Feb. 19, '27	Aug. 15, '27	Aug. 26, '27	Aug. 29, '27	22 cwt.
Barnfield	Spring Oats	Red Standard	Oct. 8, '26	Oct. 8, '26	Aug. 26, '27	Sept. 2, '27	Sept. 2, '27	22 cwt.
Agdell	Wheat	Plumage Archer	April 16, '27	April 19, '27	Sept. 2, '27	Sept. 8, '27	Sept. 13, '27	15 cwt.
Greatfield	Barley	Spratt Archer	Mar. 25, '27	Mar. 25, '27	Sept. 1, '27	Sept. 8, '27	Sept. 21, '27	See p. 130.
Park	Swedes	Purple Top	June 22, '27	June 22, '27	—	Nov. 4, '27	Nov. 19, '27	See p. 125.
	Wheat	Red Standard	Oct. 8, '26	Oct. 8, '26	Aug. 15, '27	Aug. 26, '27	Aug. 26, '27	See p. 124.
	Grazing	—	—	—	July 5, '27	July 18, '27	July 19, '27	—
	Hay	—	—	—	—	—	See p. 126.	See p. 126.

* In the case of roots, the dates given are those on which lifting began and finished. † Estimated yields.

DATES OF SOWING AND HARVESTING (HARVEST 1928).

Field.	Crop.	Variety.	Sowing began.	Sowing finished.	Cutting began.	*Carting began.	*Carting finished.	Yield † per acre.
Gt. Knott	Wheat	Million III ...	Nov. 4, '27	Nov. 5, '27	Aug. 15, '28	Aug. 29, '28	Aug. 30, '28	9 cwt.
Gt. Knott	Spring Oats	Swedish King ...	Feb. 28, '28	Feb. 29, '28	Aug. 14, '28	Aug. 30, '28	Aug. 30, '28	9 cwt.
Gt. Knott	Rape	—	May 22, '28	June 18, '28	—	—	—	—
Little Knott	Grazing	—	—	—	Nov. 14, '27	Aug. 16, '28	Aug. 29, '28	15½ cwt.
Fosters	Wheat	Little Joss ...	Oct. 19, '27	Oct. 20, '27	Aug. 11, '28	Aug. 21, '28	Aug. 24, '28	16½ cwt.
West Barnfield	Wheat	Million III ...	Feb. 19, '28	Feb. 29, '28	Aug. 9, '28	Aug. 18, '28	Sept. 5, '28	14 cwt.
Long Hoos, East...	Barley	{ Standwell Plumage Archer	Nov. 2, '27	Nov. 4, '27	Aug. 20, '28	Aug. 31, '28	Aug. 31, '28	16 cwt.
Long Hoos, West...	Wheat	Million III ...	Oct. 7, '27	Oct. 8, '27	July 28, '28	Aug. 9, '28	Aug. 9, '28	22 cwt.
New Zealand	... Stackyard ...	Grey ...	May 5, '28	May 5, '28	—	Oct. 26, '28	Nov. 3, '28	9 tons
Gt. Harpenden	Winter Oats	Dippe ...	April 17, '28	April 20, '28	—	Oct. 10, '28	Oct. 16, '28	Ec. 6 tons
Gt. Harpenden	Sugar Beet	Eclipse, Ally and Majestic	May 9, '28	May 9, '28	—	Nov. 21, '28	Dec. 19, '28	{ Al. 8½ tons Ma. 8 tons Pi. 18 tons Bu. 21 tons
Gt. Harpenden	Potatoes ...	Buffalo, and Picton ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Swedes	... Pastures	Swedish Iron Squareheads Master Yeoman II and Million III	Oct. 20, '27	Oct. 21, '27	Aug. 13, '28	Aug. 29, '28	Aug. 30, '28	24 cwt. See p. 136.
Sawyers	Wheat	Barley ...	April 10, '28	April 10, '28	Aug. 21, '28	Sept. 3, '28	Sept. 5, '28	14 cwt.
Broadbalk	... Broadbalk	Wheat ... Fallow	Oct. 18, '27	Oct. 18, '27	Aug. 6, '28	Aug. 16, '28	Aug. 16, '28	See p. 129.
Little Hoos	... Hoos	Clover ... Barley	—	—	June 22, '28	June 28, '28	June 29, '28	28 cwt.
Barnfield	... Ardell	Mangolds ... Swedes ... Grazing ... Hay ...	April 19, '27	April 19, '27	Sept. 19, '28	Oct. 2, '28	Oct. 3, '28	31 cwt.
Greatfield	... Park	Prize-winner ... Dreadnought ... — —	April 27, '28	April 27, '28	Oct. 1, '28	Oct. 22, '28	Oct. 22, '28	See p. 130.
			May 2, '28	May 2, '28	—	Nov. 5, '28	Nov. 14, '28	See p. 125.
			May 25, '28	May 25, '28	—	Nov. 14, '28	Nov. 20, '28	See p. 124.
			—	—	—	—	—	—
			—	—	—	July 25, '28	July 2, '28	See p. 126.
			—	—	—	—	July 2, '28	—

* In the case of roots, the dates given are those on which lifting began and finished. † Estimated yields.

CROP YIELDS ON THE EXPERIMENTAL PLOTS.

NOTES.—In each case the year refers to the harvest, e.g., Wheat 1928 means wheat harvested in 1928. In the tables, total straw includes straw, cavings and chaff. These were weighed separately prior to 1928. In 1928 the figure given as total straw was arrived at as the difference : total sheaf weight—weight of grain.

CONVERSION TABLE.

1 acre =	0.405 Hectare	0.963 Feddan.
1 bushel (Imperial) =	0.364 Hectolitre (36.364 litres) ...	0.184 Ardeb.
1 lb. (pound avoirdupois) =	0.453 Kilogramme	1.009 Rotls.
1 cwt. (hundredweight, 112 lb.) =	50.8 Kilogrammes	{ 113.0 Rotls. 1.366 Maunds.
1 ton (20 cwt. or 2240 lb.) =	1016 Kilogrammes	
1 metric quintal or Doppel Zentner(dz) =	{ 100.0 Kilogrammes. 220.46 lbs.	
1 bushel per acre =	0.9 Hectolitre per Hectare ...	0.191 Ardeb per Feddan
1 lb. per acre =	1.12 Kilogramme per Hectare ...	1.049 Rotls per Feddan
1 cwt. per acre =	1.256 metric Quintals per Hectare	117.4 Rotls per Feddan
1 ton per acre =	25.12 metric Quintals per Hectare (dz/ha).	

In America the Winchester bushel is used=35.236 litres. 1 English bushel=1.032 American bushels.

CONVERSION TABLE.—CWTS. TO BUSHELS.

CROP.	Cwts.									
	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	25	30
Wheat (60 lb.) bushels	1.87	3.73	5.60	7.47	9.33	18.67	28.00	37.33	46.67	56.00
Barley (52 lb.) "	2.15	4.31	6.46	8.62	10.77	21.54	32.31	43.08	53.85	64.62
Oats (42 lb.) "	2.67	5.33	8.00	10.67	13.33	26.67	40.00	53.33	66.67	80.00

The yields of Grain in the 1925-26 Report were given for the Replicated Experiments in standard bushels of 60, 52 and 42 lb. respectively.

Average Wheat Yield of Various Countries.

Country.	Mean yield per acre, 1919-27. Cwts.	Country.	Mean yield per acre, 1919-27. Cwts.
Great Britain	17.4	Denmark	22.5
England	17.3	Argentine	6.6
Hertfordshire	16.3	Australia	6.6
France	10.8	Canada	8.6
Germany	14.1	United States	7.5
Belgium	20.0	U.R.S.S. (Europe and Asia)*	5.7

NOTE.—Figures for Great Britain, England and Hertfordshire are taken from the Ministry of Agriculture's "Agricultural Statistics," Vol. 62. Other figures from "International Year Book of Agricultural Statistics," 1922-28.

* 1924-27.

CROP YIELDS ON THE EXPERIMENTAL PLOTS.

METEOROLOGICAL RECORDS, 1927 and 1928.

	Rain.		Drainage through soil.			Bright Sunshine.	Temperature (Mean).				
	Total Fall $\frac{1}{1000}$ th Acre Gauge.	No. of Rainy Days. (0.01 inch or more)	20 ins. deep.	40 ins. deep.	60 ins. deep.		Max.	Min.	in ground. 1 ft.	Solar Max.	Grass Min.
		$\frac{1}{1000}$ th Acre Gauge.									
1927.	Inches.	No.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Hours.	°F.	°F.	°F.	°F.	°F.
Jan. ...	2.408	18	1.865	1.995	1.842	62.9	43.9	33.5	38.3	72.3	29.4
Feb. ...	3.982	15	3.435	3.630	3.496	46.0	43.1	33.1	37.8	73.9	29.8
Mar. ...	2.384	18	0.960	1.113	1.038	124.9	50.5	38.8	42.6	101.4	33.2
April ...	1.855	12	1.205	1.588	1.484	165.6	53.0	38.6	46.0	114.9	33.3
May ...	1.187	11	0.000	0.019	0.019	226.4	61.6	42.9	52.7	121.5	37.6
June ...	3.564	19	0.745	0.739	0.723	183.7	62.5	46.8	56.3	127.8	42.1
July ...	3.112	20	1.651	2.073	1.889	130.4	65.4	53.6	59.4	121.8	49.5
Aug. ...	4.348	19	1.852	2.100	1.967	178.4	66.8	53.2	60.4	129.6	48.2
Sept. ...	5.451	17	3.704	3.899	3.823	111.3	59.7	48.1	56.2	111.5	43.8
Oct. ...	2.197	17	1.268	1.413	1.342	97.5	56.4	44.0	50.6	97.4	38.7
Nov. ...	3.008	18	2.338	2.682	2.366	54.6	46.4	36.5	44.7	72.1	33.2
Dec. ...	3.013	12	2.464	2.853	2.761	31.5	37.0	30.5	38.5	51.2	28.8
Total or Mean ...	36.509	196	21.487	24.104	22.750	1413.2	53.9	41.6	48.6	99.6	37.3
1928.											
Jan. ...	4.109	21	4.413	5.662	4.571	64.9	45.9	33.3	37.6	73.1	29.2
Feb. ...	2.075	10	1.447	1.832	1.710	100.2	48.0	35.0	39.5	88.2	29.7
Mar. ...	2.404	17	1.093	1.318	1.283	92.8	48.1	36.1	41.3	94.0	31.7
April ...	0.905	13	0.351	0.646	0.589	127.3	52.9	38.1	45.1	103.3*	32.7†
May ...	1.448	12	0.066	0.170	0.136	169.8	59.2	42.2	50.9	112.8	37.3
June ...	2.204	14	0.160	0.279	0.246	230.0	63.5	47.3	56.8	124.0	42.6
July ...	2.511	6	0.457	0.439	0.434	276.3	71.9	52.9	62.9	129.8	47.3
Aug. ...	2.216	12	0.496	0.734	0.672	193.0	66.5	52.1	60.3	121.9	47.7
Sept. ...	0.785	4	0.000	0.039	0.017	212.0	63.7	46.3	56.2	116.1	38.8
Oct. ...	3.867	19	2.287	2.458	2.284	126.5	56.4	43.1	49.8	98.2	38.0
Nov. ...	3.161	16	2.217	2.647	2.447	72.1	50.4	39.7	45.2	80.4	36.3
Dec. ...	2.773	17	2.045	2.485	2.341	48.9	41.7	32.1	38.5	61.7	28.4
Total or Mean	28.458	161	15.032	18.709	16.730	1713.8	55.7	41.5	48.7	100.3	36.6

* Mean of 21 observations only.

† Mean of 29 observations only.

RAIN AND DRAINAGE.
MONTHLY MEAN FOR 58 HARVEST YEARS, 1870-1—1927-8.

	Rainfall.	Drainage.				Drainage % of Rainfall.			Evaporation.		
		20-in. Gauge.	40-in. Gauge.	60-in. Gauge.	20-in. Gauge.	40-in. Gauge.	60-in. Gauge.	20-in. Gauge.	40-in. Gauge.	60-in. Gauge.	
September	Ins. 2.426	Ins. 0.832	Ins. 0.805	Ins. 0.742	% 34.3	% 33.2	% 30.6	Ins. 1.594	Ins. 1.621	Ins. 1.684	
October ...	3.135	1.808	1.772	1.647	57.7	56.5	52.5	1.327	1.363	1.488	
November	2.774	2.102	2.149	2.024	75.8	77.5	73.0	0.672	0.625	0.750	
December	2.819	2.403	2.496	2.383	85.2	88.5	84.5	0.416	0.323	0.436	
January	2.419	1.984	2.182	2.083	82.0	90.2	86.1	0.435	0.237	0.336	
February	2.073	1.547	1.656	1.581	74.6	79.9	76.3	0.526	0.417	0.492	
March ...	2.040	1.088	1.221	1.154	53.3	59.9	56.6	0.952	0.819	0.886	
April ...	2.030	0.664	0.743	0.708	32.7	36.6	34.9	1.366	1.287	1.322	
May ...	2.029	0.469	0.534	0.501	23.1	26.3	24.7	1.560	1.495	1.528	
June ...	2.267	0.557	0.586	0.564	24.6	25.8	24.9	1.710	1.681	1.703	
July ...	2.748	0.737	0.766	0.712	26.8	27.9	25.9	2.011	1.982	2.036	
August ...	2.683	0.715	0.728	0.683	26.6	27.1	25.5	1.968	1.955	2.000	
Year ...	29.443	14.906	15.638	14.782	50.6	53.1	50.2	14.557	13.805	14.661	

Area of each gauge $\frac{1}{1000}$ th acre.

CHEMICAL ANALYSES OF FERTILISERS USED IN
REPLICATED EXPERIMENTS, 1927-8.

Fertiliser.	% N	% water-sol. P ₂ O ₅	% K ₂ O
Sulphate of Ammonia ...	20.67-21.20	—	—
Muriate of Ammonia ...	25.54-26.08	—	—
Nitrate of Soda ...	15.37	—	—
Urea ...	46.48	—	—
Cyanamide ...	19.39-19.75	—	—
Nitrochalk ...	10.00	—	—
Ammonium Phosphate ...	12.15	61.6	—
Superphosphate ...	—	16.79-16.94	—
Potassium Phosphate (K ₂ HPO ₄) ...	— } 40.80	54.03	49.48-49.58
Sulphate of Potash ...	—	—	51.00-51.83
Muriate of Potash ...	—	—	32.60
Potash Manure Salts (30%)	—	—	25.9
Nitrophoska ...	10.3 as NH ₄ : 5.3 as NO ₃	12.86	18.25
Compound Fertiliser "B" ...	10.09	9.90	—

FIRST SERIES : CLASSICAL EXPERIMENTS OF
LAWES AND GILBERT.

CROPS GROWN IN ROTATION.

AGDELL FIELD.

PRODUCE PER ACRE.

Year.	CROP.	O. Unmanured since 1848.		M. Mineral Manure. No Nitrogen.		C. Complete Mineral & Nitrogenous Manure.	
		5. Fallow.	6. Clover or Beans.	3. Fallow.	4. Clover or Beans.	1. Fallow.	2. Clover or Beans.
		Average of First Twenty Courses, 1848-1927.					
	Roots (Swedes)	cwt.*	32.7	11.2	175.7	195.9	355.3
	Barley—						
	Dressed Grain	bush.	22.2	20.2	23.1	27.4	31.1
	Total Straw†	cwt.	13.6	13.4	13.7	15.7	18.8
	Beans—						
	Dressed Grain	bush.	—	13.1	—	18.2	—
	Total Straw	cwt.	—	9.2	—	13.2	—
	Clover Hay	cwt.	—	27.1	—	52.3	—
	Wheat—						
	Dressed Grain	bush.	24.0	22.3	28.1	30.6	28.9
	Total Straw†	cwt.	23.4	21.6	28.6	29.8	30.8

Twentieth Course, 1924-27.

1924	Roots (Turnips)	cwt.	2.9	0.7	42.8	31.5	127.4	104.7
1925	Barley—							
	Dressed Grain	bush.	10.86	7.35	10.09	16.70	10.35	8.60
	Offal Grain	lb.	42.0	49.0	94.0	38.0	53.0	59.0
	Straw	lb.	633.0	678.0	602.0	866.0	626.0	541.0
	Total Straw†	cwt.	7.2	7.5	7.4	9.3	7.0	6.5
	Wt. of Dressed	lb.	52.7	51.6	52.5	53.6	53.3	54.3
	Grain per bushel	lb.						
	Proportion of Total							
	Grain to 100 of							
	Total Straw	lb.	76.3	50.7	75.5	89.2	77.0	72.4
1926	Clover Hay	cwt.	—	14.2	—	32.2	—	26.3
1927	Wheat—							
	Dressed Grain	bush.	20.15	12.86	19.07	19.01	16.28	15.77
	Offal Grain	lb.	57.0	66.0	73.0	72.0	47.0	53.0
	Straw	lb.	1859.0	1846.0	2111.0	1932.0	1878.0	1693.0
	Total Straw†	cwt.	18.6	19.6	21.8	20.5	19.1	17.4
	Wt. of Dressed	lb.	60.1	61.2	59.6	60.6	59.5	59.8
	Grain per bushel	lb.						
	Proportion of Total							
	Grain to 100 of							
	Total Straw	lb.	60.9	38.9	49.6	53.3	47.5	51.2

Present Course (21st), 1928.

1928	Roots (Swedes)	cwt.	19.7	11.7	143.8	163.6	293.2	223.2
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* Plots 1, 3 and 5 based upon 18 years. Plots 2, 4 and 6 based upon 17 years.

† Includes straw, cavings and chaff.

Manures applied once every four years, prior to sowing of swedes.

‡ Mineral Manure: 528 lb. superphosphate (35%); 500 lb. Sulphate of Potash; 100 lb. Sulphate of Soda; 200 lb. Sulphate of Magnesia. All per acre.

Nitrogenous Manure. 206 lb. Sulphate of Ammonia and 2,000 lb. Rape cake per acre.

HAY—THE PARK GRASS PLOTS, 1927-1928.

Plot.	Manuring (amounts stated are per acre).	1927						1928						Plot.	
		Yield of Hay per acre.			Dry Matter per acre.			Yield of Hay per acre.			Dry Matter per acre.				
		1st Crop.	2nd [§] Crop.	cwt.	1st Crop.	2nd Crop.	cwt.	1st Crop.	2nd [§] Crop.	cwt.	1st Crop.	2nd Crop.	cwt.		
1	Single dressing (206 lb. N.) Sulphate of Ammonia (= 43 lb. N.); (with Dung also 8 years 1856-63)	9.8	8.1	17.9	805	729	1534	14.8	4.2	19.0	1238	380	1618	1	
2	Unmanured (after Dung 8 years, 1856-63)	5.3	8.6	13.9	432	769	1201	11.2	3.3	14.5	904	299	1203	2	
3	Unmanured	4.4	6.1	10.5	336	543	879	12.0	1.7	13.7	948	152	1100		
4.1	Superphosphate of Lime (3½ cwt.) ...	4.5	5.5	10.0	346	492	838	9.3	2.1	11.4	742	188	930	3	
4.2	Superphosphate of Lime (3½ cwt.) and double dressing (412 lb.) Sulphate of Ammonia (= 86 lb. N.)	2.8	5.6	8.4	203	499	702	7.8	1.6	9.4	634	144	778		
5.1	(N. half) Unmanured following double dressing Ammn. Salts (= 86 lb. N.) 1856-97...	6.0	8.0	14.0	434	714	1148	16.0	3.1	19.1	1236	275	1511	4-1	
5.2	(S. half) Superphosphate (3½ cwt.); Sulphate of Potash (500 lb.); following double dressing Ammn. Salts (= 86 lb. N.) 1856-97	3.1	7.4	10.5	221	659	880	8.5	2.0	10.5	649	179	828		
6	Complete Mineral Manure as Plot 7; following double dressing Ammn. Salts (= 86 lb. N.) 1856-68	17.7	12.1	29.8	1330	1084	2414	20.9	7.1	28.0	1796	639	2435	6	
7	Complete Mineral Manure: Super (3½ cwt.); Sulphate of Potash (500 lb.); Sulphate of Soda (100 lb.); Sulphate of Magnesia (100 lb.).	19.9	13.5	33.4	1320	1208	2528	21.7	13.1	34.8	1837	1177	3014	7	
8	Mineral Manure without Potash ...	10.2	13.0	23.2	787	1169	1956	14.8	6.6	21.4	1267	593	1860	5-2	
9	Complete Mineral Manure and double dressing (412 lb.) Sulphate of Ammonia (= 86 lb. N.)	14.8	12.8	27.6	1142	1149	2291	36.2	15.1	51.3	3117	1351	4468		
10	Mineral Manure (without Potash) and double dressing Ammn. Salts (= 86 lb. N.)	10.8	11.3	22.1	633	1016	1649	14.4	7.4	21.8	1149	658	1807	8	
		7.2	7.9	15.1	488	704	1192	12.2	3.7	15.9	1096	328	1424		
		30.8	20.4	51.2	2203	1826	4029	31.0	7.2	38.2	2646	645	3291	9	
		42.6	21.0	63.6	3138	1881	5019	50.6	8.1	58.7	4628	723	5351		
		10.5	14.5	25.0	759	1301	2060	22.3	5.0	27.3	1933	451	2384	10	
		27.9	19.7	47.6	2276	1762	4038	39.0	10.9	49.9	3531	974	4505		

11-1	Complete Mineral Manure and treble dressing (618 lb.) Sulphate Ammonia (129 lb. N.)	41.4	28.6	70.0	2849	2565	5414	52.9	13.7	66.6	3985	1223	5208	11-1	
11-2	As Plot 11-1 and Silicate of Soda ...	32.9	23.8	56.7	2501	2132	4633	63.1	10.1	73.2	5574	906	6480	11-2	
12	Unmanured ...	50.4	15.1	65.5	3257	1351	4608	61.9	14.5	76.4	4741	1302	6043	11-2	
13	Dung (14 tons) in 1905, and every fourth year since (omitted 1917), Fish Guano (6 cwt.) in 1907 and every fourth year since ...	43.1	16.3	59.4	3110	1458	4568	59.7	16.2	75.9	5252	1449	6701		
14	Complete Mineral Manure and double dressing (550 lb.) Nitrate of Soda (= 86 lb. N.) ...	14.8	8.3	15.7	591	739	1330	10.9	6.9	17.8	812	621	1433	12	
15	Complete Mineral Manure as Plot 7; following double dressing Nitrate of Soda (= 86 lb. N., 1858-1875) ...	39.4	14.8	54.2	2689	1326	4015	46.6	11.8	58.4	3615	1056	4671	13	
16	Complete Mineral Manure and single dressing (275 lb.) Nitrate of Soda (= 43 lb. N.) ...	35.5	14.8	50.3	2748	1329	4077	38.8	9.5	48.3	3178	855	4033	14	
17	Single dressing (275 lb.) Nitrate of Soda (= 43 lb. N.) ...	48.1	16.7	64.8	3223	1492	4765	50.3	12.8	63.1	4534	1149	5683	14	
18	Mineral Manure (without Super.), and double dressing Sulphate of Amm. (= 86 lb. N.), 1905 and since; following Minerals and Amm. Salts supplying the constituents of 1 ton of Hay, 1865-1904 ...	37.1	11.1	48.2	2709	997	3706	50.6	7.1	57.7	4304	632	4936		
19	Farmyard Dung (14 tons) in 1905 and every fourth year since (omitted in 1917), following Nitrate of Soda (= 43 lb. N.) and Minerals, 1872-1904.	40.2	15.4	55.6	2590	1379	3969	39.2	7.7	46.9	3260	691	3951		
20	Farmyard Dung (14 tons) in 1905 and every fourth year since (omitted in 1917); each intervening year Plot 20 receives Sulphate of Potash (100 lb.); Superphosphate (200 lb.) and 1½ cwt. Nitrate of Soda (= 26 lb. N.) ; following Nitrate of Potash and Superphosphate, 1872-1904 ...	19.1	12.6	9.0	21.6	920	802	1722	18.4	6.6	25.0	1642	592	2234	20
		(570 lb.)													
		19.9	13.3	33.2	1545	1193	2738	22.3	11.4	33.7	2034	1021	3055	19	
		12.6	9.0	21.6	1450	904	2354	24.4	6.5	30.9	2165	584	2749		
		10.1	29.2	47.7	2217	1737	3954	37.3	10.3	47.6	3508	924	4432		

Ground lime was applied to the southern portion (limed) of the plots at the rate of 2000 lb. to the acre in the winters of 1903-4, 1907-8, 1915-16, 1923-24, and at the rate of 2500 lb. to the acre in the winter of 1920-21, except where otherwise stated.

Up to 1914 the limed and unlimed plot results were not separately given in the Annual Report, but the mean of the two was given. From 1915 onwards the separate figures are given.

§ The second crop was carted green ; the figures given are estimated hay yields, calculated from the dry matter.

The Park Grass Plots.
BOTANICAL COMPOSITION, PER CENT., 1925, 1st CROP.

Plot.	Manuring.	Liming.	Gramineæ.	Leguminosæ.	Other Orders	"Other Orders" consist largely of	Plot.	
3	Unmanured	...	73.4	5.4	21.2	Plantago lanceolata ; Centaurea nigra	...	
7	Complete Mineral Manure	...	61.1	5.1	33.8	Plantago lanceolata	...	
9	Complete Mineral Manure and double Amm. Salts	...	75.2	1.2	23.6	Heracleum sphondylium ; Rumex acetosa	...	
14	Complete Mineral Manure and double Nitrate of Soda	...	72.7	6.4	20.9	Heracleum sphondylium ; Rumex acetosa	...	
15	As plot 7 following double Nitrate of Soda, 1858-75	...	99.5	0.0	0.5	Heracleum sphondylium	...	
17	Single Nitrate of Soda	...	96.7	0.0	3.3	Rumex acetosa	...	
18	Mineral Manure (without Super.) and double Sulphate Amm. 1905 and since	...	83.6	0.0	16.4	Anthriscus sylvestris ; Taraxacum vulgare	...	
19	Farmyard Dung in 1905 and every 4th year since (omitted 1917)	...	90.6	5.7	3.7	Anthriscus sylvestris	...	
20	Farmyard Dung in 1905 and every 4th year since (omitted in 1917), each intervening year Sulphate of Potash, Super., and Nitrate of Soda	...	86.3	0.2	13.5	Anthriscus sylvestris ; Taraxacum vulgare ; Rumex acetosa	...	
			66.1	14.8	19.1	Plantago lanceolata ; Ranunculus spp.	...	
			62.1	4.7	33.2	Plantago lanceolata ; Achillea millefolium	...	
			78.1	0.5	21.4	Plantago lanceolata ; Centaurea nigra	...	
			74.7	0.1	25.2	Plantago lanceolata	...	
			L. 6.788 lb.	92.0	0.2	Rumex acetosa ; Centaurea nigra	...	
			L. 3.951 lb.	88.5	0.0	Rumex acetosa	...	
			L. 3.150 lb.	87.0	0.0	13.0	Centaurea nigra	...
			L. 570 lb.	84.8	1.5	13.7	Ranunculus spp. ; Anthriscus sylvestris	...
			L. 570 lb. ...	75.7	3.2	21.1	Ranunculus spp. ; Rumex acetosa	...
			Unlimed ...	82.6	3.9	13.5	Ranunculus spp. ; Anthriscus sylvestris ; Taraxacum vul-	...
			L. 2.772 lb.	63.3	4.3	32.4	gare	...
			L. 570 lb. ...	76.9	2.5	20.6	Anthriscus sylvestris ; Rumex acetosa	...
			Unlimed ...	68.8	10.4	20.8	Centaurea nigra ; Anthriscus sylvestris ; Ranunculus spp.	...

WHEAT—BROADBALK FIELD.

Plot.	Manuriel Treatment (amounts stated are per acre).	1927 (lower part) 84th successive crop.				1928 (upper part): after 2 years fallow.				77-year Average 1852-1928				
		Dressed Grain. Yield per bushel.	Weight per acre.	Offal Grain per acre.	Total Straw per acre.	Dressed Grain. Yield per bushel.	Weight per acre.	Offal Grain per acre.	Total Straw per acre.	Dressed Grain. Yield per bushel.	Weight per acre.	Offal Grain per acre.	Total Straw per acre.	
		bush.	lb.	lb.	cwt.	lb.	cwt.	lb.	cwt.	lb.	cwt.	bush.	lb.	
2A	Farmyard Manure (14 tons)	19.5	58.1	10.1	132	2108	24.0	47.3	41.1	64.9	23.8	75	5225	
2B	Farmyard Manure (14 tons)	...	24.2	57.9	12.5	2667	30.7	45.7	48.4	65.4	28.3	89	6283	
3	Unmanured since 1859	...	6.9	59.2	3.7	39	593	6.9	58.4	27.9	63.9	56	2730	
5	Complete Mineral Manure§	59.2	3.4	28	590	6.7	55.6	35.2	64.5	20.3	63	3505
6	As 5, and 206 lb. Sulphate of Ammonia ...	12.5	58.6	6.5	53	1255	13.9	50.5	47.3	64.7	27.3	77	4970	
7	As 5, and 412 lb. Sulphate of Ammonia ...	21.5	56.8	10.9	174	2730	30.3	41.4	67.4*	60.6*	36.5*	31*	6165*	
8	As 5, and 618 lb. Sulphate of Ammonia ...	25.9	54.6	12.6	193	3105	35.3	40.7	57.2	65.6	33.4	116	6105	
9	As 5, and 275 lb. Nitrate of Soda ...	16.6	57.6	8.6	122	1838	20.7	46.7	56.1	61.2	30.6	40	5298	
10	412 lb. Sulphate of Ammonia (3 cwt.) ...	12.0	56.9	6.1	145	1838	16.5	44.8	47.0	61.6	25.8	44	4375	
11	As 10, and Super-phosphate (3½ cwt.) ...	8.9	52.4	4.2	160	1565	18.8	29.9	56.9	61.9	31.4	62	5838	
12	As 10, and Super. (3½ cwt.) and Sulph. Soda (366 lb.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	55.5
13	As 10, and Super. (3½ cwt.) and Sulph. Potash (200 lb.) ...	17.4	56.5	8.8	158	2223	25.2	40.4	55.2	65.0	32.0	98	5755	
14	As 10, and Super. (3½ cwt.) and Sulph. Magnesia (280 lb.) ...	16.3	56.1	8.1	125	2043	22.8	40.9	58.6	63.0	33.0	67	5658	
15	As 5, and 412 lb. Sulphate of Ammonia, all applied in autumn ...	11.1	57.0	5.6	90	1208	14.2	45.8	52.3	64.3	30.0	62	5813	
16	As 5, and 550 lb. Nitrate of Soda ...	18.1	55.5	8.9	170	2330	26.2	39.7	56.1	64.6	32.4	92	5615	
17	Minerals alone as 5 or 412 lb. Sulphate of Ammonia alone in alternate years ...	M6.5	58.2	3.4	65	840	9.3	42.3	A5.8	64.3	31.4	88	5580	
18	Rape Cake (1889 lb.) ...	A15.3	59.2	8.1	189	2280	26.0	38.3	M38.8	64.6	22.4	70	3908	
19	As 7, without Super.	10.1	58.3	5.2	184	2268	26.3	26.2	52.7	64.5	30.4	94	5385	
20		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	39.3	64.3	22.5	76	

* Includes Straw, cavings and chaff. 1927, top portion fallowed; 1928, bottom portion fallowed.

** 29 years only, 1900-1928.

† 44 years only, 1885-1928.

‡ 36 years only, 1893-1928.

§ 19 years only, 1906-1928 (no crop in 1912, 1914, 1926 and 1927).

In 1926 and 1927 the crop was confined to the lower part of the field, the upper part being completely fallowed for 2 years. This was the first complete fallow since the experiment began in 1843. In October, 1927, the upper part was sown with wheat, and the yields for 1928 are given above.

Sulphate of Ammonia is applied as one-third in autumn and two-thirds in spring, except for plot 15. Nitrate of Soda is all given in spring, there being two applications at an interval of a month on plot 16.

¶ Complete Mineral Manure : 3½ cwt. Super, 200 lb. Sulph. Potash, 100 lb. Sulph. Soda, 100 lb. Sulph. Magnesia.

* Estimated from half plot.

† 19 years only, 1906-1928.

‡ 19 years only, 1906-1928 (no crop in 1912, 1914, 1926 and 1927).

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PERMANENT BARLEY PLOTS, HOOS FIELD, 1927 AND 1928.
PRODUCE PER ACRE.

Plot.	Manuring (amounts stated are per acre)	1927.				1928.				76 years, Average Yield 1852-1928.†			
		Dressed Grain.	Yield per bush.	Offal Grain per acre.	Straw per acre.	Dressed Grain.	Yield per bush.	Offal Grain per acre.	Straw per acre.	Dressed Grain.	Yield per bush.	Offal Grain per acre.	Straw per acre.
10	Unmanured	52.1	4.2	16	388	4.6	94.8	5.0	44.0	18	363	4.1	51.3
20	Superphosphate only (3½ cwt.)	11.9	49.9	27	506	7.2	76.5	11.9	46.0	31	701	8.1	63.9
30	Alkali Salts only (200 lb.) Sulphate of Potash ; 100 lb. Sulphate of Magnesia	4.9	50.5	2.2	53	707	11.6	22.9	6.5	43.1	2.5	21	743
40	Complete Minerals ; as 30 with Superphosphate (3½ cwt.)	5.3	50.8	2.4	139a	1507	22.5	16.2	10.6	45.5	4.3	37	1133
50	Potash (200 lb.) and Superphosphate (3½ cwt.)	7.7	49.8	3.4	18	374	6.1	58.7	5.4	42.0	2.0	28	737
1A	Ammonium Salts only (206 lb.) Sulphate of Ammonia	23.2	50.8	10.5	29	902	11.1	97.3	7.4	42.8	2.8	26	520
2A	Superphosphate and Amm. Salts	16.2	49.8	7.2	40	723	9.6	78.9	11.8	44.3	4.7	28	781
3A	Alkali Salts and Amm. Salts	17.0	47.8	7.2	40	1059	14.7	51.6	11.2	43.8	4.4	39	1015
4A	Complete Minerals and Amm. Salts	21.7	50.9	9.8	42	1304	18.0	56.9	11.4	45.8	4.7	23	1275
5A	Potash, Super. and Amm. Salts	21.4	49.0	9.4	38	1249	17.0	57.2	3.0	42.0	1.1	8	891
1AA	Nitrate of Soda only (275 lb.)	29.6	51.5	13.6	44	1403	16.9	82.6	8.8	42.0	3.3	41	924
2AA	Superphosphate and Nitrate of Soda	33.6	50.0	15.0	44	1337	16.0	96.1	13.8	44.8	5.5	28	1243
3AA	Alkali Salts and Nitrate of Soda	19.2	51.3	8.8	43	1507	22.0	41.6	9.1	41.5	3.4	39	1337
4AA	Complete Minerals and Nitrate of Soda	30.7	51.0	14.0	44	1540	20.2	71.1	11.1	44.5	4.4	23	1414
1AAS	As Plot 1AA and Silicate of Soda (400 lb.)	31.9	51.4	14.6	44	864	12.0	125.1	11.0	43.5	4.3	34	1007
2AAS	As Plot 2AA and Silicate of Soda (400 lb.)	33.8	50.4	15.2	49	1474	18.1	86.5	11.0	46.0	4.5	19	1018
3AAS	As Plot 3AA and Silicate of Soda (400 lb.)	24.1	50.6	10.9	29	1067	14.2	78.9	8.4	46.0	3.4	32	946
4AAS	As Plot 4AA and Silicate of Soda (400 lb.)	29.8	51.3	13.6	45	1557	20.4	68.7	9.7	46.0	4.0	20	1243
1C	Rape Cake only (1000 lb.)	30.4	52.3	14.2	29	1485	17.9	80.4	10.1	42.8	3.8	23	1141
2C	Superphosphate and Rape Cake	40.9	50.5	18.4	37	1672	20.6	91.2	12.9	44.7	5.2	20	1287
3C	Alkali Salts and Rape Cake	21.1	48.5	9.2	65	982	13.6	71.8	7.0	43.5	2.7	20	908
4C	Complete Minerals and Rape Cake	30.9	50.6	14.0	39	1526	19.2	74.5	9.9	44.0	3.9	20	1419
7-1	Unmanured (after dung (14 tons) for 20 years)	12.9	50.4	5.8	31	636	9.2	66.1	7.6	41.5	3.7	34	913
7-2	Farmyard Manure (14 tons)	40.4	50.5	18.2	63	2004	28.3	66.5	8.6	42.0	5.1	37	1166
6-1	Unmanured since 1852	5.2	50.5	2.4	20	266	4.3	58.7	7.4	43.0	2.8	25	515
6-2	Ashes from Laboratory furnace	8.4	48.8	3.7	27	420	6.8	57.4	12.0	44.5	4.8	33	704
IN	Nitrate of Soda only (275 lb.)	25.3	49.4	11.2	43	1232	15.5	74.4	9.4	44.3	2.8	18	924
2N	Nitrate of Soda only (275 lb.)	26.7	48.8	11.7	34	1205	16.1	74.2	12.7	44.8	3.2	28	2593

† 1912, all plots were fallowed. * 60 years, 1868-1928.

a A large amount of black medic seed in Offal Grain.

§ 75 years, 1872-1928.

†† Includes straw, cavings and chaff.

§§ 69 years, 1859-1928.