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POTATOES

Placement of N and K - Deacons Field 1954.

System of replication: 6 randomized blocks of 12 plots each with levels of N by levels of K partially confounded with block differences.

Area of each plot: 0.0141 acre. Area harvested: 0.00566 acre.

Treatments: All combinations of:N: Nane; 0.5; 1.0 cwt per acre as

N: Name; 0.5; 1.0 cwt per acre as sulphate of ammonia. K20: None; 0.75; 1.5 cwt per acre as sulphate of potash. Methods of placement: Broadcast on flat before planting; Side band placement at planting.

Basal dressing: 1.0 cwt P205 per acre as superphosphate, placement drilled as above.

Cultivations etc.: Ploughed: Oct 21, 1953. Applied broadcast fertilizers, machine planted with placed fertilizers: Apr 26, 1954. Earthed up: July 9. Sprayed with copper fungicide, low volume, 5 lb in 10 gallons per acre: July 29 and again Aug 26. Sprayed with sulphuric acid, 20% B.O.V.: Oct 6. Lifted: Oct 15. Variety: Majestic. Previous crop: Barley.

Standard error per plot:
Total tubers: 0.999 tons per acre or 9.9% (31 d.f.)

Summary of Results

Total tubers: tons per acre

K ₂ 0:	N: cwt per acre Broadcast Placed None 0.5 1.0 0.5 1.0					Mean
None	(±0.385) <u>8.06</u> (±0.545)	_ 9.22_	_11.27_	545) _ 2•69_ 771)	11.51_	(±0.204) - 9.64 (±0.288)
Broadcast 0.75 1.5	7.84 8.13	10.55 9.53	11.73	10.82	11.88	10.11
Placed 0.75 1.5	7•94 8•67	10.30	11.05	11.58	14.69	10.58 10.47
Mean	8.12 (±0.204)	10.00	11.46 (±0.	10.42 288)	12.41	10.09