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A Large Farm

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A Large Farm.- C. D. Bragdon, corresponding editor of the Rural New Yorker, gives the detailed account of his visit to the celebrated farm of Mr. L. Sullivant, Champagne county, Illinois, which he is bring into cultivation, having personally occupied it two years. This farm is seven miles long and two and a half wide. It contains twenty-two thousand acres. In May last eleven thousand acres of this farm had been enclosed and subdivided into fields of a section or two, or more or less, each. He had a large force building fences, and a month later he expected to have twenty thousand acres enclosed with board fences. He depends mainly on raising corn and feeding cattle for profit; and has at the present time over five thousand head of cattle. Of the eleven thousand acres above mentioned, eighteen hundred were devoted to corn, three hundred to winter wheat, forty to oats, and fifteen hundred to meadow. The rest are in pasture. Twenty-two thousand bushels of corn were sold at forty-two cents per bushel, this spring, amounting to over nine thousand dollars. There are also four thousand worn-down Government horses pasturing and recruiting on the farm.?Seventy-five span of horses, seventy five yoke of oxen, and some mules, are used for working it.