

## Small Farming Pays.

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EDITOR PIONEER:

We came to this country in the spring of 1887, with \$200 in money. Took up a homestead and settled upon it, putting up such buildings as were necessary to live in, and shelter our stock. We bought a tree claim adjoining our land several years ago, for which we paid \$100 thus swelling our number of acres to 320. Have now comfortable house, barns and sheds, and have also fenced 60 acres of pasture land. Have always diversified our farming, raising stock and sowing the land to several kinds of grain. We keep a small flock of sheep, and find them to pay big, the small flock having increased in three years about 400 per cent. Our wool crop last year averaged 10½ pounds per head. Diversified farming is what pays in this country. We came here with nothing to speak of, but have made a good living and by hard work and energy have accumulated considerable property. Have broken up new land each year thus adding to our acreage in grain. Are well satisfied with our progress, and think Steele county as good as any place in which to make money.

CHARLES AND EDWARD MITCHELL,