

Sheep Raising.

EDITOR PIONEER:

You request me to write something in regard to sheep raising. I can give you a plain statement in regard to my business last year. I have been in the business for five years, but it will take too long an article to tell you of my experience of so many years.

I consider the country about Hope the best for sheep of any country I know of—far ahead of New England.

Sheep can be kept by the year for one dollar per head, and are good pay at that. I consider the country very good for wool growing, and the climate—none better. Pastorage the finest of any of the western states, and with five years experience I think I know what I am talking about.

Last year I wintered 300 ewes, probably worth \$1,500. From these I raised 300 lambs. During the year I sold 100 lambs for \$475; sold also six buck lambs for \$72; 25 lambs for slaughter for \$100; sold wool to the amount of \$440; also one fine ram for \$25. Besides from the increase I kept 150 ewe lambs worth \$4 per head, or \$600 thus making a total of \$1,712 as the proceeds from my flock last year.

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