
for him when he planned for the education of the Indian, but he has already shown that he has grasped the conditions with a mind of broad understanding.—The Oklahoman, Oklahoma City.

INDIAN FARMERS

The Pottawatomie Indians in Kern County, Kansas, where they have a reservation, are beating all the farmers in Kansas in some respects. One of them raised ten acres of seed corn that the agriculturists from the state college declared the best that they had seen in any part of Kansas in three years. Of course that Indian got a big price for his seed corn. Lately three of the College specialists were invited by the Indian boys attending that institution to visit the reservation and they spent three days there, holding meetings in various parts of the reservation. At the end of the inspection of farms the Indians of their own motion organized the "Indian Farmers Improvement Association" and hold monthly meetings which nearly all of the Indians attend.

Other tribes in Kansas are developing scientific farming. Among them the Kickapoo Indians, who are also asking for farmer demonstrators. It would appear that the Omaha Indians will have to look out for their reputation as farmers. There appears to be a movement among a good many tribes to start farming in earnest. In some instances the Indians claim they have excelled the white farmers around them in some lines, but that the white inspectors and judges, while acknowledging that fact and awarding prizes accordingly, have suppressed the matter for fear of hurting the white farmer's sensibilities. White farmers would not like it at all if the fact were published that the Indians had beaten them.

This Idea of beating the white farmer at his own game, which has been fostered by some superintendents, has given a great impetus to Indian efforts. As long as it was conceded that the Indian was inferior and could not successfully compete with the white man, he made little efforts to better his conditions. The "psychology" of the movement is very plain.—Omaha (Neb.) World-Herald.