

in money, besides this year's crop, since coming here. In the States we were going behind every year. In this country we have no hot winds or blizzards to contend with like they have in Dakota where we came from. The winters are beautiful and healthy and the climate is extra fine, especially for people with weak lungs. Fuel is here in abundance, which is an expensive article in Aberdeen, Dakota, and a great drawback to farmers there. We have no taxes to pay, except a small school tax, which was a great surprise to us. Where we left everything was taxed, even the clothes on our back. A man that does not succeed in this country it is his own fault, for the soil is so rich that everything that is put in the ground to grow will grow, if it is only half attended to. A friend of ours from the same place, a Mr. Lewis, had over 1,000 bushels of oats off ten acres this year. We have bought a nice improved farm, paid \$800 cash for it, and there are a number of other good improved farms for sale reasonable.

We can cheerfully recommend our friends to come to this country, and they will never regret it. We are only sorry that we did not come five years sooner.

(Signed)

Neil McLeain,

Hector McLeain,

Located 12 miles south of Edmonton.

Rosenthal, Alberta, Nov. 5th, 1898.

I came to this country in April, 1893, from South Dakota, without one dollar; worked with farmers the first two years. With the first \$10.00 that I earned I took up a homestead in township 52, range 1 west of the 5th. I have 40 acres under cultivation. Sold \$200 worth of wheat last year; will have more to sell this year. My wheat averaged 30 bushels to the acre. I have implements and stock to the value of \$600, all paid for. A farmer will be more successful by going into mixed farming. Will recommend any person who desires to better themselves to come to this country, even if he is poor, if he is only willing and able to work.

(Signed)

Fred Schin.f.

Edmonton, Alberta, N.W.T., Nov. 26, 1898.

Mr. Crawford.

Dear Sir and Friend,—It is quite a while since I heard from you. We have had real nice weather all fall, until about a week ago. Since then it has been cold and dry