

producers in most of our English counties. This, however, is perhaps not altogether the way to look at the question. New towns are being built up around him. An established highway exists between Winnipeg and Japan, China, Australia, and the East. He has thus the choice of the Eastern and Western markets, and he can produce at as low a rate as any dairy farmer in the world. At the present time it is within the capacity of any skilled maker to take a leading position as a cheese or butter producer, for the products of the province of Manitoba, judging from a careful inspection of the exhibits at Winnipeg, are not all of a high character. A Dairy Farmers' Association already exists. This is in touch with the Government and the Dairy Commissioner; and it is therefore within the power of the Manitoban dairymen, thus banded together, to produce a uniform article, and to create a market for goods of a distinct and recognised character. Senator Perley, of Wolseley, whom I had the advantage of meeting, and who has himself a thriving dairy factory, is one of those energetic leaders of men with great faith in the future of their country, who would probably be of great service in this cause: but I cannot counsel intending dairymen settlers too seriously to devote at least a year to the most thorough practical experience in the very best dairies and factories within their reach, before going out to the West. They should know exactly what equipment they need before making a start. The control of temperature is absolutely within their reach; and yet this is not the case in England. The manufacture of cheese of the highest class during the hot months of summer is much more to be recommended than the manufacture of butter, which may monopolise the whole of the remaining months of the year, during most of which it will keep perfectly sweet with little or no salt at all. In this way the Canadian consumer may be provided with mild, perfectly flavoured butters similar to those of Europe during the greater part of the year. The proverbially delicate Jersey cow, although in my experience her constitution is as tough as most of our breeds, was occasionally seen grazing in Manitoba as happily as if she were in the little island of Jersey. In a word, there is no doubt that all our chief dairy breeds will find the climate and the food provided as suitable as in the Old Country. It will, however, be found advantageous to use those dairy cattle which, in case of accident or necessity, can be converted into beef; and it follows that if the dairy industry is to extend, and mixed farming is to become part of the system of the country, there must be some provision for the utilisation of cattle intended as food for the people. It will not be sufficient to collect and ship to an English or Scotch port store cattle for finishing off in this country. One of the most experienced of Western butchers and shippers, having just returned from England, gave me full particulars of the cost of shipment, and of the placing of Canadian beef upon the British market. He concluded that the business was not a profitable one, unless the cattle purchased in Alberta and the Far West could be obtained at a reasonable price. The existing prices of meat sold by British butchers are sufficiently high to be suggestive of the fact that neither the British farmer nor the Colonial farmer receives

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