

to take a trip through the country in autumn, so that they may learn and see for themselves how things are done in the States, in Ontario and in other places.

They will bring back a good load of experience with them, and many of them will return resolved to put into practice on their own farms the improvements they have observed during their tour.

The idea of a journey has more than once turned the brain of our countrymen, and has led them far away from their country, far away from the paternal roof. Let us hope that, for once, the journey we are speaking of will conduce to their remaining permanently at home. Then, like their ancestors, they will pass their days in honor and happiness.

For the cost of these excursions, lightened as they will be by the generous arrangements of our steamboat and railroad companies, a trifling payment by each will suffice.

These, gentlemen, are the ideas I wish to lay before you.

#### A CENTRAL CREAMERY.

I see by my notes that, before resuming my seat, I have to return to the subject of the dairy industry.

On another occasion I related to the House a project, which was to aid the establishment of a central factory, to which butter should be brought in the "grain" state, and be there subjected to the last processes of manufacture.

This central factory would be placed somewhere on the banks of the great St. Lawrence, at a spot where the goods could be easily loaded on to the ocean steamers.

Experts in the manufacture of butter say that this article runs special risks in the last handling it undergoes. If it be not well made, if the tub is defective, the butter is soon spoiled; it reaches its destination in bad condition, and the aroma is lost.

Mr Taché, the Secretary of the Dairymen's Association, conceived the idea of this establishment. I have already spoken about it to Mr. Ayer, who has had a long and fortunate experience in this business, and he thinks the project may be carried out.

#### THE BABCOCK.

One of the obstacles to the success of the creameries and cheeseries of the province is the objection a good many of our best farmers, who feed