

ing emigrants from Europe. With a view to rendering all possible assistance in the taking up of mixed farming, the Minister of Agriculture has approved of a plan whereby he was permitted to have two dairy experts to give lessons in butter making and cheese making. Meetings will be held by these two gentlemen and instruction will be given at some fifty different places.

The two experts, C. F. Whitney and J. B. McEwen, were then called upon for short addresses.

Afterwards Prof. Robertson gave an hour's lecture on "Feeding Stock and Making Butter." He intimated that bulletins would be sent to all who applied to the Central Experimental farm at Ottawa.

At a meeting of the association subsequently held, it was resolved to have J. W. Bartlett act as representative of the Dairy association on the directorate of the Winnipeg Industrial exhibition.

### British Columbia.

Chas. McLeod, grocer, Vancouver, has sold out to Hutch.

Irving & Strachan, planing mill, Vancouver; style of firm now Housley & Co.

Wm. Hancock, saddler, has commenced business at Lansdown, Spallumcheen.

D. J. McDonald, clothing, etc., New Westminster, has sold out to Ben Johnson.

Vancouver Steam Laundry Co, Vancouver, have sold out to Ellison & Edmunds.

R. Robertson, clothing and gents' furnishings, Vancouver, is advertising his business for sale.

Clark & Co, groceries, Vancouver, have dissolved partnership; W. A. Clark will continue the business.

Harvey & Harrild, contractors, Victoria, have dissolved partnership; W. B. Harrild will continue the business.

The Hudson's Bay Co., Victoria, shipped, on Saturday, 22 bales of furs to London via the C. P. R., valued at \$40,000.

Information is received that the salmon run on the Skeena is the best that has been known for years. The run on the Nass is also improving.

The plant of a newspaper to be called the *Golden Era*, has arrived at Golden, and the paper will soon be issued under the editorial control of Mr. Ramsay.

George F. Slater, late shingle manufacturer, and Geo. E. Barnard, have entered into partnership as locators of timber, grazing and farm lands, and money brokers, at Vancouver.

It is announced, says the *Colonist*, that arrangements are being made for the establishment in Victoria of a large malting and brewing establishment upon a joint stock basis.

The British Columbia *Gazette* announces the incorporation of the Chilliwack Tramway Company, (Limited), capital \$25,000, in 100 shares. Its objects are the construction, operating and maintaining a street railway or tramway within the limits of the municipality of Chilliwack.

The Gold Mining and Smelting Company have their smelter nearly completed; it is a most complete establishment, replete with massive machinery, contained in two large buildings; the whole will cost when completed about

\$50,000, and will have a capacity of from twenty-five to forty tons of ore per day.

The British Columbia Corporation (Limited), has been incorporated in London, England, with a capital stock of £300,000. Mr. Robert Ward, when in England recently, promoted the company. The directors believe they will have no difficulty in obtaining mortgages on suitable security at rates varying from six to eight per cent.

The smelter at Revelstoke has been put in operation. This is the first smelter in British Columbia. It was completed about a year ago, but this was in advance of the requirements of the district, as heretofore there has not been enough ore to warrant starting the works. The smelter will doubtless get the provincial bonus of \$12,000 offered for the first smelter of a certain number of tons of ore in the province.

The summit of Toad Mountain, says the *Nelson Miner*, is beginning to show up like a mining camp, now that development work is being done on half a dozen contiguous claims. On the Grizzly Bear men are at work building quarters and making a face for a tunnel. Superintendent Robertson says he has the finest tunnel site in the district, and on a ledge too that is fully thirty feet in width. A road will be built from the mine to the main road, a distance of two and a half miles through a good country and by an easy grade. The distance from Nelson will be less than six miles.

P. Goudron, of the firm of Goudron Bros, iron manufacturers, Montreal, is in town, says the *Vancouver News*. He visits the Province with the intention of finding out whether there is a field here for a factory for the manufacture of bolts and spikes. He met several hardware men yesterday and some members of the board of trade, with whom he discussed the matter. He finds there are some lines which it would pay to manufacture here, and there is every probability that he will establish a factory somewhere in the province, on a small scale at first, but fully equal to demands of the trade. The iron or steel could be brought from Great Britain to Vancouver almost as cheaply as to Montreal, few skilled hands would be required and the enterprise, he feels assured, would be profitable.

An Ottawa telegram says: "Alex. Begg, agent of the British Columbia Government in Scotland, has arrived from Scotland, whither he went to promote crofter emigration to the Pacific province. He has made arrangements with the Chancellor of the Exchequer for a loan of £150,000 for colonization purposes. This will be advanced as required and repaid by the British Columbia Government, who in turn will collect it by installments from the settlers. They get thirty years in which they repay their loans, not having to pay anything for the first five years. The scheme provides for the settlement of six thousand crofter fishermen. From £120 to £150 will be expended on each family. A syndicate is being formed in England to carry on fishing and mining operations in British Columbia to afford employment for these settlers. They will ask the Dominion Government to locate and assist in developing the fisheries of the coast. Before the scheme is adopted it must receive the endorsement of both Governments."

Frank Otton has opened a harness shop at Battleford.

### Grain and Milling.

A movement is on foot to erect a joint stock elevator at Moosomin, Assa., but stock is being taken very slowly.

The annual picnic of the employees of the Lake of the Woods Milling company took place on Monday last on the lake.

An addition is being made to the Hudson's Bay Co.'s mill elevator at Winnipeg, which will increase the capacity by 30,000 bushels.

Alex McGaw, head of the grain purchasing department of the Lake of the Woods Milling company, is lying at Koowatin with fever.

Joyner & Elkington have let a contract for the erection of a 10,000 bushel elevator in connection with their mill at Fort Qu'Appelle, Assa.

A vote will be taken upon a by-law granting a bonus of \$4,000 to assist in the erection of a grist mill at Killarney, Man., on Friday, August the 7th next.

### Saskatchewan.

Macfarlane Brothers, ranchers, Battleford, have dissolved. James M. Macfarlane will continue.

The business of D. C. McLellan & Co., harness, Prince Albert, will in the future be carried on under the style of Hutchings & McLellan.

A. Bigelow & Co., Chicago, in a recent circular say: "We do not expect to see extravagant prices paid for wheat this year but we are well grounded in the belief that the average of the 1891 crop will be above 90c a bushel for cash wheat in Chicago, and that purchases on any dip below that range will be safe investments."

There has been a good deal of talk about the Farmers' Alliance of the United States undertaking to corner wheat. This is all nonsense on the face of it. The report arose from the fact that a circular has been issued by the Alliance, prognosticating good prices for wheat, and countenancing the idea of holding until favorable prices are offered.

In Parliament at Ottawa on Thursday, Hon. Mr. Tupper introduced a bill respecting live stock. He explained that what he proposed was to enforce the regulations of the English agricultural department as regards the carrying of cattle. The government had received a draft of the regulations which would be enforced as soon as the bill became law. It proposed that the space for cattle should not be less than two feet, eight inches for each animal, or that for store cattle it be two feet, six inches not more than five cattle being placed in each stall.

The Hudson Bay Company's annual meeting was held in London, England, last week. Sir Donald Smith, governor, deplored the unsatisfactory state of affairs revealed by the report, but said the prospects are better as regards both fur and land sales. The board is making earnest and persistent efforts to reduce expenses and earn a good dividend. Several shareholders made a bitter attack on the board and said the management was extravagant both here and in Canada. Sir Donald Smith replying, denied the alleged extravagance of the board. The board is applying to the Dominion government to relieve the company from the support of Indians of the Northwest. Others defended the board from the attacks. The report was then adopted almost without dissent.