

United States Coin (50 cents): E. J. Bell, Philadelphia;

Weather Charts, Little Bay, '94-5: Capt. G. Foote, M.H.A.;

Weather Records from 1884-90, taken at Cape Norman Lighthouse: Henry Loek.

A splendid collection of the Flora of Newfoundland has been presented to the Museum, through Rev. Dr. Harvey, by Prof. Robinson, of the Harvard University Herbarium. New cases have been set up to receive this beautifully arranged collection, which is a most valuable acquisition to the Museum.

Several specimens have been added by purchase during the past year, and a lot of new cases and fittings required from time to time to receive them. A number of new and interesting photographs of the scenery of the country, chiefly along the route of the Northern and Western Railway, taken during the past season, are now on exhibition. The interest taken in the Museum by all classes continues unabated.

During the past year the Government were pleased to adopt the suggestion of insuring the collection, so that now, in case of destruction by fire, the Colony will, to some extent at least, be recuperated for its outlay.

It is much to be regretted that, owing to the political and other changes of the past twelve months, the intention of forwarding an exhibit of all the natural resources of the island to the Imperial Institute of London was not carried out.

The intention of the Imperial Government as you are aware, is to bring together under one roof an economic exhibit of all the wealth of the Colonial Empire. Each colony is provided with a section giving to it a distinctive character while forming part of the whole scheme. Such an exhibition of Newfoundland's great natural resources could scarcely fail to attract the attention of the capitalist or investor to the undeveloped wealth of the Colony—the oldest, nearest and most easily-accessible of the vast Empire. I feel confident, were a sufficient sum placed at the disposal of the Survey to send a thoroughly representative collection in good shape, we should have much to feel proud of, and the good effect likely to be produced would amply repay for the outlay in course of time. If it only had the effect of dispelling the doubts existing outside the Colony regarding these resources, and upsetting the