

boy born and bred, and spending twenty years on the farm, I deny the charge. Farmers do not do business that way. Only a few weeks since I heard a thorough-going old granger with a barn full of stock complaining that his twelve year-old son owned more of the stock than he did, and he concluded he would have to retire from business or buy the boy out. No, no, gentlemen, we must look elsewhere for a remedy, and where shall it be? The Liberal politician exclaims immediately: "The high tariff, that monstrous National Policy is driving our young people from us." Attorney-General Longley cries: "Confederation is the cause of this; give us repeal, that is the cure-all for the dread disease." Erastus Wiman, in long speeches and longer letters, teaches commercial union and breaking down the high tariff wall. Jeffry McColl would fly with us into Annexation, and swallowed up in our gigantic neighbor find peace from all our troubles. The minor lights cry Reciprocity and a Liberal Government at Ottawa is all we need to make our country prosperous. Our Liberal Conservative friends are also ready with a sovereign remedy. They are crying: "It is our Local Grit Government that is demoralizing this once prosperous country. The Fielding-Longley combination is crushing us and driving out honest industry. It is the cause of the exodus; give us the reins of power and we will cause factories to spring into existence, and this country to bud and blossom, and the rose to bloom."

We are a nation of grumblers, and would find fault with our manifest destiny; but for my own part I am inclined to think neither a Liberal Government at Ottawa nor a Tory Government at Halifax, a sure cure for all our ills. We must look elsewhere for the remedy, and I may be allowed to look at some reasons from the stand point of the young man.

1st. *Our young people are educated to turn from the farm and rural life.* The child in early life enters the public school, he receives elementary instruction and is passed into the high school, here he is under tuition of a dapper, smooth-handed, polished young gentleman, usually a student of law, medicine, or theology, who takes this method of earning a few dollars to further pursue his studies. Here the boy is taught the higher mathematics, with a smattering of Greek and Latin to prepare him for matriculation into Acadia or some other University. He gets no botany, chemistry is neglected, mineralogy