

perched on the crest of a pretty little wooded knoll and shaking to the thunder of the passing trains. This retreat is sweet with romantic memories of the Duke of Kent's sojourn in Halifax, and of the lady whose name was in those days so intimately connected with his. The railroad skirts the basin, for the most part close to the water's edge, and the delightful "bits" that pass in succession before one's eyes must torment the soul of the artist. Four miles beyond *Bedford* is *Rockingham*, with its hotel, called the *Four-Mile House*, and the fine brick buildings of the convent school for girls, called *Mount St. Vincent*. Off *Rockingham* is a famous rowing-course. Then we come to the *Narrows*, where the harbor is but half a mile in width. Presently we enter the crowded freight-yards of the dingy suburb of *Richmond*; and a mile farther on the train comes to a stop in the depot of *Halifax*, on *North Street*.

Halifax.

The population of *Halifax*, according to the census of 1881, was 36,100; but the census of 1891 will probably bring it up to something over 45,000. The chief hotels are the *Halifax* (\$2 to \$3 per day); the *Queen's* (\$2 to \$3 per day); the *Waverly* (\$2.50); the *Carleton* (\$1.25 to \$1.50); the *Albion* (\$1 to \$1.50). The principal streets are traversed by horse-cars (fare 5 cents). The city is well supplied with cabs, whose charges are as follows: For each person for any distance up to 1 mile, 25c.; 1½ mile, 30c.; 2 miles, 40c.; 2½ miles, 45c.; 3 miles, 50c.; and all other distances in like proportion.

One half the above rates to be paid if returning in the same carriage.

For all cabs or carriages hired by the hour: For a one-horse carriage per hour, 75c.; for a two-horse carriage per hour, \$1; and in like proportion for every fraction of an hour.

To or from any steamer or passenger vessel, or to or from any hotel or dwelling-house to any stage office, railway station, or other place, with half a cwt. of luggage, 50c.

The chief clubs are the *Halifax Club* and the *City Club*. The *Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Club* may also be mentioned, among many organizations of a similar class, as having a somewhat marked social basis. The chief theatres are the *Academy of Music* and *Orpheus Hall*.

From *Halifax* sail a number of steamboat lines: the *Furness Line* to *London*; *Donaldson Line* to *Glasgow*; *Bossière Line* to *Havre*; *Allan Line* to *Liverpool*; *Red Cross Line* to *St. John's, Newfoundland*; *Anglo-French Line* to *St. Pierre*; lines to *Bermuda, Jamaica, Turk's Islands, and Havana*; the *Yarmouth Line* to *Yarmouth*; *Halifax and P. E. I. Line* to *Charlottetown*; *Halifax and Newfoundland Line* (steamer *Harlaw*) to *Cape Breton* and the *French Shore of Newfound-*