

THE HOME COLONY.

ishing ground of the world. Within a degree of the south coast, is situated the most extensive submarine island yet discovered—the Great Bank of Newfoundland, 600 miles long, and 200 broad. Around the shores of this island, are countless smaller submarine elevations or ocean plateaus. These form the breeding grounds of the cod, the staple product of the Newfoundland waters. These have been fished for centuries, without showing any apparent diminution in the supply. When to its sea treasures, which are literally inexhaustible, and are carried by means of its wonderfully indented coast-line, and its varied water system, to the very doors of the people, we add its mineral wealth, its pine forests, and its plains yet untouched by plough or spade, the least thoughtful and observant among us must recognise what should long ago have been apparent—that human industry, capital, and enterprise are alone required to raise Newfoundland to a far higher position among British colonisation fields than she has yet occupied.



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