

harvest. Its cattle trade with Newfoundland is a large one every summer, and the adoption of the southern route will enhance its value immensely.

PROXIMITY TO EUROPE.

In addition to commanding the Newfoundland trade wholly in winter, the said road will invite a great deal of American, Canadian, and European trade all the year round. Cape Breton is now a favourite summer resort for the United States. Tourists for Europe can do Cape Breton on their way, and that by the shortest route available, viz., via Louisbourg. Travellers to whom a sea voyage is always a dread, can shorten the same from New York one-third by embarking at Louisbourg. Canadian mails landed at Louisbourg will save more time than English mails landed at Queenstown.

The Proximity of the Immense Coal Fields of Cape Breton, the only Coal Fields on the Atlantic Shores of America.

In addition to making Louisbourg a harbour of the utmost strategic importance, gives it pre-eminence as a seat for manufacture. With it cheap coal, good water, cheap land, and proximity to the carrying trade of the Atlantic, it requires but speculative tact to make it "*the Manchester of Canada.*"

Mr. Redpath, of Montreal Sugar Refinery, has said that any company building a sugar refinery at Louisbourg will have an advantage over all others in the Dominion. What is true of sugar, is also true of cotton, leather, hemp, and other industries too numerous to mention. It affords excellent facilities for smelting, and could very easily be turned into "*the Swansea of America.*" Instead of Newfoundland sending its ore to England for smelting, it could, with more profit and far greater ease, have it smelted in Louisbourg. So also of the ore which is sent from other parts of America, and which passes within cannon shot of Louisbourg. As with copper, so also with iron.