

water, gradually increasing, however, to a depth of five fathoms opposite Share Point, within which lies Hamilton or Crowe Lane harbour, having a uniform depth of four or five fathoms, allowing good sized vessels to moor alongside the wharves, which possess the very great convenience of light galvanized iron roofs, under which all luggage and freight is safe from exposure. Should the visitor arrive in the steamer from Halifax, instead of turning to the right at the entrance of the Narrows the vessel steers straight for Governor's Island, through an extremely narrow channel marked by buoys and poles, requiring great caution on the part of the pilot, who rarely however fails to bring his craft safe into St. George's harbour, which is entered when Governor's Island is passed. On this Halifax route there is now a very powerful and strongly built iron steamer of 600 tons, named the "Beta", commanded by Capt. Shaw, a very efficient officer, whose politeness and attention are so well known to every one who has had the pleasure of sailing with him. The only drawback from the pleasure of a passage by this route, is having to land in boats, the steamer generally anchoring out in the harbour some distance from shore. Occasionally, however, she goes alongside the wharf for coaling purposes, when the visitor has no trouble whatever in landing himself and his luggage.

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