

Nova Scotia, larger than Switzerland, so situated "as to serve as a basis of offensive naval operations against the United States in case of war," with its coast-line of 700 miles, its climate of rare healthfulness, its vast tracts of woodland, its larger tonnage per man than any other country in the world, with the best harbour in the world, its noble fisheries, productive gold mines, its iron rivalling the finest Swedish, its coal of excellent quality and in great abundance, its vast capacities for manufacturing, and with a population of 300,000, is inevitably destined to occupy a prominent position in the great Dominion.

New Brunswick, larger than Holland and Belgium united, with a population of 300,000 hardy colonists, who enjoy the reputation of being the best sailors and farmers in the world; its fine timber, its savannah lands, well watered by numerous rivers, its enterprise and light taxation, its coast-line of 450 miles, and its noble river of St. John's, which bears a large commerce upon its bosom for 120 miles inland to the capital, through a country of fertile soil and wholesome climate, has many claims upon the consideration of intending immigrants.

The old Provinces of Canada East and West cover a superficies of 300,000 square miles. The French-speaking Province of Quebec, with every variety of scenery from the stern desolation of the towering bluffs of Gaspé, and the rugged magnificence of the noted cliffs of the Saguenay, to the quaint and cultivated beauty of mediæval Quebec, and the quiet and peaceful villages sleeping in the sunshine along the St. Lawrence, is as large as France. English-speaking Ontario, of great agricultural wealth and manufacturing enterprise, intersected with roads and railways, and throbbing with the pulsations of an intense and healthy life, is 20,000 square miles larger than Great Britain and Ireland. And both together contain a population of more than 2,800,000, and many towns and cities springing up as by enchantment under the magic wand of labour.

Proceeding to the North-West, we come to the vast territory lying between Ontario and the Rocky Mountains, formally given over to the Dominion to cultivate and to fill with a hardy, high-spirited, well-governed and Christian population, which will make it one of the most vigorous empires in the world. Almost as