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ir of a grand economic boom in the timber trade to make New Brunswick a fulfillment of this dream. Saint John, as the province's most valuable port city, became in a way a nexus of everything the province aspired

to and actually was. At one time the port boasted the world's fourth largest tonnage in shipping. The best of the world's sailing ships were launched from the yards of Saint John; and it is by Saint John that we know

the name of the Marco Polo. In the days of her greatness, there must have been a considerable spirit of adventure, certainly of promise.

Today you may still see the remnants of rotting wharves

which belie the aspirations of the last century. In many ways, perhaps, the fate of the Haymarket Slip, where the city's founders made their landing, is emblematic of the city's demise. Allowed to fall into disrepair