

should think three miles in diameter, with mountains around so steep that it requires an effort to climb them. They rise hundreds of yards above the water and it is well worth while to climb their summits for the beautiful scene which opens to the eye. In the centre of the Harbor you view an Island ; it covers over twenty acres and is owned by the collector of H. M. Customs, a gentlemanly, and of course a well-informed man, to whom the commission owed much for his real, genuine hospitality. We had more than once the pleasure of enjoying his company and his hospitality in his Island home.

It is remarkable that this Island is the only spot in Burene where cabbage and potatoes flourish.

Burene, we know, is in Placentia Bay, and is noted for its copper mines said to be the most profitable in the world.

The indication of the country is well worthy of the exploration of that class of the community bent on enriching themselves. The head of this bay, Placentia, possesses the richest copper mine in the world, and there is no doubt but coal, iron, and probably gold will be found in abundance in time to come under its barren appearance.

It seems strange to think how little is known of this wonderful Island—the oldest on this side of the Atlantic. But this can be easily accounted for when we think it has been devoted to the prosecution of the fisheries alone. The principals engaged in this industry held it to be to their advantage to repress every other industry. The fishermen are slaves ; and they have kept the people, and the world, I may add, in ignorance in order to hold the profit arising from their selfish policy.

The colony has heretofore been governed by agents, the representatives of the different firms ; gentlemanly, hospitable, and well informed men, who remit the profits of the trade to their employers in Great Britain, who live in luxury and ease, while the poor fishermen have just enough advanced in ship biscuit to keep them alive through the winter, for the coming fishing season.

Uncle Sam is beginning to learn of the deposits nature has