

of a Nova Scotian paper, in a series of letters represented to the Nova Scotians that Minnesota was offering great inducements to settlers, and acting upon his representations, quite a number were induced to immigrate. Now "Acadia" has never been in Minnesota. I know this as a personal fact, and I further know that his figures and statements have entirely come to him through Wheelock and his pamphleteers all of whom I have shown to be wholly unreliable.

It is a sad evidence of the many false and mistaken opinions of the hour, to suppose that the West is all "Progress." No greater fallacy prevails than this. Let any one take the trouble to study the true condition of the farmer, and he will find that there is a good deal of "marking time;" that many who pretend to take the full step of thirty inches are only imposing the goose step upon their eastern friends. To say nothing of the *high* prices, the iniquitous credit system, and the rascality of town, county, and public treasurers, there is, besides, a class of merchants who so manage the country that the "margin" left to the farmer is too small to justify the extravagant assertions which we hear every day.

Let the farmer from Canada, and the immigrant from Europe take heed "The Western States are *not* prospering.

