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The Parliament House

stands on Queen's Square. It is a handsome stone building with usual halls for the Lords and Commoners of the Island, and all other affairs of state.

The Government

is vested in the Lieutenant Governor, appointed by the Crown, and a responsible Executive Council. The Legislature consists of the Governor, a Legislative Council, elected by the people every 8 years, and Assembly every 4 years. The Islanders have not yet been persuaded to come into Confederation. They look on everything Canadian with a jealous eye, and glory in their separate independence.

From Charlottetown a Railway is in progress through the Island. This will be a great boon, as the iron road can be more readily kept in repair in spring than the stone ones. Meantime, the tourist will have to coach it, or steam it, or boat it, or foot it to whatever place he may desire to visit. He can reach

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by steamer, if he has not yet touched there coming from Shediac, where he will find a good trade springing up with New Brunswick.

There are many bays, which may yet become the seats of thriving towns and trades. Richmond and Hillsborough Bays divide the Island into three peninsulas. Cardigan Bay, Bedeque Harbor and Egmont Bay are also worthy of notice.

The Telegraph and Ice Boat.

In the winter the communication with the continent is carried on by means of a submarine telegraph, which stretches from Cape Traverse to Tormentine in New Brunswick, and by means of Ice Boats which ply between the same points. The peculiarity of the ice boat is that it is fitted for both ice and water. Sometimes the ice is very