

Breton experience the same result, and are suffering in consequence. A Confederation of the Colonies, within three years, or less, will make them independent of the States' market or its tariff. To our agricultural population, then, the back-bone of our country, Confederation will not only bring relief, but it will give strength and independence. The Nova Scotian farmer will no longer need to be anxious about the future of his family, nor dread the approach of manhood or womanhood as the period that must draw away his children from their home, and send them to other lands in quest of a means of support. No; a dozen different avenues will be open for them, as it were, at his own door; those very avenues, which at present tempt them to go abroad. The interest of every tiller of the soil thus lies in the direction of Confederation. Whether he looks to the present or the future, if he listen to the voice of reason and of truth, he will feel that for his own sake, for the sake of his family, for the well-being of his country, it is not only his interest, but that a sacred duty is upon him, to make common cause, and do all he can to sustain the policy of a Union of the Provinces.

ITS ADVANTAGES TO THE FISHERMAN.

There is not in any part of the world a hardier or more industrious class than the fishermen of Nova Scotia. In numbers and importance they rank next to our farmers. Their soil is the deep sea, and from its teeming waters they ought, with fair play and under favoring circumstances, to earn a comfortable living. / The wealth of our shore and bank fisheries has become a proverb. But in spite of their abundance, our fishermen have remained poor, and their poverty has been enhanced by the fitful jealousy of their rivals. The fruits of their labors are now virtually excluded from the American market, and it is evident that the only thing that will save them and make them independent will be *a market at home*, and by becoming a portion of a Confederation that will have influence enough to obtain for them fair markets abroad. They have tried isolation long enough; they have had to submit to the caprice, the jealousy, and encroachments of a neighboring people, without any effective means of self-pro-