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THE PROVINCIAL INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

In the year 1854 an Exhibition of the Industrial Resources of Nova Scotia was held in the City of Halifax. That Exhibition was the result of an incalculable amount of agitation and perseverance on the part of its promoters. The real extent of labour expended in overcoming obstacles and leading to a successful final result, could be only imperfectly appreciated by the public at large; yet on all hands there was a recognition of the success of the effort, and an acknowledgment that it did an amount of good that could not have been previously foreseen. Not only was it suggestive of improvement in agriculture and the useful arts, but it served to make more fully known, in a thoroughly intelligible way, both at home and abroad, the capabilities of the Province as a field for industry. That Exhibition was a growth from the seeds scattered by the Great London Exhibition of Albert the Good, in 1851, and it may be safely said that no Colony of the Bri-

ish Empire, in proportion to population and resources, made a more successful start in following up the Exhibition System than the Province of Nova Scotia.

It was intended that the Exhibition of 1854 should be followed up by Annual Exhibitions, and no one ever doubted the wisdom of such a course. But it would seem as if too great an effort had been made at the outset,—for the exhibition spirit seemed year by year to become more feeble, and the Mayflowers of fourteen long years have bloomed and died without any Provincial Exhibition.

Attempts have been made from time to time to gather together the agricultural and manufacturing energies of the Province, so as to exhibit to her people a marshalling of herriches; but the attempts have all been furtive ones. At last a desperate effort has been made to raise again the standard, and already the representatives of every industrial interest of the Province are rallying around it.

It is proposed to hold, during the second week of October next, in the City

of Halifax, an Exhibition of the universal industry of our Province. A Card of Invitation has been issued to all our farmers, fishermen, miners, artisans and merchants in the form of a Prize List, containing the particulars of premiums to the extent of about ten thousand dollars. If the Exhibition is to be a success, it lies with them to make it so.

His Excellency the Lieut. Governor has been pleased to grant the use of the large space of four or five acres, known as the Governor's Field, for the erection of the necessary sheds and buildings, for sheltering the Live Stock and displaying them to advantage. Application has been made for the use of the Halifax Drill Shed adjoining, the Drill Yard, and Gun Sheds, for the exhibition of Works of Art and Manufactures. Special provision will be made for machinery in motion. Some of the leading machinists and manufacturers have visited the buildings and spaces proposed to be occupied, and express their perfect satisfaction with the intended arrangements. The principal