

(*The London Daily Mail*)—having the largest circulation in London.

“Among the many instructive books born of the recent quickening of public interest in our Colonies, that on ‘Newfoundland in 1897,’ by the Rev. M. Harvey, LL.D., is certainly one of the best. Here we have a brief but most vigorous account of this our oldest Colony, which this year celebrates the 400th anniversary of its discovery by John Cabot. Together with its history, the author gives forcible descriptions of the Island’s natural beauty, and of its character and the character of its people. He discusses also its commerce past and present, its prospects in the future, its political condition and feeling, its political difficulties—mainly with the French on the subject of the fisheries—its climate, and the temptation it offers to the sportsman. For frontispiece the volume has portraits of Sir William and Lady Whiteway. Other illustrations help the reader’s imagination.”—(Sampson Low.)

(*The London World.*)

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(*The Scotsman.*)

“The Rev. Dr. Harvey, who has written much and often on ‘Britain’s First Colony,’ has prepared a brief and comprehensive account of ‘Newfoundland in 1897’ (London: Sampson Low & Co.), describing the condition, resources and progress of the Island in the year which marks at once the record reign of the Queen and the four-hundredth anniversary of the discovery of Newfoundland by John Cabot. The progress of the Colony has met with checks; but Mr. Harvey’s little book (which is admirably illustrated) shows how many elements of expansion and attraction it possesses.”

(*The Colonies and India.*)

It is rather an opportune moment for a work of this description, when our Colonies are occupying such a large share of public attention, more especially as this Diamond Jubilee year is the 400th anniversary of the discovery of Newfoundland. A good point in connection with the Queen’s long reign is the advance made by the Colonies and the strengthening of the tie which binds them to the Mother Country; and the author has done well in presenting an account of England’s first Colony, in which a marked feeling of loyalty has been and always will be plainly visible. Was it not in Newfoundland that England made her first attempt at planting a Colony, while the fisheries there have largely helped to increase our commerce. The above volume forms a capital eye-opener to those interested in Newfoundland as it is to-day. The author devotes the main portion of the book to a description of the natural resources and capabilities of the Island, which he says have been overlooked or misrepresented, and, as a consequence, undervalued and neglected. Therefore, the account given of the agricultural and mineral resources of the