

of these, I have no hesitation in saying, will be found within the Province of Nova Scotia. Our mines and minerals, with the facilities of a great railway system will, under a vigorous administration, do for us what they have already done for every part of the world, fortunate enough to possess them, and with means and appliances to use them. Mines and minerals mean manufacturing, and manufactures, as in the case of New and Old England, of Belgium, and other countries, mean public and private wealth, mechanical and material progress.

Union, therefore, will benefit every class and every portion of Nova Scotia. Every interest will feel its influence, but above and beyond all it will nerve and encourage the arm of the industrious and aspiring man.

This is no mere general assertion, which may mean anything or nothing. A moment's reflection will bring home to us the conviction of its truth. The port of Halifax will be the great point of entry for the Confederacy. It will be connected with every part of the Continent by railway; it will be the efflux and influx of an ever growing trade and commerce. It will thus offer a constant market to the farmer, a large home market to the fisherman. It will give employment not only to the surplus of our own population, but absorb, year by year, a considerable immigration. It cannot fail to do so, unless under the contingency that the colonial system is broken up, and by some terrible misfortune, a reign of isolation, dissension, and suffering, should intervene. No one, however, expects this; and on the supposition that the new order of things is to have a fair trial, and the policy of Union will be carried out with tolerable completeness, what will and must be the result? Let us see.

WHAT UNION WILL DO FOR THE FARMERS OF NOVA SCOTIA.

According to the census of 1861, about 47,000 persons were engaged on the labors of the farm, making fully one-half of the adult male population of Nova Scotia. Taken as a whole, the occupation of husbandry in this Province has been an arduous, but not a profitable one; the principal reason being the want of a cash market, or a profitable outlet for farm produce. Union will put an end forever to this disadvantage.