

dered to the United States, in consideration of certain commercial advantages, to be conceded to Canada. It is scarcely possible, that the Attorney and Solicitor General, can be ignorant that these fishing licences are illegal, and that the granting of them is a daring piece of presumption, on the part of the Government. What is the necessary inference for such conduct as this? It is impossible to escape conviction that Nova Scotia, like the poor traveller to JERICHO, has *fallen among thieves*, and that she will be *stripped*, and *wounded*, and *left half dead*, if we don't soon put an extinguisher upon Confederation.

Confederation then is to enrich the fishermen by transferring the fisheries to the United States! well done, Lazarus!

THE ARTIZANS AND LABORERS UNDER CONFEDERATION.

The third epistle to these classes, is quite as refreshing as the two former, to the farmers and fishermen. Confederation is to "extend our great public works," and give steady and increasing employment to "*builders, engineers, carpenters, miners, and many other occupations*," and all the laboring classes, immediately on the advent of Confederation, are to renounce fish and potatoes, and regale the inner man, with roast beef and plum-pudding. But here again this angelic visitant, contents himself with simply announcing the glad tidings, but does not explain the process, by which the dietary revolution is to be accomplished. What does he mean by *the extension of our great public works*? If his calculations are to be relied on, we shall, after paying our expenses, out of the pension allowed us, have \$14,000 left in the chest, if something does not happen to create a deficit. Will Canada send us money, to expend on our great public works? Will Canada make railroads for us? These, if we require them, we must make with our \$14,000. If we want branch railroads, from our present lines, or any other public works, or improvements, we must borrow the money, if any one will lend it, and impose *direct* taxation, on the farmers, fishermen, laborers and artisans, to enjoy it. Lazarus does not tell us, how much of this kind of taxation, it will require, to secure the advent of roast beef and plum-pudding. Our great public works indeed! When Canada has laid her yoke on our necks, and swallowed up all our revenue, and we have expended the paltry pittance, allowed us for our support, we shall have to make our public works without money, as the JEWS, in similar bondage, made their bricks without straw!

EFFECT OF CONFEDERATION ON MANUFACTURES.

But the most amusing and encouraging picture, presented to us, is the magical effect Confederation is to have upon our manufactures. Nova Scotia is to manufacture, not only for the con-