

the extension of such industries; and to those already named may also be added the

#### MARINE RAILWAY

which was built in 1870,—an institution which is as great a convenience to the shipping interest, as it is capable of proving a lucrative investment to its stockholders. The construction of Gasworks, the stockholders of which were incorporated in 1862;\* the convenience of the Telegraph, which was first used in 1851; the several companies of firemen with their efficient engines, the first of which was imported from Boston, September 5th, 1840—are all marks of a growing community.

Whatever other societies or organizations are unnamed, honourable mention ought to be made of the

YARMOUTH COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES, which, although they are co-extensive with the County and Township, have their centre of influence in the Town. The one hundred and seventy-five cultivated acres of 1764, have given place to fifty thousand: the one hundred and fifty-six sheep to ten thousand: and the two hundred and seventy-two cattle to ten thousand. The poorer breeds are yielding to better imported stocks; the rude and inefficient implements of a bye-gone epoch, are rapidly giving way to improved farming instruments; weedy and poor land is being transformed into land, comparatively rich and well drained; and certainly, very much of this improvement is directly due to those societies.†

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\* The streets of the Town were lighted by gas for the first time on the night of May 9th, 1871.

† The exertions of Mr. Charles E. Brown on behalf of a more intelligent system of farming, ought to be recorded in this connection.