

amidst these tranquil scenes is to gain new health and nobler aspirations. It is to realize the true import of life.

Newfoundland is no longer a remote and an inaccessible island. It can now be reached in a few hours by rail with all the comforts of modern travel, save a six hours sail in an elegant steamship. Warm suns, genial skies and the bright landscapes of a fair country await the comer, and this welcome is emphasized by an earnest and a kindly people, who, like other earthly pilgrims, are struggling along the rugged path of life, toiling, hoping, aspiring amidst successes and defeats, in sunlight and in gloom, for the better days to come.

At no period in its history have the prospects of the colony been so bright as at the present time. The railway has wrought a change in its internal affairs and in its relation to the world at large, which involves a material and social revolution. New men, new life, new industries and new customs are the inevitable results that must come from this great public work.

This book appears at the dawn of this advancing movement, with the purpose and the hope of aiding in its progress. It is a concise statement of history and development presented in attractive form and is commended to seekers for information of this ancient colony, of whose auspicious destiny it is prophetic.

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