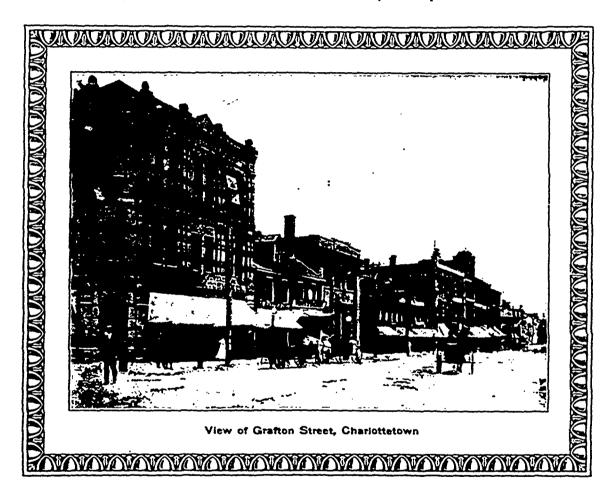
of this westward migration, they can be purchased more? cheaply now than a few years ago, before the movement began, or than they can be purchased a few years hence when it begins to slacken. These are the farms suited to the old-country farmer, with his knowledge of practical and scientific agriculture, and his experience and training under old and settled environments.

It cannot be claimed that Prince Edward Island is a place for a farmer without any means to seek a home. Farms are too valuable, and cost too much money, and such a man, while he would likely come out all right in the end, if he be industrious and a good practical agriculturist, would yet start with a burden of debt for the purchase and equipment of his farm, which

munity, where his old-country experience stands him in good stead. The conditions he meets with are familiar to him, though in a modified and new form. Compared with the land he has left, this province is new. Here he will find neighbours on every side, within easy reach of his door. He finds a school for his children, in which a free elementary education is provided. Should he desire to give them a higher education he can do so at small cost. Every settlement has its church. What the new-comer requires on his farm, or in his house, he can readily procure. Compared with other new countries, the population is dense. Compared with Great Britain, or the countries of Continental Europe, it is sparse.



would be a handicap for years. The island is eminently adapted for a practical farmer with some capital, who can buy his farm, and start unburdened with debt. Such a man with a few hundred pounds can scarcely fail of success.

To such men, the island offers a healthy and pleasant climate. It gives him an abundance of good water, and a very fertile soil. His taxes are so small as to be scarcely worth considering. He has sure markets, and has water carriage to carry his produce cheaply to those markets. Accustomed to an old-country farm, which has been under cultivation for centuries, the change is to a comparatively new country, but it is not a violent change. He comes to an old settled com-

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A settler from the Old Country, writing to a friend, says in part: "I don't think anywhere in Canada can there be found so many comfortably-off farmers as in Prince Edward Island; and the fine farmyards and buildings, the live stock and implements all testify to the average prosperity of the Islanders. Progressive farmers from the Old Country would find this a Paradise indeed, for the soil is so rich, the harvest so plentiful, that one half the labor expended on the farms in Scotland would bring results that would make Old Country farmers green with envy."