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## ST. JOHN'S MERCHANTS

Something About The Men Who Started The  
Trade of This City.

By Clarence Ward

Let us take a glance at the old merchants and their times. In the scope of a Magazine article, it can only be very brief and incomplete, a mere outline, as a volume could be written without exhausting the subject. It is to be hoped that some day justice will be done to the memory of the founders of the City, and a proper acknowledgement made of their indomitable energy in establishing on this rocky peninsula a flourishing community of merchants, trading in that early day, not only with the adjoining republic, but the West and East Indies and even Africa. It has been the fashion to speak slightly of them as being aristocratic, asserting a position of superiority from