

It does seem to me to be a grave mistake in the trade policy of this country to allow the exportation of so much raw material without some restriction, or in some way providing for its being manufactured at home, and thereby extracting from it all the wealth we are naturally entitled to; and I hope this will come under the eyes of Nova Scotians who have patriotism and money enough to enable them to do their duty in this matter.

But I must not weary the reader, and in conclusion, with the utmost respect, I

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THIS LITTLE BOOK TO

The Fair Daughters of Acadia.

*The Mayflower buds in simple beauty bring
Home to the heart the first glad thoughts of Spring ;*

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*Long may we greet its charms at early morn,
Long may its buds Acadia's wilds adorn ;
Long may its tints, so delicately rare,
Rival the bloom her lovely daughters wear.*

HON. JOSEPH HOWE.

Her Majesty's Birthday, 1899.

THE AUTHOR.