

# **Nova Scotia**

## **Entered Confederation: 1867**

Before it joined Canada, Nova Scotia had many industries, such as shipbuilding, farming and railways. People in this prosperous colony had different opinions about Confederation. Each side had a leader who did what he thought was right for the future of Nova Scotia.

- Charles Tupper was the leader of the government. He believed that joining Canada would be good for Nova Scotia. After talking with the other leaders at the Charlottetown and Quebec conferences, he agreed to bring Nova Scotia into Confederation.
- Joseph Howe was against Confederation, and believed that the people of the colony were against it also. Howe was right. In the next federal election Nova Scotians voted against Confederation. Charles Tupper was the only person elected to the House of Commons who supported it. The other eighteen people elected, including Joseph Howe, were against Confederation. They wanted Nova Scotia to leave Canada. There was also a provincial election in 1867. William Annand, another person who did not like Confederation, was chosen as premier.