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## NOTES BY THE WAY

A Visit to The Old Episcopal Church.

### FRENCH BURYING PLACE

The Graves of Nearly All of The Early Settlers Washed Away.

An hour or two after my arrival in Port Hill I determined to take advantage of the few hours which I had to spend, and as I drew near I thought that the place, that would be my abode, was quiet and perhaps a contrast to the crowded streets of city life.

I shall not entertain your readers with many trifling descriptions of sights. Whenever I do diverge from the track I have prescribed to myself, it will be to point out something. Still one can hardly visit Port Hill without saying something of the material, and I shall take this occasion to refer briefly to some points that impressed me after years' absence.

Securing a team we drove to the Episcopal Church. We entered the church yard by a small gate, and it was a strange sensation to find one's self in the midst of tablets bearing the epitaphs of many of those whom I knew when a boy. I can only liken it to the emotion one might feel in unexpectedly finding himself a unit in this vast universe. As I passed amongst the silent toombs I felt a thrill of the nerves as I read the inscriptions. The grave yard is getting pretty well filled now, and I thought of the beautiful lines, "Sleep on Beloved Sleep."

Then we came to the door of the venerable church. The old threshold worn with the feet of those who had passed to their reward. Modern structures may meet the ideas of today, but the lingering thoughts of that old sanctuary cast a shadow on the new church across the way. The door was locked and we were not permitted to enter, but we climbed up and looked in at the window. The appearance of the church was substantially the same as years ago. The old pulpit on the left side of the chancel has been removed, but all looked about as when last visited.

The new church across the way is a fine structure. I did not enquire the exact seating capacity of the building, but I was told that it was ample for the congregation that assembled from Sunday to Sunday.

The church, I learned, is not built according to plan and specifications, and it does not stand the wind and storm as well as if it had been so built. But taken as a whole it is a noble edifice.

In this letter I intend to say something of the other grave yard, and that is the old French burying place at Low Point. We drove on through Port Hill, passing many familiar spots. The old cannon that had on special occasions belched forth the proclamation of the united happiness of some of Port Hill's youth is not to be seen. One inquired I was told that it had been removed and the spot that knew it then knows it no more.

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ground or what was the last resting place of many of the early settlers.

After passing through a large field—a historic field no doubt—for in that field are to be found many of the cellars of the early settlers. The ridges of the primitive cultivation tell something of their mode of farming. The historical information to be obtained was very meagre and I was compelled to content myself with the material things.

We are at the edge of the bank about twenty feet above the sea. Upon inquiry, I was told that the one hundred graves that were there one hundred years ago, are nearly all washed away. Only a part of two remain to mark the last resting place of the departed.

We descended about half way and walked around a projection of sandstone. From the indications along the bank we saw the remains of four graves. The bones had fallen out and where we walked it was evident that others had preceded us and pulled out the clay in search for relics of the dead.

The gentleman who aided me in locating the spot told that some years ago he found a skull in which was a perfectly sound set of teeth with the exception that a space had been worn in the front by the use of a pipe.

It is a sad thought as one gazes across the placid river until his eyes rest on Bird Island or it may be Hogg Island, that the restless waves have not been content with their many victims, but have lashed the bank and disturbed those in the quietness of death, with their never ceasing activity.

It is said that some of the Indians of Lennox Island have seen a spirit moving over the spot and have taken it as an indication that the bones should be removed and reburied. Hence a number came over and took them to the Island.

Some years ago many people believed that there was money buried in the vicinity and in order to find the treasure a mineral rod was procured. The indication was that it was hidden in an old fire place. Thither the party went but the search was fruitless and it is now thought that the early inhabitants had little money to conceal anywhere. Such then was my visit to this historic spot.

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