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## VOYAGE TO PORTO RICO

A Letter Written By A Charlottetonian.

### PEOPLE AND CLIMATE

Interesting Account Of The Houses and The Mode Of Transport.

It was a bright day in May and a gentle breeze blowing from the South West, when work at vessel was completed, crew all on board and preparations for the voyage finished, that the Captain came to me and told me he would start in the afternoon.



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wharf, who had assembled to say good bye and wish us a safe and pleasant trip, were slowly towed out the magnificent Harbor of Halifax.

The first sight we come to of interest was Georges' Island which consists of a fort and lighthouse. On our right was Point Pleasant Park, and a little further on McNabb's Island, the latter is strongly fortified.

Further on to our left was Trump Cape Shoal, a very dangerous place, and where many ships have been wrecked, the last ill fated ship being the brig, "Irma" owned in Charlottetown.

The last point of land passed was Sambro, a small island on which is a lighthouse. As we left the land far behind and were standing out to sea I thought it would be well to give a short description of the vessel and its crew.

The "Irma" for that is the name of our ship, is a topsail schooner of about 150 tons owned by G. P. Mitchell & Sons of Halifax, and manned by a crew of seven, of whom John Fanning of Halifax is the captain. The crew consisted of one German one Norwegian; one Porto Rican; and the rest Nova Scotians.

Our steward was a "cocker" and well capable of satisfying the inner man and sea sickness did not prevent us from partaking of his pea soup and plum duff. The days passed away very pleasantly though the wind was light and we sailed very slowly.

We saw an ocean liner and a sail now and then but generally they were quite a distance off, though one night a very large one passed within hailing distance, and looked very pretty with her electric lights.

When you get well into the Gulf Stream quite a change is evident in the sea fowl and grasses, the birds are very pretty and their bright plumage is quite a contrast to our northern birds. The Mether Caray's chickens and plover birds are numerous, and are constantly around the vessel.

I saw quite a number of whales spouting about a quarter of a mile from us. Dolphin and black fish were plentiful. I caught a large dolphin, which would weigh between twenty five and thirty pounds, with a line I had attached to the stern of the vessel. The hook was baited with white cotton. We had quite a tussle before he was safely landed on deck where he lashed around furiously until killed with a marlin spike. They are of a gray colour and turn a bright golden when dying.

One night it was blowing quite a breeze I was standing on deck when I was suddenly struck a blow on the face by something which fell to the deck. On picking it up I found it to be a flying fish which had been attracted by the lights on the ship. I don't know what made him take me for a "shining light" but they are a curious fish and when pursued by a larger fish, rise from the water and fly quite a distance.

The first land we came in sight of was Virgin Gorda, a British Island. Next in sight is Tortola, St John, then St. Thomas, a Danish possession, which has a very powerful light house on its coast. There are also clusters of smaller islands between these islands which are very high and are many feet above the sea level. One small island called French Man's Cape near St. Thomas is very striking, [particularly so if the ship went against it on a dark night.] It is in the shape of a cup, and is composed of an immense rock. It has a cluster of bay trees on the top.

Next in sight is the light house on Colubra Island, which is on the Western side of Virgin passage, about twenty miles from Eastern end of Porto Rico. This island is now in possession of the Americans.

You next pass Crab Island, which is about twenty miles long; it is very fertile and produces quantities of sugar and bay leaf, which is manufactured

into bay rum. One quart of bay oil extracted from the leaf is supposed to make 100 gallons bay rum.

At last we came in sight of Porto Rico, our destination. As we sailed in closer we saw how well the island was protected by reefs. A signal is run up for the pilot and in a few minutes he was seen leaving the shore. We came alongside and got on board and soon had us safely through the reefs, and at a safe anchorage about 1/2 of a mile from shore. There are no wharves in Porto Rico except a stone quay in San Juan and all vessels discharge and load their cargo either by rafts or lighters.

Arroyo, the town we landed at is a small settlement of houses, and the population would be about 1000; but as two and sometimes four families go to one small house, of three rooms, and only one ground story, it would not take many houses to shelter the population.

The plantation owners and merchants live in the suburbs of Arroyo which are all one storey high with a balcony all around and covered with a profusion of flowers of all colors. You seldom see a house with glass in the windows; the windows, you might call them doors, run down to the ground and opening out on the balconies. There would be about two of these doors to each side of a room; the rooms extending from one side of house to the other. There is a kind of shutter on the door that can be opened to let the light in. The floors are of polished wood with very little covering on them on account of insects.

The beds have all a wire frame extending nearly to the ceiling, which has a sort of muslin netting on it, and when you retire you let down the sides and you are protected by the light net-work from all sorts of insects and reptiles. Furniture is very hard to keep in Porto Rico, as the insects eat into the wood and it soon falls to pieces.

We arrived on Sunday morning and as soon as the doctor and other officials had come on board and examined the crew and vessel I went ashore and was surprised to see all the natives merry making. Shops were open; gambling on the streets; some of the younger people racing on native ponies. However, I was soon introduced to an American officer, who was controller of customs, and he told me that they never keep Sunday in any other way than to make it a feast and holiday; so I at once started to follow the rule and

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went to the barber's, who kept a barber shop and restaurant in one room. I had my hair cut but preferred going out on board ship for dinner.

I thought I would like to see some of the country and having heard of a pretty town called Guyama decided to drive there; so taking a coach with two restive ponies we started.

The scenery is beautiful, large fields of sugar cane, corn and cocconut groves, bananas and plantain; and also patches of pine apple are seen. All along the road is bordered with large trees covered with red flowers and cactus. After a pleasant drive of five miles we reach Guyama, in the centre of which is a large Plaza (square) with shady walks, beds of blooming roses and all sorts of flowers such as are only known in southern climates.

It is one of the Spanish customs for the Spanish ladies to remain in the house all day, and in the evening until about 10 o'clock to promenade on the Plaza, chaperoned always by the Senora (their mothers.) There was a large ball given in the Club house on Sunday evening. We received invitations and decided to stay over till next morning.

The ball room was decorated with flags, among them the most prominent was the Stars and Stripes.

The ladies wore some very beautiful costumes; the dances are, especially the waltzes, the same as ours at home. Lancers are however, quite different. Their favourite dance is called the Danza, which is a very slow movement—more like walking than dancing. We

were not allowed to be wall flowers long. A Spanish gentleman soon made his way over to us and asked us if we would dance a waltz, (walse). We consented, for "when you are in Rome you have to do as Rome does." We were introduced and took our places. The ladies could not speak one word of English and as I did not know any Spanish, and it was too warm for me to dance, I walked the lady around the room till she was out of breath, then took her to a chair, and upon turning around a few minutes later saw her on the floor with a Spaniard whom the climate did not affect.

E. H. M.

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