

THE TRAMP-FISHERMEN.

In the winter of 1868, half a dozen men erected a wooden shanty near Salmon Cove, just south of the harbor of St. Johns, Newfoundland.

They were strangers to the people around, were civil, quiet and industrious.

They kept themselves to themselves, and employed their leisure in fishing when the weather permitted.

For this purpose they used a schooner-rigged vessel they brought with them.

The account they gave of themselves was that they had come to win a wager that, they could rough it in a wooden shelter on the inhospitable coast of Newfoundland during winter.

Though subsequent to their arrival, daring robberies had been more frequent, and many of them attended with thrilling incidents, still no one suspected the strangers of any participation in them.

In the spring, on a cold, stormy night, the farm-house of the eccentric and wealthy Ben Williams, situated on the outskirts of the town of St. Johns, not far above Lake Quidi Vidi, was entered and robbed of articles of much value.

This robbery was involved in much mystery.

The house was occupied by the farmer, his wife, two sons and three daughters, besides two servant-women who slept below on the first floor.

Four farm hands slept in an adjoining building, and a dog kept watch in the yard.

When the household awoke in the morning they found that thieves had been in. The servant women were gagged, and tied hand and foot in their bed. The watch-dog was dead without any apparent cause.

The servants stated that two men, masked, with dark lanterns, entered their room while they were asleep. One was awake by some one tying her feet. She was about to scream when a man at the foot of the bed pointed his revolver at her, and told her to be still or he would fire. They were both bound and gagged when the robbers left them. They could hear them moving about but dared not make any noise for fear of their lives.

Snow had fallen through the night, and foot-prints were traced in it to the shore of Lake Quidi Vidi, and there lost.

The tramps evidently had taken a boat there.

The lake shore was searched for further tracks. None were found till the parties reached the stream by which the lake partly empties itself into the harbor of St. Johns at Maggoty Cove. Here the tramps had landed and walked down the stream to the cove where they must have embarked again.

The police were informed that foot-prints had been seen at the boat-shelter on the south side of the harbor, and traced to the cabin of the strangers. The police waited till night, so that they would catch the fish in their own net.

At the hour appointed the police surrounded the cabin. The sergeant demanded admittance. The door was opened and the police entered.

"What is the meaning of this intrusion?" inquired one of the inmates. The sergeant explained.

"Then what do you take us for?" interrogated the spokesman, indignantly. "I am simply performing my duty, sir. And if you feel aggrieved, you can appeal to the police-court to-morrow."

"I shall see to it," replied the spokesman indignantly.

The cabin was searched but nothing was found that could implicate the fishermen with any of the robberies. They accounted for the foot-prints to their cabin, with the explanation that some of them had gone to the harbor to see to the security of their boat moored there.

The police left, satisfied of the innocence of the fishermen.

Some few mornings after this occurrence, the watchman in charge of an extensive jewelry establishment, had his attention drawn to a peculiar noise as of something approaching him from the ground floor of the building.

He was in the dark. Presently he was aware of a person being near him. The object passed. Another approached and passed him. A third was coming slowly. It also glided by. They evidently knew the way, even in the dark. Silently, the watchman awaited the result.

They struck a light and looked cautiously around. Then opened the cases containing the most valuable jewelry.

Wishing to capture the entire party, if possible, the watchman quietly left the premises to inform the police.

He was met by a man outside, who inquired where he was going. The watchman sprang his rattle, and was instantly in the powerful arms of the stranger, and forced backward to the

ground. A blow on the head from a cudgel silenced him.

The rattle had aroused both robbers and police. The latter arrived just in time to see four men emerge from the rear of the premises, and run along the street.

They gave chase. As their demand to halt was disobeyed, they discharged their revolvers after the fugitives.

One fell but he was soon up again, and joined the others. They turned down a by-street which led to the harbor.

The tramps here turned and fired at the police, then separated, taking different directions, and they were lost sight of.

Whilst searching around, the police discovered a figure crouched in a dark corner, where he had crept for concealment, if possible.

He was bleeding from a dangerous wound, and was much exhausted.

He refused to answer any questions put to him.

He was taken to the station, and had his wound dressed.

The next morning he was recognized as one of the stranger fishermen, from Salmon Bay.

A squad of police were dispatched to their hut. The fishermen were away in their boat. Everything remained in their cabin as though they had merely gone on a fishing voyage. They did not return on the next day.

The wounded man was still reticent. He was informed by the surgeon that from the nature of the wound internally he could not recover. He was also told that his companions had left Salmon Cove, not to return.

Now, he spoke for the first time. His sentences were incoherent, he was so prostrated.

He said he knew he could not recover. He knew his companions would leave. 'Twas part of the programme, when one was captured. They knew if he got over his wound, he could find them.

He refused to say where they had come from, or where they had gone to.

He died during the night, and the mystery respecting them is to this day unsolved.

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SILAS BARNARD,
Executor of the last Will and Testament of James Coles, deceased, Complainant.

AND

THOMAS REILLY,
CATHERINE REILLY and
MARY G. REILLY, by her Guardian,
Hannah Reilly, Defendants.

In pursuance of a decree made in this suit by His Honor the Vice Chancellor, bearing date the nineteenth day of November, instant, A. D. 1878, there will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of February next, A. D. 1879, at twelve o'clock, noon, at the Supreme Court House in Charlottetown, in Queen's County-

ALL that Tract, Piece or Parcel of Land, being part of Town Lot Number Eighty-nine in the third hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown, commencing at the northeast angle of said Town Lot, on the southeast edge of Kent Street; thence, following the course of the same, westwardly for the distance of eighty-six feet and eight inches; thence, by a right-angle line with said Kent Street, south-eastwardly for the distance of forty-eight feet and six inches; thence, by a line parallel with said Kent Street, eastwardly for the distance of thirty feet; thence, by a right angle therewith, north-westwardly for the distance of six feet; thence by a line running north-eastwardly to the southwest angle of the dwelling house; thence, by a line at right angles with the course of Prince Street, eastwardly thirty-one feet to the westward edge of said Prince Street; thence, following the course of the same, north-westwardly thirty-one feet to the place of commencement; together with the buildings and improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging.

Dated this Twentieth day of November, A. D. 1878.

T. HEATH HAVILAND,
Master in Chancery.

NELSON McLEOD,
Solicitor for Complainant. } nov 22 law t s

MORTGAGE SALE.

To be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Court House in Summerside, Prince County, Prince Edward Island, on Tuesday, the Seventh day of January next, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, under a Power of Sale in an Indenture of Mortgage, dated the 3rd day of December, 1875, and made between John Young, of Summerside, in Prince County, Prince Edward Island, blockmaker, of the one part, and Daniel Hodgson, of Charlottetown, in Queen's County, said Island, Esquire, of the other part-

ALL that piece or parcel of land situate in the northern part of Summerside aforesaid, and described as follows, viz.: Commencing at a stake fixed in the northeast angle of James Brazil's lot; thence running eastwardly one hundred and eighty feet (180 feet), or to land lately held by Henry Tuplin; thence northwardly five (5) chains, or to land lately held by Angus McMillan; thence westwardly along the said Angus McMillan's south boundary, one hundred and eighty feet (180 feet); thence southwardly five (5) chains, to the point of commencement, containing, by estimation, one acre, one rood and nineteen poles, a little more or less, and is part of a plot of land purchased by Thomas Crabbe from Patrick Brown.

Also, all that tract, piece or parcel of land situate in the northern part of the Town of Summerside, and bounded as follows, viz.: Commencing at a stake fixed at the north edge of St. James Street, in the south angle of Town Lot Number Twenty (20), running thence northwardly ninety and one quarter (90 1/4) feet; thence eastwardly ninety feet (90 feet) to the west line of Town Lot Number Twenty-eight; thence southwardly to the street aforesaid ninety and one quarter feet (90 1/4 feet); thence along said street westwardly ninety feet (90 feet), to the place of commencement, and known as Town Lot Number Twenty-four (24), sold by Very Rev. James McDonald by Auction, on the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

Also, all that tract, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Lot or Township Number Seventeen, in Prince County, Prince Edward Island, and is bounded as follows, that is to say: Commencing at a stake fixed on the south side of St. James Street, running westwardly ninety feet (90 feet); thence southwardly ninety feet three inches (90 feet 3 inches); thence eastwardly ninety feet (90 feet); thence northwardly ninety feet three inches (90 feet 3 inches), to the place of commencement, making and including Lot Number Twenty-three in the Town Plot of Summerside, as planned and surveyed on land formerly owned by Jonathan Weatherbie, and said lot being marked on the said plan, number twenty-three, as therein laid out; and described, containing, by estimation, eight thousand one hundred and twenty-two square feet, be the same a little more or less, together with all buildings and improvements thereon and appurtenances to the same belonging.

For further particulars apply at the office of Messrs. HODGSON & McLEOD, Solicitors, Charlottetown.

Dated this Fourth day of December, A. D. 1878.

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Mortgagee.

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