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OLD TIMES IN P. E. ISLAND.

WHILE the god of necessity was almost continually urging forward our pioneer farmers, there were not wanting compensations, even in their lone log cabins in the midst of the wilderness. The early settler in P. E. Island was not at all troubled about the duty on oil or the price of electric light. He couldn't go to his telephone in the evening and hold a conversation with his friend in the nearest town concerning the day's doings in Great Britain or the situation in China. But, seated before his blazing wood-fire—wood was plentiful in those days—in the wide fireplace, with an immense back-log steaming and fizzing at the ends, he could enjoy his evening pipe, and toss his babies on his knee, or divide among them the home-made maple sugar, while he listened to the whirr of the little spinning wheel or the click of the quick shuttle as his industrious wife spun the flax or wool or wove the web of coarse linen or woolen cloth with which he and they were to be protected from the cold. When a neighbor paid him a visit, he could discuss the latest news from the nearest post office or talk over the old times in the old land. If to his industry were added good judgement and good health he could rest and sleep in peace, none making him afraid. He retired early and rose before the sun. His tastes were simple; his desires few. He lived close to nature and to nature's God. He conquered the wilderness and prospered.

In the course of seven or eight or ten years from the time of his arrival, the roots of the stumps of the trees which he at first cut down, were sufficiently decayed to be taken out. Then began the heavy work of stumping. In this work our pioneer farmer was often assisted by his neighbors, he in turn assisting them, with horse or yoke of oxen. Every succeeding summer he would have a "stumping frolic,"—in which all the men and boys near by would take an active part—ending by a dance with the girls and a "goose supper" in the evening. The stumps out, or partially out, there was soon a new development of farming in Prince Edward Island. A rough, home-made, wooden plough, with a wooden mould-board, was introduced, and this was followed by the "crotch-harrow." This latter implement was simply a small hard-wood tree, trimmed of all but two stout branches, into each of which a few wooden teeth were inserted. When in use the stem of the tree was attached to the oxen's yoke, and the branches, with the teeth, formed the harrow and pulverized the friable soil. Large, untired and broad-wheeled wooden carts were soon added, and roads were, by degrees, cut through the forest, stumped, and cleared.

The way and the work were thus made easier for our pioneer farmers and their sons. They began to enlarge their borders with greater rapidity than at the beginning. A strong demand for ship timber and lumber continued; and the winters were fruit profitably spent in the woods. In the spring the plough and harrow were kept moving over an ever-widening extent of clearance; and in the autumn or fall loads of oats and potatoes were taken to the nearest ports and shipped to the market of England and the United States.

Attracted by reports of prosperous times in P. E. Island, or forced to move by the pressure of hard times at home, or actuated by both these motives combined, shiploads of immigrants occasionally came out from England, Ireland and Scotland.

"Catarrh"

was my great affliction for a number of years. Doctors did not help me. By a friend's advice I began using your medicines, and was perfectly cured after taking three bottles of

Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

J. MURPHY, 173 Mulberry St., Newark, N.J.

These accepted holdings in the woods adjacent to the earlier clearings. In their efforts to subdue the forest, these later settlers had the advantage of the roads, mills and other conveniences obtained as a result of the labours of the earlier settlers, and they on their part supplied to the little colony in the woods some of the products of handicraft and culture in the mother-land. Not the least important of these were the peripatetic preachers and teachers who went from cabin to cabin, preaching and teaching during the days and evenings, and sleeping at nights in the big "settle bed" upon the cabin floor.

The whole of Prince Edward Island, a & its early inhabitants, were thus, for the most part, gradually brought into a state of cultivation. Year by year, larger crops of oats and potatoes were grown for consumption at home and shipment abroad. The reaping hook, ere long, gave place to the scythe and cradle, and the ponderous six-horse threshing machine was used instead of the simple flail. The Crimean war, the India mutiny, the more recent civil war in the United States, and the Franco-German war had the effect of quickening the prices of farm produce over a considerable period; and, at the same time there was a demand for wooden ships while yet our supply of timber was unexhausted.

MARK TWAIN MEETS HIS MATCH.

Although it is some time since Mark Twain left South Africa, South Africans follow the doings of the author of "The Innocents Abroad" with lively interest writes a correspondent by this mail; "During Mark Twain's recent lecturing visit to the Rand, a certain well known doctor, a very genial Irishman, had occasion to take a train to Krugersdorp on the day after he had attended a lecture by the great humorist. He had snugly ensconced himself in an empty carriage, which was just starting, when Mark Twain himself entered and took the opposite seat. The doctor at once recognized the newcomer, and having a keen appreciation of Mr. Clemens' spoofing abilities, intended to have a little fun on his own account.

"After a few commonplace, Mark Twain said: 'You are an Englishman, I presume? I'd sedth to be any such thing.' 'I replied the doctor, 'I was born and reared in this country. I am a Transvaal Boer, and I am proud of it.' Mark Twain looked surprised, but brought the conversation round ple sanly to politics, and soon formed a fair estimate of the deep-rooted prejudices and rampant Anglophobia of the Boer from the bitterness and vehemence of the Doctor's remarks.

"Later on the Doctor asked who his companion might be? 'Oh, I am Mr. Clemens—Mark Twain; y' know!' 'Never heard of you before,' said the doctor; and what do you do for a living? 'Lecturer, write books, and things of that sort,' was the modest rejoinder. 'You seem to be a knowledgeable sort of man mused the Doctor, reflectively. 'From your talk, I judge you are simply throwing your time away. You have all the characteristics of a born politician; and it's a thousand pities you are not a son of the soil, for you would have splendid opportunities of using your talking powers in the service of the country.'

"Mark Twain regarded the other in silence for a few minutes, his eyes screwed up in an inquisitive manner, and then suddenly launched into an account of some incidents in his travels. Speaking of pictures he mentioned the name of Albert Burer 'Durel' corrected the Doctor. 'And Velastian—' 'Velasquez!' again corrected the imperturbable Doctor. At the second interruption Mark Twain stood up, extended his hand, and said: 'Shake hands, Sir. When I meet a Transvaal Boer with a knowledge of the fine art; a Boer with a rich blending of the Cork and Tipperary brogues; a Boer whose portmanteau is marked 'O'Flaherty,' and who smokes cigarettes in preference to a pipe, I know I have struck a man whose acquaintance is worth cultivating and cherishing. All here is Krugersdorp. Come right away with me to the hotel, and I will read you all my books, for your knowledge is rough and unshaped, and I will cut and polish it for you.' And he did—with drinks!"

Its Use Discovered.

"What is the use of the vermiform appendix?" asked the teacher of the class in physiology.

"The vermiform appendix," promptly answered Tommy Tucker, "is useful to keep things out of."—Chicago Tribune.

Just Try It.

If you would know the vast unknown, It need but to your lot befall
To meet and talk an hour with
The man who thinks he knows it all.
—Richmond Dispatch.

Reasonable Objection.

"Hepperton says he won't marry any one but a widow."
"I hope he won't marry mine."—Indianapolis Journal.

Love and Lovers.

Love is indeed a paradox.
Lovers! As to these,
Some think they are a pair of ducks
And some a pair of geese!
—Detroit Journal.

Stolen Fruit.

Alice—Stolen fruit tastes the sweetest.
Tom—Yes. I kissed a peach last night.
—New York Journal.

By Blazing Eyes.

With blazing eyes she bade him go—
In fact, her look inspired,
So heated was its sudden glow,
The thought that he was fired.
—Detroit News.

Quaint Squire Higgins.

Contrary to existing belief and the newspaper paragraphs, neither Arkansas nor Georgia has a corner on all the rustic simplicity and blissful ignorance in Uncle Sam's domain. Squire James Higgins of Brooklyn township, Schuyler county, is 65 years of age. He lives on the farm on which he was born and has never been farther than 30 miles from his own hearthstone. He never rode on a railroad train, never saw a steamboat, a theatrical performance or a game of baseball.

Mr. Higgins has been a justice of the peace for Brooklyn township without a break in the consecutive links of time since 1861. No decision handed down from his bench has ever been reversed by a higher court. He has married more than 500 couples and points with pride to the fact that none of them ever appealed to a divorce court for a severance of the matrimonial bond. Squire Higgins is a bachelor and says that he cannot remember that he ever paid court to any young woman. He also says that he is one of the few "Andrew Jackson Democrats" in the country.—Blandinsville (Ill.) Star.

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Senator Foraker's New House.

Speaking of Senator Foraker's new house in Washington, now approaching completion, a correspondent of the Chicago Record says: "The house promises to be a beautiful specimen of architecture and is large enough to accommodate a considerable colony of the senator's friends. The material is yellow fire brick, trimmed with gray sandstone. The interior is arranged for entertaining, and in the basement are a number of rooms which the senator has planned for offices for himself and clerks. Senator and Mrs. Foraker have not been known as society people. While governor of Ohio he was hospitable and performed all the social duties required of him in a manner beyond criticism, but after his retirement from office he removed to Cincinnati, where he lived quietly, devoting himself to his profession and picking up business enough to make him rich, while Mrs. Foraker devoted herself to the education of her children and the care of an invalid child, to whom both she and the senator have shown the most touching devotion."

P. E. Island Railway

On and after MONDAY, 27th Dec., 1897, trains of this Railway will run daily, (Sundays excepted), as under.

Trains Outward.	STATIONS.	Trains Inward.
P. M.	Charlottetown	A. M.
3 10	Royalton Junction	2 30
3 30	North Wiltshire	2 16
4 17	Hunter River	1 40
4 31	Bradallane	1 28
5 05	Emerald	1 00
5 13	Freetown	12 53
5 27	Kensington	12 42
5 47	Ar.	12 23
6 20	S' Side	12 00
P. M.	Lv.	A. M.
12 50	Miscouche	10 30
1 11	Wellington	10 10
1 37	Port Hill	9 47
2 19	O'Leary	9 09
3 34	Bloomfield	8 00
3 58	Alberton	7 34
4 34	Tignish	6 55
5 30		6 09
A. M.		A. M.
2 30	Charlottetown	10 55
2 50	Royalton Junction	10 10
3 23	Bedford	9 37
55	Mt Stewart	9 05
10	Cardigan	8 50
a 22	Georgetown	7 35
5 45		7 10
P. M.		A. M.
4 05	Mt. Stewart	8 55
4 43	Morel	8 17
5 12	St. Peters	7 48
5 57	Bear River	7 03
6 40	Souris	6 20
P. M.		A. M.
5 15	Emerald	7 50
6 05	Cape Traverse	7 01
P. M.		A. M.

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Sale of Old Cathedral

I am instructed by the Cathedral Building Committee, to sell by Public Auction on Friday, the 14th day of January, inst., at the hour of 2 o'clock, p. m., the Old St. Dunstan's Cathedral, as it now stands on its present site. Also all timber used as underpinning beneath the church; and also a quantity of Stove Pipe and several Base-burner Stoves.

Jan 4—31 eod.

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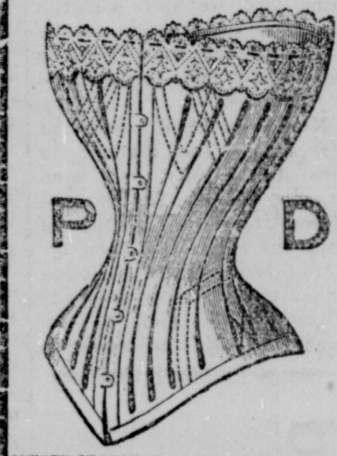
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