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THE MALISEETS

From the Treaty of Paris to the American **Revolution.**-Indian Migrations.-Village of Aukpaque.--Early Maps of the River. Route to Quebec.-Indian Couriers. (25)

In this article we shall take a glance at the condition of affairs on the upper St. John during the comparatively tranquil period from the treaty of Paris in 1763, to the commencement of the revolutionary war in 1774. The Indians of Acadia always were a wandering people, not merely on account of natural restlessness and love of change, but of sheer necessity. Depending largely as they did upon hunting and fishing for subsistence they moved from place to place at different seasons in order to pursue these avocations to advantage. Accordingly we find that in addition to their more permanent villages of Madawaska, Meductic, Aukpaque, etc., they had camping grounds at the mouth of the Meduxnakic. Tobique and other tributaries of the St. John, also along the shores of various lakes. To these places they resorted periodically for hunting and fishing. The knowledge of the physical features of the country acquired by the Indians in their ordinary migrations was very considerable, and it was still further extended during the wars which have been described in these articles. The Indians were then summoned by their allies, the French, from all quarters

to the defence of Louisbourg, Bausejour and Quebec, and in the course of the several campaigns the whole region eastward of the Connecticut river as far as the Gulf of St. Lawrence was so frequently travelled by their war parties that there was scarcely an the natural features of this immense tract of country, and known by all the principal encampments throughout the length and breadth of northern Acadia. One of the consequences of such mutual intercourses was the tribes of the Abenaki family but also between the Maliseets and Micmacs. Our whom we shall have more to say by and by. Before the American revolution he carried on an extensive trade with the savages, in the terspersed in this country, enables them to take their women, children and baggage may lead them, and their natural propensity for roving is such that you will see families in the course of a year go through the great-Kennebec to the Gulf of St. Lawrence" At certain seasons the St. John river Indians travelled by way of the Meductic portage to the Cheputueticook and Schoodic lakes at the head of the river St. Croix to engage in fishing and hunting. At these favorite camping grounds one might pass one day and see only scattering wigwams and the next observe vilreference to this map will be made when we come to speak of Capt. John Munroe's tour of the river made in the summer of the year 1783.

During the great final struggle between England and France for supremacy in North America (A. D. 1744 to 1763) the ordinary route of travel by which Quebec kept in touch with the French strongholds in Acadia was by way of the river St. John. War parties of French and Indians passed up and down the river from time to time and messages were transmitted by couriers between the Governor at Quebec and his subordinates in Acadia. The French had a garrisoned post at Grand Falls in 1755 and post houses were established at regular intervals along the banks of the river for the convenience of travellers. In the spring and fall when the water was high the Indians were able to make rapid journeys and were known to deliver letters to the French commander at the mouth of the St. John in four days from Quebec a distance of 450 miles. This statement is on the authority of Col. John Allan and there is nothing improbable about it. In the year 1887 the Messrs Straton of Fred. ericton paddled in freshet time from the Grand Falls to Fredericton a distance of 130 miles in 14 hours 46 minutes making a short stop at Woodstock on the way. Short dis tances have been covered at a much greater rate of speed.

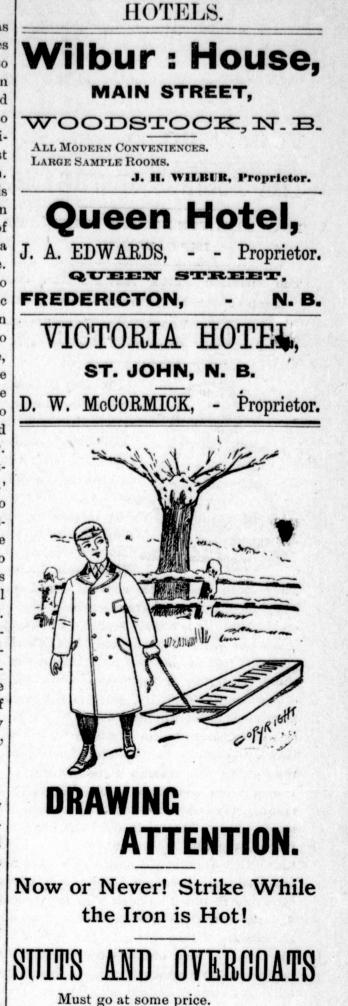
In the winter season express messages were longer on the way. They were then carried by smart young Indian couriers on snow shoes, and the post houses placed at intervals of about a day's journey apart were of material service. Like others of their race the Indians of the river St. John were fleet adult male Indian who was not familiar with of foot and posessed of great endurance, qualities not by any means lost in their descendants. The writer distinctly remembers a young Maliseet Indian who, some thirty years ago, had established quite a reputation as a runner. Two feats he accomplished numerous intermarriages-not only among used to be much talked about in Woodstock. The first was on a certain occasion when the Indian intended to take passage from Fredauthority on this point is Col. John Allan, of ericton to Woodstock in one of the river boats-the Reindeer or the Bonnie Doon, which was to leave on the trip up river at 6 a. m. Arriving at the wharf a little late he course of which he visited all their principal found the steamer had just cast off her lines villages from the Penobscot to the Gulf of and was a few feet out in the stream. Usual-St. Lawrence. Referring to their nomadic ly under these circumstances the bow of the habits Allan says: "The very easy convey- steamer would be shoved in near enough to ance by the lakes, rivers and streams, so in- | run out a plank and take the tardy passenger aboard, but the pilot not thinking this worth while in this particular case, merely laughed wherever their interest, curiosity or caprice and proceeded on his way. This made the Indian angry, and he shouted, "Me meet you at Woodstock wharf !" and meet him at the wharf he did when the boat came in about est part of this extent of country from the five o'clock that afternoon, having travelled the whole distance, 62 miles, on foot. The feat was accomplished with apparent ease, the fellow even found time to make a call at a little tavern a few miles below Woodstock where he accepted with satisfaction the proprietor's invitation to drink. On the second occasion referred to, the Indian gave, what must be considered under all circumstances, a remarkable example of speed and endurance. He was again at Fredericton. The water in the river being low the boats were not running, and it was his intention to take his passage in the stage coach, an old fashioned Turner was driver. The stage was pretty full and the day warm, and it was decided not to take the Indian as his room was better than his company. Turner informed him he would not take him and received for answer, "All right, John ! Me be in Woodstock

A Voice From The Vatican.

A remarkable anonymous article was published a short time ago in the Revue des Deux Mondes, the purpose of which was to persuade Russia to unite with the Roman Catholics and recognize the Pope as the head of the only true Church. It is supposed to have been written, if not under the immediate direction of the Pope himself, at least under strong influence from the Vatican. That it failed to create the desired effect is clear from the reply published by M. Suvorin in the Novoye Vremya of St. Petersburg, of which the following is an extract:-"Russia has always been an enticing tit-bit for Rome. How much effort have the Popes made to subjugate her. They even deceived Catholic Poland and gave lessons to Russian Czars in policy favorable to Russia, but opposed to Polish interests; indicating, for instance, Russia's road to Constantinople through the Caucasus and Asia Minor. Russia took note of what was useful to her, and still clung to Greek orthodoxy, which has become part and parcel of the idea of Russian nationality. Never will we believe that 'salvation is attainable only in the Catholic Church of Rome. That is simply an absurdity, opposed to Russian common sense. There cannot possibly be a God who would condemn a true believer simply because he did not submit to the Pope. Sooner will the infallible Popes disappear off the face of the earth than will Russia recognize their authority over her. We can only explain to ourselves the appearance of an article of this nature in a periodical of repute like the Revue des Deux Mondes as the result of total ignorance of the spirit of Russian life, or as the result of Western self-assurance. If it attracts any attention, it can only be as a curiosity."-New York Post.

The Siberian Railroad.

A notion of the enormous sums of money that Russia is pouring into the Sberian Railroad may be got from the recently published figures of the financial budget for 1895. In that document the estimate for the Siberian Railroad proper for 1895 is \$24,261,000 and for works auxiliary to that railroad \$1,273, 000--- say, a total of twenty-five and a half million dollars. The estimate for 1894 for these items was \$17,964,000-about fortythree and a half millions in two years. Beyond this it is proposed to raise \$15,733,000 for the construction of other railroads, besides \$5,272,000 for cheap local railroads. How long Russia will be able to keep up such expenditures probably no man can more than conjecture.—Railroad Gazette, New York.



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lages. The journal kept by John Allan during his expedition to the river St. John in the summer of 1777 is printed in Ridders "military operations in eastern Maine and Nova Scotia during the Revolution." In it four-in-hand of which the well-known John a description is given of "an ancient village ninety miles up the river" which of course is Aukpaque. Allan also mentions Meductic and another large village farther up the river named Metaweshcaugh (Madawaska). He calls the chief tribe of the St. John the Marasheet (Maliseet) and says the number of first !' Indians settled at various points along the river varies greatly from time to time.

The presence of English settlers on the lower St. John and the establishment of "Truck houses" near St. Annes Point by John Anderson, Simonds and White, and others, caused the Indians to look in that direction for a market for their furs and peltry as well as a place to procure such supplies as they required. There was an Indian chapel at Aukpaque, adjoining which was the house of the priest who from time to time ministered to the savages. In spring the Indians came down the river to Aukpaque to dispose of the furs and peltry secured during their winter hunts and in the autumn they came again for supplies of food and clothing, powder and shot, etc., for the winter campaign. At these seasons the number assembled at Aukpaque was quite large and the traders had a busy time of it.

The English now began to acquire a better knowledge of the upper St. John than they had hitherto had. Its resources as a magnificent forest country began to be appreciated by the government of Nova Scotia. Maps of the river were made from the survey of Charles Morris, surveyor general of the province and other surveyors, which were very good as regards the lower part of the part of the river but rather imperfect and inaccurate as regards the upper part. There is now in the Crown Land office at Fredericton an old map or plan of the river from St. Anne's as far north as the river St. Francis

At 8 o'clock a.m. the Indian and stage left Fredericton together, and together they proceeded-the Indian always a little in advance. He stopped at every place the stage stopped to change horses; took dinner at the "half way house" where the stage passengers had their dinner. Passing the little tavern below town he was barely a quarter of a mile ahead; he shouted out "no time for a drink today!" and hurried on.

Turner now began to ply the whip in earnest for he had no intention of allowing the red skin to beat him out; the passengers were wild with excitement for some bets had been made upon the result of the race. It was about four o'clock or a little after when the quiet citizens of Woodstock were aroused in a manner quite unexpected. The stage coach came tearing into town at the heels of the Indian who was running for his life, John Turner plying the whip in lively fashion and four very hot and tired horses galloping at their utmost speed. The finish was a close one but the Indian won by the length of the bridge. He was bathed in perspiration and covered with dust but as soon as he had sufficiently regained his breath to speak he walked over to Turner and remarked "John me here first." Turner's answer is not recorded. W. O. RAYMOND.

England Wins at Cricket.

The cricket match between England and Australia ended last Wednesday. The English team finished six wickets ahead, thereby

It would be worth while to read the Bible carefully and repeatedly, if only as a key to modern culture, for to those who are unfamiliar with its teachings and its diction all that is best in the English literature of the present century is as a sealed book.-Albert S. Cook, in the Outlook.



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