IT SEEMS BUT YESTERDAY.

It seems but yesterday that May Tripped lightly past, nor paused to stay A moment longer than 'twould take To set her signet near and far. In field and lane, the daisies' star; To set the grasses all ashake: To kiss the world into a blush Of brier roses, pink and flush, For summer's .ake.

It seems but yesterday that June Came piping sweet a medley tune, Whereto the robin and the thrush Lent each his thrilling throat, the while The locust there beside the stile Deep hid in tangled weed and brush. Span out the scason's skein of heat, With now a "whir" of shuttle fleet, And now a hush.

It seems but yesterday, and yet Today I found my garden set In silver; and the roisterer wind Made bold to pluck me by the gown, What time I wandered up and down The path, to see if left behind Was one last rose that I might press Against my withered cheek, and less Feel time unkind.

-Atlantic Monthly.

[For Progress.

THE PERDU.

BY GOODRIDGE B. ROBERTS.

I was sitting on a steep hillside, with my arm thrown around a young whitebirch in order to maintain my position, and was wondering what kind of beings inhabited the dead-looking pond at my feet, when I heard a bush snap behind me, then a grunt and a rattling of sticks and stones, and I turned around in time to grab something I saw coming down in a heap and to pull it to its feet. It proved to be a young colored boy who had been sent from the house to call me to tea, and who, in looking for me, had spied a bunch of "snake berries" on the bank and had "gone for them."

He had got the "snake berries" and was coasting down the hill on them when I got in his way, and now as he stood up with each hand full of moss and twigs, his shirt and trousers all red with crushed berries, and his eyes shining either with gratitude toward me or the thought of what a nice spill I would have made had he only got on more headway and struck me fair in the back of the neck, he was the funniest sight I had seen for a long time.

"Did you ever fish in that?" I asked him, after he had informed me that tea wouldn't be ready for "most an hour," but that he hadn't expected to find me so soon, and had started early.

"In de Purdoo, sir! By de power, no sir! It got no bottom.'

"That's odd. But there are fish in it." "Yes, sir; plenty perch and sunfish and

Then he gave me a little more information; told me he wonldn't fish there for anything, because one day, when a little boy, he was sitting at the edge of the water, a great green hand was thrust out at him, and the little boy "had ter hustle" to get out of its reach.

I made up my mind to find out about the Perdu. I had seen it, and wondered at it many times in many summers since first I had come to its neighborhood of bobolinks and sweet air. I had heard vague reports of its containing a hogshead full of "pirates' gold," guarded by all manner of deformed devils and immaterial voices, but I had never heard any connected story with regard to it. Now that I thought about these rumors and superstitious dislikes that every one had concerning it, it seemed to me that a crew of pirates could not find a better place anywhere on the river St. John for concealing a quantity of treasure than here in the Perdu, a hundred miles from the river's mouth.

This pool is one among a number, but it is of extraordinary depth, while the others are so shallow as to retain, through a long, dry summer, scarce water enough to attract the wandering dragon-fly. Behind this chain of little lakes, none of which are more than fifty yards long, or fifteen wide, runs sheer up a high steep bank thickly overgrown with poplar, birch, and spruce. On the front a thicket of waterwillow and rank wild-parsnip and blue-joint hides the yellow water from the waving intervale.

One who knew but little of the whereabouts of the Perdu might seek it vainly, for there is a long high point between it and the main river, and, save in the time of spring and June freshets, the thoroughfare that runs in behind, as if to keep the intervale and the point from separating, is almost dried up. So I concluded that if pirates had sunk gold in that hole, someone must either have shown them the way to it or else they were born and brought up on this farm. In either case someone must have known something about the burial, they turned and went back, while Cole and surely that "someone" could not have neglected to confide in someone else.

I made enquiries at tea-time, and was

referred to Allan Dougal.

Allan and I had enjoyed many soothing pipes together, and I had always found him stored with information on the subjects which interested me most. Those subjects, sciences.

a man of six feet, three; broad-shouldered, back to it, the dog pushed it open and what color his eyes were, but I know that frightened Cole again. So it went on till they were fine, honest eyes, and his face late at night. Every sound he took to be was brown and strikingly intelligent. His someone after his gold, and as he trembled

hair was thick and wavey and gray, as was and listened he imagined he heard noises his long, luxuriant beard.

We filled our pipes and went to the bank clover-bloom and comfort, and Allan be- and run to the woods. He might get it

that corpsey-looking puddle and its surroundings. The fish in it are nearly transnothing but amber in all their lives. The eels in it are more slimy than usual, and the catfish all uncanny."

it had no bottom."

"Well, the probabilities are that it has a bottom, but I've let out three hundred feet of line in it and have never struck anything." I grunted my surprise and waited for him to say more.

in," he added, "because if you tied a stone | the lights, while the owls kept hooting at to their necks and sent them to the bottom they'ld be old cats by the time they got back again-as they always do-and then they could be allowed to live or die as they liked."

"Don't get frivolous, now," I said, feeling that I ought to say something, although | dog stretched dead in front of his door, was in the mood for listening rather than talking,—if you've a week's story to tell me about this place, let's have the beginning | Probably he congratulated himself on the

"Well then, as an introduction," he said, 'I must tell you that over there in the pasture where that hole is—the hole where the raspberries grow,—was the site of the first house within miles of here, and in that house, when Grandfather Dougal was a to the window-sash, telling him to rest youngster, lived old man Cole, all alone, assured that some day the strangers would and the chief story of the Perdu is the story of old Cole.

'sight" was merely a schooner under full sail, but, as this was the first vessel larger than a canoe that had as yet trespassed on last old grandfather Dougal's parents got his river-front, and as it was heading in this land here and settled on it, but instead ashore and hidden himself had he not been too frig tened to raise his paddles.

"As the schooner passed, a man hailed him in broken English and asked him about the depth of the water and then invited him to come aboard. Cole would far rather have continued to bob for eels but, in his | ing from under the eaves and around the fear magnifying the ills that might follow if | window casings. He pushed the door open he refused, he paddled alongside and was and looked in, but the place was so filled

" Several men came and looked at him, seemed satisfied and held a conversation in then the man who had hailed him, and who English, addressed him holding a chart in man lying near the door with his own big his hand which he studied carefully now and again. At last he described the place answered to that of the Perdu Then he asked Cole if he'd show him where the

"Pigheadedness and greed of gain were Cole's strong points, and now that he became conscious of his ability to do a favour if chose, his fear completely left him and he would neither lead them anywhere nor answer another question till they had paid him his price.

"This caused a second conversation among the strangers, and Cole's fear returned as he interpreted the glances cast at him by some of the evilest eyes of the crowd. Then the straugers went down the hatchway and left him alone in the dusk.

"Soon light came up from below. He heard the men arguing, and thought he heard coin being handled. His love for money drove away his fear and he stole over to the hatchway and looked down.

"The gold he saw there crazed him! There were boxes full of it! The men were scooping it up in handfuls and gloating over it! He would do anything to get a load of it, and it was only chance that kept him from leaping down and clutching possible that there's lots of truth in it. an armful and dying there, on top of it, with half a dozen knives run through his body, and half a thousand curses hissed in with every knife blade.

"After some more arguing the boxes were shut, and the men came up again and asked Cole how much he wanted. He wanted a boxful, so they argued again, but asked. finally agreed to give it to him. They brought up the box and lowered it into the dugout. Then Cole and one of the men got in and went ashore.

"They carried the chest of treasure to Cole's little two-roomed house, put it inside, and crossed to the Perdu. Then parted with the stranger and went to his kitchen to adore and worship his shining

"He was not the same man then that he had been, when he dug the worms in his little garden and made his eel bob, three hours earlier. He started and shuddered, as the cat rattled the tin dishes on the dresser, it is needless to say, were not the abstract and kicked the cat outdoors as punishment to her for his nervous state of mind. He No one could help liking Allan. He was left the door ajar and, as he stood with his full-chested and big-hearted. I don't know came quietly in, sniffed or sneezed and all the time.

"All last the idea struck him that it of the Perdu, settled ourselves down in would be just as well to take his money hidden before the men detected him, and "Tell you about the Perdu! why, my then, if they did kill him, they would, at dear boy, that 'ld keep me talking for a least, not get the gold. And if he should week. Perhaps there is no spot in New stay in his house and be killed, the gold Brunswick so suggestive of weird ideas as would be where they could help themselves to it and leave.

"His load was heavy but he did'nt mind parent and you'ld imagine they had eaten | the weight. He seized it and rushed into the dark; turned his back to the river and hurried across his little clearing and into the woods. There he felt around for a "Is it really very deep? The boy said hiding place for his box; covered his tracks by making countless others in all directions over the soft black mould, and made his way to the river.

"The bank was a sidehill, very high, and "It'd be a fine place to drown kittens stream. All night he stood and watched him from the branches, and the bats flitted past close to his head. In the early dawn the vessel spread her sails and went away. Then he crawled back to his gold, uncovered it and took it home.

"As he neared the house, he saw his and when he entered he found his small stock of household goods chopped up. great presence of mind he had displayed in running away the night before.

"Although the schooner was far away, he imagined that some of the crew must have remained to kill him and take his gold. When he discovered a note, pinned come back, and he would share the fate of his dog, his fear became confirmed. And "One evening as Cole, then a young vet he would not leave the lonely house in man, was sitting in his "dugout" bobbing the woods and move to civilization. No, for eels, he was frightened half out of his that would necessitate his spending some senses by a sight he saw on the river. The of his money, and rather than do that he would have starved to death.

"For years he lived in this way, and at straight for his little footpath, he imagined of Cole welcoming them, his only neighall sorts of things, and would have gone bors, he thought that they were come expressly for his gold, and was more afraid

Early one morning, nearly forty years after the schooner's visit, a little boy—the future Grandfather Dougal-was passing old Cole's shanty when he saw smoke comwith smoke that he could see nothing. He ran and told his father but by the time help got there the shanty was in flames. The some foreign tongue, probably French, and boy's father supposed that Cole was away shad fishing, and he was horrified when was evidently the only one able to speak | the flames litted a little and he saw the old knife driven to the handle in his breast.

"As he tried to save the corpse, the roof he wished to find, and the description gave way and the attempt was abandoned. "After the fire died, my great-grandfather, in cleaning up the ruins of the house removed the stone which had been the door-step, and under it he found a brief statement of Cole's adventure with the gold, and the note that had been found pinned to the window sash."

> Here Allan paused and relit his pipe. asked him if it were improbable that Cole should take the trouble, even if he knew how to write, to leave a record of these

"Not at all," he said, "It is believed that Cole, who was born in England, was an educated man, with a mystery in the early life, and that the wilderness he hid in was the place where he was the least likely to meet, unexpectedly, certain of his former acquaintances who had a lively interest in him. A few half burned books were found after the fire."

"And I suppose," said I, "you think the men sank their stolen wealth in the

"Well," said Allan, "you know, the whole yarn may be a romance, but it's Grandfather Dougal never tried for any of the money supposed to lie in the Perdu, but he did hunt for Cole's share, and many men have done so since his day, but they have never found it."

"Do you think the old man hid his gold and killed himself in his insanity?" I

"Either that, or else the writer of the letter kept his word. It's rather strange that on the morning of the fire, the grass between the river and the Perdu was found to be all tramped down. But then, a crowd of cattle can tramp down grass as well as a band of pirates."

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