

## A Trip to Grand Pre and the Gasperaux River,

as connections are made with the Windsor & Annapolis Railway at Halifax, should be taken. The cheapest way would be for the tourist to buy excursion tickets to Halifax.

This is the famous Acadia Land of Nova Scotia, which Longfellow has immortalized in his wonderful poem. One feels truly that he is on historic ground, and all lovers of Nature must admire the vast meadows, reclaimed first by the Acadians, who were so cruelly driven from their homes.

"There in the midst of its farms reposed the Acadian village;  
Strongly built were the houses with frames of oak and chestnut,  
Such as the peasants of Normandy built in the reign of the Henries;  
Thatched were the roofs, with dormer-windows, and gables projecting  
Over the basement below protected and shaded the door-way;  
There in the tranquil evenings of summer, when brightly the sunset  
Lighted the village street and gilded the vanes of the chimneys,  
Matrons and maidens sat in snow-white caps and in kirtles  
Scarlet and blue and green, with distaffs spinning the golden  
Flax for the gossiping looms whose noisy shuttles within doors  
Mingled their sound with the whir of the wheels and the songs of the maidens."

### Cape Breton.

The excursionist must not fail to go to Cape Breton Island, where lies the finest scenery this side of Scotland,—that of the Bras d'Or Lakes. The easiest route is from Boston to Port Hawkesbury by steamship, and thence up the Bras d'Or. On the sail from Halifax to Port Hawkesbury he will have a view of the rugged headlands of the Nova Scotia coast. He will pass on his left Cape Canso, the extreme north-eastern point of Nova Scotia. The sail occupies sixteen hours. From Hawkesbury he can go to Baddeck, St. Peter's, Sydney, or any other point of interest. Excursion tickets can be bought in Boston for these places.

Sydney is the principal town of Cape Breton. Small hotels and boarding houses are to be found here. The steamers on the Bras d'Or make daily trips in the summer.

If our traveller locates at Baddeck he can take short daily trips; for example, to St. Anne's Bay. The ride is picturesque, the sea is very fine, the shore bold, the air invigorating. Another interesting spot is Why-cocomagh. One can go by steamer or by stage. He may visit St. Peter's, and if he has time, he can make a delightful trip to Margaree River. In fact, he can spend two or three weeks on the Island of Cape Breton, there are so many pleasant drives to take and short excursions to make. One traveller says: "Our ten days at Baddeck were certainly some of the pleasantest I ever spent."

### Prince Edward Island.

Should our tourist wish to push on and take in the beauty of Prince Edward Island, he can easily go by local conveyance from Port Hawkesbury to Charlottetown, and make his visit there, taking the steamship of this Line from Charlottetown to Boston direct. This will afford him the best opportunity to admire the beauty of the Northumberland Straits. "It was one of the most delightful days of my life," said one.

The quiet and undisturbed repose enhanced by the charm of the delightful scenery will never be forgotten by those who, weary with the heat and turmoil of city life, give themselves up to the tranquil enjoyment of the picturesque and beautiful during a summer's vacation in any of these healthful resorts in the Provinces, where rest and recuperation for mind and body can be found either among the hills or deep-green woods of the country, or at the sea-shore, bathing in the surf and inhaling the invigorating breezes of the sea.