

along the western sixteen miles of the boundary line between Maine and New Brunswick. The two Stations are fifteen miles apart.

Not only is the place an interesting one to the lover of natural scenery, surrounded as it is by high hills, which afford views of unrivalled beauty, and which when clothed with summer's mantle of green, or the more brilliant tints of autumn, would have been a fitting subject for the brush of a Turner, or the pen of a Scott; but also to the historian it offers opportunities for research. Fort Kent has a very interesting historical relic which shows its connection with the "Bloodless War of Aroostook." Soldiers were sent there in 1839 by the American Government, prior to the settlement of the "Northern Boundary Question." The wooden fort or "block-house" which they erected is still in good preservation. It is now the property of the State of Maine, money having been set apart in 1891 for the purpose of buying and repairing it. It was built to protect the large quantity of lumber in that vicinity, and to safeguard the lives of the people.

Another thing which makes the place interesting to a Nova Scotian at least, is the fact that it is the place of residence of so many of the descendants of the poor Acadians who were so ruthlessly driven from the home of their adoption,—the "Land of Evangeline"—and scattered over the globe. Many of their grandchildren can be found settled along the district of Madawaska on both sides of the river, for 100 miles above Grand Falls. They are, generally speaking, more cultured and enterprising than the French who have come into this same district from Quebec, and, as a consequence, are the recognized leaders among their fellow citizens. They still relate around the fireside in song and story, the tale of Evangeline and similar adventures, commemorating the heroes of the brave days of old. I should like to mention in passing, a remarkable confession which one of the more intelligent of their descendants made to myself, in the course of a conversation on the expulsion of his forefathers. His grandfather was one of those who were in the church at Grand Pre, when Colonel Winslow's soldiers surrounded it. He said they all would have taken the oath of allegiance had the priest allowed them. They were told that if they took the oath, it