

they in the car than a recognition takes place, and all squeeze themselves together to have a "talk." The guessing, reckoning, and calculating is renewed with double vigor, and questions and cross-questions fly in any quantity in every direction. Party the first, in high nasal tone, tells party the second: "Waa'l, we haave bin to Montreal." "Waa'l, what did you see thaire?" enquires party the second. "We saw some very fine churches,—the churches aire beautiful." "Oh!" says party the first, "I haave bin to Europe, and I guess I have seen most churches I want to see. But we came to Canaday, and a party told us that Montreal was nothing; to go to Quebec." Here a hearty laugh was indulged in that would have roused the indignation of the most indifferent Quebecer, and one of the ladies at once remarked, "It was pairfeckly reediklus." The ancient city had evidently found no favor in the eyes of the travelling ladies. But at last the conversation is finished; gradually one by one becomes silent; a loud snore in a deep bass from the right, followed by a high tenor close at hand, give notice that some are already asleep. The American ladies draw their shawls closer around them, and, if not asleep, are at any rate quiet.

ISLAND POND.

At daylight all are again awake, and soon after the stentorian voice of the conductor gave the information that "Cars would be changed at Island Pond, and a half-an-hour allowed for breakfast." Shortly afterwards the train reached the station, and a general scamper took place for the nearest hotel, where a very bad breakfast was furnished at a very high price. Breakfast being finished, and the baggage searched, the new train was quickly filled with passengers, but would not leave for fifteen minutes yet. It was very evident that Canada had been left behind. While the train waited, youths with long white or yellow dusters, broad checked trousers, and vulgar patent leather boots, with a rowdy hat cocked to one side and cigar in mouth, lounged about the station and stared impertinently, and told of