

Among those already introduced are two species of shrubby honeysuckle, white and rose-blossomed : these are called by the American botanists *quilotium*.

Then I have the white *Spiræa frutex*, which grows profusely on the lake-shore ; the Canadian wild rose ; the red-flowering raspberry (*rubus spectabilis*), leather-wood (*dircas*), called American mezereon, or moose-wood : this is a very pretty, and at the same time useful shrub, the bark being used by farmers as a substitute for cord in tying sacks, &c. ; the Indians sew their birch-bark baskets with it occasionally.

Wild gooseberry, red and black currants, apple-trees, with here and there a standard hawthorn, the native tree bearing nice red fruit I named before, are all I have as yet been able to introduce.

The stoup is up, and I have just planted hops at the base of the pillars. I have got two bearing shoots of a purple wild grape from the island near us, which I long to see in fruit.

My husband is in good spirits ; our darling boy is well, and runs about everywhere. We enjoy a pleasant and friendly society, which has increased so much within the last two years that we can hardly regret our absence from the more populous town.

My dear sister and her husband are comfortably settled in their new abode, and have a fine spot cleared and cropped. We often see them, and enjoy a chat of home—sweet, never-to-be-forgotten home ; and cheat ourselves into the fond belief that, at no very distant time, we may again retrace its fertile fields and flowery dales.

With what delight we should introduce our young Canadians to their grandmother and aunts ; my little bushman shall early be taught to lisp the names of those unknown but dear friends, and to love the lands that gave birth to his parents, the bonny hills of the north and my own beloved England.

Not to regret my absence from my native land, and one so fair and lovely withal, would argue a heart of insensibility ; yet I must say, for all its roughness, I love Canada, and am as happy in my humble log-house as if it