

Every comfort and convenience,
 That the heart of man may covet,
 That the heart of man may wish for,
 Within reasonable limits,
 Within proper bounds and limits,
 Greatly blessed and highly favoured
 Is this large and noble Township,
 Near the city of Toronto,
 With brave and noble-hearted people,
 Good, kind, courteous Christian people,
 Whose wise labours and industry
 Crowns their homes with peace and plenty;
 Fills their barns with large abundance;
 And Our Traveller with the Valise
 Often gratefully remembers
 The good treatment he received
 From these estimable people,
 The Bulls, the Boakes, the Clarks, the Jacksons,
 The Duncans, Stewarts, and Mulhollands,
 With many others he could mention
 Did his time or space permit it.
 But whose names, if you peruse it,
 You will see within this volume.
 But three old patriarchs, residing
 Within the limits of this Township,
 More than deserve a passing notice,
 Deserve a chapter or a volume
 To record their deeds and labours,
 Fraught with wisdom and instruction,
 Wise life lessons, good examples,
 Their white heads crown'd with years and hon-
 ours.

William Magee and William Duncan,
 And a patriarch still more aged,
 William Jackson. All residing
 Upon the third and fourth concessions
 Of this large and wealthy Township,
 Maternal Township of Toronto,
 When she was yet an infant village.
 Now we see her a great City,
 Queen City of our new Dominion.
 And such results have been achieved