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chance, found in a friendly host, who narrated to him his reminiscences of the disaster. Passing through Pabos, Grand River, Cap d'Espoir and other localities, we come to Perce, of which Mr. LeMoine gives an interesting historical sketch from the time of Jacques Cartier's visit in 1534. The noted rock is viewed from the standpoint of the poet as well as the naturalist, romantic legends being told of it. A chapter is devoted to Sir Hovenden Walker's expedition and the shipwreck of his squadron in 1711. We are then taken to the Magdalen Islands, which are described under various aspects, their commercial value being especially dwelt on. Anticosti is similarly treated, and many thrilling legends and touching narratives diversify the account. One of the most thrilling descriptions in the book is that of the Lazarretto at Tracadie. Probably there are some of our readers who are not aware that the Oriental plague of leprosy has such fearful illustration in the fair Dominion of Canada. Of late the subject has attracted considerable attention from scientific men. In this sad episode there is one thing especially pleasing—the heroic self-sacrifice of the missionaries and sisters who minister to the wants of those strangely afflicted people. After accompanying Mr. LeMoine to Dalhousie, Campbellton, St. John, N.B., Halifax and Prince Edward Island, we come to the close of the first part of his admirable work, with minds well stocked with rare and various knowledge.

The second part is called "Lights and Shadows in the Kingdom of Herring and Cod." We begin this voyage with Mr. LeMoine on board the steamer "Secret," on the 5th of June, 1877. As its name indicates, this part is chiefly taken up with the same places as the former part, to which it is complementary. It introduces us, however, to several new scenes, and shows us old ones under new phases. As an account of the extensive "Kingdom" from which it takes its name, as it is at present, it has no ordinary interest and value. Those who would gain an insight, in the pleasantest possible way, into the great wealth of our Laurentian and tributary waters, as well as of the chief scenic and other characteristics of the lower St. Lawrence, could not do better than take the trip with Mr. LeMoine's book in their hands. We

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