

1893 (in *Questions of the Day*, p. 195) and stil pertinent: Why "the attitude of men in the United States toward women is that of subjection?" Onest work is the foundation of mental, moral and bodily vigor. Without vigor we hav an atony of muscular contraction with imperfect elevation of the soft palat and nasalized speech resulting, a fault but too prevalent in the States. Of this we shal hav more tu say.

SETTLEMENT OF PRINCE EDWARD ILAND.

[Publish't as a key tu pronunciation there. Authority, *History of Prince Edward Island* by D. Campbell, Charlottown, 1875.]

Prince Edward Iland (between 46 and 47 n. lat., and 62 tu 64½ w. long.) was discovered by Cabot, hu named it Saint John. The French later asumed it as a part of Verazani's discoveries in 1523.

1623, granted by the Company of New France tu Sieur Doublet, a naval captan, hu establisht a few fishing stations.

1713, by treaty of Utrecht Acadia and Newfoundland wer ceded tu Britan, and many of their inhabitants removed tu Ile St John, then under French rule. Later a French oficer with sixty men garisond Porte la Joie (Charlottown).

1752, a Frenchman givs pop'n as 1354.

1755, many Acadians escaping expulsion went tu the iland, dubling its population, now nearly 4000.

1763, ceded tu Britan by treaty of Fontainbleau, and put under Nova Scotia.

1764-5, Capt. Holland made a ful survey. He ads:

"Ther ar about 30 Acadian families, hu ar regarded as prisoners and kept on the same footing as those at Halifax. They ar extremely poor, maintaining themselves by gardening, fishing, fowling, etc. The few remaining houses in difrent parts ar bad and the catl inconsiderabl."

Erl Egmont tried tu hav the right tu make the iland a feudal settlement.

1767, most of iland givn out as military grants. Few soldiers setld, tho; the majority sold their claims. 1769, constitution granted, and Paterson apointed governor. 1773, first assembly convened. 1780, Act past changing name tu New Ireland, but with a suspending claus.

1784-5, some royalists from New England wer induced tu setl here insted of in Nova Scotia. 1798-9, name changed tu present one. Population, 4372.

1803, Erl Selkirk bro't out 800 Highlanders around Port Prim formerly occupied by French settlers. 1827, population 23,000; 1833, pop. 32,000; 1855, pop. 71,000.

An apendix givs names of all families as per census of 1798. Judging by these names (givn as speld in census-reports) the population was much mixt, coming

from all parts of British Iles (especialy the Highlands) direct or *via* New England; but ther ar, also, many French and some German ones from Hessian troops that setld after the American Revolution.

NEWS-NOTES AND COMENTS.

—Another of the Old Gard, Mr Benn Pitman, brother of Sir Isaac, past at Cincinnati, on 28th Dec. last, aged 88. He came there in 1853.

—An Ontario Branch of the Simplified Speling Society was organized in 1909. It meets anually in Easter week with the Ontario Educa'l Assoc'n at Toronto. Prof. Hume, of University of Toronto, is president; Prof. John Dearness, London, is tresurer; Mr A. McQueen, Elmwood av., London, is secretary. The annual fee is 25 cents.

—*Artemisia*, queen of Caria in 4th cent. B. C., bilt the magnificent mausoleum. The word givs botanic name to plants of the wormwood family. Grey county, Ont., has a township regularly misspeld *Artemesia*, tho pronounced right.

—The Schoolmasters' Club of London, Ont., is an organization of all the professors and male teachers of the University, Normal School, Colegiat Institute, Public Schools and Busines College. In annual meeting on 14 Feb. after discussing a paper on Improved Speling this resolution was past:— "The Schoolmasters' Club expresses tu publishers of journals in this city its approval of their practice tu spel words as *labor*, *governor*, *honor*, with *-or*; and suggests that they introduce aproved simplifications of such comon words as *program*, *catalog*, *tho*, *altho*, *thoro*, *thoroly*, *meter*, *center*, *theater*."

—About May 1891, the Macdonald government being then in power, and Sir John on his last legs (he died 6th June), a regulation was past that the government printer at Ottawa use *-our* in words like *honor*, *labor*, *favor*, tho the *-or* spelings ar good old Latin. The regulation was an outcome of political thwartings in the general election of March 1891.

—Twenty years hav elapst. Politicians rangl over new issues. The Laurier government rules, Petitions ar abro'd that the absurd regulation mentiond above be resinded. 1000 signature of influential peple or so't tu efect it.

—Some attempt was made in Toronto tu teach Chinese tu read thru New Speling. A sampl lesson is givn belo. After preliminary drill on the vowel-gamut, they proceeded tu read a rendering in New Speling of lesons they had in type already in a reader with Old Speling lesons *vis-a-vis* with Chinese ones. They took this up in clas with extreme redines. It was not continued for two reasons: (1) They move all over the city and Ontario from week tu week almost, thus breaking up the clas. (2) They prefer individual teachers, a sort of flirtation with white girls.

LESSON XII (12)

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Vowel system: u

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