

Some Pages from an Artist's Life



OLD HATCH, THE TOWN CRIER

1867

Sometime in the month of May in the year 1867 the barque L. C. Owen was ready for another trip to England. There had been the busy scenes on the wharf in Charlottetown; the cargo was on board; the crew were shipped; friends had gathered to say their last farewells; and, as the hawsers were cast off, the Heather Belle (once a very familiar name in Charlottetown) began to tow the great ship with its spreading yards outside the harbour mouth.

Each ship which sets her sails to reach a port beyond the far horizon stirs some emotion in the human heart. It betokens