

St. Thomas, Exeter, England, at which place he remained until his death during the past year, 1902.

Mr. Swabey's¹ memory is held in high esteem by many of his old parishioners at St. Jude's Church, Carleton, St. John, N.B., and many anecdotes are related regarding him. Careless as to appearances and an earnest conversationalist, we can almost see him now, as upon one occasion he drove off the Carleton Ferry at low tide up the steep floats, in a conveyance perhaps akin to the Wonderful One-Hoss-Shay described by Oliver Wendell Holmes, in his poem entitled the Vicar of Bray, when on the

First of November, fifty-five;
This morning the parson takes a drive,
Now, small boys, get out of the way,
Here comes the wonderful one-hoss-shay
Drawn by a rat-tailed, ewe-neck'd bay,
"Huddup!" said the parson, off went they.

Yes, off the hoat and up the floats, the rat-tailed hay wandering at his own will over the floats, now with one wheel dangerously near the edge, almost over the water, the next moment the other wheel mounting high upon the log which divides the footpath from the carriage way, a piece of an old cloth's line for reins, with harness held together with twine, hoard nails and pieces of wire, the parson earnestly discoursing all the while, and his companion in momentary dread of a fatality, or again in the words of Holmes,

"First a shiver, and then a thrill,"
Then something decidedly like a spill."

But to resume our subject after a somewhat lengthy digression. In the issue for July, 1901, the editor of *The Prince Edward Island Magazine* pays a high tribute to E. L. M., whose series of five articles on Charlottetown fifty years ago, has much value as a contribution to the historical literature of the Island, in part in the following words:—

"For the first time since the establishment of this magazine, we are called upon to announce the death of a contributor, and to testify as far as the poor words at our command will allow, to the worth of a most estimable and well-beloved woman. To many of our readers the identity of the writer, E. L. M. may have been known. But it was not known to all, that the initials were those of Elizabeth L. MacDonald, the wife of Hon. Senator A. D. MacDonald of Charlottetown. The majority of our readers will, we feel sure, mourn her death. By the

¹ A short biographical sketch of Mr. Swabey, with portrait, about 1860, will be found in *Acadiensis*, Volume II., No. 4, pp. 245-8.