

in property, which he was forced to leave behind him. But he did not come alone, his influence induced between two and three hundred families to follow his example and settle on the Island. He was well known to Gallissoniere and Admiral Hocquart as a devoted patriot, and these officers agreed to present a memorial to the Minister asking that he be appointed harbour pilot at Port Lajoie.

When Franquet and his party returned to Port Lajoie, they learned that the frigate, "Gracieuse," from Bay Verte, commanded by Lieutenant de Taurin, was anchored a good league away from the harbour's mouth. The commander it seems was in the belief that any nearer approach would be attended with risk. Franquet, with ready tact seized the opportunity to enlighten the commanders of French war-ships on the navigation of the waters that led into Port Lajoie. To a young Lieutenant on board the "Gracieuse" he set the task of sounding and preparing a chart of the course into the harbour from where his ship lay at anchor up to what is now known as the three tides. The work was carried out with a zeal and intelligence that drew words of high commendation from Franquet.

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Two Dreams.—I.

THE night was far advanced, the clock down stairs had already struck two, and it seemed to me in its cheery little tick, tick, tick to be quite satisfied with the progress that it and the night were making. I was half dreaming and something made me wonder how it is that the same "Night Spirit" can harass the minds of men and women with the most horrible nightmares, and give to them the sweetest and most delightful visions of peaceful and unalloyed happiness. From this I seemed to sink into a more lethargic condition and things grew darker. Still the ticking of the clock broke the otherwise absolute silence. Gradually however, this grew fainter while at the same time the darkness was beginning to be less palpable. I fancied that I