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Years since—almost a generation back—there might have been seen, aye and heard too, many a tear and many a blessing bestowed on the head of a lad just about to leave home and friends, in the little

and to their daughters too, during the short time he had been behind the principal counter in the village, displaying a very limited supply of haberdashery and hardware, was about to depart, and so leave a void in the calico measurers of that interesting community.

But so it was. We need not tell of his journey,



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village of Cahirciveen, in the County of Kerry, to try his fortune in the far off land of America, with no very definite idea where or in what way that fortune was to be made. However he, who had endeared himself to the old ladies of the neighbourhood—

but before very long he had dropped down in the town of Guelph, then just springing into notice as the most thriving settlement in Canada; and there he stayed, doing his best, in a small way, to supply the good people thereabout with the current litera-