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places in Europe to perfect his knowledge of arms." "And your mother!" With face lit up with enthusiasm the lady exclaims: "Her name was Colombe. You understand, a descendant of Christopher Columbus, and her meeting with my father was at the Island of Orleans where her father lived. You know the Island of Orleans near Quebec. Well, on the Duke of Kent's trip to this country—he was coming out to become Governor General,—he noticed on this island a stone house with flagstaff; making inquiries about it, he was told that it belonged to Mr. Colombe. This gentleman was visited by the Duke of Kent, and invited to call when in Quebec, and he went there and paid his respects to H. R. Highness."

Mr. Brun occupied about the year — a house in St. John street, Quebec, nearly opposite to that where lived Mr. Pozer, in those days one of the richest men in Quebec. Mr. Pozer's house is there still, and now owned and tenanted by Mr. Alford, his relative, to whom he bequeathed it; next to it is another old residence now occupied by Mr. Tourangeau of the Post office, Quebec; this house was the former home of a well known merchant, a trader in church ornaments and necessities, and very well off.