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WHO, OR WHAT, WAS ASPINQUID?

**T**HIS question has, of late years, frequently presented itself to the curious attention of those whose tastes incline them to look back to the early European settlement of at least the more Eastern section of the Canada of to-day. It is known,—for even reliable and not very far-fetched tradition tells us that much,—that, in the budding time of spring, early white settlers, conjointly with the Aborigines of Acadie, were in the yearly habit of celebrating a day, with certain festivities. That feast was especially a feast of clams, muscles, and such other shell fish and other (fresh) fish as were at the time in season, and at the place attainable. At the same time there was no restriction put upon the use—perhaps, sometimes, even the abuse—of other good things. It was a “Moveable feast,” but by what it was determined is—to me