

abroad and manifesting himself in the right one mile, through a gate, half a most awful exhibitions of his evil mile farther, and then, O, my God, power. How long! Oh, how long! there would be safety, there would be Would it ever end? Would those developments come? Developments I had a roof, there would be loving hands—been awaiting during a period of the hands to support the storm-rocked, to most terrific suspense and agony—a care for the frozen, to gently touch the period such as sends the iron deep into a wearied and fevered brow, and bring a man's soul, and bends him low in back once more to its normal condition his strength. a mind torn by an awful experience.

Suddenly my horse brought himself That blessed and merciful port was up with a tremendous rebound, almost reached — those angelic dispensations unseating me. were realized.

Could it be? Were my weary, With a silent prayer upon my lips I bloodshot eyes deceiving me? Was it stumbled from my horse, stabled him, the hallucination of a disordered brain? and staggered to the house—staggered No, a fence, a fence, saved! saved! into the arms of mercy, saved, saved, from the jaws of an awful death.

My calculations had carried. To the



## Sixty Years Ago — Continued

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**T**HE *Islander* of July 6, 1844, contains the following awe-inspiring and specific announcement, published under the heading of "Land Assessment."

"In pursuance of the Act of the General Assembly of this Island, made and passed in the seventh year of his late Majesty King William the Fourth, entitled an Act for levying an Assessment on all lands in this Island, I do hereby publicly notify the Owners or Occupiers of lands, within the Island for which the annual assessment charged thereon by the said enacted Act, of Four Shillings, lawful money of this Island, for every hundred acres of wilderness or unimproved lands contained in the several Townships, and the several islands belonging thereto; and the sum of Two Shillings for every hundred acres of cultivated or improved lands in the said several Townships and Islands as aforesaid; and the sum of Four Shillings for each and every uncultivated or unimproved Town Lot, Pasture Lot, Common Lot, and Water Lot, granted in the Town and Royalty of Charlottetown; and the sum of Two Shillings for each and every cultivated or improved Town,