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N Mrs. Moodie's "Roughing it in the Bush," and books of a similar character we get occasional glances of what hardships the carly settlers in Canada underwent, and what a debt the country

of to day owes to these brave pioneers, but the "strange, eventful history" of the subject of our present sketch, is well worthy of record, as it would scarcely be possible to furnish a more striking illustration of the progress of Canada, and how the wilderness has been converted into thriving townships, with cottage homes "by thousands on her plains."

"Man is, properly speaking, based upon hope. He has no other possession but hope. This world of his is emphatically the place of hope:" and more emphatically than of any