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"Prodesse Quam Conspici."

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## An Island.

ONE rock, left isled anear the Fundean shore,  
Receive me into thy unvoiced retreats;  
Among thy piney heights and vacant seats;  
To be as lost in the long rushing roar  
Of falling seas; or wrapt in sound no more  
To be with silence like a breast that beats  
New concourses of life;—a soul that meets  
My soul with language never heard before.

Yon melancholy moper of the night  
Is alien here. Now all my strength expands  
Beside the altitude of base and cliff,  
Thick-veined with amethyst and zeolite.  
I take new freedom from thy patient hands,  
The sea's anointing fresh upon my face.

Minas Basin.

J. F. HERBIN.

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## The Late Godfrey P. Payzant

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ACADIA has once more to mourn one of her benefactors and well wishers. On Wednesday, July 1st Windser and its vicinity were grieved to hear of the sudden death of Godfrey Payzant Esq., who for so long had been one of her most prominent citizens. The shadow of death had at last settled upon one whose eventful career was the pride of his native town and the boast of his many associates. The familiar face, the genial voice, the kindly hand had passed forever from their midst.

Commencing in early life with but little capital and influence, but with a clear head, a strong arm and an indomitable resolve to make the most of every opportunity, the late Mr. Payzant succeeded in winning a position in the commercial world that was worthy of his laudable efforts. When he died he was considered one of the wealthiest men in Nova Scotia, and a prominent figure in business circles. Slowly and surely, in spite of misfortune and adversity, never undone but always undaunted he completed at last the task to