

very different view of the feeling inspired by Governor Murray's measures for the pacification of the country, one of which was the deportation of a large number of persons on board the *Augustus*, a vessel utterly unseaworthy, and the wreck of which caused the destruction of nearly every soul embarked in her. An account of the circumstances of this frightful event was published in Montreal, in 1778, by almost the only survivor of the catastrophe. In M. de Gaspé's volume, this gentleman, a M. de St. Luc, is made to tell the tragical story immediately after his escape from the wreck, and, says M. de Gaspé, "After M. de St. Luc's narrative, my aunt Bailly de Messein would say, we passed the rest of the night weeping and lamenting the loss of our relations and friends who had perished in the *Augustus*." It is as a picture of Canadian society as it existed in the days of the author's boyhood, however, that his book is most valuable and interesting. This picture he professes to paint without exaggeration, and we are inclined to trust him for the most part unhesitatingly.

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