

THE FRIAR'S HOUSE.

A few steps west of the Chapel, are the remains of a cellar, which without doubt belonged to the house of the friar. There was a road between this and the chapel, the line of which is seen by the willows southward across the railway up the hill. It was here that Colonel Winslow was encamped when Prebble wrote him from Fort Cumberland, 24th Aug., 1755, congratulating him,—“we rejoice to hear of your safe arrival at Minas, and am well pleased that you are provided with so good quarters for yourself and soldiers, and as you have taken possession of the friar's house, hope you will execute the office of priest.”

THE OLD ACADIAN GRAVEYARD,

is a little east of the well. In the summer of 1896 the late proprietor of the American House disinterred a coffin from this old ground. Though not less than 150 years old it is in a fair state of preservation. It is very large and quaint in construction and fastened with nails that might have been forged in the smithy of Basil the blacksmith. But little of its ancient tenant remained in it. It may be seen at the American House. Near this is a large flat stone from beneath which another coffin was exhumed several years before, and left in the R. I. Station at Grand Pré, till it was all taken away, and it is facetiously reported, a thousand feet of old lumber besides, as souvenirs from the home of Evangeline.

THE BLACKSMITH'S SHOP.

There were several of these in Grand Pré and one in Wolfville in the Earncliffe Gardens. The one now pointed out as the smithy of Basil the blacksmith was, perhaps, a furnace where iron was made from the ore. It is on the west side of the road leading from the station south. Some years since three or four barrels of iron ore and slag were gathered from this place. On passing by this ground, June 23rd, and