

Very-Great-Grandmother

(From Ottawa Free Press.)

NOT often in fairy tales do people read of great-great-grandmothers, but there is in Ottawa to-day a little boy who possesses not only a real, live, great-great-grand-dame, but also, in unbroken line, a great-grandmother and a grandmother. This fortunate little boy has been a resident of Ottawa for two months, in fact has spent his whole life here. This much grandmothered youngster is Angus Robert McClelland, the two months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald McClelland, 203 Flora Street. Incidentally, it may be mentioned that Angus Robert is the great-nephew of Johnnie Powers of lacrosse fame.

The great-great-grandmother, Mrs. Jas. McMullen, lives in the land of the sham-rock. Now 89 years of age, she resides at Carnlea House, County Antrim, with her son, Hugh. Mrs. McMullen is still as fresh and spritely as any Molly Bawn in the Emerald Isle. All over County Antrim she is known as a dame who makes a good cup of "tay and puts two lumps of sweetie in it."

Mrs. McMullen's daughter, Mrs. S. Powers, 388 Gladstone Avenue, came to Canada about twenty-five years ago and settled in Ottawa. She is great-grandmother to little Angus. Mrs. Powers' daughter, Mrs. John Davis, of Catherine Street, is the grandmother, and the latter's daughter, Mrs. McClelland, is the proud and happy mother of Mrs. McMullen's great-great-grandson. From all accounts Angus Robert is a precocious boy, and the twice great-grandmother in Ireland may still live to hear herself addressed as "great-great-great-grandma."

On the Open Trail

This paltry earth and the low-hung sky,
Like a little tent around it,
Too cramped I find to feel at home,
Too cramped I always found it.

Since I was ever a vagabond,
A vagrant-foot and rover,
O, give me the width of the skies to roam
When my earthly days are over.

Let me out where worlds the mile-stones
are,
Where the unresting stars walk my way;
Out, out, where a man has elbow-room,
To travel his old-time highway!

And when the journey is done, God grant
That one lone Inn I find me,
Where I may enter and greet but Him,
And close the door behind me.

—Arthur J. Stringer.

The Name Moose Jaw

IN connection with the death of the Earl of Dunmore the Winnipeg "Telegram" recalls that Dunmore Junction on the Canadian Pacific Railway is named after him, and the now flourishing town of Moose Jaw owes its name to him through very peculiar circumstances. At this spot he mended the wheel of his Red River cart with the jawbone of a moose he had shot and the Red Indian scouts called it the place where "the one-eyed white chief mended his cart with the jawbone of a moose." This was shortened into "moose jaw." Lord Dunmore had lost the sight of one of his eyes in a sporting accident, hence the name bestowed on him by the Indians.

Three Voices

(Harold Begbie, in London Chronicle.)

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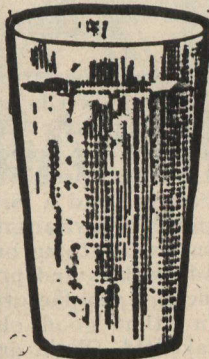
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