



into use and also the old-time vegetable dyes with their soft, fadeless colouring. This Guild has published a booklet on the art of dyeing with native barks and leaves. Recently a Handicraft Exchange in connection with the Women's Institutes has been opened in Charlottetown and many orders are now received for braided, hooked and woven rugs, tufted counterpanes and other articles. There are on the Island 110 Institutes, with over 2,000 members, and they have done wonderful work in the improvement of schools and betterment of social life.

Some of the daughters of Prince Edward Isle are known to fame but of them all none excels in romantic interest Margaret Gordon, who was the first love of Carlyle, and the original of "Blumine in *Sartor Resartus*." She was born in Charlottetown in 1798, and on the Register of St. Paul's Church there is still to be seen the baptism entries of herself and others of the family. Her mother was a daughter of Walter Patterson, the Island's first Governor, and her father, Dr. Gordon, was surgeon to the forces stationed in the city. But he died, leaving the family in dire want, and the young Margaret and her sister were sent to Scotland to be brought up by an aunt in Kirkcaldy. Margaret was a pupil of the famous Edward Irving and grew to be a maiden not only very learned but very fair; so that when the young Thomas Carlyle came there also as teacher, he fell deeply in love with the "Rose-