

safely again when he was gone. In this primitive way he has made enough to keep him very comfortably with his family, the land providing most of what they eat. They have a school within a mile of them, but it is rather a humble one, and there is a clergyman for the church at the wharf two miles down. Henry established himself in a little village when he first got his degree, but was thought so much of by his professors that he has been asked to take the chair of surgery, which he now holds. My two sisters, Margaret and Eliza, both married, but only the former is now living, the other having been dead for some years. Margaret is married to a worthy Presbyterian minister, and, if not rich, is, at least, comfortable, in the plain way familiar in Canada.

When we first went to Canada no more was meant by that name than the strip of country along the St Lawrence, in the Lower Province, and, in the Upper, the peninsula which is bounded by the great lakes—Huron, Erie, and Ontario. Since then, however, the discovery of gold in California and Fraser's River has given a wider range to men's thoughts, and awakened an ambition in the settled districts to claim as their domain the vast regions of British America, stretching away west to the shores of the Pacific, and north to the Arctic Ocean. I used to think all this vast tract only fit for the wild animals to which it was for the most part left, but there is nothing like a little know-