

finished, will be a fit resting place for the remains of the loved ones gone before us. It is situated a short distance from the city. St. John can boast of one of the largest and finest skating rinks in the Dominion, many being of the opinion that it is equal to the famous Victoria Rink of our city. But, in the writer's opinion, it does not afford such a large unbroken surface of ice as the Victoria, the pillars in the centre, from which the supports for the roof branch off, making a break in the ice. The St. John Rink is built in the shape of a huge dome, and does not present a very imposing appearance from the exterior, but an inside view conveys some idea of its extent, and it admirably answers the purpose for which it was constructed. Driving across the suspension bridge, a marvel of engineering skill, a lovely view is obtained of the St. John river, and of scenery in the back-ground, which I shall not presume to describe. The asylum for the insane is in the Portland suburb, and is a large, well-constructed edifice, and is admirably conducted and managed. Carleton and Portland constitute the suburbs of the city.

But what shall I say of the fair girls of St. John? Simply, that for really fine women, St. John is unrivalled in either Upper or Lower Canada. This may be said, in fact, of New Brunswick generally. Toronto and Quebec may boast of their fair daughters, with every reason, but they must yield the palm to St. John. Sad has been the havoc played with the hearts of British and Canadian visitors by the fair girls of New Brunswick, and no wonder. I met a number of Canadians who were all victims, all caught in the snares of Cupid. "The young ladies all seem to be good-looking here at any rate," I said to a gentleman from Toronto, who had been sometime in the city. "You better believe it," he said, and then he candidly admitted, "I do not intend to return without one of them as my better half, I can tell you." "I give you credit for your sense," I remarked; "I am happy to see you are so practical a Unionist. We shall be much more closely united to New