

VETERAN BOAT BUILDER.

West End Man's Success

Turning Out Racing
Boats.

Elijah Ross, a Member of the Famous

Paris Crew, Has Seen Nearly All

His Racers Carry Off First Money

—A Record One Might Well Be

Proud of.

The success with which St. John has

turned out racing shells for both

and sails, which have met and defeat

ed all comers, is well known. It is al

so well known that that success is due

principally to the efforts and skill of

Elijah Ross, the veteran boat-builder

and owner of the West End, and

some of the boats constructed by this

master builder are at present around

the harbor, while others have gone to

win fresh laurels in other waters of

the maritime provinces.

To a reporter who visited his establish

ment the other day, Mr. Ross gave a

brief account of some of the boats

he has built, and of the races in which

they were at a later period successful.

Along in the early seventies Mr.

Ross built several boats for Alex.

Brayley, at that time champion scul

ler of St. John, among which was the

Lea Vaughan, a beautiful little shell

which won many races, and which was

afterwards rowed in Philadelphia at

an exhibition held there in 1876.

From these races Ned Hanlon and

Brayley, out of the fourteen scullers

that were entered, brought away two

prizes.

Brayley and Hanlon rowed off for

the final in a desperate race, which

was won by Hanlon, by a slight mar

gin. Hanlon won \$1,000, while Bray

ley captured the second prize of \$500.

In 1876 Mr. Ross built a four-oared

shell for the St. Ann's Rowing Club,

called the James Saunders, after the

Mayor of Fredericton at that time.

This boat was rowed by Ned Allen,

son of the late Judge Allen, Lawyer

Wilson and two others—all amateurs,

and was successful in all her races.

Thus encouraged, Mr. Ross in 1878

built the Betty Ross, named after his

young daughter. This boat had a mar

vellous career and was never defeated,

winning again and again, until she had

come out victorious in seventeen

straight races. After that the boat

came into the hands of parties outside

of St. John, but so far as can be learned

never suffered defeat.

the Ulster Echo, in the course of

which he said:

"Those who have never travelled in

an American train can hardly have

an idea of the comfort and luxury

it represents. You can move about at

will all day, and you can sleep com

fortably at night, and if you want a

shave or a drink or any other accom

modation to comfort and enjoyment it

is forthcoming. Indeed travelling on an

American Pullman car is like having

your own home on wheels, so com

plete are the arrangements, and so

perfect the organization. The dele

gates, however, had an additional and

a specially complimentary advantage

both on the Grand Trunk and Cana

dian Pacific lines, in that several of

the highest and ablest officials trav

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LOST \$36,000 FROM HER STOCKING.

The Stocking Was on; \$35,700 Was

in Gems in Box 6x4x3 Inches—

Not Missed, Until the Wear

er Arrived Home.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Rather odd,

the way it happened, but the lady tells

the story, and it's not likely she'd joke

about it. Lying \$35,700 in jewels and

\$300 in bank notes is no laughing mat

ter.

Mrs. Frances Sterling, who lives at

the Powhattan, No. 217 West Thirty

fourth street, says that she and Mrs. J.

Frank, niece of Henry F. Gillig, arrived

in Jersey City from Washington early

Tuesday morning. In dressing Mrs.

Sterling put her jewel box in her right

stocking. The box is six inches long,

four inches wide, three inches deep.

The stocking is of silk, and Mrs. Ster

ling permits it to be understood that

she has a splendid collection of jew

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CONVERTS FROM ROME (Orange Sentinel.)

The conversion of well known writers

in England from Roman Catholicism

to Protestantism is one of the signs

of the times. Besides Dr. St. George

Muir, the scientist, scholar,

whose fierce onslaughts on the Roman

dogmas led to his excommunication

before his death; Maria Corelli, the

voluminous novelist; Dr. Conan Doyle,

the Sherlock Holmes man, whom King

Edward honored with a title last year

and whose former connection with the

Roman Church was not generally

known until he sought election to par

liament; many other distinguished

writers have been brought up in the

Roman Catholic faith have recently

become Protestants. The latest is

George Moore, who in his recently

published books of stories has exposed

the Irish priesthood as the greatest

obstacle to the advancement of the

people. The London correspondent of

the New York Tribune refers to Mr.

Moore's renunciation of Romanism in

the following paragraph in his cable

letter:

"George Moore's secession from Ro

man Catholicism to Protestantism is

strangely described by himself as a

political event. He explains it as the

sequel of the attendance of the Arch

bishop of Dublin at the king's coron

ation, and the desertion by Maynooth

of the principles of the nationalist party.

Such a change of religious faith is not

entirely new in the case of the king's

coronation, and the subject of a po

litical manifesto."

J. F. McCarthy, the Irish lawyer,

whose works, Five Years in Ireland,

and Priests and People of Ireland have

been translated into English, and who

is the former member of parliament

and Parnell's associate, whose work on

the Ruin of Education in Ireland by

the Jesuits has been widely read, has

been withdrawn from the Roman

Catholic church.

They still call themselves Catholics,

though practically, they are the best

kind of Protestants in exposing the

evils of the Roman Catholic system.

They do not hesitate to say that it is

"the curse of Ireland," as of every

country where it has been the predom

inating influence among the people.

THE FALL OF THE LEAF.

(By Richard Watson Dixon.)

Richard Watson Dixon, English poet

and historian, was born in London, May 1, 1833;

educated at Oxford, took holy orders in 1858,

became canon of Carlisle 1874; vicar of Haydon,

1875; of Warwick, 1883. Among his

KING'S COLLEGE, WINDSOR, Is Honored by Oxford University.

The faculty of arts of the University

of King's College, Windsor, has re

cently been made the recipient of a

marked distinction by the governing

body of Oxford University, England.

This distinction recognizes the excel

lence of the King's College curriculum

proceeding to the degree of Bachelor

of Arts, and makes it easier for King's

College graduates to take in the future

the Oxford B. A. degree.

At a meeting of the governing board

of Oxford University held on October

22nd last, decrees were passed admit

ting the University of King's College,

Windsor, to the privileges