

Among the foremost, ever foremost, he
 Surpassing others knit the band which bound
 Kingdom-wide provinces from sea to sea
 Into one mighty realm. Then bid resound
 His praise, posterity, that he may be
 Father of Canada fore'er renowned.

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A CHARACTER.

Smile flashing eyes, within whose azure deeps
 Lie worlds of all-enchanting innocence ;
 The snow-pure brow, the sanguine lips intense,
 Where every love his rosy mansion keeps,
 The cheek of peach whereon a Cupid peeps
 From 's dimple fortress, and the dainty chin
 A lush pomegranate; framing all within,
 The warm gold of her tresses haloing sleeps.

My Love hath all of these, but they by far
 The least of her possessions constitute,
 And are no fosterers of vanity.
 A gentle heart as pure as sunbeams are.
 Mind for whose beauty angels might dispute,
 These, only these, are prized sweet one by thee.

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SCENE FROM PARTRIDGE ISLAND.

Grand as the scene that on the Patmian shore
 Rose to the vision of the sainted seer
 Was that. Below, expanded far and near,
 The majesty of waters ; southward, o'er
 The billows, Blomidon dark looming bore
 His misty shroud, and where the surges sweep
 Westward, steep frowned defiance unto steep,
 And Fundy's floods fierce intervening roar.

There ships full-sailed or anchored in the shade
 Of promontory steep and verdured isle
 Told of emprise and nation-building trade,
 Light-bearing that the desert bids to smile ;
 And over all the westering day-star played
 With shafts of mellowed radiance the while.

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ON COMPLETING THE PERUSAL OF THE FAIRY QUEEN.

As one whose soul by day is rent with care,
 At night is, by a golden dream,
 Wafted on high where rolls the limpid stream
 Of Life, and God his flaming throne uoth rear,