

"last day has come" and indistinctively begin to wonder how far out to sea you will go if the car breaks away.

The grandest sight in Seattle by far, however, is Mt. Rainier, (or "Mt. Tacoma" as it is called in Tacoma,) which rises to an immense height above the level of the sea. It is snowclad the year round and an ascent takes from three to five days.

The people of Seattle are bright and hospitable, a fact which one cannot but be impressed with upon visiting their city.

At eleven p. m. all were on board, and amid cheers from the three or four hundred people gathered on the wharf, and "For they are jolly good fellows" by our band, we bid "adieu" and "seek the seclusion that a cabin grants" for the night voyage homeward.



Memories of the Past—Continued.

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THE oldest record here of the Brecken family is that of Ann, wife of John Brecken, who died May 15th, 1811, aged 82 years. John was acquainted with the difficulties which had to be encountered by our first inhabitants in the settlement of the colony. The business of the firm of John Brecken & Co., conducted on the north corner of Queen and Water Streets, increased with the growth of the colony, doing a considerable trade in general merchandise for over thirty years. Mr. Brecken was elected a member of our House of Assembly in 1785. He lived to a good old age and died at Kingston upon Hull, England, March 6th, 1827, aged 84 years. His son Ralph, who died in 1813, as intimated on an adjoining stone, became a member of our House of Assembly, of which he was Speaker, in 1812.