

THE SEIGNEURIES.

Interesting Picture of Them as They Exist in Canada.

The diet of the French Canadians is extremely simple and consists principally of soup and vegetables, though meat and poultry are very cheap in the country districts, costing somewhat less than half the price paid by the English laborer for the same articles of diet. The French-Canadian farmer is a strict conservator of ancient habits and customs, and is strongly opposed to any progressive principles. The soil in some parts of the province of Quebec has therefore been so systematically starved by long habits of neglect, handed down from father to son, that a bare existence is all that has been gained from the land. However, if the same farm has come into the possession of an enterprising Scotch or English farmer with liberal ideas of progress and advancement, the result has been striking; and in the course of a few years the old, decaying buildings have disappeared, a new farm-house and substantial barns have been erected, and the estate has recovered all the appearances of prosperity. This is not an uncommon instance. The old seigneuries on the St. Lawrence have lost but little of their ancient character. In many cases even the venerable manor houses still stand on the river banks, surrounded by prim, old-fashioned gardens and approached by straight avenues of poplar. These seigneuries were, in old times, usually granted by the Government to persons of distinction or to court favorites, and consisted of immense tracts of land (in some instances three leagues in breadth by the same in depth), extending for miles from the river shore back into the primeval forest. The Seigneur, or lord of the manor, parceled this land out into small fiefs, which were frequently again subdivided by families into almost infinitesimal proportions. The fief holders made a small annual payment to the Seigneur, who had also certain feudal claims, the principal of which was a considerable proportion of the amount payable on the sale or transfer of land. —All the Year Round.

—The first five or "star" graduates at West Point this year were: Kuhn, Kentucky; Craighill, at large; O'Brien, Massachusetts; Willcox, Georgia; and Cole, Illinois. This class numbers thirty-nine. The original number was ninety-seven. The class of 1886 numbers eighty-two.

—"For an obvious reason I will dismiss the congregation and dispense with the communion service," said Rev. Dr. Leonard, rector of the Episcopal Church at Fairfield, Conn., on Sunday last, as, at the first sounds of the organ, thousands of bees swarmed out of the roof, where they had gone into the honey-making business.

—Haverford College, near Philadelphia, an institution under the care of the Orthodox Friends, is made the residuary legatee of the estate of the late Jacob P. Jones, of Philadelphia. The bequest will amount to half, and perhaps three-quarters of a million. It is made in memory of an only son, who was a graduate of the college.

—In the death of Rev. Daniel D. Whedon, D. D., at Atlantic Highlands, N. J., the Methodist Episcopal Church loses one of its brightest ornaments. An accomplished scholar, a good writer, an able Biblical commentator, he was more than all a devout and humble Christian. The world is better because he lived and labored in it; and surely no higher eulogy could be passed on any man than that.

—The latest declaration of independence has been made in the Friendly Islands, where the King, the Court and 11,000 adherents of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, have severed themselves from the New South Wales Conference and formed the Independent or Free Church of Tonga. The grievance is that the New South Wales Conference would not consent to transfer them to the New Zealand Conference.

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