The Story of an Active and Useful Life.

### AN HONORED CANADIAN.

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By the death of Rev. Egerton Ryerson, bravery during the revolutionary war, havmany battles and skirmishes. When hostilities came to an end he and his brother Samuel, another distinguished loyalist, settled in New Brunswick, where Colonel Ryerson married Miss Mehetabel Stickney said to have been the first child of English stock born in the colony. In 1794 Samuel removed to Upper Canada and settled near Long Point, and five years afterwards he was followed by Col. Joseph Ryerson and his family, who endured great hardships during the journey, as well as during the earlier years of their pioneer life in this doing good service at Detroit, Fort Erie where. At this time the subject of this notice was only 10 years of age, and was fully imbued with the patriotic ardor of his elder brothers, being filled with regret that his tender years did not permit him to share their experiences. Young Egerton, as well as his brothers, was bred to farming pursuits, and expected to do a man's work long before he was a man in years. He was always given to study, however, and even when his daily employments were most exacting could always find time to acquire useful knowledge. He attended District Grammar School as opportunity offered. When 18 years of age he united in membership with the Methodist Church, having for some was deeply opposed to this step, and gave Egerton the choice of leaving the Church or quitting his house. Needless to say, he chose the latter alternative. Thus thrown upon the world he obtained a situation as assistant teacher in the London District Grammar School, where he taught successfully for two years, when at his father's by the progress of the country. This new request he returned home and again devoted himself to farming pursuits. continued his studies with the object entering the ministry, and when 22 year of age was received as a minister of the Methodist Church and was assigned to the Niagara Circuit. For many years his life was one of constant strenuous toil and effort. He was frequently compelled to compose his sermons while riding on horseback from one part of his circuit to another. After doing duty for some time in the Niagara Peninsula be was transferred to the Youngstreet Circuit,

religious bodies in Upper Canada was Guardian was founded at York in the interests of the Methodist body, and Mr. Ryerson was installed as joint editor with Rev. F. Metcalfe. The editorials were from the outet noticeable for their force and trenclant phraseology. This journal persistently advocated many useful political reforms, and contributed its full share to the discusson of the Clergy Reserve question. In 1833 Mr. Ryerson was appointed a delegate to England, and attended the British Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Chirch there with a view to the projected union with that Conference of the Methodis Episcopal body in Canada, which he was largely instrumental in accomplishing. In 1835 he again visited the Mother Country, with the object of obtaining a charter for the Upper Canada Academy as a sect of Methodist education, and also with a view of procuring subscriptions in aid of the project from the English Wesleyans. Ie was successfu! in accomplishing boh these objects, and the academy, which ultimately developed into VictoriaCollege, was estaborder to counteract the nfluence of William Lyon Mackenzie, who backed by Hume and Roebuck in Englind, had created a good deal of feeling in favor of political reform in Canada. Mi Ryerson, believing that these efforts lookel toward the establishment of a Canadian republic, strenuously combatted then, and his letters, which attracted much attention, were republished in pamphlet orm and distributed dren survives him. among members of Parliament. In this country they exercised , considerable influence upon the election of 1836. On the

of replying to him, put himself in communication with Mr. Ryerson, who was present in the gallery, and from the materials furnished by the latter made a speech which sealed the fate of the petition.

The rebellion broke out in 1837, a few months after Mr. Ryerson's return. Though, as has been shown, he had no institution, and the same year saw the town, Conn.

with the Reform party. The question at Smith and named William Henry East the members of the Legislature, and a and took young Stanley with him to learn School Act drafted by him became law. It something of the sea and of the world. In remained in force about three years, when the Baldwin-Lafontaine Ministry. Owing to the representations of Dr. Ryerson, however, the Governor-General suspended its operation, and Mr. Baldwin and Dr. Ryerson prepared an Act retaining Herald reporter, "I was in the house when many of the characteristics of the Act of 1846, and adding new features necessitated drowning little Peter Gibbons, his commeasure was sanctioned in 1850, and forms the basis of our present educational

Despite his activity in other departments, Dr. Ryerson's life-work by which he will the mother of God had you somewhere principally be remembered was essentially away from me!"" educational. From the time of his appointment until 1876, a period of thirty-two less little rascal, "as soon as I can get a years, he continued to administer the school ship I will take care that I never will come affairs of this Province with zeal, energy back. If I get to America I will claim it and efficiency. He has left an abiding as my birthplace." mark upon our scholastic system, and his work won high encomiums from public men and those interested in educational embracing the town of York and nine matters abroad. In 1853, chiefly in conseadjacent townships. He was subsequently quence of Dr. Ryerson's strong representa- her at Clay Castle and ran away to sea stationed as a missionary among the tions, the Legislature caused the Grammar Indians at the Credit, and the other minis. School Law to be thoroughly revised, terial appointments he held are too numer. ous to be particularized here. It is estimated that during his long and active improvements made in 1865, with the aid of Col. Lefroy, estimated that during his long and active improvements made in 1865 and the wild stripling had grown into the instinct of the true mother's if nobody's hower to you, you must be small; and the wild stripling had grown into the instinct of the true mother's if nobody's kissed you, you must be low that instinct of the true mother's if nobody's kissed you, you're ugly we know the proposition of the true mother's in the instinct of the instinct of the true mother's in the instinct of the instinct of the true mother's in the instinct of the in ministerial career he preached at least ten the established several meteorological stations in connection with the nized him among six other pall-bearers. If nobody's flattered you, flatter yourself; If nobody's cheated you, you're a knave; thousand sermons.

The first appearance of Mr. Ryerson as an author was made in 1826 in reply to a sermon preached by Archdeacon Strachan, in which the latter had attacked the Dissenters. Dr. Ryerson's pamphlet was principal seats of art, where he procured and vigorous production, and, when published under thesignature of "A Methodist Preacher," cleated no little excitement and speculation as to who the excitement and speculation as to who the man who this city. On his return he began advocation and the series of the companion, Capt. Lamont, to satisfy the com writer was shortly afterwards avowed. ing a system of Government grants to out- son at the Langham Hotel, where he was Two years later the author published a lying Universities, and drafted the Educa- stopping. Before the messenger who series of letters, in which Archdeacon tion Bill of 1860, which effected some ushered her into Stanley's spacious parlors Strachan's famous chart of the various improvements in our school system. In had time to withdraw Mrs. Eastway, declin-1861 he received from Victoria Col- ing his proffered hand, exclaimed, "Are keenly criticized. In 1329 the Christian lege the honorory degree of LL.D. you not a nice sor?" In 1874 Dr. Ryerson was elected President of the first General Conference of the Methodist Church, held in this city. He held this office for four years, when he was succeeded by Rev. Dr. Douglas, of Montreal. Dr. Ryerson was elected for the third time to represent the Canadian Conference in Great Britain in 1876. He was relieve my distracted mind." received by the British Conference with every possible mark of respect and affection, or so, and your son will turn up." reference being made to his appearance in the same capacity forty-three years pre-

In 1876, owing to the infirmities of his advanced years, Dr. Ryerson, at his own request, was relieved from the arduous duties of Chief Superintendent of Education, the office was abolished and its functions vested in the Minister of Education. Dr. Ryerson retired on full salary after he replied: "Oh, no, I am not," and turned thirty-two years' incessant service. He has round facing her. since lived in retirement, finding occupation in the preparation of his "History of the United Empire Loyalists," recognized, and she returned quickly; a voluminous work which throws a good "Yes; on his wrist he has some peculiar deal of light upon the early history of India ink marks, made by a sailor during lished in Cobourg. During Mr. Ryerson's Canada. Dr. Ryerson preserved to a late the voyage to the Crimea, and on his neck stay in London he conributed a series of period in life a wonderful degree of mental a mole." Although she repeatedly asked letters on Canadian affirs to the Times, in activity and physical vitality, and to the him to draw up his cuff in order to reveal dred. last preserved a keen interest in public the marks on his wrist, or to pull down affairs. His death will be deeply regretted his collar slightly to show the mole, he nerva. by many outside of any sectarian limits. would not do it, and the interview was Dr. Ryerson was twice married, first in ended by her leaving the hotel in great Chlo. 1828 to Miss Aikman, daughter of the late anger. John Aikman, of Barton Township, who died four years afterwards, and in 1833 to Miss Armstrong, daughter of the late J. R. Armstrong, of Toronto, who with two chil-

-There is one source of hard-pan comfort for the haggard man who goes around We may live without books-what is knowledge occasion of a noted spech in the Commons with his pants' pockets full of dislocated by Mr. Joseph Hume n support of a peti- suspender buttons while his wife is tion presented by Dr Charles Duncombe, absorbed in agitating the woman's rights We may live without passion—what is passion she will pardon all—even your crimes; but han, a baker, was thrown off and broke his but pining? setting forth the grievences of the people of movement. He is always prepared for the But where is the man that can live without Canada, Mr. Gladstone, who was desirous weekly church collection.

#### A NEGLECTED PARENT.

Henry 21 Stanley's Mother Reported to oe in a Charitable Institution.

The Baltimore Herald publishes a long article founded on the statement which it country, but a my busint to High Court of makes, that the aged mother of Henry M. Stanley, the explorer, is living in the Home Judicature yester, sympathy with the revolutionists, he was of the Little Sisters of the Poor in that opposed to the employment of harsh city. The Herald says: Mrs. Johanna measures against Mackenzie's followers, Eastway, the old lady under discussion, D. D., is severed one of the few remaining and succeeded in procuring the release of was born in the County Cork, Ireland, links uniting the present with the early several of them from imprisonment. He nearly seventy years ago. Her father was days of Canadian settlement. Dr. Ryerson strongly championed the cause of the former a butcher named Hauckens, and lived has had a long, a busy, and a memorable Speaker of the House of Assembly, Mar- until she had grown to womanhood. career, and there is so much of interest and shall Spring Bidwell, wrongfully ac- She married Capt. Henry Eastway, a historic association in the annals of his cused of participation in the rising, worthy rover of the deep, in 1837, and family that even had his own part in and during the controversy which shortly thereafter the couple left Great public affairs been much less prominent ensued attacked the course of Britain and came to Baltimore, from his passing away would have been a note. Attorney-General Hagerman in a very which port the captain sailed on periodic worthy event. The late Dr. Ryerson was vigorous and pointed letter, in which the voyages accompanied by his wife. After upwards of 78 years of age, having been establishment of constitutional freedom living there for a few years the captain, on born in the Township of Charlotteville, was advocated for the first time since the invitation of Capt. James Pendergast, a County of Norfolk, on the 24th of restoration of order. During Lord Dur- ship-owner of New York, removed with his whose education was not equal to his for March, 1803. His father, Colonel ham's memorable mission to this country wife to the American metropolis, where tune, "is capacity." "Indeed!" was the Ryerson, a native of New he had frequent interviews with Mr. Ryer- they took up their residence, Capt. East- astonished reply, "well then I'll order one Jersey, distinguished himself for his son, who furnished numerous data for the way commanding one of the steamers immediately, no matter what it costs." celebrated report of that nobleman. In engaged in the trade between New York ing entered the ranks of the loyalists when 1840 Mr. Ryerson again attended the Eng. and Charleston, S. C. In New York City a mere lad of 15 and taken part in lish Conference as a delegate from Canada. on the 26th of October, in the year 1843, Upon the incorporation of the University six years after marriage, the first child was and that every woman yearly brings out of Victoria College in 1841 Mr. Ryerson born to Mrs. Eastway. The infant was a was unanimously chosen President of the fine, healthy boy, and when the mother was convalescing she told her husband that degree of Doctor of Divinity conferred upon she wanted to have their son baptized in him by the Wesleyan University of Middle- the Catholic faith. Mrs. Eastway was a Catholic, but the captain was a Protestant. During Sir Charles Metcalfe's administra- He loved his wife dearly, however, tion of affairs in Canada Dr. Ryersor and made no objection to her wish. warmly espoused his part in his contest The child was christened by Father issue was the right of the Governor to way, which name when he grew to manmake appointments irrespective of the hood he saw fit, for some unknown reason, Province. Col. Ryerson became the father advice of his Ministry, and in addition to to change to Henry M. Stanley. Thus numerous letters and articles in the news- was begun the life which was destined to of the Gospel. The three elder sons all paper press, Dr. Ryerson wrote and pub- prove so distinguished, and to lead to such took an active part in repelling the lished an elaborate "Defence" of Sir grand results. Thus begun the career of American invaders in the war of 1812, Charles, which was published separately in the individual upon whom the admiration pamphlet form, in which all that could be of the civilized world is centered, and his Beaver Dams, Lundy's Lane and else urged in favor of the untenable position of name will, in all probability, henceforth he plays the fiddle. He is a nice man, but the Governor was strongly presented. In possess an undying fame. When "Stan. he plays out of tune. Why does he play of Superintendent of Public Schools for invariably uses in speaking of her son, and once devoted himself to the task of re- article, was 7 years of age, Capt. Eastway tune. His head is very level. modelling the educational system of the removed his family back to Europe. For -M. Dufourcet announces in Les Mon Province, making an extensive tour in the fifteen years after their marriage Mrs. that he has in his yard two bars of iron United States, England and continental Eastway accompanied her husband on all planted in the earth, to each of which is Europe to familiarize himself with the his voyages, and Stanley was often fixed a conductor of coated copper wire most modern educational systems. The taken with them. In a voyage to terminating in his receiver, apparently a results of his tour were embodied in an the Crimea, during the great struggle telephone. These, he says, never fail to elaborate report published in 1846. His between France and England on the give notice twelve to fifteen hours in ideas, though strongly opposed by some, one side and Russia as their fee on the c 'vance of every storm which bursts over commended themselves to a majority of other, Capt. Eastway left his wife at home farm at Clay Castle, County Cork, Ireland.

"Stanley was always a good boy," says his mother, "but wild and reckless." "One day," says Mrs. Eastway to the a little boy ran in and said Stanley was panion, in the bog. I ran out and over the field and found what the boy had said to be true. When Stanley saw me he let little Peter go. I was greatly excited, and wringing my hands, said to him: 'Would that

"Never mind, mother," replied the reck-

He was as good as his word, and sailed from Queenstown in the barque Jacob Keller in the year 1858. The last Mrs. Eastway saw of her son was the day when he left until she saw him at Livingstone's funeral in Westminster Abbey. Although many

"Well," he answered, "I fancy there must be some mistake here." "Then you can easily rectify it."

His next reply was: "Well, any money you want you can have." "Why do you offer me money if I am not

tracted mother replied: "He may turn up to be a brother to your brothers, but never Comes the far-reaching plaint of the lowly Jackass?

During this memorable interview Mrs. Eastway says Stanley stood in the embrasure of a window with his face partly turned from her. She asked if he was afraid to look her straight in the face, and Barbara.

He asked her if her son had any marks about his person by which he could be

-Lines by a hearty eater: We may live without poetry, music and art, We may live without conscience, and live without heart:

We may live without friends; we may live without books. But civilized man cannot live without cooks.

but grieving? We may live without hope-wha s hope but dining

### LE GOSSIP. Pay

ples of the revised been sold. Criticism New Tess due either by bonost ceased in this upon the vaid mmedia ase in England.

-Legal note sent spel Bell vs. Cousinsm, obtained an order to Mr. Bruce (Hamilton, examine.

Vian, which arrived The steamer Peruv the from Boston, at Halifax, N. S., last might man sick with is still at quarantine. A sea the Marine smallpox has been landed at Hospital, Lawers Island.

en caused -Considerable comment has bed . Pet dog at Belleville by the burial of a belonging to a lady in her husband's grave The in the cemetery. The body of the animal was encased in a handsome coffin.

-" What your daughter wants," said an over-candid music teacher to a millionaire

-An English statistician calculates that every man on an average speaks fifty-two 520 volumes of the same size in talk.

shall go.

from districts in the north.

-Does this man play the violin? No; plays at concerts now he plays all alone,

and haven't done anything."

WRITE WRITTEN RIGHT. Write we know is written right, When we see it written write; But when we see it written wright, We know it is not written right; For write, to have it written right, Must not be written right or wright, Nor yet should it be written rite-But write, for so 'tis written right.

fastest across the Atlantic yet accomon record, notwithstanding that the Cunard | a healthy stroll, even for those who are not route is by ninety miles longer than that unfamiliar with a carriage. taken by most of the other lines. On several days the Servia had easterly winds.

Sign yourself " Nobody," as quick as you can.

-A "faith cure" is described in the British Medical Journal. An ignorant and superstitious English woman, troubled with | hill, to negro Sam, the sweep. All look after palsy in the lower extremities, was taken her with an admiring eye, and say to themto a French hospital for treatment. The selves, "She is just the right sort of a girl." consultation over her case being entirely tion. At all events, the doctors were soon moving around the room perfectly cured.

why do you offer me money if I am not your mother? I do not want aid, only to relieve my distracted mind."

"Have patience, Mrs. Eastway, for a year or so, and your son will turn up."

With a heart almost bursting, the dis.

Know ye the land where the Plesiosaurus His wild, weird-like warble intones to the sea?

And the festive Molluscan and Ichthyosaurus Sing softly their love to the lone Bumblebee? Where the Trilobite sings in his nest on the wall, And the Hoopendedoodendoo trills in the

# APPROPRIATE NAMES.

For the wife of a farmer-Tilly. For the wife of a gambler—Bet or Loo. For the wife of a fisherman-Annette or For the wife of a solicitor-Phoebe, Lau-

ra or Sue. For the wife of a gardener-Lettice. For the wife of a confectioner—Patty. For the wife of a burglar-Mil-dred.

For the wife of a clergyman-Grace. For the wife of a jockey-Rhoda. For the wife of a bootmaker-Peggy. For the wife of a man with corns-Hil-

For the wife of a hypochondriac-Mi-For the wife of a second-hand clothier-

For the wife of a singer-Caroline. For the wife of a man in want of assistance—Ada.

For the wife of a beggar-Pau-line. For the wife of a sexton-Belle.

-With woman, turbulance is an unfailing proof of interest. If a girl tells you, " I'll never speak to you again in my lifethere!" rejoice and return ; but if she says, " I shall always be glad to see you at any even forgive you your virtues.

## A Death Parting.

Leaves and rain and the days of the year, (Water willow and wellaway). All these fall, and my soul gives ear, And she is hence who once was here.
(With a wind blown night and day).

Ah! but now, for a sacred sign, (The willow's wan and the water white In the held breath of the day's decline Her very face seemed pressed to mine. (With a wind blown day and night).

O love, of my death my life is fain; (The willows wave on the water-way Your cheek and mine are cold in the rain, But warm they'll be when we meet again.
(With a wind blown night and day).

Mists are heaved and cover the sky
(The willows wail in the waning light
O loose your lips, leave space for a sigh
Then seal my soul, I cannot die.
(With a wind blown day and night).

ves and rain and the days of the year Lea likater willow and the days of the year (Whater willow and wellaway).

All still fall, and I still give ear,
And she is hence and I am here.

(With a wing blown night and day).

Evening Dress and the Laws of Health.

(D. J. Milner Fothergill in "Good Words.") What has physiology to say to evening dress? Decency hid her head in shame long ago at low dresses, and has been silent. Physiology says such dresses are a violation of the laws of health. Let it be -A large dry goods firm in Boston pro- granted they do not entail much harm in peses to its employees that each shall the heated atmosphere of dining-room and contribute \$10, in weekly assessments of drawing-room, yet what of the drive back-50 cents, toward treating one out of every | wards and forwards, even with the help of twenty-five of their number to a trip to numberless rugs and wraps? What remarks Europe next summer, luck to decide who have been made from time to-time about the long tarrying in cold ante-rooms, -I understand (says a London corres. halls and passages at royal drawing-rooms. pondent) that £263,000 has already been Of colds and chills and of unprotected lungs received from the Home Districts in the injured thereby? It beseems us not to shape of contributions to the Wesleyan parade the horrors of a "drawing-Thanksgiving Fund, and that only about room " here; but the fact is well enough £4,000 has yet to come. The greater part known that many a residence along the of the contributions have been received shores of the Mediterranean has been the long outcome of such exposure. Whether it be that he is a less æsthetic creature, or that convenience presses more strongly upon him than upon the gentler 1844 Dr. Ryerson received the appointment ley," the name which Mrs. Eastway now out of tune? Nobody knows. When he sex, man certainly escapes the grave changes of dress seen in the other sex. He Upper Canada. He accepted this post and at by which he will be called throughout this and then no one can tell that he is out of mildly oscillates from the weakness of pegtops or knickerbockers to continuations of a fan-like character, where the trousers almost conceal the boot, as is the apparently permanent fashion with our bluejackets. The lappel of the coat covers the tip of the lung just where the low dress leaves it exposed, as if inviting disease to settle there. The shirt-front is exposed in a very liberal manner in man, but a wellstarched linen shirt-front is no bad protection against a rude blast, provided the -A jocose old fellow declared that his exposure be not too prolonged. Even when wife told the truth at least three times a there is no low dress the upper portion of 1869 Capt. Eastway died away from home, day. Said he: "Before rising in the morn- the chest in women is often far too thinly time previous been in sympathy with its a new Education Act, making many radical and in the same year Stanley ran away to ing she says, 'O dear! I must get up, but clad. Fair reader, my connection with a I don't want to.' After breakfast she added, hospital for diseases of the chest tells me 'Well, I suppose I must go to work, but I somewhat about female underclothing, or, don't want to.' And she goes to bed saying, perhaps, rather the want of it. In private 'There, I have been on the move all day practice, too, opportunities are afforded for observation of the scanty and utterly insufficient underclothing worn by many whose means do not prevent their indulgence in proper raiment. If ladies would only wear something approaching the merino vests, etc., seen in gentlemen's hosiers' windows, they would not require the heated rooms at present rendered necessary from the insufficient attire now -The last trip of the Cunard steamship in vogue. To be sure, this admits of heavy Servia to Liverpool is said to have been the overclothing being worn when out of doors -cloth jackets, furs trimmed with fur, and plished. The apparent time of the passage all the paraphernalia of costly outer attire is 7 days, 12 hours, 39 minutes, and the in which the female heart rejoices. But actual time of the passage from Sandy stouter underclothing would be far, far Hook, 7 days, 7 hours, 41 minutes. This better in every way. It would admit of is by several minutes the shortest passage lighter outer clothes and be compatible with

## The Girl Everybody Likes.

She is not beautiful-oh, no! nobody thinks of calling her that. Not one of a dozen can tell whether her eyes are black or blue. If you should ask them to describe her, they would only say: "She is just right," and there it would end.

She is a merry-hearted, fun-loving, bewitching maid, without a spark of envy or malice in her whole composition. She enjoys herself and wants everybody else to do the same. She has always a kind word and a pleasant smile for the oldest man or woman; in fact, I can think of nothing she resembles more than a sunbeam, which brightens everything it comes in contact

All pay her marked attention, from rich Mr. Watts, who lives in a mansion on the

The young men of the town vie with one in the French language, she imagined the another as to who shall show her the most words to be intended as a sort of incanta- attention, but she never encourages them beyond being simply kind and jolly; so no afterward greatly surprised to see her one can call her a flirt; no, indeed, the young men would deny such an assertion as quickly as she.

Girls-wonderful to relate-like her too for she never delights in hurting their feelings or saying spiteful things behind their backs. She is always willing to join in their little plans and assist them in any way. They go to her with their love affairs, and she manages adroitly to see Willie or Peter and drop a good word for Ida or Jennie, until their little difficulties are all patched up, and everything goes on smoothly again -thanks to her.

Old ladies say she is "delightful." The sly witch—she knows how to manage them. She listens patiently to complaints of the rheumatism or neuralgia, and then sympathizes with them so heartily that they are half cured.

But she cannot be always with us. A young man comes from a neighboring town by-and-bye and marries her. The villagers crowd around to tell him what a prize he has won, but he seems to know it pretty well without any telling, to judge from his face. So she leaves us, and it is not long before we hear from that place. She is there the woman everybody likes.

It used to be called "moderate drinking;" but now that science has invaded the subject, it is regarded as "taking it in true physiological quartity."

Mr. Charlton is preparing a Bill to be submitted to the House of Commons whereby seduction will be made a criminal offence under certain conditions.

On Sunday, while cavorting on a horse on when she no longer loves you, she will not leg. He once before met with a similar accident in the same way.