

remembrance among the oldest of the inhabitants. Several of the present grandfathers of that locality may, per chance, still remember receiving their first thrashing from his faithful school rod. These were the days when Solomon's wise admonition was always kept in remembrance: "Spare the rod and spoil the child." In these degenerate days the popular translation appears to be "spoil the rod and spare the child."

The near neighbour at that time were William Barragar, Jonathan C. Jackson, Billyat Outwater, Peter Parks, Jacob Bernance, Peter Woodcock and other, all of whom have passed over to the great majority. The old man, now having served his day and generation, is calmly awaiting the Master's call, in confident hope of hearing the "Well done, good and faithful servant," in common with many of his former co-labours.

Mr. Joyce has never married, as he felt it his duty to remain at home in care of his aged parents. He has by his honest, industry, always succeeded in making a comfortable home and making ample provisions against old age. He has been a life long temperance man, and of regular and industrious habits and now reaps the advantages in his old age. With the exception of a severe injury in consequence of a bad fall a year ago, he feels but lightly the burdens of his eighty three years. He can still see to read without glasses, his hearing is good and his memory unimpaired. He has been very foud (sic) of reading and is therefore a man of excellent intelligents. As an evidence of rare good judgment in reading matters we may here remark he has been one of the reliable subscribers and regular readers of The Napanee Beaver, almost ever since it was first established, and would now deprive himself of a good many comforts sooner than be deprived of his regular weekly visits.

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