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BIOGRAPHICAL



PETER McARTHUR



ETER McARTHUR'S parents were both natives of Scotland. His father, Peter McArthur the elder, moved to Canada considerably before the middle of the nine-

county, in the Province of Ontario. His mother, Catherine (McLennan) McArthur, came from Scotland some years later, married, and took up her abode on the partially cleared homestead. Here, in the log farmhouse built by his father, the younger Peter was born on the 10th of March, 1866; and in this genuine pioneer dwelling he now resides. He writes*: "I have the good fortune to be living on the farm on which I was born—the farm which my father cleared. Although I was born too late to take a hand in the clearing, I learned the history of every acre before an open fireplace many years ago." As both English and Gaelic

[&]quot;The Affable Stranger," p. 196.