

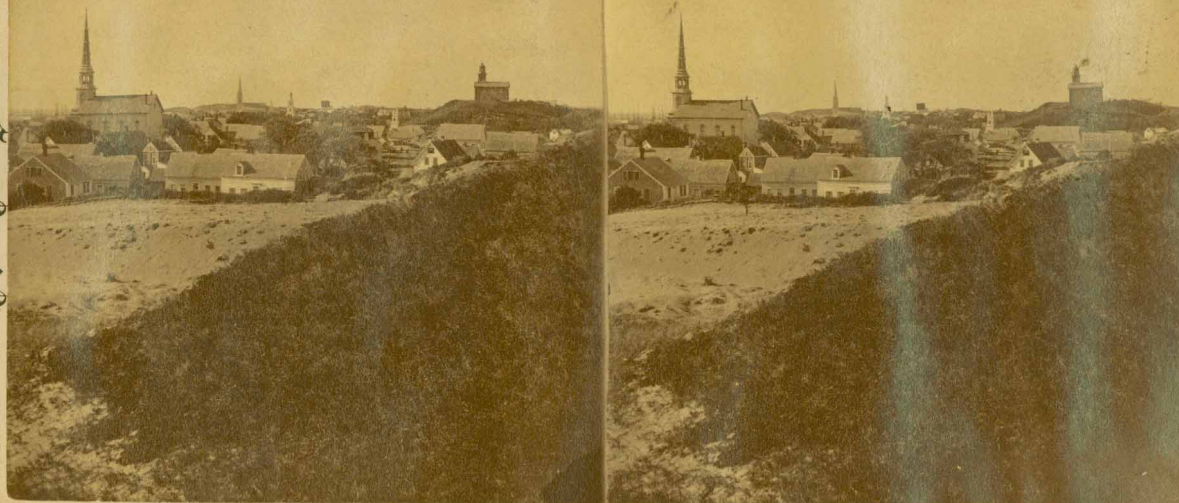
## "Overpaid"

Joseph J. Roderick Sr. was a carpenter before he went to work for the New Haven Railroad, back when hobble-skirted ladies got off "the cars" at Bradford and Standish streets. He was fifteen, working for the late Irving Freeman, when Irv's gang took down the towering steeple of the Center Methodist Church, now the Chrysler Museum, in 1898.

"I worked for three dollars a week, fifty cents per nine hour day," recalls Joe. "On one of Irv's jobs I used to walk to North Truro every day, work my nine hours, and walk home again."

The gang took down the steeple from inside, lowering the debris on ropes into the yard behind the Johnson Street firehouse. Louis M. Snow, father of Morris and Stanley Snow, lugged his big camera up there as soon as the tip was off (was it 50 feet high, or 90?) and took irreplaceable pictures of Provincetown on 7 by 9 glass plates, some of which will be reproduced in the Advocate's centennial year's issues soon.

Joe told me, "I worked for Irv a couple of years, then I told him I thought I was worth more pay. He asked me what I was getting, and I told him three dollars. Quick as a flash he said, "You're overpaid now. Go back to work."



One of the old stereoscopic cards - About 1870 - Center Methodist Church, left; next spire: Centenary Church; white one next to it: Unitarian; little white cupola is the Center School. Then Town Hall on High Pole Hill (burned down 1877.) Below is shown the backing for above card.

## STEREOSCOPIC VIEWS, PROVINCETOWN, MASS.

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| Provincetown, from High Pole Hill. | Parallel Street.                              | Cutting Out.                             |
| " " from Mt. Gilboa.               | Steamboat Wharf.                              | Moonlight Views. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.       |
| " " from Steamboat wharf. 1. 2     | Depot.  | Provincetown in Winter. 1. 2. 3.         |
| " " from Miller's Hill.            | Savings Bank.                                 | Street Scene " "                         |
| " " from Gull Hill.                | Wrecked Bark Frances                          | Henry A. Paull. (deck view.) 1. 2. 3. 4. |
| " " from Railroad wharf            | Finback Whale.                                | " " " 1. 2. 3. 4.                        |
| Commercial St. near Central House. | Blackfish. (fourteen different views.)        | John Rommel. (deck view.)                |
| Advocate Steam Printing office.    | Race Light.                                   | " " 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.                       |
| Central House, rear view.          | Point Light.                                  | <b>TRURO SCENES.</b>                     |
| Gifford House.                     | Public Library                                | Highland Light.                          |
| Pilgrim House.                     | Atlantic House.                               | " " from N. Truro depot.                 |
| Center M. E. Church and Parsonage. | Mt. Arrarat.                                  | Highland Clay Cliffs. No. 1. 2. 3. 4.    |
| Centenary Church.                  | Beach Point. from Mt. Arrarat.                | Old Mill at Highland.                    |
| Masonic Hall.                      | Railroad on Beach Point.                      | Old Salt Mill.                           |
| High Pole Hill. from Ryder street. | Central Wharf.                                | Pamet River.                             |
| Wood End Light.                    | Catholic Church.                              | Pond Village, looking South.             |
| Forest Street.                     | <b>ICE SCENES, Cape Cod, Winter of 1875.</b>  | " " looking North.                       |
| Vine Street.                       | Icebergs. Long Point. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. | <b>KENNEBAGO, (Me.), LAKE SCENES.</b>    |
| Mackerel Fleet.                    | Provincetown from Long Point.                 | Grant's Camp.                            |
| Making Fish.                       | Fishing Fleet off " "                         | Kimball's Camp                           |
| Washing Fish.                      | Grenada. " "                                  | Little Kennebago Lake.                   |
| Sun Fish.                          | Frozen In. 1. 2. 3. 4.                        | " " Falls.                               |
| Mackerel.                          | Ice-bound Whaler.                             | Camp-landing.                            |
| Provincetown Log Committee.        | Snow Blockade. 1. 2. 3. 4.                    | Trout, first day's catch.                |

ALSO 20 DIFFERENT VIEWS OF WELLFLEET.

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