In commenting on the recent pilgrimage of the Louisiana Acadians to Grand Pre to attend the 175th Anniversary of the deportation of the Acadians, the Spectator, published at Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, described the Acadians visit to Annapolis Royal, as follows:

"The visit of the representative Acadians from Louisiana (42 in number) who were in Annapolis Royal on Tuesday afternoon and proceeded by special train at 8:00 o'clock that evening for Wolfville, is certainly one of the greatest events that ever occurred in the history of Nova Scotia. Perhaps if Longfellow had never written the romantic poem of Evangeline, or if "Joe" Edwards had not been gifted with such a charming imagination in regard to the history of Grand Pre, such an event as this in the fulness of time would never have been brought about, but assuredly not since that day in September, 1755, when the expulsion of the Acadians from Nova Scotia was accomplished, until now has there been such a realization of the episode and of the sad facts that formed the basis for the romantic story. To have a visit from the descendants of the people who would have continued to be Nova Scotians had they been permitted to do so, but who through many generations had practically forgotten the home of their ancestors, seemed like realizing the discovery of long lost relatives, almost like the coming into possession of an unexpected fortune, for it goes without saying that the link of friendship now welded between the younger generations of the Acadians who continued in Nova Scotia and those who for 175 years have been the residents of Louisiana, will never again be broken.

"People of Annapolis Royal were deeply interested in seeing the visitors on Tuesday. It was nice of them to dress in the quaint old costumes of the days of Evangeline, living ladies from the pages of a story book and men who might to-day find their counterparts in many worthy families of our citizens. Always now will it be remembered that in the sunny Southland are cousins of our people who will tell their friends that Nova Scotia to-day is a pleasant place to visit and a place in which Acadians will ever more receive a cheery welcome."

"A special train went from Yarmouth in the morning, returning here at 8:30 and proceeded."