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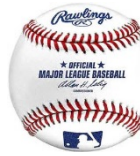
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Susan Kyle

President, Trent Valley Archives

‘Hôtelier Extraordinaire’ **Léon Caisse (1818-1867) :** **His Ancestry and Family: Part Two**

Colum M. Diamond And Peter E. McConkey
January 2013

Ed. Note: In the February issue, the authors covered the Caisse family story to the life of Leon Caisse. In this issue we continue through the more recent generations. For readers we have reprinted the introduction, which is a useful summary of Caisse’s importance.

One of the more interesting figures to people the mid-nineteenth century commercial scene in the town of Peterborough was *Monsieur Léon Caisse*. Caisse was born in the second decade of the Nineteenth Century near Trois-Rivières, in the parish of Saint-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, in the village of Lanoraie, county of Berthier, Québec (then termed ‘Lower Canada’). He migrated to Upper Canada (Ontario) as a young married man in the mid-1840s and spent the remainder of his life in that province before his early demise in Peterborough in 1867, at the age of forty-nine years.

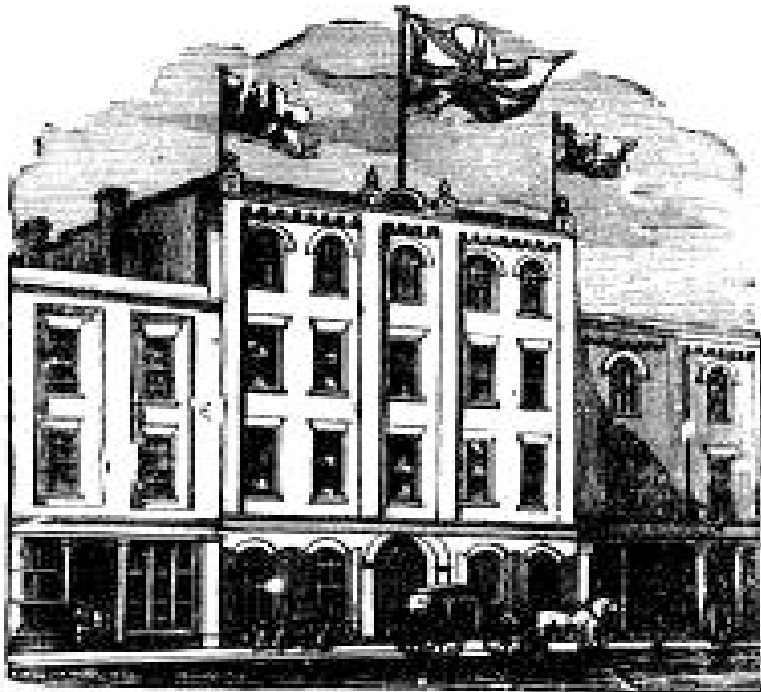
Léon Caisse was a hotelier and for the last fifteen years of his life, he owned and operated , consecutively, two hotels in Peterborough. His French and French-Canadian ancestry provides a fascinating window into both the early years of the Caisse family in ‘the old country’ and their presence in the colonial life of New France from the 1730s onward. A fourth-generation descendant of the

original Caisse *émigré*, François Caisse called *Le Dragon*, Léon Caisse was part of the large influx of French-Canadians who migrated to *Canada West*, as the colony of Upper Canada was popularly called after 1841. Like many of these French-Canadians migrants, Caisse had decided to leave the lower province, determined to try his fortune in what he reckoned was a more enterprising part of the Canadian colonial scene.

Newly married to Julia Huston, Caisse settled first in Toronto in the mid-1840s and began his career as an *hôtelier*. There he remained for only a few years, and it was there, as well, that Léon Caisse Jr., the eldest of his six children, was born. Caisse then moved his family to Barrie where he resided for a further three or four years. From 1854 until his death thirteen years later, Léon Caisse and his growing family made their home in Peterborough, where he operated two hotels, both known as *Caisse’s Hotel* in the centre of the town.

Documented evidence on Léon Caisse and on the ancestry from which he sprang, reveals an individual marked with strong entrepreneurial skills, and possessed of the spectrum of talents and ambitions typical of many of the leading figures in the life of early Peterborough. If Peterborough was a leading and dynamic corner of late Upper Canada / Canada West from the mid-Nineteenth Century onward, it owed much of that dynamism to citizens of the Léon Caisse ilk. Although Caisse lived for fewer than fifteen years in Peterborough, he exerted a significant impact on the commercial activities and the cultural scene in the town.

As well, he was also an important figure in the French-Canadian community, particularly during the earlier decades of a growing Québécois presence in the



region. With the exception of the more prosperous French-Canadian families in Peterborough, such as the Brioux, Letelliers, Lebruns, Lemays and the de Laplantes, the majority of the newly-arrived francophones did not assume a leadership role in the commercial life of Peterborough. Léon Caisse was an exception and, during his tenure as a *hôtelier* of uncommon flair, his presence and prominence in

the community beyond French-Canadian social circles were noteworthy. For these reasons, as well as for the interesting ancestral background in Québec and France from which he sprang, his story merits being better known. This brief account of the life of *Monsieur Caisse*, of his roots, his family and his commercial contribution to Peterborough, proposes to tell that story.

5.4. A Poetic Tribute to the Late Léon Caisse (1868) :

Léon Caisse seems to have been a beloved and highly regarded citizen in the community and several weeks after his death the following poetic tribute to Mr. Caisse appeared in the *Evening Examiner* on January 30, 1868:

The following lines have been sent to us, with a request to publish them, which we do, contrary to our usual rule, as there is no name attached.

IN MEMORIAM

RESPECTFULLY INSCRIBED TO
MADAME LÉON CAISSE SR.

By E-----

*They carried him forth in mournful array,
From all he so fondly cherished,
And it seemed to their hearts, under grief's wild
sway,
That all joy on earth had perished.*

*Oh say, did not love show its power there,
O'er these burning cherished hours
He was dearer than life to those mourners fair,
He had strewn their path with flowers.*

*And the wail that rose from their hearts to heaven,
As the last long look was taken,
Oh, it told of the depth that God has given
To the soul by sorrow shaken.*

*And the rites of the Romish faith were done,
The pealing organ sounded-
The lights burn brightly, departed one,
By the white robed boys surrounded.*

*The altar gleam'd in its sable shroud,
With the torches love had lighted,
While lowlier there the faithful bowed,
Sorrowful and affrighted*

*Dulcet the tones of that Latin prayer,
Above the dead recited,
And then, while manhood weeps, they bear
Him from that dome, grave plighted.*

*Slowly, along the snow-clad earth,
The sad procession wended,
Lost Léon! Hope speaks of a heavenly birth,
Now thine earthly course is ended.*

*And in that home, where thou wert the sun,
That hope dries the widow's tear,¹
It soothes C—d—l—a, the gentle one,²
And the dark-eyed Ell—m—r.²*

*Among the shining angel throng
While seraph's notes control the strain,
Thou sing'st the saved's celestial song,
And would'st not come to earth again.*

The widow named here is, of course, Julia Huston Caisse. Victorian discretion obliges the poet to lightly disguise the name of Léon's two daughters Codelia (C-d-l-a) and Elmire (Ell-m-r-). This poem has a typical mid-Victorian tone of deeply felt sentiment and also gives evidence of a detailed knowledge of the Roman Catholic burial rituals which were current in 1867.

5.5. Published Information Relating to the Family of Léon Caisse (1867-68)

The years 1867-1868 were a very eventful period for the family of Léon Caisse Sr.

From the *Peterborough Review*, **January 11 1867** Mr. Joseph Caisse, shipbuilder in Lindsay, while working on a contract to build a new steamboat, was seized by a sudden illness caused by heart disease and died in 20 minutes. The deceased was a brother of Léon Caisse. He was 44 years of age and leaves a wife and family.

Peterborough Review, On **February 11, 1867**, Mr. Léon Caisse Jr, son of Léon Caisse was married in the R.C. Church in Peterborough by the Rev. Mr. Kelly. The bride was Miss Ann Drury of Barrie, Lake Simcoe, Ontario, daughter of Thomas Drury Esq.

Note : The marriage register of the Roman Catholic parish of St. Peter, Peterborough, contains no record of the above marriage. However, the same marriage register shows the following undated entry, inserted several months later in July, 1867:

Léon Caisse and Anne Drury Renewed their marriage contract in the presence of Léon Caisse Sr. and John Muloney.
[Signed] Oliver Kelly.

Peterborough Review, On **Sunday 29 September 1867**, at Barrie, Ontario, was born a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Léon Caisse Jr.

Peterborough Review : On **December 27 1867**, the death of Mr. Léon Caisse Sr. He was born at Berthier, Quebec. Mr. Caisse resided in Peterborough for 14 years prior to his death."

From the baptismal register of the Roman Catholic parish of St. Peter, Peterborough :

On the 13th January 1868 I baptized Mary Elizabeth Julia, born the 27th September 1867 of the marriage of Léon Caisse and Annie Drury. Spons: Thomas ----- Boljer and Mary Josephine Caisse. [Signed] Oliver Kelly.

From the *Peterborough Review* : *On August 21, 1868, a fashionable wedding took place in the Catholic church in Peterborough. The happy couple being Dr. Egerton Ryerson Howie and Miss Caisse, both of Peterborough. In the afternoon they started on their wedding tour to New York. We understand that Dr. Howie intends to reside in Montreal.*

The above marriage is not recorded in the marriage register of the Roman Catholic parish of St. Peter, Peterborough. However, there is a registration of this marriage submitted in 1868 to the civil authorities by the Rev. Edward R. ROBERTS, Baptist Minister of the Line Baptist Church in Smith Township : “Egerton Ryerson HOWIE, 25, of Peterboro, born Niagara, s/o Trany. HOWIE & Annab. HOWIE, m. Minnie CAISSE, 18, of Peterboro, born Barrie, d/o Lewis CAISSE & Julia CAISSE, Witnesses: Edw'd R. CLOUSTON of Peterboro & Cadelia CAISSE of Peterboro, July 9, 1868.”

From the records of St. John's Anglican Church, Peterborough:

On March 1 1870, married Maxmilian Fischer of Germany aged 25 living in Toronto to Mary Elmira Caisse, aged 17 of Canada, daughter of Léon and Julia Caisse. Spons: Robert Taylor and Julia Caisse.

From the Civil Registry of Marriages for Victoria County, Province of Ontario:

Henry BROCK, 22, gentleman, born Dengie? England, residing Lindsay, s/o Octavius & Harriet Ann, married Elmira Julia Mary FISCHER, 21, widow, born Barrie, residing Lindsay, d/o Léon & Julia CAISSE, witn: Henry WALTERS & N.B. CARPE, both of Lindsay, 18 May 1875 at Lindsay

5.6. Chart of Eight Generations of Ancestry for Léon Caisse

Generation No.

Pierre Jutras

b. 1605, St-Séverin Parish, Paris, France
marr. : 1629 at St-Séverin Parish, Paris, France :
to :

Claude Boucher

b. 1611, at St-Séverin Parish, Paris, France

Parents of :

Claude Jutras called *Lavallée*

b. ca 1628, at St-Séverin Parish, Paris, France
burgher of the parish of St-Séverin
d. 28 Nov. 1710, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
marr. : 5 Nov. 1657, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
to :

Marie-Élisabeth Radisson (daughter of Pierre-Esprit Radisson (b. 1590), and sister of the explorer Pierre-Esprit Radisson)
b. ca 1638

bur. 11 May 1722 at Trois-Rivières, Québec

Parents of :

Élisabeth Jutras

bapt. 16 Aug. 1669, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
bur. 11 May 1705, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
marr. : 18 April 1694, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
to :

Sieur Pierre Mouet or Moret

bapt. 1 Nov. 1669, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
d. 13 Oct. 1708, at Trois-Rivières, Québec

Parents of :

Marie-Françoise Mouet or Moret

bapt. 3 July 1695, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
bur. 29 Jan. 1755, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
marr. : 17 Jan 1716, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
to :

François Sauvage called *Le Sergent*

b. 1681, at St-Pierre-Deuillet, near Laon, Aisne, in Picardy, France
Sergeant in the *Le Gardeur* Company
d. 5 Jan. 1736, at Trois-Rivières, Québec

Parents of :

Marie-Louise Françoise Sauvage

b. 2 Aug. 1719, at Trois-Rivières, Québec
marr. 20 Nov. 1740, at Trois-Rivières, Québec

to :

François Caisse called *Le Dragon* (son of Etienne Caisse (ca 1680-1740) and Michelle Mougin)

b. ca 1715, at Seveux, near Vesoul, Franche-Comté, France

Immigr. 1737 to Trois-Rivières, Québec 17

d. before June 27, 1794, at Trois-Rivières, Québec

Parents of :

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Jean-Baptiste Gabriel Caisse

b. 22 September 1744, at Pointe aux Trembles, Island of Montréal Island, Québec

inn-keeper;

d. 16 Nov. 1820 at St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

marr. 22 August, 1772, at Lavaltrie, Québec

to :

Marie-Amable Neveu (daughter of Pierre Neveu (1713-1759) and Madeleine Janvrin (b. 1723)

b. 17 Nov. 1748 at St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

d. 18 Oct. 1802 at St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

Parents of :

Jean-Baptiste Gabriel Caisse

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b. 3 April 1777 at St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

d. 30 Nov. 1828 at St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

marr. 19 Oct. 1807, at Lavaltrie, Québec

to :

Théotiste Hervieux (dau. of Jean-Bapt. Hervieux (1727-1811) & Marie-Madeleine Fontaine (1745-1814)

b. 1778 at St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

d. 7 March 1844 at St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

Parents of :

1. Léon Caisse¹

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b. 5 Dec. 1818, at Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

bapt. 7 Dec. 1818 in the parish of St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

marr. Julia Huston

d. 1868 at Peterborough, Ontario

2. Isidore Caisse²

8

b. 1 Feb. 1824, at Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

bapt. 2 Feb. 1824, in the parish of St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

3. Joseph Caisse³

8

b. 4 October. 1821, at Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

bapt. 4 October 1821, in the parish of St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, near Trois-Rivières, Québec

¹ Note : For the French text of the baptismal entry for Léon Caisse, cf. Image No. 128 of 789 in : *Quebec, Catholic Parish Registers, 1621-1979* : Lanoraie : Saint-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, *Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures* 1806-1852.

² Note : For the French text of the baptismal entry for Isidore Caisse, cf. Image No. 224 of 789 in: *Quebec, Catholic Parish Registers, 1621-1979* : Lanoraie : Saint-Joseph-de-Lanoraie. *Baptêmes, mariages, sépultures* 1806-1852.

³ Source : Registres de Baptêmes Mariages et Sépultures : Paroisse de St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, Comté Berthier, Québec, vol. X, page 162 [Image no. 167 of 789 in the online text]. Register of Baptisms Mariages and Interments : Parish of Saint-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, Berthier County, Quebec.

5.7. Birth and Baptismal Record for Isidore Caisse, Brother of Léon Caisse²

Original French Text as it appears in the parish register (St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie) :

B. *Le deux février, mil-huit-cent-vingt-quatre, Je Curé ai baptisé Isidore né hier du légitime mariage de Jean Baptiste Isidore Caisse agriculteur en cette paroisse et de Théotiste Avrieux. parain Michel Caisse maraine Louise Beaugrand Caisse qui ainsi que le père présent ont déclaré ne savoir signer*

Mich. Bezeau prêtre

English Translation:

Bapt. *On February 2nd, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, I the parish priest baptized Isidore, born yesterday Isidore of the legitimate marriage of Jean-Baptiste Caisse farmer of this parish and Théotiste Hervieux Godfather Caisse Michel Caisse & godmother Louise Beaugrand, who, as well as the father who was present, declared they were unable to sign their names.*

Mich. Bezeau prêtre

5.8. Birth and Baptismal Record for Joseph Caisse, Brother of Léon Caisse¹

Original French Text as it appears in the parish register (St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie) :

B. *Le quatre octobre, mil-huit-cent-vingt-un, Je Curé ai baptisé Joseph né aujourd'hui du légitime mariage de Jean Baptiste Caisse agriculteur en cette paroisse et de Théothiste Avrieux. parain Pierre Roy maraine Marie Josephte Hervieux, tante de l'enfant, qui ainsi que le père présent ont déclaré ne savoir signer Mich. Bezeau prêtre*

English Translation:

Bapt. *On October 4th, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one, I the parish priest baptized Joseph, born today of the*
Isidore *legitimate marriage of Jean-Baptiste Caisse farmer of this parish and Théotiste Hervieux.*
Caisse *Godfather Pierre Roy & godmother Marie Josephte Hervieux, aunt of the infant, who, as well as the father*
who was present, declared they were unable to sign their names. Mich. Bezeau prêtre

¹ Source : Registres de Baptêmes Mariages et Sépultures : Paroisse de St-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, Comté Berthier, Québec, vol. X, page 162 [Image no. 167 of 789 in the online text] Register of Baptisms Marriages and Interments : Parish of Saint-Joseph-de-Lanoraie, Berthier County, Québec.

Part Six
Rene M. Caisse, Grand-niece of Léon Caisse,
And the Story of Essiac



One of the more interesting—and controversial—members of the Caisse family was Rene M. Caisse who was Born in Bracebridge, Ontario, on August 11, 1888, the third of eleven children born to Joseph Caisse and Friselde Potvin. Her paternal grandfather was Joseph Caisse, the younger brother of Léon Caisse, the subject of this history. Rene was, therefore, a grand-niece of Léon. Rene trained as a nurse and graduated from Dr. Hyde's Hospital in Connecticut, U.S.A. In 1922, while employed as the head nurse at the Sisters of Providence Hospital in Hailybury Ontario, that Rene saw an elderly woman with a mass of breast scar tissue being bathed. The woman told of her complete recovery from breast cancer fifty years earlier, the result of taking a herbal remedy created by the Native People of Northern Ontario.

This chance meeting between Rene Caisse and the elderly woman who had recovered from cancer led Rene to experiment, test and then, after long years of refinement, to produce her own version of the herbal remedy used by the woman in question. It eventually consisted of a mixture of burdock root, sheep sorrel, slippery elm bark and Turkish rhubarb root. Rene named the finished product **Essiac**, her family surname *Caisse* spelt backwards. One of Rene's first patients was her mother's only sister who had been given

six months to live. Rene approached her aunt's doctor, Dr. R.O. Fischer of Toronto, for permission to administer Essiac under his observation. The aunt recovered to live another twenty-one years. Other cases, which had failed to respond to proven medical treatments were referred to Rene by Dr. Fisher.

Encouraged by what she regarded as the impressive curative powers of **Essiac** From 1935 to 1942, Rene opened a cancer clinic in which she treated her patients with her secret medication. Despite extensive efforts to gain official medical and governmental approval for **Essiac**, Rene Caisse did not succeed in this endeavor.

Throughout her life her Rene's quest was to have Essiac recognized by the medical profession, however she often felt misrepresented, misunderstood and believed that powerful and influential forces were working against her efforts. She expressed her deep resentment of what she regard as professional prejudice against **Essiac** in *I Was Canada's Cancer Nurse*, an undated booklet written by Rene about her work.

In 1941, Rene Caisse closed the doors to her clinic and moved to North Bay. Three years earlier, she had married Charles McGaughey, a North Bay lawyer, whose family had been well known and long-time residents of the city. After the closure of the clinic, Rene Caisse gave up the struggle. Rene led a quiet life, learning to paint for her own enjoyment and died, aged ninety-one years, on December 26, 1978.

Conclusion

Almost a century and a half after his death, what are we to make of Léon Caisse, the flamboyant, ambitious, opportunistic French-Canadian who called Peterborough home for a mere thirteen years of his brief life? If what one accomplishes is any criterion for judgement, Caisse looks impressive, particularly because he lost no time in doing so. But his story begins far removed in space and time from the corner of Canada where he ended his days and it is the size of the stage and the variety of dramatic décor of his life as much as its relevance to Peterborough which makes Léon Caisse's odyssey particularly interesting.

The opening chapter of this story takes shape in the tiny village of Seveux, among the Jura Mountains in the eastern region of France, not far from the Swiss border. Its earliest moments are linked to the iron ore mining and processing industry of that corner of France. Members of the Caisse family were, early on, linked to the production of iron, and it was specifically François Caisse, son of Étienne and Michèle (Mougin) Caisse, who emerges as a key figure in the history of the family and in the ancestry of Léon Caisse of Peterborough.

François Caisse must have been an efficient and talented young man, since, at the early age of nineteen years, he had already acquired enough of a reputation in the Seveux mining enterprise to be asked to immigrate to New France to assist in the development of the new iron mining and forging in that colony. François' eldest son, Jean-Baptiste Gabriel Caisse, went into the inn-keeping business and it was in this commercial activity that his grand-son, Léon Caisse, made his name, as his great-grandfather, François, had achieved success more than a century earlier.

His ability and willingness to move in order to follow the 'main chance' and his eye for the potential prize reveals a flexibility and ambition in young Léon Caisse. From the little town of Lanoraie in Québec, to the bustling city of Toronto, then on to Barrie and Peterborough, Caisse seemed to have a nose for the promising opportunity and a determination not to let it slip away. Dying at the age of only forty-nine years, he did not make old bones, but in the course of his too brief life, Léon Caisse gave evidence of considerable business acumen, and a refusal to give up when events seemed to turn against him. The loss in a fire of his first hotel in Peterborough was no barrier against his continuing to expand his business activities. It took death to bring this remarkable citizen of early Peterborough to a final halt. Léon Caisse richly earned his eternal rest and he could rightly to gaze back on his life in which his short years were marked with impressive accomplishments.

Ships that brought Barnardo Girls to Peterborough. 1883 to 1923

John Sayles

Year	Ship	Film	# Girls				
1883	Sardinian	C-4533(Q83EN)	72 girls		Scotsman	C-4541(Q96FK)	87
1884	Circassian	C-4533(Q84DT)	25, 3	1897	Labrador	C-4541(Q97AE)	105
	Peruvian	C-3534(Q84EB)	121		Labrador	C-4541(Q97AZ)	26
	Sardinian	C-3534(Q84EU)	49 boys		Labrador	C-4541(Q97BS)	2
	Peruvian	C-3534(Q84FF)	12		Vancouver	C-4541(Q97AM)	86
	Parisian	C-4512(H84AR)	60 boys	1898	Labrador	C-4542(Q98BE)	120
					Dominion	C-4542(Q98BN)	123
1885	Circassian	C-4512(H85AS)	153 boys,				
	Polynesian	C-4534(Q85BP)	74	1899	Lake Huron	C-4542(Q99FB)	100 (102)
	Peruvian	C-4534(Q85CS)	93, 30		Arawa	C-4542(Q99GB)	103
	Sarmatian	C-4534(Q85EB)	46	1900	Cambroman	T-479(Q00CA)	121
	Total to Peterborough		366 boys and girls		Tunisian	T-479(Q00YD)	119
					Tunisian	T-479(Q00YL)	80
1886	Parisian	C-4535(Q86FG)	59		Cambroman	T-494(Q00CA)	339 ?
	Parisian	(X86FG)	3				
	Parisian	C-4535(Q86FE)	177	1901	Tunisian	T-479(Q01AL)	103; 1boy
1887	Sardinian	X87AX)	42		Numidian	T-480(Q01AS)	4 women
1888	Parisian	C-4536(Q88BJ)	90		Parisian	T-480(Q01AT)	99 + 2
1889	Caspian	C-4537(Q89CD)	106		Tunisian	T-480(Q01BD)	104
1891	Unable to identify the five girls				Tunisian	(Z01CH)	5
1892	Sardinian	C-4539(Q92DF)	127	1902	New England	(X02AA)	119
					C-4715	(X02AB)	125
1893	Labrador	C-4540(Q93BE)	75		Colonian	(X02AJ)	2
1894	Laurentian	C-4516(H94AQ)	87		Dominion	(X02AK)	1
1895	Sardinian	C-4540(Q95AD)	110		Dominion	T-480(Q02AA)	105
	Sardinian	C-4540(Q95AB)	2				
1896	Scotsman	C-4541(Q96EM)	99	1903	Kensington	T-481(Q03AR)	133

	Kensington	C-4715(X03AS)	19				
	Dominion	T-481(Q03CW)	134	1909	Dominion	T-4689(P09AA)	54
	Dominion	T-482(Q03EN)	127		Corsican	T-4760(Q09AQ)	103
					Sicilian	T-4761(Q09BC)	104
1904	Southwark	T-498(H04AZ)	3		Sicilian	T-4764(Q09BO)	81
	Kensington	T-492(Q04EA)	132	1913	Corinthian	C-4716(J13BK)	110
	Southwark	T-483(Q04FT)	121		Corinthian	T-4799(Q13EX)	138
	Southwark	T-483(Q04HR)	108*		Corinthian	T-4805(Q13IV)	119
	Bavarian	T-484(Q04IF)	40	1914	Corinthian	T-4810(Q14IG)	102
					Corinthian	T-4813(Q14LE)	60
1905	Dominion	T-484(Q05AM)	104		Sicilian	T-4829(J14CU)	99
	Southwark	T-485(Q05AP)	1	1915	Sicilian	T-4814(Q15BJ)	52
	Southwark	T-485(Q05AX)			Scandinavian	T-4830(J15CT)	83
	Dominion	T-485(Q05AZ)	114	1920	Sicilian	T-14840(J20AB)	100
	Canada	T-485(Q05BI)	89		Scandinavian	T-14710(Q20AE)	112
	Canada	T-485(Q05BU)	1		Scotian	T-14706(Q20AF)	80
1906	Dominion	T-487(Q06AP)	97	1921	Scandinavian	T-14713(Q21AX)	66
	Friesland	T-513(P06AC)	100		Minnedosa	C-4716(X21CR)	70
	Dominion	T-488(Q06BE)	96		Scandinavian	T-14843(J21CF)	33
	Dominion	T-488(Q06BN)	94	1922	Melita	C-4716(X22AA)	22
1907	Dominion	T-514(P07AA)	56		Minnedosa	C-4716(X22AD)	33
	Dominion	T-489(Q07AF)	99	1923	Melita	C-4716(X23AA)	12
	Kensington	T-491(Q07BH)	92		Minnedosa	C-4716(X23AB)	48
	Dominion	T-492(Q07BQ)	107		Minnedosa	C-4716(X23AC)	70
1908	Dominion	T-503(H08AC)	55				
	Dominion	T-493(Q08AN)	108				
	Dominion	T-4759(Q08BF)	96				
	Dominion	T-4760(Q08CA)	63				

Hazelbrae Barnardo Home Memorial 1904-1905

The Hazelbrae Barnardo Home Memorial on Barnardo Avenue in Peterborough, Ontario lists every person, nearly 10,000, who came through Peterborough's distribution home between 1883 and 1923. From 1883 to 1887 both boys and girls came through Peterborough, but after that, all were girls. The research for the names that went on the memorial was conducted by John Sayers,



ably assisted by Ivy Sucee of Peterborough and others. The research has been time consuming and demanding, as the researchers worked without a master list. The list was created mainly from ship registers and various archival sources related to the Canadian government and to Barnardos in England. This is an excellent list, compiled from original sources and scrupulously interpreted. There are bound to be errors created by misreading hand writing, and omissions could easily have occurred, as well. The ship registers could have been improperly maintained, or those creating the lists could have misheard or been distracted. Such officials often misspelled names. None of these difficulties is beyond the ken of genealogists and family historians, but these lists will prove quite useful for all researchers. We are grateful to John and Ivy for doing the research and for giving us permission to share the information they gathered.

For those wishing to pursue research on the Barnardo children, the Trent Valley Archives is a good place to begin. We have some resources, particularly in the Barnardo Homes collection and in the Gail Corbett fonds which includes some memories and some

copies of *Ups and Downs*. As well, we have access to the Library and Archives of Canada's terribly impressive holdings, and have samples of ship lists. We also have the archival copy of the monument from the Hazelbrae plot at Little Lake Cemetery.

This is the sixth instalment in the *Heritage Gazette of the Trent Valley*. In February 2012, we printed the names for 1883-1885; May, 1886-1889; August, 1890-1896; November, 1897-1900. In February 2013 we printed the names of the Barnardo girls who emigrated between 1901 and 1903, and now we are doing 1904-1905, completing 23 years of the list.

1904

ABBEY		14	CLARKE	Mary A	9	FLETCHER	Ethel	11
ALDRIDGE	Minnie	9	CLEMENTS	N	11	FORD	Elizabeth	9
ALDRIDGE	Maud	8	COHEN	Kate	10	FORD	Maud	11
ALLEN	Annie	16	COLE	Lily N	12	FORDHAM	Emily	9
APPLEBY	F	8	COLE	Constance	6	FORDHAM	Ellen	10
ARMSTRONG	Alice	9	COLE	Emma L	10	FOSTER	Lilian	18
ASKEW	Minnie	11	COLE	Alice B	8	FOSTER	G A	12
ATKINSON	Nellie	10	COLLETT	Ada	11	FOWLER	Jessie	10
AVIS	A	11	COLVIN	Kate	11	FRANCIS	Minnie	10
AYRES	Caroline	10	CONVEY	E	11	FRANKS	Violet	11
BARTLETT	Annie E	10	COOKE	Maud F	13	FRANKS	Ada	15
BARTLETT	Jessie M	7	COOKE	Ethel A	11	FRASER	Catherine	12
BARTON	Elsie	6	COOKE	Gertrude	8	FROGGATT	Mabel	11
BATSHORT	Lena	9	COOLEY	Lydia	8	FURNEAUX	Ethel	11
BAYLISS	Mary	11	COOMBS	Margaret	11	FURNEAUX	Edith	10
BEAUMONT	H	11	COOPER	Emma	9	GALLIFORD	Lucy	11
BELCHER	F	14	COOPER	Maud	14	GARDNER	Alice	11
BENNETT	Rose	12	COPPING	Maud	11	GIBBONS	A F	10
BENNETT	Ethel	8	COX	Hannah	61	GIBSON	Norah	18
BETTISON	Winifred	12	COXEN	Elsie	11	GIBSON	A	10
BETTISON	Kate	7	CRANDON	Lavinia	12	GILBERT	Bertha	13
BIBBY	Harriet	11	CREAMER	May	11	GILLHAM	E	16
BIBBY	Mary E	7	CRIPPS	Florence	8	GILLHAM	A	11
BISHOP	Hilda A	9	CRIPPS	Mary A	6	GILLHAM	E L	5
BLACK	Margaret	11	CROWLEY	Mabel D	16	GILLHAM	F	17
BOATER	Emily E	11	DAVIES	Dorothy	10	GITSHAM	Annie M	17
BOATER	Ada E	10	DAVIES	Ester M	8	GLADWELL	Ethel G	10
BOOTH	Edna	11	DAVIES	Matilda	11	GLADWELL	Florence	10
BRAME	Emily J	10	DAVIES	E	11	GLEW	Daisy	15
BRAWLEY	S	11	DEAN	E	10	GOODMAN	Elizabeth	11
BRAWLEY	E	7	DEGG	Clara M	10	GOODY	Nellie	9
BRAWLEY	A	6	DERBYSHIRE	Amy E	11	GORDON	Eliza A	11
BRAY	K	21	DERBYSHIRE	E M	9	GOULD	Henrietta	10
BROOKER	E	10	DIPPLE	Edith	11	GRAHAM	R	14
BROUSE	J E M	11	DITCHAM	Jessie	10	GRAVES	Norah A	10
BROWN	Frances	10	DODD	A	13	GRAY	Melvina	13
BROWN	Annie	15	DOWN	A	9	GRAY	Grace	12
BROWN	G	11	DRAPER	Emily	10	GRAY	Ada	5
BROWNING	Dora	11	DRINKWATER	Louisa J	11	GREAVES	S	13
BROWNING	Winifred	6	DRINKWATER	Olive E	8	GUEST	Elsie H	12
BRUNNING	Ethel D	14	DUFF	Margaret	9	GUYATT	F R	11
BRUNNING	May D	13	DUKE	L R	11	HALL	Florence	9
BULL	Florence	9	DUKE	E A	10	HALL	Jessie	11
BURGE	Rose	8	DUTLES	Margaret	11	HAM	Elsie	14
BURLEY	Henrietta	15	DYMOND	Sarah	11	HAMMOCK	Annie	11
BURRAGE	Edith M	11	DYMOND	K	11	HARDING	Ethel	10
BUTCHER	E	9	EADE	Elsie G	11	HARDING	M B	14
CALEY	Lily	11	EATON	Catherine	17	HARDING	Ethel E	12
CALEY	Elizabeth	9	EDBROOKE	Minnie E	14	HARFIELD	Edith L	9
CANNING	M	8	EDLIN	Alice	10	HARFIELD	Amy L	8
CHANEY	Ellen W	11	EDMUNDS	A	8	HARFIELD	R M	9
CHAPMAN	L C L	10	EDWARDS	K E	11	HARRIS	M A	9
CHILVERS	Alice	11	EIGHTEEN	Laura C	14	HARRISON	Louisa	11
CHRISP	Ivy Kate	10	EVEREST	Ethel	13	HART	A S	10
CHURCH	Ada	9	FARLEY	D G	11	HART	Dorothy	11
CLARE	Agnes	15	FARLEY	Ivy O G	5	HAWKINS	Nellie	8
CLARE	Alice	11	FAULKNER	Florence	13	HAYES	J	21
CLARE	M	10	FAWCETT	Florence	9	HAYES	May I	11
CLARK	Mabel F	10	FINCH	Alice	14	HERBERT	Ethel J	10
CLARKE	Phyllis E	10	FINCH	Annie	7	HERRON	Lucy K	9
						HOBBS		

HODDY	Mary Ann	10	NASH	Edith	8	SMITH	Jane A	11
HONOUR	Florence	12	NATHAN	Rose	15	SMITH	Rose	9
HOPE	Hannah	11	NESLEN	Mary	14	SMITH	Winifred	15
HORE	Elizabeth	9	NEWPORT	Annie	15	SMITH	Dorothy	11
HORSCROFT	Annie	10	NICHOLSON	J	9	SMITH	Bessie W	8
HOY	Mary A	11	NICHOLSON	M	6	SOUTHGATE	Maud	12
HUGHES	Alice	16	NORTHAM	Alice	13	SOUTHGATE	Edith	8
JACKSON	Lily	10	ORTON	Rosina	11	SPEARY	Ivy	10
JAMES	Alice	12	ORTON	Esther	9	STANTON	Eleanor	9
JOHNSON	A	11	OSBORNE	Elsie M	10	STEBBING	Violet M	11
JOHNSON	J	11	OSBORNE	Mabel F	9	STEELE	Violet A	10
JONES	Lily	10	PAGE	Mabel	11	STEELE	Lily	13
JONES	Agnes	14	PARFITT	F C	10	STEWART	E	10
JONES	Elizabeth	11	PARKER	Elizabeth	11	STOLWORTHY	Kathleen	9
KELLARD	Norah	9	PARKES	Edith E	9	STONE	H	12
KELLARD	Constance	7	PARKINSON	Lily Eliz.	10	STORRIE	Caroline	10
KELLETT	Evelyn	22	PARRIS	H	11	STRINGER	Lizzie	11
KEMP	A A	9	PARSONS	M	10	STRINGER	Elsie	10
KEMP	Margaret	10	PARSONS	M	7	STUBBS	Jane	10
KING	Mary Louisa	10	PARTON	Hilda	13	STUBBS	Elizabeth	11
KIRKBY	Amy	8	PEATLING	Georgina	9	SYKES	Beatrice	12
KIRKBY	Lydia	22	PEATLING	Katherine	10	TANNER	R	13
KIRKUP	Dora	11	PENFOLD	G J	11	TANNER	A	11
KNIGHT	Mary	11	PHILLIPS	Minnie	11	TAYLOR	P	11
KNIGHT	Lily M	8	PHILLIPS	Ada P	13	TAYLOR	F	10
LACY	Rose	14	PHILLIPS	Florence	12	TAYLOR	Rebecca	13
LACY	Elizabeth	9	PLEAR	Ellen	14	THOMPSON	Ethel	13
LADJAKE	Alice	13	POND	Emily	10	THOMPSON	Edith	10
LAMBERT	Beatrice	10	POTTS	Gladys M	10	THOMPSON	E	11
LANE	Agnes K	16	PRESTON	E	7	THORNTHWAITE	Ellen	11
LANE	Lily M	11	PRICE	Edith	7	THOROUGHGOOD	M	10
LAWSON	Alice C	10	PRICE	E R N	16	TODD	Sarah	10
LAWSON	Bertha F	6	PRINCE	Dora E	11	TODD	Isabel	6
LAWSON	Clara	4	PRINCE	M E	11	TOMBS	Edith M	11
LEATHAM	E	10	PRINGLE	D	10	TURNER	M A	16
LEWIN	E	11	RAINES	Edith M	13	UGLOW	M	10
LINES	Florence	9	RAVENHILL	Bessie	17	UNWIN	Margaret	12
LONG	Mary W	10	RAY	Louisa	11	UNWIN	Annie	11
LOVELL	Ellen	11	RICHARDSON	Lily	10	UNWIN	Alice	9
MACEY	Clara A	14	RICHARDSON	Ethel	11	USHER	Elizabeth	16
MARSH	Marion M	10	ROBERTS	Adelaide	10	USHER	Annie	11
MASLEN	Harriet	19	ROBINS	Emily	16	VALOR	Gertrude	11
MASON	Mary	9	ROBINSON	Annie E	11	VEALE	E M	11
MATHEWS	Kate	11	ROBINSON	Lily	8	VINCENT	Rose E	23
MATHEWS	Elsie E	10	RODGERS	M K	9	VOLLER	Mary M	13
MATHEWS	Annie	8	RODWAY	A	15	VOWLES	Amelia	11
McCREADY	Maggie	10	ROSTRON	Marion A	13	WALKER	Hilda	11
McMASTER	Sarah	11	ROSTRON	Constance	10	WALKER	A E	11
MEAD	Clara	11	ROSTRON	Ada L	8	WALTON	Ellen E	11
MEAD	Emma	12	ROSTRON	Edith	5	WARD	Isabel	12
MELFORD	Agnes	14	ROTMAN	A M	9	WARD	Eva	9
MELTON	Mary A	10	ROWE	Alice	13	WARD	E M	16
MELTON	Eliza	7	RUDD	D	13	WARD	E	11
MILLER	E	45	RUTLEY	Rosina	10	WARD	E	13
MINTON	Bertha A	7	SCOTT	Kate D	8	WARE	Annie	10
MINTON	Edith	5	SCOTT	Harriett	12	WAREHAM	Florence	9
MOFFITT	Claudine	10	SEABROOK	Charlotte	8	WATKIN	Jessie	10
MOODY	Edith L M	14	SEAGER	Catherine	45	WATTS	Florence	11
MOORE	M	10	SEAGER	Annie	13	WAYLING	A M	11
MOORE	E J	10	SEYMOUR	Daisy Ell	9	WEBB	Susan	21
MORGAN	Caroline	11	SEYMOUR	Florence	12	WELLS	F E	7
MORRIS	M A	11	SEYMOUR	Alice	10	WELLS	E E	5
MORRIS	M E	10	SHERRARD	Hannah	10	WHEATLEY	Catherine	11
MORRIS	B M	9	SHUTTLE	L	11	WHEATLEY	Alice	10
MOYNIHAN	L	11	SILVER	Mary E	10	WHITE	E N	11
MOYNIHAN	S	9	SIMPSON	F	11	WILKINS	Amelia	12
MURPHY	Florence	12	SIMPSON	M	9	WILKINS	Bertha	8
NASH	Alice	10	SIMPSON	E	10	WILKINSON	Elizabeth	10
NASH	Maud	11	SKINNER	F	9	WILLARD	May	15
NASH	Ellen	9	SMITH	Emily J	17	WILLIAMS	Beatrice	12

WILLINGHAM	Susan	11	WINWOOD	Elsie	10	WRIGHT	M	11
WILLINGHAM	Mary A	10	WITTERING	OliveTeesdale	14	YEOMANS	Harriet	10
WILLMORE	Ada	13	WOOD	Beatrice	14			
WILSON	Alice	11	WOOD	A	11			
WILSON	Mary B	17	WOOLFE	Emily	11			
WILSON	Alice A	12	WOOLNOUGH	Louisa	14			
WINTER	Kathleen	10	WRIGHT	R E	7			

1905

			BURGESS	Grace P	11	FRYER	Rosina M	10
			CAIRD	May	10	GARNER	Annie	11
ADAMS	Lilian	18	CARLOW	Nellie	9	GIBBS	Kate	9
AINSLIE	Daisy	11	CARR	Hannah	9	GIBBS	Mary	11
ALBON	Mildred	14	CASE	Gwendoline	10	GODDEN	Agnes	11
ASHBY	Nellie E	10	CATHCART	Margaret	14	GODDEN	Rose	10
ASHDOWN	Annie	9	CAVE	Kate	19	GOULD	Edith Maud	14
ASHMORE	Amelia	10	CHADWICK	Jane	15	GRAY	Jessie	11
ASHMORE	Mary E	8	CHURCH	Marian	12	GREEN	Mary A	16
ASHTON	Florence	11	CLIFFORD	Florence	9	GREEN	Martha	9
ATKINS	Alice M	8	CLOSE	Elsie M	9	GREEN	Dorothy	11
BAILEY	Annie	10	CLOSE	Margaret A	11	GREETHAM	Rose	17
BAILEY	Lizzie	11	COLE	RosinaAlice	10	GRIFFITHS	Agnes	9
BAKER	Annie	12	COLEMAN	Lilian	10	HACK	Frances	11
BAKER	Louisa	10	COLLACOTT	Amelia	15	HALDER	Gladys J	11
BALL	Gertrude	11	COOK	R A	10	HALL	Mary	11
BARLEY	Evelina	10	CORBY	Catherine	12	HALLIDAY	Margaret	10
BARNES	Beatrice	9	CORBY	Dora	9	HANDLEY	Maud	17
BARNES	Lily	11	CORMICK	Daisy V	9	HARRIS	Dorothy M	10
BARNET	Elizabeth M	13	CORRIN	Margaret	11	HARRISON	Gladys M	11
BARTON	Ada	13	COULSON	Frances	11	HARWOOD	Rose D.	19
BELBEN	Elsie R	12	CREASEY	Mabel	9	HENDERSON	Eva	11
BELL	Agnes	15	CROMPTON	Mary	8	HENWOOD	Nora	11
BELL	Frances	17	CURRIE	Grace	10	HILTON	Ruth	9
			CURRIE	Grace	11	HOBBS	Emily J	8
			DALTON	Gertrude	10	HORNE	Ethel M	13
			DANIELS	BeatriceAda	15	HOWELL	Lily	10
BELL	Frances	17	DAVEY	Laura	10	HUGHES	Annie	16
BENNETT	Dorothy M	9	DAVIES	Emily E	15	HUMPHREY	Elizabeth	15
BENNETT	Alice G	11	DAWSON	Ivy Muriel	13	HUNTINGDON	Maria	17
BENTON	Ellen	10	DENLEY	Mary Ann	9	INGRAM	Beatrice	11
BERRY	Muriel	13	DERBYSHIRE	Alice	10	JACKSON	Ellen	11
BERTHELET	Marie	10	DILL	Mrs. L.H.	51	JACKSON	Mary E	13
BEST	Elizabeth	11	DINES	E E	15	JARRAM	Eliza	11
BIDMEAD	Lilian	14	DOBSON	Jane	14	JEFFRIES	Ethel	11
BIRCH	Ethel	11	DOE	Ellen	10	JIGGINS	Lilian	10
BIRT	Gwendoline	9	DOVER	Beatrice	9	JOHNSON	Ann	12
BLACKTOPP	Rosina	13	DOWNIE	Rosaline	10	JOHNSTON	Dorothy	11
BLACKWELL	Margaret	13	DRAYCOTT	Georgina	10	KELLY	Mary Alice	21
BLOMBERG	Constance	9	DRAYCOTT	Mary	13	KENNETT	Beatrice	10
BOUSFIELD	Georgina	11	DUKE	Minnie	14	KERRIDGE	Florence	10
BOWLES	Ernestine	14	DUNKIN	Lilian A	16	KERRIDGE	Lily	9
BOWLES	Mary Ann	12	DUNN	Rose	11	KIMBERLY	Kathleen	8
BRADBERRY	Eva	9	DUNNINGHAM	Emily	11	KIMBERLY	Nora	10
BRADFIELD	May F	9	DURRANT	Dorothy	10	LAMBERT	Elizabeth	11
BRAITHWAITE	Alice	10	DURRANT	Mary	13	LAMBERT	Harriet	13
BRAY	Ada	16	EDWARDS	Alice	8	LANE	Louisa	13
BRERETON	Lily	10	EDWARDS	Charlotte	10	LANGHAM	Elizabeth	9
BRINDLEY	May	13	ELLIS	Gladys Mau	9	LATTIMORE	Dorothy	11
BROOKS	Emily	11	ELMER	Hilda	10	LAWSON	Louisa	9
BROOKS	Frances	10	ELMER	Mary Ann	9	LAYZELL	Jessie	10
BROOKS	Mary	9	ENDERSBY	Lilian	10	LETHBY	Alice E	10
BROWN	Lilian	11	ENGLAND	Eliza Ann	11	LILLEY	Rachel	10
BROWN	Mabel	10	ENGLAND	Harriet	13	LITTLE	Mary	14
			EVERETT	Hilda May	12			
			FELLS	Sarah	18	LLOYD	Mrs.	38
BROWN	Annie	11	FIDDES	Bella	12	LORD	Mary Ellen	14
BROWN	Dolly	9	FIFIELD	Winifred	13	LOUGH	Margaret	8
BROWNING	Amy	11	FLEMING	Nancy J	10	MADDOCKS	Mary	11
BROWNING	Maud	10	FREEBOROUGH	Doris	11	MAGSON	Maud	15
BUCKLEY	Amy	11	FREEMAN	Harriet	10	MANSFIELD	Alice R	11
						MARSHALL	Louisa	10

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MARSHALL	Margaret	9	SARGENT	Catherine	10	WILLARD	Charlotte	9
MARTIN	L	9	SARGENT	Ethel	11	WILLARD	Elizabeth	10
MASEFIELD	Florence	10	SCHOLEY	Alice	17	WILLIAMS	Isabella	9
MASHFORD	Ada M	11	SEABOURNE	Florence	15	WILLIAMS	Mary A	9
McGEOWN	Ellen Jane	10	SEABOURNE	Gladys	11	WILLIAMS	Ruth	10
MERRICK	Rose	16	SEAMAN	Dorothy	9	WILLIAMSON	M	24
MERRY	Annie	12	SEARLE	Alice	13	WILSON	Ida M	10
MESSINGHAM	Emma	10	SEARLE	Mabel	11	WILSON	Sarah J	10
MESSINGHAM	Mildred	8	SHARPE	Ada	11	WILSON	P.M.	25
MILAN	Caroline	10	SHARPE	Lillie	13	WILSON	Alice	9
MILLER	Elizabeth	9	SHEPHERD	Caroline	10	WILSON	G	22
MITSON	Annie	13	SHEPHERD	Constance	11	WILSON	Muriel	10
MOORE	Florence	10	SHERRARD	Priscilla	8	WILSON	Madeline	11
MORRIS	Edith L	10	SHEWARD	Kate	11	WRIGHT	Lucy	9
MORRIS	Margaret A	11	SHEWARD	Caroline	8			
MORRIS	Sarah E	11	SHEWARD	Margaret	11			
MORTON	Annie	6	SHEWARD	RoseHannah	10			
MORTON	Mary E	10	SILCOCKS	Ellen F	13			
MORTON	Louisa	9	SIMPSON	Daisy	10			
NEALE	Catherine	9	SIMPSON	Gertrude	8			
NEALE	Rose A	10	SIMPSON	Kate	11			
NEVILLE	Mary	11	SKILTON	Emily	10			
NEWMAN	Lilian	9	SMITH	Alice	10			
NEWMAN	Elizabeth	10	SMITH	Beatrice	10			
NEWMAN	Kate	11	SMITH	Elizabeth	11			
NOBLE	Ada	10	SMITH	Violet	13			
O'CONNELL	Louisa	10	SMITH	Winifred	11			
OSBORNE	Alice	11	SOUTHALL	Comfort	14			
OSMAN	Mary E	17	SOUTHALL	Eva	8			
PAINTER	Rose	13	SOUTHALL	Sarah	6			
PALMER	Elsie G.	9	STEVENS	Minnie	11			
PALMER	Florence	10	SUMSION	Florence	10			
PARSONS	Charlotte	10	SUMSION	Nellie M	6			
PARTRIDGE	Florence	17	SWAIN	Alma F.	10			
PARTRIDGE	Mabel Elsie	11	TAMPION	May	8			
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PAYNE	Winifred	11	THOMAS	Margaret	12			
PHILIPPS	Mary E	10	THOMPSON	Ellen	10			
POOLEY	Alice M	16	TORR	Mary	11			
POOLEY	Beatrice M	14	TREMLETT	Florence	9			
POTHECARY	Alice M	9	TURNBULL	Charlotte	10			
POTHECARY	Henrietta	10	TURNBULL	Florence	12			
PRESCOTT	Mercedes	12	TURNER	Violet	10			
PULBROOK	Sophia	8	UNDERLIN	Florence	10			
RADMORE	Sarah	11	UNDERWOOD	Kathleen	11			
RANDALL	Elizabeth	11	VARNDELL	Mabel E	10			
REDFERN	Edith	11	VEALE	Florence	6			
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REEVES	Elizabeth	13	VYE	Ellen J	11			
REEVES	Maud	12	WALKER	Emily	10			
REEVES	Annie	12	WARD	Gertrude	11			
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RENSHAW	Lily	11	WATLING	Alice	11			
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ROBINS	Winifred	12	WHARTON	Nellie	17			
ROBINSON	Rose	11	WHITE	Winifred	11			
ROCHESTER	Sarah	11	WHITE	Elizabeth	14			
ROGERS	Rachel	11	WHITING	Eliza	11			
ROSENBERG	Rebecca	10	WIGFIELD	Miriam	9			
SALMON	Hilda	11	WIGGINS	Minnie	11			
SALMON	Violet	10						
SANDERS	Beatrice	9						

Canoeists Will be Shown no Favors Along Canal This Year

Will Have to Get Over the Lift Lock When a Steamer goes Through or Not at all –

Canoes and Launches do Canal Lot of Damage – Navigation Open June 1

The Peterborough Daily Evening Review 18 May 1906

Thanks to Dennis Carter-Edwards

This morning the Review interviewed Mr. J.H. McClellan, superintendent of the Trent Canal in reference to several rumours being around which are connected with the canal.

The first one mentioned was the petition, which is being circulated by canoeists, asking the government to build a new breakwater at the locks for their benefit. Mr. McClellan said that this was utter nonsense and he was surprised and, in fact, it was displeasing to find an evening paper championing the cause of a few people who had nothing else to do but paddle around in a canoe or run about in a gasoline launch and fish. The Trent canal has been damaged more by petty complaints from pleasure seekers than all the efforts of business men can overcome. The impression has got abroad at Ottawa, and all over the country, that the Trent Canal is but a ditch for canoeists and gasoline launches, and that the grain carrying business is being used as a handle to get the country's money spent here. For this impression the pleasure-seeking mariners and the press, which advocating their cause, can thank themselves.

This canal is for carrying grain from the Georgian Bay to Lake Ontario and, if the owners of canoes and gasoline launches, etc, want to use the canal, they may take their chances. "In the past," said Mr. McClellan, "the only trouble we have had has been from the canoe and launches. The trouble starts up on the lakes and continues all the way down to Peterborough. The canoeists actually have enough nerve to petition the Government to spend large sums of money, which will benefit no one except themselves. Imagine what a big joke the Trent Canal, (the water for canoeists, [sic] must be to members of parliament, and imagine the opinion the same members must have of the big deputations which wait upon them, and claim this is a great national waterway by which the grain from the Northwest will be carried to Canadian seaports in competition to American routes."

"In future," the superintendent continued, "no canoes or launches will get over the lift lock unless they wait until a steamer goes over. Last year everything within reason was done for the pleasure seekers, and now they are asking for the unreasonable. The result is that they will get nothing.

The canal is for commerce, and the duty of the canal officials is to look after the interests of shippers, lumbermen and manufacturers. First, get the canal opened up and then, if there is any money left, the canoeists may stand a chance of having their petitions considered.

OPEN LIFT LOCK

In connection with the letter contained in these columns last night in reference to the lift lock not being

opened until August, Mr. McClellan said the writer did not know what he was talking about. The break in the canal bank is being repaired rapidly and well, and the engineer said he would have it done by June 1. The lift lock will also be opened on that date.

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### CANOEISTS HAVE RIGHTS

"Birch Bark" Speaks out on Behalf of Their Interests on the Canal

*The Peterborough Daily Evening Review 23 May 1906*

To the Editor of the Review

Sir – I noticed in your issue of Friday last, an interview with the superintendent of the canal with reference to the use of the canal by the owners of canoes. One would imagine, from the tone of the remarks, made by this official that he was the great "muck a muck" of the country and that whatever he decreed was law.

It's well enough for him to be able to take a "burl" around the lakes in either of the two yachts which he has at his command, whenever he gets tired sitting in his office, but we poor beggars who only have a canoe, "have to paddle our own canoe" and run the chance of being drowned in passing up and down the locks. If he knew anything, he would know that the canoe men had rights on this river before there was any navigation and that neither he nor any government has any right to make the river so dangerous by putting in a dam and lock, without making a safe passage over it. If it comes to that I think that a man could demand that a canoe be locked through. It's navigation and it's business just as much as his pleasure trips on his government yacht are business.

Yours truly BIRCH  
BARK

Get your tickets before it's too late!  
**WIN A BLUE JAYS GETAWAY  
WEEKEND**

*In support of Trent Valley  
Archives*

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**Automobiles are Here to Stay and will Conquer all Opposition –**

**Municipal Legislation is Unreasonable –  
Horses if Property Handled Will Soon Become Accustomed to Them**

*Peterborough Review, July 1906*

*Thanks to Dennis Carter-Edwards*

To the Editor of the Review:

Dear Sir,

I have noticed by the papers lately, with much regret, even disgust, that every city, town, village and municipality in the province and even the Provincial Government are combining their forces against the automobile. It is quite evident that the majority of the people do not realize what they are doing. It is true that automobiles are a new thing and sometimes frighten horses, but it is the very fact that they are new that horses are frightened at them. Did not steam engines frighten the very lives out of animals when they were first used. Did not street cars, steamboats, traction engines and bicycles simple drive a horse almost frantic when they first appeared? With all these things what has been the result? For a year or two they were considered an awful nuisance and a detriment to humanity and to all animal life. In fact, some of them were condemned on all sides as positive death traps. Now, however, if any one of the above mentioned inventions were done away with, the world would, for a time at least, be lost. They have become a necessity to commerce and pleasure. Horses never shy at a street car, or a bicycle, or train, or traction engines, at least very few. One of the first rudiments of horse training is to accustom them to all these things. It is just as essential as breaking them to the harness.

Horses, too, are intelligent animals. Their majority of them have far more common sense than lots of the people who drive them. A horse will never deliberately get into danger. Their animal instinct will keep them away from it, but man is give a superior mind. Instead of mere instinct, he is blessed with a brain and is given every opportunity to develop that brain. It is therefore, one of his compulsory duties to develop the horse, to teach it what is danger and to make it service his purpose.

A horse is naturally afraid of every new thing. It cannot be expected to be otherwise, but a little careful handling and a little intelligent patience will bring the king of animals to understand the difference between that which will harm it and that which will not.

Now, Mr. Editor, I consider this legislation on the part of petty municipalities against automobiles is all rot. Look at the United States. In every city, town and village there, the automobile is as essential as the horse itself. Even the farmers there are buying them for the purpose of taking their produce to market, as well as for pleasure.

The automobile is in Canada to stay. No amount of minor legislation is going to drive it out. The worst that can be done to stay its advance and to discourage its manufacture [sic] for a short time; but it will conquer because it has the men of brains and money at its back.

In my opinion, sir, it is up to the people of this country to encourage the automobile. Its manufacture it is destined to become a great benefit in this country. The cry of the whole Dominion at the present time is for more manufacturing industries. Millions of dollars are spent yearly to encourage industries but here is an industry which is clamoring for admission. It asks for no bounties. It only seeks an opportunity and it will expand to immense proportion in a very few years. Every factory which makes automobiles employs only the most skilled workmen, and consequently the very highest wages are paid. It requires immense capital to establish one and the benefits derived are correspondingly great.

There are you know, tow sides to every story; give the automobile a chance. Train the horses to meet and pass the machines on the road and almost before you know it, the automobile industry will be a great feature in this country's manufacturing circles.

Now, sir, the reason of my taking up and championing the cause of the automobile, is the recent decision to refuse admission to automobiles to Jackson Parks as well as other public parks. What is the city council coming to? Can the people not realize that the automobile is the most harmless of all conveyances? When it is stopped in a park there it stands and will never move until the engine is started. But a horse especially a spirited animal, of which there are so many in this district, cannot be left along. One never knows when they are going to start. A thousand little things may frighten it, and then there are so many fool drivers that a horse is far more dangerous in a crowd in a park than an auto. It was only the other night at Jackson Park that two young empty-headed fellows drove a spirited horse to Jackson Park and careered around the driveway all evening. They made no attempt to go home until the crowd gathered at the street cars after the performance. Then these gallant, brave and manly young men took out their whips and attempted to drive through the whole crowd., The animal became excited and naturally so as the fellow driving it kept touching it with the whip. The people could hardly more one way or the other, and many had narrow escapes from getting under the horses' feet or under the wheels of the buggy. An automobile cannot do that. There is no whip to frighten it and it is under perfect control of the chauffeur at all times.

The motto sir, for all horse owners and breeders, to adopt is "accept every new invention and accustom the horse to it."

Thank you sir, for some much space, in your valuable paper. I remain, Mr. Editor

Yours sincerely

Canada First

## LAKEFIELD

### **Its Rapid Growth and Progress**

### **- Mills - Business Firms - Schools, Churches, Residences, &c.**

*J. H. S. [John Henry Sherin]  
Peterborough Review, 21 May 1875*

Lakefield, Peterborough county, is a thriving village of about 1,000 inhabitants situated nine miles north of Peterborough, at the foot of Lake Kachewahnuck, and on both sides of the Otonabee River. The village was started in the year 1855. Among the founders of the town, residing here at present, are the Messrs. Strickland, John C. Sherin, Edward Beatty and others. The town is beautifully located, and has a great many natural advantages, one of which is first-class water power. The lakes above here are becoming very famous as a summer resort – a hotel having been erected last year at Julian's Landing, at a cost of about \$8,000. The steamboat *Chippewa* (Captain, J. P. Strickland) makes tri-weekly trips between here and there, and other points on the lakes. The scenery on these is very picturesque, there being a cluster of some six or seven hundred islands, resembling very closely the "thousand isles". Fish are very plenty, and it is one of as fine places as we know of, to pass away a few days or weeks. The future of Lakefield looks very bright – both business men and citizens generally, take an active interest in everything connected with the public improvement of the town. Here is a partial review of the business firms, churches, schools, &c.

#### **MILLS**

The Saw Mill of Boyd, Smith & Co., water power, has a capacity for doing a very large business, and annually saw nine million feet of marked lumber, besides doing a large amount of custom work. A Shingle Mill is also run in connection with this saw mill, with a capacity for cutting thirty thousand shingles a day. The Steam Saw Mill of R. C. Strickland & Co. is equipped with the most modern machinery, and last year sawed six million feet of lumber; this year they estimate they will saw seven million feet. The markets for both mills are Albany and Oswego, N.Y. The "Kachewahnuck Mills," John Hull, proprietor, turns out between four and five thousand barrels of flour a year for shipment, besides doing a large amount of custom work. It has three run of stones. The Stave Factory – F. Beamish, proprietor – does a large business in their line, as also does the Planing Mills – Peter Baptie, proprietor.

#### **STORES**

J. C. Sherin is one of the leading business men of Lakefield. He opened the first store in the place in 1855, in a frame building on the corner of Queen and Elizabeth Streets. He now occupies a store in his brick block, just south of his old stand. He is an energetic business man, and keeps a large and well selected stock of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes &c. He is erecting a two-story brick building this spring, on the corner of Queen and Burnham Streets, and when

completed will be one of the finest business blocks in the place. W. J. Wallace, Bridge Street, has a large stock of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, and is an active and wide-awake business man. A. P. Bower, Druggist, is a thorough business man, and represents well his line of business here. Robert Graham, R. P. Hall, and W. C. Saunders, general dealers in dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, are all good business men. T. Casement & Co., hardware and groceries, carries a large stock in both their lines. R. Urquhart and L. F. Stone, Merchant Tailors, can give you as good a fit as you can get anywhere. C. J. Burgess represents the Furniture business. The Boot and Shoe interests are represented by John Clarin, T. Reacroft, and John Sutton. William Harper, Harness Maker, has a good assortment in his line. Bakers – William Stock and John Wood. Tinsmith – David Arnott. Meat Market – William White and T. Waldron. Barber – John Dodd.

#### **HOTELS**

There are four kept by William Blakely, Henry Goheen, James Blondell and J. C. Carveth.

#### **LIVERY STABLES**

Two good Livery Stables are kept by Messrs. J. C. Carveth and F. Hendron.

#### **BLACKSMITHS**

There are six blacksmiths Shops here. G. R. Shields, who manufactures a stone lifting machine, which is one of the best things of the kind we have ever seen; D. Smith, Henry Wynn, John Isbister, John Edwards and James Hendron.

#### **DOCTORS**

Lakefield has two Doctors – Drs. Frazer and Bell.

#### **CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS**

In this line of business, the following named gentlemen are engaged: -- Peter Baptie, Jonathan Griffin, Thos. Henrdon, Thomas Goheen, William Leonard and Abel Hendron.

#### **DIVISION COURT**

Samuel Sherin, Clerk of Division Court, Insurance and Collecting Agent, Conveyancer, and Agent for the Issue of Marriage Licenses, has erected a fine office during the past year, on Reid Street. He is an old resident of Lakefield, very popular with the people, and is acknowledged by all to be just the man for the place.

#### **SCHOOLS**

I will venture to say that Lakefield has as fine a school edifice, and as well conducted schools, as any place of the same number of inhabitants in Canada. Last year a splendid building was erected, costing about \$7,000. The school numbers at present 200 pupils, and is under the charge of Mr. A. Shearer; intermediate department, Miss F. Coates, teacher; junior department, Miss McKee, teacher.

#### CHURCHES

There are five handsome churches in Lakefield. The Church of England – Rev. Mr. Everest, pastor; Methodist Church – Rev. Mr. Scott, pastor; Presbyterian Church – Rev. Mr. Clarke, pastor; Bible Christian Church – Rev. Mr. Richards, pastor; Baptist Church – no pastor at present.

#### RESIDENCES

Among the many beautiful residences in Lakefield, we notice first that of Mr. R. A. Strickland. It is built of brick and is certainly a handsome piece of architecture. The grounds are laid out with great taste, and altogether is as desirable a place as one can find, not excepting our large cities. Mr. R. C. Strickland's residence, the old homestead of Col. Strickland, is a fine piece of English architecture. There are a great many fine residence here, but we have not space to give any description of them.

#### BANQUET

A banquet was given to R. A. Strickland, Esq., on Friday evening, May 14<sup>th</sup>, on the eve of his departure to England, by the leading citizens of Lakefield. Mr. Strickland is one of the pioneers of the place, and is held in high esteem by all its citizens. A splendid supper was prepared at the Midland House, and between thirty and forty sat down to do it justice. Major C. A. Boulton offered the toast of the evening – “The health and success of Mr. R. A. Strickland,” which was drank amid cheers. Mr. Strickland responded in a brief but pointed speech to his friends who had gathered together to do him honor, which was received with loud applause. The following toasts were also offered, and drank heartily: -- “the Manufacturing Interests of Lakefield,” by Mr. Edward Beatty, responded to by Messrs. John Dinwoodie, R. C. Strickland, John Hull and others. “The Mercantile Interests of Lakefield,” by Mr. R. C. Strickland, responded to by Mr. J. C. Sherin, Robert Graham, W. J. Wallace and others. Numerous other toasts were offered and responded to. The singing of the “Corporation Song” by Mr. Edward Beatty, was one of the best things of the evening.

Mr. Strickland sails with his family on the 22<sup>nd</sup> instant, where for the present his business calls him, but it is the earnest wish of his warm personal friends and fellow townsmen, that it may not be long before they will be called upon to welcome him back to Lakefield.

“The Health and Success of Mr. McKechnie,” who for the past six months has occupied the position of station agent here, on the Midland Railway, and who leaves next week for Prince Edward Island, where he goes to take a more lucrative position, was drank.

J.H.S.

*John Henry Sherin visited his cousins in Lakefield in 1875 and stayed to form the Lakefield News newspaper with a partnership with J. C. Sherin. He appears to have stayed for about four years before returning to Minnesota. (See Nelson's Falls to Lakefield, 10; Elwood Jones)*

#### Trent Valley Archives

Trent Valley Archives, founded in 1989, is the leader in the promotion and study of local and family history related to east central Ontario. Its volunteers have a stellar reputation for the presentation of local history in pub tours, ghost walks, heritage walking tours, cemetery walks, and bus tours as well as for presentations to service clubs, retirement homes and schools. Its research facilities located in a century landmark at Carnegie and Woodland in Selwyn Township is open Tuesdays to Saturdays from 10 am to 4 pm. Members get research benefits in its historic resources (some 400 collections related to families, architecture and houses, industries and social organizations; the land records of Peterborough County; the best collection of Peterborough county photos), in-house databases, such as newspaper indexes, a genealogy guide to some 300,000 names, countless genealogical records and guides to births, marriages and deaths, federal censuses, and family trees and directory and assessment rolls. As well, it offers internet services and access to an exceptional research library. Members receive the *Heritage Gazette of the Trent Valley*, the award-winning quarterly magazine edited by leading local historians.

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## J. Paul Rexe Fonds (F343) now open at TVA

Matthew Griffis

The Trent Valley Archives has just finished sorting and describing one of its newer acquisitions, the J. Paul Rexe papers, Fonds 343. The collection, which totals over eight cubic feet, had been part of the Rexe's own papers and was transferred to the Trent Valley Archives by Rennie Marshall in 2012.

The collection spans the years 1969 to 2005 with the bulk of material dating from 1979 to 1991. It contains materials pertaining to Rexe's personal and professional matters, including material from his election campaigns beginning in the late 1970s to his work on Peterborough City Council 1980-87 and later 2003-06. The collection contains much correspondence, City Council memoranda and meeting agendas, planning documentation and reports, news clippings, personal notes, PCG reports and studies, court transcripts, legal invoices, and more.

John Paul Rexe (1944-2010) was a well-known Peterborough politician, planner, teacher, and writer. The first child of John and Ruth, Rexe was born 5 June 1944 in Kingston, Ontario. When he was five his family moved to Peterborough where he attended Confederation Public School and later Kenner Collegiate. After articling in chartered accountancy with McColl Turner in the early 1960s, and later working in computer programming for Canadian General Electric, Rexe took a degree in history and economics at Trent University and graduated in 1964. In the late 1960s, Rexe earned a teacher's diploma from the University of Toronto and eventually took a position at Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School in Peterborough.

Politics, however, was Rexe's ultimate calling. He sat as Councillor with the City of Peterborough for the Ashburnham and Otonabee Wards from 1971 to 1973 and later ran (unsuccessfully) as the NDP candidate for Peterborough in the 1979 general federal election and the in the 1981 provincial election. He returned to City Council in 1980 where, for seven years, Rexe served on over 40 municipal boards and committees. For his community work Rexe was awarded a Bicentennial Medal in 1984.

However, two highly-publicized lawsuits (Kazowski vs. Rexe, Galvin vs. Rexe) led to his removal from Council in 1987 by judicial order for not properly declaring a conflict of interest in a real estate matter. Rexe continued as teacher at Kenner Collegiate and later Crestwood Secondary and managed a municipal consulting business (Public Consulting Group) in his spare time. In 1993-94 he returned to Trent University and earned a Masters in Canadian Studies.

After retiring from teaching in the 1990s, Rexe worked with the Queen's-Trent Concurrent Education Program and later became an adjunct professor in the Queen's Faculty of Education. From 1998 to 2003 Rexe wrote a column ("Rexe Appeal") for the Peterborough Examiner about local issues. He returned to city politics in 2003, winning election as Councillor for Otonabee Ward. In 2006 Rexe ran for mayor but lost to Paul Ayotte.

Rexe was diagnosed with colon cancer in 2008 and passed away in August 2010 at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre.

The Rexe fonds is organized into four series, Series B and C comprising the bulk of the collection. The first series, Series A, contains materials related to Rexe's early teaching years and career(s) before re-entering politics in the 1980s. Series B contains materials from his years on City Council 1980-87, and is the largest and most extensive part of the collection. Series C gathers materials pertaining to his legal matters, particularly Kazowski vs. Rexe; and finally, Series D contains materials from his later career(s), including his planning and consulting work (with Public Consulting Group, Inc.), his years teaching at Kenner Collegiate and Crestwood Secondary schools, his graduate work at Trent University, and his return to city politics in the early 2000s.

We are printing an edited version of the finding aid. Because of space limitations we are only printing the first part of the finding aid. We are proud of this finding aid as it provides considerable detail about what to expect in the papers.

### Trent Valley Archives, Finding Aid, List of Files for J. Paul Rexe fonds, F343

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| 1 | A | 1 | Petroglyphs                        | 1961      | Canadian Geographic Journal article by Gordon and Enid Mallory.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1 | A | 2 | "Form and Style in Thesis Writing" | 1969      | Form and Style in Thesis Writing, 3rd ed., by William G. Campbell.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 1 | A | 3 | "Towards a Just Society, 1968-69"  | 1968 1969 | Booklet published by the Liberal Party of Canada re: its objectives and goals ca. 1968-69.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1 | A | 4 | Historical Societies               | 1968 1969 | Materials pertaining to Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons village; "The Wood House" Museum in Cornwall, Ont.; United Empire Loyalists; Peterborough walking tour pamphlet by Jean Wishart; and several Peterborough Historical Society bulletins ca. 1968-69. Copy of "Indexed Copy of the Canada Elections Act". |
| 1 | A | 5 | Canada Elections Act               | 1977      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 1 | A | 6 | Federal Election Nomination        | 1980      | Copies of pamphlets, flyers and handouts relating to Rexe's NDP nomination campaign. Includes several copies of a 1-page Rexe biographical overview.                                                                                                                                                          |



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| 1 | A | 7  | Federal Election Manual and Information       | 1979 | 1980 | Further material relating to Rexe's NDP candidature, including expense sheets (blank), press releases, applications forms, local voting figures, and an English-French copy of the 1979 Elections Canada Manual of Information.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 1 | A | 8  | Federal Election Policy Outlines              | 1980 |      | Multiple editions of the NDP "Campaign '80" bulletin, including speeches by Ed Broadbent; "The Canadian Democrat"; and notes pertaining to old age pension program.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 1 | A | 9  | Federal Election NDP Campaign Committee       | 1980 |      | Papers re: Rexe's NDP election planning and related committee, including lists of members and one meeting agenda.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 1 | A | 10 | Federal Election                              | 1980 |      | Feb 1980 - Further materials relating to NDP candidature; flyers, ads, and an oversized electoral (provincial?) polls map showing voting districts of Peterborough South.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 1 | A | 11 | Federal Election Sample Door-to-door campaign | 1980 |      | Preliminary lists of electors for selected Peterborough streets (Armour, Hunter East, Mark, Lock, Princess, Romaine, Fairmount, and Glencairn, among others); small sketch maps of neighbourhoods containing aforementioned streets; etc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 1 | A | 12 | Federal Election Speeches by Paul Rexe        | 1980 |      | Typscript drafts and unmarked (finished product?) versions of election speeches; also many pages of rough notes (in manuscript) and some correspondence and press releases. Also contains a copy of 1971 "Official Plan of the City of Peterborough Planning Area" with notice of amendments to 1977.                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 1 | A | 13 | Federal Election Notes, Planning, etc.        | 1980 | 1981 | Some rough, handwritten notes; copies of "Equal Times" and "Information" bulletins; copy of "Birch Bark Alliance" (Winter 1980); "Report on the 1981 Provincial Election" by R.W. Chambers; copy of "Report of Canvass Committee Convenor G. Powell"; news releases and some correspondence.                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 1 | A | 14 | Federal Elections Letters and Telegrams       | 1980 |      | Telegrams and letters: correspondents include Ed Broadbent, Jack Murray and Denis Smith. "Friends of the Earth" pamphlet; copies of newsletters including CGE "Nuclear Newsletter" (Jan 80) and "The Senate Communiqué" (19 Dec 1979).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 1 | A | 15 | Federal Election                              | 1980 |      | Correspondence, phone messages, expense receipts, and rough notes; correspondents include R.J. Linton. Also includes copy of "Peterborough Labour Council" (12 Feb 80), "Royal Bank Trendicator" (Feb 80), and "Royal Bank of Canada" (Dec 1979) newsletters, plus a pamphlet for NDP Peterborough candidate Cyril Carter. Also includes typed dictionary description of "fuck".                                                                                                                                 |
| 1 | A | 16 | Trent University Alumnus                      | 1980 |      | Winter 1980 - Copy of Trent University publication "Alumnus" (Winter 80). Includes a 4-page article on the history of Trent University as well as profiles of Paul Rexe, Sylvia Sutherland, Mark Elson, and Bill Domm.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 1 | A | 17 | Ontario Election newspaper coverage           | 1981 |      | 1 of 2 - Newspaper coverage of provincial and municipal political activity from various daily papers including the Peterborough Examiner, Toronto Star, and Globe and Mail.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 1 | A | 18 | Ontario Election newspaper coverage           | 1981 |      | 2 of 2 - Newspaper coverage of provincial and municipal political activity from various daily papers including the Peterborough Examiner, Toronto Star, and Globe and Mail.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 1 | A | 19 | Political commentary                          | 1979 | 1982 | Newspaper coverage of political activity from various daily papers including the Peterborough Examiner, the Norwood Register, the Toronto Star, and the Globe and Mail. Also includes typescript copies of speeches made in Jan and Feb 1980, flyers from Amnesty International, letter from L.D. Woodruff, Rexe Federal Election pamphlets, and copies of the "Commonwealth", the "Birch Bark Alliance" (Winter 80), UE Newsletter, NDP News, and the National Indian (Election '80 Special Issue) newsletters. |
| 2 | B | 1  | Municipal Campaigning                         | 1981 | 1982 | 1 page sheet: Peterborough population statistics by ward and subdivision; two copies of "Municipal Campaigning" booklet published by NDP Municipal Committee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 2 | B | 2  | Appointments and Campaign Expenses            | 1982 |      | ca. 1982 - Mostly blank notebook containing notes on appointments (front) and expenses (back).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 2 | B | 3  | Appointments and Campaign Expenses            | 1979 | 1982 | Receipts from Pronto Print, Pitfield Mackay Ross, Willy Wonderful, Parnell Office Supplies, and Brant Office Supply.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2 | B | 4  | City Issues                                   | 1982 |      | News clippings, "Co-op Housing" pamphlet published by the Labour Council Development Foundation, "Blueprint for Better Housing" published by the Labour Council Development Foundation, and "Co-op Housing Affordable Homes" by Gordon J. Cochrane.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2 | B | 5  | Municipal Campaigning - General               | 1982 | 1984 | Copy of "Municipal Campaigning" booklet published by NDP Municipal Committee; photocopy of "City Magazine" (Apr 84)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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| 2 | B | 6  | Peterborough Election - Campaign Materials General     | 1983 | 1985 | "Re-elect Paul Rexe" pamphlets and news releases; pamphlets for other candidates include those for Art Harding, Jim Macfadyen, John Harris, George Crossman, Sylvia Sutherland, Toronto Ward 6 Team (Dale Martin, Joan Doiron, Jack Layton, Olivia Chow), Jim Strath, Craig Keating, Lynn Moir, Zoltan Bank, Irwin Karnick, Len Welch, Hunter Smith, Wayne Stoneburg, Isabel Henniger, Pete How, and Mike Donnelly. Also includes copy of "City of Peterborough Rider's Digest Transit Routes & Schedules Effective August 15, 1983" pamphlet, which includes an alpha. street index. |
| 2 | B | 7  | Political Pamphlets for Elections                      | n.d. |      | Candidates include: Bill Domm, Sylvia Sutherland, and Dawn Carrell and Richard Anthony of the Marxist-Leninist Party of Canada.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2 | B | 8  | Cavan Township Planning                                | 1979 | 1983 | Includes copy of Amendment No. 17 to the Township of Cavan; site plans and site plan guidelines, copies of zoning by-laws; undated photos of shopping plazas and residential homes; and an undated elevation/schematic design.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2 | B | 9  | Ontario Planning Act                                   | 1982 |      | Bound copy of "Ontario Planning Act, 1983" (1983) with "Ann Rexe" printed in ink on the top, right-hand corner of front cover.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2 | B | 10 | Quaker Oats - Pensions                                 | 1982 |      | Copy of "A White Paper on Pensions United Food and Commercial Workers" for the Quaker Oats Company of Canada Limited.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2 | B | 11 | Quaker Strike                                          | 1983 |      | Includes UFCW Local 293 news releases; copies of "The Informer" newsletter from Dec 1983 to Feb 1984; and rough notes on ruled pages.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2 | B | 12 | Circulation and Subscription Study                     | 1983 |      | Includes memos from David Hall and Jennette Frost; lists of publications received regularly in the Planning Department and periodicals received by the Engineering Division; and various City of Peterborough memoranda.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 2 | B | 13 | Demand for Workers' Control - J. Karol Korczynski      | 1983 |      | Copy of "The Demand for Workers' Control in Strategic Socialist Perspectives: An Essay submitted to the Department of Political Studies in conformity with the requirements for the degree of Master of Arts, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada" (April 1983) by J. Karol Korczynski.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 2 | B | 14 | Personnel Letters, Reports, Complaints Files - 1       | 1982 | 1983 | Includes undated copy of "Appendix A" Performance Review of Peterborough Transit and Transit Study map of city; 2 copies of CUPE Local 504 Collective Agreement 1 July 1980 to 30 June 1982; letters and memoranda, correspondents include J.A.S. Bouchard, Harold Wrightman, David Hall, Hurray Hynes, J. Hooper, Sally Hayes, and C.W. Willis; 1981 non-union salary list for various city departments.                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2 | B | 15 | Personnel Letters, Reports, Complaints Files - 2       | 1982 | 1983 | Includes copy of contract between City of Peterborough and Canadian Corps of Commissionaires Inc. (Kingston Division); letters and memoranda. Letters to Rexe and copies of letters between other people; correspondents include Murray Hynes, David Hall, J. Hooper, Paul Jordison, Douglas A. Nobes, Claire Crowley, Jeff Rose, Harold Wrightman, Sheila Gordon, C.W. Willis; copies of service agreements and contracts; copy of Canada/Ontario Employment Development Program's "Application and Guide to Applicants".                                                            |
| 2 | B | 16 | J.P. Rexe Letters and Notes - 1                        | 1982 | 1983 | Letters to Rexe and copies of letters between other people; correspondents include Sonia I. Crook, J. Hooper, Douglas Nobes, Clare Crowley, David Hall, K.L. Edwards, Ray Peters, Craig Baker, W.G. Manoll, C.W. Willis, Kevin Ready, Carol Wilshaw, Robert J. Barker, James Parnell, L.B. Doiron, Peter Millard, Wilma Bradford, Alan S. Harries, Ken Burgess, Roy Arnott, B. Palmateer, Shannon Staub, Olive Kennedy; and others.                                                                                                                                                   |
| 2 | B | 17 | J.P. Rexe Letters and Notes - 2 - interfilings at back | 1983 |      | Letters and cards to Rexe and copies of letters between other people; correspondents include Lois Watson, Alice Forestell, Robert Allen, G.W. Turner, C.W. Willis, Stephen J. Dantzer, Jim White, Robert Barker, V.G. Graydon, Alexina Cameron, Sheila Eccles, Pat Keeler, H.R. Hamilton, John Wood, Kathleen Kelly, Norma MacPhail, Jim Mulligan, ; also includes documents pertaining to Lions Pool Building.                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2 | B | 18 | "Parachute" file                                       | 1983 |      | More letters, reports, letters, and memos. Also includes copies of some employment agreements. Correspondents include L.J. Close, David Hall, Jennette Frost, M.H. Hynes, and John Wood; and a copy of "Exit Interview (Resignation) with Jennette Frost". Also includes handwritten notes entitled "Meeting with M Hynes, July 8/83".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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| 3 | B | 19 | Memos, correspondence - 1                                                           | 1983      | Letters, notes, memos, and newsletters. Letter correspondents include David Hall, W.R. Kerr, and R. Trevor Davies; copies of newsletters including "Urban Focus" (Vol. 12, No. 1), "Urban Outlook" (Vol. 5, No. 21), "Ontario Technology News" (June 83), "Beef Briefs" (July 83).                                                                                                                   |
| 3 | B | 20 | Memos, correspondence - 2                                                           | 1983      | Various City of Peterborough memoranda; letters to Rexe and copies of letters to others. Correspondents include Ray Peters and Robert J. Barker. Original copy of NDP "Communique", issue entitled "Municipal Campaign '82".                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 3 | B | 21 | Personnel Letters, Reports, Complaints Files - 1 - unbound, loose materials at back | 1983 1984 | Correspondence, rough notes, memoranda, and reports. Correspondents include R. Renaud, M.H. Hynes, and Kathleen Kelly. Also includes copy of "Eastern Ontario NDP News" (28 March 1983). Also a copy of Thomas F. Phillips resume.                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 3 | B | 22 | Personnel Letters, Reports, Complaints Files - 2                                    | 1983 1984 | Mostly correspondence; also some news releases. Correspondents include J. Hooper, A.N. (Tony) Ross, M. Hynes, Sharon McMillin, James M. Gooley, Jack Chapman, J.R. Anderson, Kathleen Kelly, and others.                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 3 | B | 23 | Letters, Memos, Reports - 1 of 3                                                    | 1984      | Includes material relating to Ready vs. Rexe suit and settlement; also includes correspondence with legal firms and a copy of "Apology" statement to Ready. Also includes planning and budgetary documents relating to Parks and Recreation. Also includes bound copy of booklet entitled, "London Civic Groups, Community Groups, Schools and Associations By Ward and Planning District" (Feb 84). |
| 3 | B | 24 | Letters, Memos, Reports - 3 of 3                                                    | 1984      | Correspondence, notes, and meeting minutes. Many copies of letters to other people, not Rexe. Some other materials related to Rexe vs. Ready.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 3 | B | 25 | Letters, Memos, Reports - 2 of 3                                                    | 1984      | Correspondence, notes, memoranda, news releases and meeting minutes. Copy of typescript entitled, "The Issue of User Fees for Sports Fields in Peterborough" prepared by D'Arcy McKittrick (Mar 1984), "Lacrosse School Proposal" typescript by David Thomas (Feb 1984), and typescript "1983 Peterborough Minor Lacrosse School Report" (1983) by Monty Keast.                                      |
| 4 | B | 26 | Tourism Reports and Letters                                                         | 1984      | Letters; correspondents include J. Hooper and Mary Stewart. Includes bound copies of "Review of Certain 1984 Expense Reports" by Peterborough Kawartha Tourism and Convention Bureau and "The Peterborough Kawartha Tourism and Convention Bureau Review" by W.D. Armstrong and C.W. Willis.                                                                                                         |
| 4 | B | 27 | Letters                                                                             | 1983 1984 | Letters and speeches. Correspondents include A.M. Smith and David Hall.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 4 | B | 28 | Sewer Surcharge                                                                     | 1983 1984 | Materials pertaining to the sewer surcharge issue of 1983-84. Some other items pertaining to the Marina project. Letters, memoranda, complaints, meeting minutes, site plans and appraisal reports. Many memoranda from Richard Taylor, City Solicitor.                                                                                                                                              |
| 4 | B | 29 | Peterborough Alderman David Hall, City Administrator                                | 1983 1984 | Collection of city memoranda, treasury reports, and correspondence from Rexe to others. Correspondents include C.W. Willis, Murray Hines, Kevin Ready, and David Hall.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 4 | B | 30 | City of Peterborough - Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual                        | 1982 1984 | From binder: Includes Preface and sections entitled: Employment, Forms, Organizational Charts, Separation and Termination, Emp. Relations and Benefits, Wage and Salary Administration, Rules Reg. & Discipline                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 4 | B | 31 | City of Peterborough - Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual -                      | 1982 1984 | Copy of Collective Agreement between City of Peterborough and CUPE Local 126 from 1 Jan 1984 to 31 Dec 1984; notes on terminations; and copies of memos.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4 | B | 32 | City of Peterborough - Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual -                      | 1985      | 02/07/85 printout entitled "City of Peterborough Business Improvement Area Charges, Distribution for 1985 Taxation"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 4 | B | 33 | Peterborough Community Services Coordination Project                                | 1984      | Interfiled Business Improvement Area Charges<br>Copy of "Community Services Coordination Project Final Report" by Paul Corkery and Michael Rose, June 1984.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 4 | B | 34 | Peterborough Parks and Recreation                                                   | 1956 1984 | Copies of financial reports, letters to and from Rexe (correspondents include R.F. Chittick, Jack Chapman, and C.W. Willis); legal documents and deeds(?).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| 4 | B | 35 | Peterborough Group Homes Policy                                 | 1983 | 1984 | Notices of public meetings, public meetings agendas, copies of reports from "Children's Services Advisory Group" and a copy of "Group Homes" by City of Peterborough, notes on presentations, and letters and memos (correspondents include: Gerry Stephenson, John W. Wood, and David Hall). Two copies of "AMO Reports 14 - Group Homes" by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Feb 1980. Also includes a copy of "Proposal to the City of Peterborough, Subject: Municipal Source Separation Recycling". |
| 4 | B | 36 | Fraser, George T. - Minor Hockey Associations                   | 1984 |      | 2 copies of "Competitive Recreation Initiation: A Tiered Development Program for Minor Hockey Associations" by George T. Fraser.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 4 | B | 37 | Corporation of the City of Peterborough - 1983 Financial Report | 1984 |      | Copy of "Corporation of the City of Peterborough 1983 Financial Report"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 4 | B | 38 | Cavan Township Planning                                         | 1984 |      | Copy of "The Official Plan of the Cavan Township Planning Area" by the Township of Cavan.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4 | B | 39 | Professional Consulting Services                                | 1984 |      | Copy of consulting services agreement between City of Peterborough and Noble, Lambooy, Greer, Galloway, Architects, Engineers dated 1 August 1984.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 5 | B | 40 | Peterborough Civic Hospital Applications to Board               | 1984 |      | List of Hospital Board members and persons seeking appointments to Board; copies of board applications from G.L. Howe, Pat Cooney, D.R. Haacke, Hudson M. Milburn, Donald M. Saunders, Catherine Hedges, and Dene Hubble.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 5 | B | 41 | Memorial Centre Board Applications                              | 1984 |      | List of Memorial Centre Board members and persons seeking appointments to Board; correspondence regarding reappointments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 5 | B | 42 | Marina                                                          | 1983 | 1984 | Copies of City of Peterborough correspondence, site plans, and memoranda pertaining to Marina development.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5 | B | 43 | Peterborough Marina and Waterfront                              | 1984 |      | Consulting proposals and City of Peterborough memoranda regarding Marina project.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5 | B | 44 | Marina - Preliminary Design Report - Technical Appendix         | 1984 |      | Copy of "City of Peterborough Crary Park Marina, Technical Appendix to the Preliminary Design Report" by Noble Lambooy Greer Galloway, Architects and Engineers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 5 | B | 45 | Marina - Preliminary Design Report                              | 1984 |      | Copy of "City of Peterborough Crary Park Marina" by Noble Lambooy Greer Galloway, Architects and Engineers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 5 | B | 46 | Utilities Comm. File [re: Peterborough Utilities Commission]    | 1983 | 1985 | Copies of City of Peterborough memoranda, appraisal reports, correspondence, and notes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 5 | B | 47 | Utilities Comm. File                                            | 1983 | 1985 | Copy of "Public Utilities Act", Sec. 4(1), Chap. 423. " [re: Peterborough Utilities Commission] - Public Utilities Act                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 5 | B | 48 | Management Agreement                                            | 1985 |      | Copy of "Management Agreement" between City of Peterborough and Lloyd Ackert, marked "DRAFT - For discussion purposes only" and, on the top right-hand corner, "Draft #5".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5 | B | 49 | Human Rights Code                                               | 1984 | 1985 | Copy of Ontario Human Rights Commission, Annual Report 1984-1985" ISSN 0702-0538 with photocopy of "Universal Declaration of Human Rights" (1 page) laid in front cover. Back cover is in French yet entire booklet is English-only.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 5 | B | 50 | Peterborough and Guelph Comparison                              | 1985 |      | City of Peterborough memoranda, plus copy of "Comparison of City of Guelph and City of Peterborough Budgets", which includes tables, lists and appendices.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5 | B | 51 | Lakecrest                                                       | 1985 |      | Memoranda and reports pertaining to Crescent St., Lake St., Perry St., George Condominium Project. Also contains unbound copy of "City of Peterborough Crary Park Marina" by Noble Lambooy Greer Galloway, Architects and Engineers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 5 | B | 52 | Condominium Policy                                              | 1985 |      | Includes copy of "Condominiums: Approval and Process, City of Peterborough, 1985", Planning Department File No. HOU-027. Also includes copy of letter from R.A. Smith of AON Inc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5 | B | 53 | Cost Analysis Guide - Morgan                                    | 1985 |      | "The Costing of Recreation Services: A Guide to the Use of Cost Analysis in the Recreation Field" by Morgan, published by the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation, Ontario Recreations Society, May 1985.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 5 | B | 54 | Official Plan - Peterborough Office Consolidation               | 1985 |      | Unbound copy of "The Official Plan of the City of Peterborough Office Consolidation to December 1, 1985". Contains maps.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 5 | B | 55 | Alderman Paul Rexe - Personal                                   | 1983 | 1986 | Copies of City of Peterborough memoranda, public statements, handwritten notes, and correspondence between from Rexe and Claude Bennett (Minister of Municipal Affairs). Also includes letter to Rexe from David Hall.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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| 5 | B | 56 | Rexe/Welch Report on Ashburnham Hall/Lions Club Pool Issue      | 1986     |      | Bound copy of "The Rexe/Welch Report: A Review of the Ashburnham Hall/Lions Pool Issue" from Summer 1986.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5 | B | 57 | Mewett McGuire, Landscape Architects                            | 1986     |      | Bound copy of "Mewett McGuire, Landscape Architects" organizational profile, including CVs and staff resumes, projects lists, and graphic samples. Also includes copy of letter from Michael E. McGuire, OALA, to Mayer Sylvia Sutherland.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 6 | B | 58 | Inventory of DSTM Establishments                                | 1976     | 1986 | Contains unbound copy of "City of Peterborough Inventory of DSTM Establishments as of June 1, 1976" conducted by Larry Smith & Associates Ltd in concert with City Planning Staff and representatives of W.W. Urban Consultants. Also contains printout entitled "Local and Neighbourhood Commercial Space - Summer 1985".                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 6 | B | 59 | Downtown Business Improvement Area - Reports                    | 1986     | 1987 | Contains copy of "An Introduction to Business Improvement Areas" by the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs plus a copy of Peterborough Downtown Business Improvement Area "1986 Annual General Report".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 6 | B | 60 | Interim Report on Municipal Elections in Ontario                | 1986     |      | Bound copy of "Issues and Options: An Interim Report on Municipal Elections in Ontario: A Report of the Advisory Committee on Municipal Elections to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, August 1986".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 6 | B | 61 | Peterborough Public Library Board Financial Statements          | 1986     | 1987 | Copy of "Peterborough Public Library Board Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 1986" by Coopers & Lybrand, Chartered Accountants.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 6 | B | 62 | City of Peterborough Financial Report                           | 1986     |      | Bound copy of "City of Peterborough Financial Report for the six months ending June 30, 1986.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6 | B | 63 | Corporation of the City of Peterborough - 1986 Financial Report | 1986     | 1987 | Copy of "Corporation of the City of Peterborough 1986 Financial Report"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 6 | B | 64 | "Make Overhead Cuts That Last" by John L. Neuman                | ca. 1986 |      | Five copies of John L. Neuman article "Make Overhead Cuts That Last", reprinted from Harvard Business Review (May-June 1975).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6 | B | 65 | Police Chief Recruitment                                        | 1986     |      | Contains copies of Examiner articles and handwritten notes re: candidate interviews. Copies of applications include those from: Robert V. Lewis, J. Kevin McAlpine, and Gordon A. Dawson.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 6 | B | 66 | Police Negotiations Binder                                      | 1986     |      | Contains unbound copy of "Municipal Police Authorities Collective Bargaining Guideline" by the Municipal Police Authorities (Oct 1986)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 6 | B | 67 | Municipal Police Authority Notes                                | 1987     |      | Contains copy of "Municipal Police Authorities 1988 Collective Bargaining Guideline" (Oct 1987) and "MP Labour Relations Data System User's Guide" (Nov 1987), both published by the Municipal Police Authorities. Also contains reports and copies of correspondence relating to Chief of Police position.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 6 | B | 68 | Correspondence and Memos                                        | 1985     | 1986 | Includes copies of speeches, memoranda and letters to and from Rexe. Correspondents include A.F. Pilley, Murray H. Hynes, James Hooper, Stephen J. Dantzer, Ken Brown, M. Crossman, Stephen Woodcock, Richard Taylor, R.W. Allen, S. Hendry, Ron Chittick, Barbara Brown, and others. Also includes copy of "Peterborough: Vision 2000 - Recommendations to City Council on Economic Development Strategy Priorities and Action Plans" (Oct 1985). Also includes sheets of handwritten notes. |
| 7 | B | 69 | Negotiating Strategies For Retirement Gratuities (Report)       | 1986     |      | Bound copy of "Negotiating Strategies For Retirement Gratuities" (no author). Dated 19 November 1986 and marked "private and confidential... To be returned".                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 7 | B | 70 | Report on Corporate Structures and Management Philosophies      | ca. 1986 |      | Bound copy of "Report on Corporate Structures and Management Philosophies in Three Comparable US Multinational Corporations" (no author).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 7 | B | 71 | Official Plan - Five Year Review                                | 1986     |      | Notice of City Council meeting dated 8 July 1986 (includes agenda); Copy of "Timetable for Review" with cover letter from Dale Dilamarter; and an unbound copy of June 1986 report entitled "Background and Strategy for the Five Year Review of the Official Plan" prepared by Ann Rexe.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 7 | B | 72 | Official Plan: Section by Section Review                        | 1986     |      | Prepared by Ann Rexe: copy of "Section by Section Review of the City of Peterborough Official Plan", 7 pages.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 7 | B | 73 | Canadian Law of Planning and Zoning - Land Use Planning         | 1986     |      | "Municipal and Planning Law Reports, Consolidated Index Volumes 1-30" published by Carswell, 1986.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |



# **The military regiments of Peterborough area**

David Rumball

*With special thanks to <http://www.cmp-cpm.forces.gc.ca/dhh-dhp/his/ol-lo/vol-tom-3/par1/art/50far-eng.asp>*

The 50th Field Artillery Regiment (The Prince of Wales Rangers), RCA originated in Peterborough, Ontario on 3 May 1867, when the 57th Peterborough Battalion of Infantry was authorized to be formed<sup>1</sup>. Over the next 103 years it saw several General Service Orders which changed its name. It was designated 57th Battalion of Infantry Peterborough Rangers on 16 January 1880; 57th Regiment Peterborough Rangers on 8 May 1900; and The Peterborough Rangers on 12 March 1920. On 15 December 1936, it was amalgamated with the 3rd The Prince of Wales' Canadian Dragoons (see below) and the Headquarters and C Company of the 4th Machine Gun Battalion, Canadian Machine Gun Corps (see below) and redesignated The Prince of Wales Rangers (Peterborough Regiment) (Machine Gun). It was redesignated 2nd (Reserve) Battalion, The Prince of Wales Rangers (Peterborough Regiment) on 5 March 1942; and The Prince of Wales Rangers (Peterborough Regiment) on 1 June 1945. On 1 April 1946 it was converted to artillery and redesignated the 50th Heavy Anti-Aircraft Regiment (The Prince of Wales Rangers), Royal Canadian Artillery (RCA). It was redesignated the 50th Medium Anti-Aircraft Regiment (The Prince of Wales Rangers), RCA on 22 August 1955; and 50th Medium Anti-Aircraft Artillery Regiment (The Prince of Wales Rangers), RCA on 12 April 1960. On 6 July 1960, it was amalgamated with the 45th Medium Battery, RCA (see below) and redesignated the 50th Field Artillery Regiment (The Prince of Wales Rangers), RCA. It was reduced to nil strength and transferred to the Supplementary Order of Battle on 1 April 1970. A military presence was maintained in Peterborough with the transfer to the city of B Company, The Hastings & Prince Edward Regiment, whose headquarters are in Belleville.

The 3rd Prince of Wales Canadian Dragoons originated in Cobourg, Ontario on 30 April 1875, when the 3rd Provisional Regiment of Cavalry was authorized to be formed<sup>2</sup>. It was redesignated as 3rd Provisional Regiment of Cavalry, The Prince of Wales Canadian Dragoons on 14 October 1881; 3rd Regiment of Cavalry, The Prince of Wales Canadian Dragoons on 25 November 1892; and 3rd The Prince of Wales Canadian Dragoons on 1 January 1893. On 15 December 1936, it was amalgamated with The Peterborough Rangers and with the Headquarters and C Company of the 4th Machine Gun Battalion, CMGC.

The 4th Machine Gun Battalion, CMGC originated in Kingston, Ontario on 1 June 1919, when the 4th Machine Gun Brigade, CMGC was authorized to be formed. It was designated the 4th Machine Gun Battalion, CMGC on 15 September 1924. On 15 December 1936, it was amalgamated with the 3rd The Prince of Wales Canadian Dragoons and The Peterborough Rangers, as above.

The 45th Medium Battery, RCA originated in Cornwall, Ontario on 2 February 1920, when the 45th Battery, CFA was authorized to be formed. It was redesignated: 45th Field Battery, CA on 1 July 1925; and 45th Field Battery, RCA on 3 June 1935. On 15 December 1936, it was amalgamated with The Victoria and Haliburton Regiment (see below) and redesignated the 45th Field Battery (Howitzer), RCA. It was redesignated: 45th (Reserve) Field Battery (Howitzer), RCA on 7 November 1940; 45th/56th (Reserve) Field Battery, RCA on 20 May 1942; 45th Field Battery, RCA on 1 April 1946; and 45th Field Battery (Self-propelled), RCA on 19 June 1947. On 1 September 1954, it was amalgamated with the 4th Field Regiment (Self-propelled), RCA (see below) and the 56th Field Battery (Self-propelled), RCA (see below) and redesignated the 45th Medium Battery, RCA. On 6 July 1960, it was amalgamated with the 50th Medium Anti-Aircraft Artillery Regiment (The Prince of Wales Rangers), RCA.

The Victoria and Haliburton Regiment originated in Bowmanville, Ontario on 16 November 1866, when the 45th "West Durham" Battalion of Infantry was authorized to be formed<sup>3</sup>. It was redesignated: 45th "Victoria" Battalion of Infantry on 1 January 1898; 45th Victoria Regiment on 8 May 1900; 45th Victoria and Haliburton Regiment on 16 July 1917; and The Victoria and Haliburton Regiment on 12 March 1920. On 14 December 1936, it was amalgamated with the 45th Field Battery, RCA, as above.

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<sup>1</sup> MGO of 3 May 67. Formed from seven existing independent infantry and rifle companies authorized on the following dates: No. 1 Company (Peterborough Rifle Company, 2 April 1857), No. 2 Company (Lakefield Infantry Company, 29 October 1863), No. 3 Company (1st Peterborough Infantry Company, 16 January 1863), No. 4 Company (Asburnham Infantry Company, 30 January 1863), No. 5 Company (2nd Peterborough Infantry Company, 8 June 1866), No. 6 Company (Norwood Infantry Company, 17 August 1866), and No. 7 Company (Hastings Infantry Company, 17 August 1866).

<sup>2</sup> MGO 8/75. Formed from three existing independent cavalry troops authorized on the following dates: 'No. 1 Troop' (1st Troop Cobourg, Northumberland and Durham Squadron, 6 March 1856), 'No. 2 Troop' (2nd Troop Port Hope, Northumberland and Durham Squadron, 3 September 1857), and 'No. 3 Troop' (Peterborough Troop, 23 May 1872).

<sup>3</sup> MGO of 16 Nov 1866. Formed from four existing independent infantry and rifle companies authorized on the following dates: 'No. 1 Company' at Enniskillen (Bowmanville Rifle Company, 22 January 1862), 'No. 2 Company' (Orono Infantry Company, 22 June 1866), 'No. 3 Company' (Cartwright Infantry Company, 17 August 1866), and 'No. 4 Company' (Newcastle Infantry Company, 17 August 1866).

The 4th Field Regiment (Self-propelled), RCA originated in Cobourg, Ontario on 9 May 1905, when the 10th Brigade of Field Artillery, CA was authorized to be formed<sup>4</sup>. It was redesignated: 4th Brigade, CFA on 2 February 1920; 4th Field Brigade, CA on 1 July 1925; 4th Field Brigade, RCA on 3 June 1935; 4th (Reserve) Field Brigade, RCA on 7 November 1940; 43rd (Reserve) Field Regiment, RCA on 24 June 1942; 4th Field Regiment, RCA on 1 April 1946; and 4th Field Regiment (Self-propelled), RCA on 19 June 1947. On 1 September 1954, it was amalgamated with the 45th Field Battery (Self-propelled), RCA and the 56th Field Battery (Self-propelled), RCA.

The 4th Field Battery (Self-propelled), RCA originated in Peterborough, Ontario on 9 May 1905, when the 24th Field Battery, CA was authorized to be formed. It was redesignated: 4th Battery, CFA on 2 February 1920; 4th Field Battery, CA on 1 July 1925; 4th Field Battery, RCA on 3 June 1935; 4th (Reserve) Field Battery, RCA on 7 November 1940; 4th (Reserve) Anti-Aircraft Battery (Type 2H), RCA on 1 September 1943; 4th Field Battery, RCA on 1 April 1946; and 4th Field Battery (Self-propelled), RCA on 19 June 1947. On 1 September 1954, it was amalgamated with the 4th Field Regiment (Self-propelled), RCA, the 45th Field Battery (Self-propelled), RCA and the 56th Field Battery (Self-propelled), RCA, as above.

Perpetuations: 4th Brigade, CFA, CEF; 2nd, 93rd, 109th, 247th, and 252nd "Overseas" Battalion(s), CEF; 4th Battalion, CMGC, CEF; 4th Battery, CFA, CEF; and 45th Depot Battery, CFA, CEF.

### OPERATIONAL HISTORY

#### The North West Rebellion

The 45th West Durham Battalion of Infantry mobilized one company for active service on 10 April 1885. It served as part of the Midland Battalion in the Alberta Column of the North West Field Force. The 57th Battalion of Infantry Peterborough Rangers mobilized one company for active service on 10 April 1885. It served as part of the Midland Battalion in the Alberta Column of the North West Field Force.

#### The First World War

The 4th Brigade, which was authorized on 7 November 1914 as the '4th Field Artillery Brigade, CFA, CEF', embarked for Britain on 20 May 1915. It disembarked in France on 14 September 1915, where it provided field artillery support as part of the 3rd Indian (Lahore) Divisional Artillery and the 2nd and 4th Canadian Divisional Artilleries in France and Flanders until the end of the war. The brigade was disbanded on 23 October 1920.

The 2nd Battalion, authorized on 10 August 1914 as the 2nd Battalion, CEF, embarked for Britain on 26 September 1914. It disembarked in France on 11 February 1915, as part of the 1st Infantry Brigade, 1st Canadian Division in France and Flanders until the end of the war. The battalion was disbanded on 30 August 1920.

The 93rd Battalion was authorized on 22 December 1915 as the 93rd "Overseas" Battalion, CEF, embarked for Britain on 15 July 1916. The battalion provided reinforcements to the Canadian Corps in the field until 6 October 1916, when its personnel were absorbed by the 39th Reserve Battalion, CEF. The battalion was disbanded on 21 May 1917.

The 4th Battery, which was authorized on 10 August 1914 as the 4th Field Battery, CFA, CEF, embarked for Britain on 26 September 1914. It disembarked in France on 11 February 1915, to provide field artillery support as part of the 1st Brigade, CFA, CEF in France and Flanders until the end of the war. The battery was disbanded on 23 October 1920.

The 45th Battery, authorized on 15 July 1916 as the 45th "Overseas" Depot Battery, CFA, CEF embarked for Britain on 5 February 1916. It disembarked in France on 14 July 1916, and provided field artillery support as part of the 9th Brigade, CFA, CEF in France and Flanders until the end of the war. The battery was disbanded on 23 October 1920.

#### The Second World War



The Prince of Wales Rangers (Peterborough Regiment) mobilized an active service unit designated the 1st Battalion, The Prince of Wales Rangers (Peterborough Regiment), CASF on 5 March 1942. It served in Canada in a home defence role as part of the 16th Infantry Brigade, 8th Canadian Division on the Pacific Coast. The battalion was disbanded on 10 January 1945.

The 4th Field Battery mobilized the 4th Anti-Tank Battery, RCA on 24 May 1940. It provided anti-tank support as part of the 3rd Anti-Tank Regiment, RCA in North-West Europe until the end of the war. The overseas battery was disbanded on 14 November 1945.

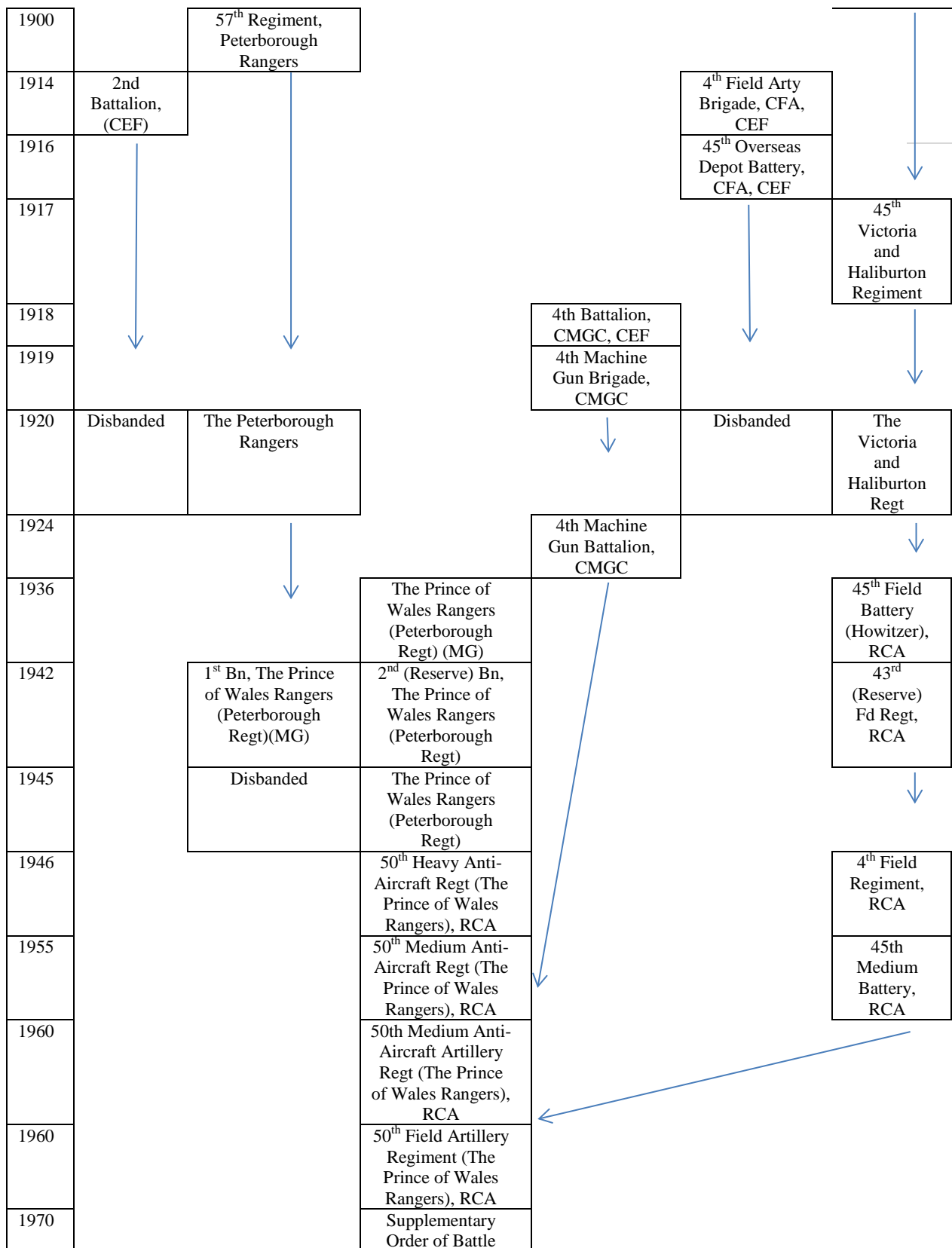
The 45th Field Battery mobilized as the 45th Field Battery (Heavy), RCA, CASF on 1 September 1939. On 1 June 1940 it was amalgamated with the 12th Field Battery, RCA, and redesignated the 12th/45th Field Battery, RCA. On 1 January 1941 this amalgamation ceased and it was redesignated the 45th Field Battery, RCA, CASF. It was redesignated the 45th Medium Battery, RCA, CASF on 21 November 1943. The battery provided medium artillery support as part of the 7th Medium Regiment, RCA, in North-West Europe until the end of the war. The overseas battery was disbanded on 25 September 1945.

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<sup>4</sup> Special GO, 9 May 1905. Formed from one existing independent field battery, the '14th Field Battery, CA' at Cobourg (authorized on 19 April 1872), and the newly authorized '24th Field Battery, CA' at Peterborough.

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| <p>Badge of the 57th Regiment<br/>Peterborough Rangers</p>  | <p>Badge of the 3<sup>rd</sup> The Prince<br/>of Wales Canadian Dragoons</p>  | <p>Badge of the 4<sup>th</sup> Machine<br/>Gun Battalion</p>    |
| <p>Badge of the Prince of Wales<br/>Rangers</p>            | <p>Badge of the Royal Canadian<br/>Artillery</p>                             | <p>Badge of the Hastings &amp;<br/>Prince Edward Regiment</p>  |

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| 1866 |  | Independent<br>infantry and rifle<br>companies                       | Independent<br>cavalry troops                                                              |  | 45 <sup>th</sup> West<br>Durham Bn<br>of Infantry        |
| 1867 |  | 57 <sup>th</sup> Battalion of<br>Infantry                            | ↓                                                                                          |  |                                                          |
| 1875 |  | ↓                                                                    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Provisional<br>Regiment of<br>Cavalry                                      |  |                                                          |
| 1880 |  | 57 <sup>th</sup> Battalion of<br>Infantry<br>Peterborough<br>Rangers | ↓                                                                                          |  |                                                          |
| 1881 |  | ↓                                                                    | 3rd Provisional<br>Regiment of<br>Cavalry, The<br>Prince of Wales'<br>Canadian<br>Dragoons |  |                                                          |
| 1892 |  |                                                                      | 3rd Regiment of<br>Cavalry, The<br>Prince of Wales'<br>Canadian<br>Dragoons                |  |                                                          |
| 1893 |  |                                                                      | 3rd The Prince of<br>Wales' Canadian<br>Dragoons                                           |  |                                                          |
| 1898 |  |                                                                      |                                                                                            |  | 45 <sup>th</sup><br>Victoria<br>Battalion of<br>Infantry |



## **PETERBOROUGH'S CENTENNIAL 1950 A CENTURY OF PROGRESS 1850-1950**

Genevieve Sullivan, *Peterborough Public Library*  
*Ontario Library Review, XXXV, 1 (February 1951)*

*Ed Note: Thanks to Matthew Griffis for drawing this article to the attention of the editor. It is an interesting article as it captures what a knowledgeable local voice thought of the local history scene 62 years ago, when Peterborough was marking its centennial of incorporation.*

The progressive city of Peterborough, in the year 1950, with an approximate population of 37,000 stands on a site which, prior to year 1818, was an unbroken forest, penetrated only by nomadic Indian hunters.

In the autumn of 1818, a small group of emigrants from England arrived in Quebec. These pioneers sailed up St. Lawrence to Lake Ontario and, finding an inlet by way of Rice Lake to the Otonabee River, came ashore, trekked through the wilderness and formed the first settlement in the district later to be known as Peterborough County.

The following year another group of pioneers, including Adam Scott, Charles Fotheringill and others, came up the Otonabee River for the purpose of selecting a mill site. As a result of this exploratory visit, a small saw and grist mill was in operation in 1820. This section of the settlement was called Scott's Plains, in recognition of the first white settler, Adam Scott.

During the next few years, there was only a small group of adventurous settlers but in the year 1825, a large number emigrated from Ireland. Peter Robinson, a member of the Legislative Assembly of Upper Canada, was commissioned by the British Government to direct Irish Emigration. This Peter Robinson Emigration of 415 families formed the nucleus for settlement expansion, and the foundation for the future town. In tribute to Peter Robinson, "Scott's Plains" became known as Peterborough.

Through a series of Acts of Parliament, starting in 1789 and ending in 1850, Ontario municipalities were given the right to pass their own bylaws. In 1846, a notice appeared in the Gazette, saying Peterborough would apply for incorporation as a town, but it was not until 1849 by an Act of Legislature that Peterborough became a corporate town and, in 1850, Peterborough became a distinct municipality. In the year 1950, Peterborough attained its Centennial year, as an incorporated town.

Peterborough Public Library celebrated Peterborough's one hundredth anniversary through a centennial exhibit of books, portraits, pictures, old documents, records, maps and other items of historic interest, 1850-1950. This display was shown on the second floor of the Library.

A large water colour portrait of Peter Robinson above the fireplace formed the exhibits focal spot. On the mantle were photographs of Honourable Alexander Stewart and Charles Rubidge, associates of Peter Robinson, in emigrant settlement. Also, on the mantel, were candle

holders with snuffers and a clock, circa 1856. Grouped around the fireplace were pioneer furniture, utensils, two spinning wheels, chairs, a table, a skillet and an iron cooking pot. On either side of the mantel were murals, one depicting the arrival of the Peter Robinson Emigrants by sailing ship; the other showing the typical log cabins occupied by emigrants. Other murals showed domestic occupations of early settlers: sugar-making, soap-making. Another picture displayed Adam Scott's Mill. Murals of a log school house and Rice Lake completed the pioneer scenes.

In another section of the room was hung a large colourful mural, "Century of Progress." This was done in three panels. The first showed an Indian standing close to his wigwam, and the centre panel portrayed the backwoodsman, his wife holding a child in her arms, their log cabin and a short distance away a pair of oxen. In the third panel progress was portrayed – a man stands viewing with awe the Peterborough Hydraulic Lift Lock, a great engineering feat of the century.

An interesting group of photographs was displayed under the caption, "Who's Who?" In this collection were residents of the 19<sup>th</sup> century who had been prominent in the religious, civic and social life of the town. Also on view were pictures of the oldest houses and some of the old business buildings and stores.

Perhaps from an angle of bibliophiles, the most interesting Centennial display exhibit was two sections pertaining to authors and books. One section featured pioneer authors of Peterborough, and district. On display in this section were photographs and literary works of early writers. Included in the group were Mrs. Susanna Moodie, Mrs. Catherine Parr Traill, Samuel Strickland, Mrs. Frances Stewart, historians, Dr. Poole, W.H. Mulvaney, Isabel Valancy Crawford, Ann Langton, John Langton, Archibald Lampman and other authors of less literary fame. Several books of the collection are prized first editions, many others are rare copies.

Of vital interest in the other section was the exhibit of books and records of early Libraries. One very revealing bit of information was gleaned regarding early Libraries in Peterborough. In an old scrapbook was found a book plate dated 1853, and it reads: "This book belongs to the Peterborough Library Association 1853." This is the only record of any Library having been in Peterborough prior to 1856. Displayed were many books *ex libris* of the Peterborough Grammar and Union School, 1856. Also shown, were books and records from the Peterborough Mechanics Institute, 1868. Of special note was the original Mechanics Institute Charter for Peterborough, 1868. The books in this collection covered a diversity of subjects, the bright covers made a very colourful group. The records included a register of memberships, catalogues of books,



and lists of periodicals. One catalogue listed books according to author and another catalogue listed them by title. No "Dewey" harassed either Librarian or patrons in the early days. These records of books and periodicals made a very interesting comparison of reading trends of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

A few interesting early events were also depicted through pictures. One picture of a prehistoric event of paramount historic interest portrayed Samuel de Champlain, in 1613, being paddled down the Otonabee River in a birch-bark canoe, by two Indians. History records Champlain lost his Astrolabe in 1613 so, perhaps, these Indians directed his course through Peterborough's waterway.

Displayed in glass cases were valuable original documents, manuscripts, and records. Of paramount interest were documents pertaining to Peter Robinson and the Robinson Emigration. There were several original letters written in 1823 by Peter Robinson. Letters to British Government officials, and a letter to one of the earlier Peterborough settlers regarding settlement of emigrants. Several bound journals containing records of the Robinson Emigration were displayed. One volume listed the names of all the emigrants, the port of embarkation, the name of the sailing vessel, and the township to which families were allocated. Another volume listed the provisions, animals and tools allotted to each family. A unique feature of these records was the beautiful calligraphy in which they were done. Also of vital importance was a document reading: "An Act to incorporate the town of Peterborough 1849, to become effective as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1850."

Another interesting group of records were those of the Peterborough County and historic society. It is interesting to read, in the list of chartered members, the name of the illustrious Catharine Parr Trail, as Honourary President in 1896. Also displayed were records and several items from the Peterborough Victoria Museum 1897 (now extinct). In this collection were several letters received before envelopes and stamps were in use and a fire insurance policy dated 1840, for £100 on "a house of wooden structure." An interesting item displayed was the original instrument used by Richard Birdsall, Town Surveyor, in laying out lots for the future town of Peterborough.

On display, too, were bound volumes of early newspapers, Peterborough Gazette, Peterborough Chronicle and others. Posters invited people to browse through Peterborough news of 1840's, 1860's or the happenings in the 1870's or 90's.

Peterborough folks of the 19<sup>th</sup> century had fun in the early days and enjoyed a lighter side of life, shown by several posters dating 1867 and 1869. One of the posters urged people to attend a huge "Phantasmagoria Parade," on July the "onct," to observe Confederation and enjoy the celebra"shuns" "gin"erally.

In the military life, in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, Peterborough regiments were well represented. Pictures showed many volunteers enroute to the Northwest Rebellion 1885, and also large contingents of troops entraining for the South African Boer War, 1899-1900.

Several maps were on display of Peterborough County and Town. A Peterborough map, dated 1850, was hung beside a map of Peterborough in 1950, and it was intensely interesting to note the development and expansion from town to city.

In conjunction with the Centennial Display, the T.H.G. Denne Collection of old prints was exhibited. This collection (named for the donor) was bequeathed to Peterborough City Council and is now in permanent custody of the Peterborough Public Library. These prints, one hundred and sixty-five in number, are hand coloured. They portray people, old landmarks and events of Peterborough County in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century. There are many *firsts* in the collection. A portrait of Jeannette Scott, the first white baby born in the settlement, the first frame house built in 1870, and the first street car in Peterborough, 1893, is among the collection. This collection of print is reputed to be one of the most outstanding collections in Canadian local history.

In the auditorium adjoining the main display room, Peterborough of the 20<sup>th</sup> century was pictorially portrayed. Photographs were displayed of all the leading industries of the city. The large number of various manufacturers, places Peterborough as one of the outstanding industrial centres in Canada.

Many cross-section aerial views of the city, together, formed a composite picture, giving a panoramic view of Peterborough in 1950. Many church steeples, institutions, schools and hospitals, functional modern architecture, numerous industrial plants, the waterways, potent as well as scenic; stately old and modern homes all reflecting the religious, educational, industrial and social life of Peterborough through a century of progress 1850-1950.

The Peterborough Public Library, through its Centennial Display, paid tribute to the memory of those many pioneers who trekked through the wilderness, blazed the trail and converted the unbroken forest into the city of Peterborough that we enjoy today.

While the Public Library planned the Centennial Exhibit, primarily, to be a participant in the observance of Peterborough's Centennial Year, there was an ulterior aim too, that the exhibit would attract many people to the library and perhaps stimulate interest not only in local history but in other reading interests as well. The results have been very satisfying and, to paraphrase – "Those who come to see, remain to read." Local citizens evinced so much interest in pioneer life and customs that additional copies of several titles in the local history section were purchased to meet the requests. Many out-of-town people from various parts of Canada and the United States visited the Exhibit and it was pleasing to observe that they made a tour of the library as well.

The outstanding tangible result of the Centennial Exhibit has been reorganization of the Peterborough and District Historical Society. A very successful Chartered Members Meeting was held in December in the auspicious Centennial year 1950. May this Society flourish through the coming "Century of Progress."

**HISTORY OF PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT**

Genevieve Sullivan, *Peterborough Public Library*

**A SELECTED LIST**

COPWAY, George. The life, letters and speeches of Kah-ge-gah-bowh, or G. Copway, chief Ojibway nation. A missionary for many years in the North West; now the projector of the concentration of the North-Western Indian Tribes, for the Better Promotion of their physical improvement. New York: S.W. Benedict, 1850. x(11)-224p., front.

This work contains p(11)-158, the text of the author's life, history and travels, etc., 1847. The author was a Canadian Ojibway on Rice Lake, Canada West. Chapter VI gives description of Rice Lake; Rice village. Chapter XVII gives an account of Chippewas at Rice Lake, Mud Lake, Balsam Lake and others.

**DIRECTORY OF COUNTIES OF**

PETERBOROUGH & VICTORIA. Directory of the united counties of Peterborough & Victoria for 1858. Containing alphabetical directory of the inhabitants of the towns of Peterborough & Lindsay and of the Principal inhabitants and businessmen of the villages throughout the counties; together with a brief history of the counties, statistical tables Peterborough: pub. by T.&R. White (1858). 89p.

DOBBIN, Francis Hincks. Historical Index, Peterborough, Canada. Compiled by F.H. Dobbin, 1914. Preface by F.M. De laFosse. (Review Publishing, Peterborough), 822p. Typescript divided into thirteen sections, each indexed and paged separately.

Contains brief history of Peterborough County and town 1818-1913. Information compiled mainly from files of early newspapers and also through interviews and correspondence with people whose forbears had been connected with the social or municipal life of Peterborough of the 19<sup>th</sup> century and early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

DOBBIN, Francis Hincks. Our old home town, by F.H. Dobbin. Woodcut illustrations by Mary Lee. J.M. Dent & Sons (Canada) Limited, Toronto (c) 1943, first edition. viii, 246p. front, port. illus.

Contains series of recollections and articles about Peterborough people and events of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century, as recorded by the author. Edited by his son, R.H. Dobbin, as a memorial to his father.

FULLER, O.L. Fuller's counties of Peterborough & Victoria Directory, for 1865 & 1866. Containing separate alphabetical directory of every town and village in both counties. Together with an appendix of useful information ... 120p. Toronto: Blackburn's City Steam Press, Yonge Street.

GROVER, P.M. Journal of the proceedings & bylaws of the municipal council of the County of Peterborough, A.D. 1867. P.M. Grover, Esquire, Warden, Peterborough. Printed by Robert Romaine at the office of the "Peterborough Review." (3) -287p.

GUILLET, Edwin C. Early life in Upper Canada by E.C. Guillet with 318 illustrations, including 16 in colour, selected and arranged by the author, Toronto, Ontario Publishing Company Limited, 1933. XLIII, 782 p. Chapter III, p.61-78 contains brief history of Peterborough County.

LANGTON, Hugh Hornley. Ed. A gentlewoman in Upper Canada. The journals of Anne Langton edited by H.H. Langton, Toronto. Clarke, Irwin & Company Limited, 1950. XV, 249p. front. port.

The journals of Anne Langton give an account of English pioneer settlers in Peterborough and Fenelon Falls district during the years 1837-1846.

LANGTON, John. Early days in Upper Canada. Letters of John Langton from the Backwoods of Upper Canada and the audit office of the Province of Canada, edited by W.A. Langton. Toronto, The Macmillan Company of Canada Limited at St. Martin's House, 1926. XL, 310p. front. (2 ports), illus. maps.

The letters, p.(3)-195 cover the period 1833-1837 when Langton was settling on a farm on Sturgeon Lake near Fenelon Falls. Extracts from "Letters of the transition period," p.(197)-303, were written between 1844 and 1869 when he was at Peterborough engaged in the lumbering trade, and at Toronto as auditor of public accounts, etc. The latter group of letters includes some concerning the University of Toronto of which Langton was a senator and vice-chancellor.

LANGTON RECORDS. Journals and letters from Canada. 1837-1846, with portrait and sketches. Printed for private circulation only. Edinburgh: R.&R. Clark Limited, 1904. XII 371p. front. port. illus. folded map.

The journals and letters written to relatives in England describe the settlement of the Langtons in Peterborough district and the incidents of daily life in the backwoods during the period 1837-1846.

MOODIE, Susanna (Strickland). Life in the clearings versus the bush. By Mrs. Moodie ... "I sketch from nature and the draught is true ... Painful experience in a distant land made it mine own." New York: DeWitt & Davenport Publishers, 160-162 Nassau Street, n.d. XII, (13) - 300p.

This work is considered a supplement to the author's "Roughing it in the bush," 1852. It describes the thirteen years' residence in Belleville following years of pioneer life in Dummer Township.

MOODIE, Susanna (Strickland). Roughing it in the bush: or Life in Canada. By Susanna Moodie. "I sketch from nature, and the picture's true ... experience in a distant land made it mine own." In two parts ... Part I. New York: George P. Putnam, 10 Park Place. 1852. VI, 211p. on verso of t-p inscribed: To Agnes Strickland, author of "The Lives of the Queens of England." This simple tribute of affection is dedicated by her sister, Susanna Moodie. Part II bound with Part I. Title page. (5)-224p.

The Moodies came to Canada in 1832. They first settled on a farm near Cobourg and later moved to Lakefield about nine miles north of Peterborough. This work is an account of the hardships encountered by the author and her family, in the Canadian backwoods.

Other editions issued: 1857 (London, Richard Bentley); 1871 (Toronto, MacClear & Company); 1871 (Toronto, MacClear & Company); 1871 (Toronto, Hunter,

Rose & Company); 1913 (Toronto, Bell & Cockburn); 1913 (London, T.N. Foulis Publishing); n.d. (New York, Dodge Publishing); 1923 (Toronto, McClelland & Stewart).

MULVANY, C. Pelham. History of the County of Peterborough, Ontario. Containing a history of the County; History of Haliburton County, their townships, towns, schools, churches, etc.; general and local statistics, biographical sketches; and an outline history of the Dominion of Canada, etc., illustrated, Toronto; C. Blackett Robinson, 5 Jordon Street, 1884. VIII, 783p. port. folded map.

PAMMETT, Howard Thomas. The Assisted Irish Emigration to Upper Canada under Peter Robinson in 1825, including the founding of the City of Peterborough and the settlement of the surrounding townships. A thesis presented to the Department of History of Queen's University in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Master of Arts. Howard Thomas Pammett, B.A., Peterborough, Ontario. September, 1934. 424-(7)p. port. (typewritten sheets bound).

PETERBOROUGH AND PORT HOPE RAILWAY COMPANY. Engineer's report and statistical information relative to the proposed railway from Port Hope to Peterborough. Port Hope C.W. Printed by William Furley, 1847. (14p) map, cover title. Report of the Peterborough & Port Hope Railway. Typewritten sheets – copy of original.

POOLE, Thomas W. A sketch of the early settlement and subsequent progress of the Town of Peterborough and of each township in the County of Peterborough. By Thomas W. Poole, M.D., Peterborough. C.W. Printed at the office of the Peterborough Review, 1867. VIII, 220p.

POOLE, Thomas W. New edition, same as above, with sequel. T.p. Completion of sketch of the early settlement of the County of Peterborough, 1867-1941, 75p. ports. illus. VIII, 295p. Peterborough, Peterborough Printing Company Limited, 1941.

First part covers history of early settlement of Peterborough County, 1818-1867. The supplement 1941 brings the history of Peterborough County up to the year 1941.

STEWART, Frances (Browne). Our forest home, being Extracts from the correspondence of the late Frances Stewart compiled and edited by her daughter E.S. Dunlop. Printed by the Presbyterian Printing and Publishing Company (Limited), Toronto, Canada, 1889. 210, XIp.

Mrs. Stewart, with her family, migrated from Ireland in 1822 and settled in Douro Township near Peterborough. The extracts from correspondence describe pioneer settlements and social conditions 1822-1872. Another edition: Gazette Printing & Publishing Co, Montreal, 1902.

STRICKLAND, Samuel. Twenty-seven years in Canada West: or, the experience of an early settler, by Major Strickland, C.M. Edited by Agnes Strickland ... In two volumes, London: Richard Bentley, New Burlington Street, Publisher in ordinary to her majesty, 1853. 2v. v.I (IX)-XIX, 311p. v.2: VIII, 344p.

Samuel Strickland came to Canada in 1825 and settled at Lakefield. This work describes the author's experiences as land agent and settler from 1825 until 1851.

TRAILL, Catharine Parr (Strickland) ... The Backwoods of Canada: being letters from the wife of an emigrant officer, illustrative of the domestic economy of

British America. London: Charles Knight, 22 Ludgate Street, MXCCCXXXVI. VIII, 351p. front. (port), illus. map. At head of title: Library of entertaining knowledge.

Mrs. Traill, who emigrated to Canada 1832, gives an account of her journey and early settlement in the district of Rice Lake. Other editions: London, Charles Knight & Company 1839, 1846. Toronto, McClelland & Stewart, 1929.

TRAILL, Catharine Parr (Strickland). Canadian Crusoes. A Tale of the Rice Lake Plains by Catherine Parr Traill ... Edited by her sister, Agnes Strickland. Illustrated by Harvey. New York: C.S. Francis & Company, 252 Broadway, Boston; Crosley, Nichols & Company, MDCCCC. LIII. 376p. front. plates. Title varies to later editions: "Lost in the back woods." another edition (Boston, Hall & Whiting, 1881).

TRAILL, Catharine Parr (Strickland). Lost in the backgrounds, a tale of the Canadian Forest by Mrs. Traill ... with thirty-two engravings. London, T. Nelson and Sons, Paternoster Row, Edinburgh; and New York, 1901. VIII, 319p. front. illus.

TRAILL, Catharine Parr (Strickland). Pearls and pebbles; or notes of an old naturalist, by Catherine Parr Traill ... with biographical sketch by Mary Agnes Fitzgibbon. Toronto: William Briggs, Wesley Buildings, C.W. Coates, Montreal; S.F. Huestis, Halifax, 1894. XXXVI, 241p. front. (port.) illus.

WHITE, Thomas. Consolidated By-laws of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of Peterborough and Victoria. Compiled by order of the Counties Council by Thomas White, Jr., Printed at the office of the Peterborough Review, 1862. IX, 82p.



Elwood Jones was one of three recipients of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal presented by the Township of Selwyn. Here, he is joined by Mayor Mary Smith and Ruth Kuchinad. (Photo by Selwyn Township)

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# Queries & News

Heather Aiton Landry and Elwood Jones

*Family Jewels*



My grandfather, Charles Richard Banks, was a motor vehicle pioneer in Canada. It has been documented that, in 1901, he owned the first motorcycle in Canada. I'm not sure if he built it himself from a bicycle by adding a motor but I do know it was a French motor. Later, in 1912, he installed the first gas pump in Peterborough where he sold Indian Motorcycles as the awning proudly states above his store. In 1901, he worked for the Oldsmobile Automobile Company testing cars and was the first person to drive a car in Los Angeles, California. After that he returned to Canada and sold three of the first Fords cars built in Canada.

*Submitted by David Banks*

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## C. R. Banks on George Street

Came across this article on C.R. Banks bicycle/motorcycle dealership on George Street in Peterborough and thought it may be of interest to the TVA. As a child I remember motorcycles parked angle-wise on George Street with their riders in Marlon Brando? inspired clothing. This would have been late 1940's, or thereabouts.

Regards,  
Allan Stacey

## John Turner

Thanks for writing about my father in the Heritage Gazette in February. It is a wonderful article. However please note: my father's boyhood home was at the north east corner of George and Dublin Street (not London). Second, my father's father was E. Melville Turner (not W. R. Turner). W. R. Turner (my great-grandfather, my father's grandfather) did start the plumbing and heating business, as you noted.

*Heather Dyer*

## **Conger, Wilson S. obituary (1804-1860)**

*Editor's note: This is one of the most extensive obituaries we have found in local Victorian newspapers and contains information not widely known about W. S. Conger, who founded the Little Lake Cemetery Company. His story is told in Elwood Jones, An Historian's Notebook (Peterborough 2009) but the obituary speaks more authoritatively on his Cobourg years, on his political career, the importance of the Trent Canal, and on the development of the northern parts of the county. As well, the story features delightful turns of phrase.*

At Peterborough on the 27<sup>th</sup>, instant, Wilson Seymour Conger Esq., M.P., for the County of Peterborough, aged 60 years.

Death of W.S. Conger, Esq., M.P.P. It is with deepest regret that we have to announce the death of W.S. Conger Esq., representative of the County of Peterborough in the Provincial Parliament, which took place on Wednesday evening, last, at about 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Conger had suffered a very long illness. About two years ago, he was attacked with Gastric Fever, from which he never fully recovered. During the session of Parliament of last autumn, he caught cold while attending to his duties in the House and, it was against the remonstrance of friends that he insisted upon attending during the last session. So severely ill was he that, except on very special occasions, he was unable to attend in his place in the House. At one time, he was so low, that, for days, every one despaired of his life. Under the treatment of Dr. Rowan, however, a marked change took place and, before the termination of the session, he had so greatly recovered as to give reasonable and just grounds for believing that the malady had been conquered and he was likely to have a permanent restoration to health. He came home in comparatively good health but, unfortunately, ventured again on a trip to Quebec, from which he returned only Wednesday, week. The fatigue was too much for him and, on Friday, he was again taken seriously ill. From this attack, he never rallied and, on Wednesday evening, he breathed his last.

Mr. Conger first commenced the active duties of life in business in Cobourg, some 35 years ago. Of an active and energetic temperament and an earnest reformer, thus early in life, as the standard bearer of his party in the contest of 1824 and 1835, contesting the Newcastle District, but without success. He laboured earnestly for those constitutional reforms which, at that time, were so loudly demanded and, which, were shortly after conceded; but depreciated, in the strongest manner, any resort to violence in the effort to obtain them. And when the more violent spirits of the reform party succeeded in rousing the people to rebellion, Mr. Conger manifested his opposition to their course and his love of British supremacy by taking up arms in defence of the Crown. With a company, which he organized and equipped mainly at his own expense, he proceeded, under orders, to the frontier where hostilities were anticipated. After the close of the rebellion, he continued in business in Cobourg until 1842, when he accepted, at the hands of his political leader, the Venerable Robert Baldwin, the office of Sheriff of the United

Counties of Peterborough and Victoria. This office he filled with great satisfaction to the public until 1856, when a vacancy occurring in the representation of the County by the acceptance of office by Mr. Langton, the then representative, he was solicited to enter Parliament, giving up the Shrievalty for that purpose. He contested the County with Frederick Ferguson, Esq., and, after one of the hardest fought political battles that has ever occurred in Upper Canada since the Union, a contest in which the Protestant cry, for the first time, formed a prominent element in political struggles, he was returned by a majority of 298. He sat in Parliament for the two remaining sessions of Parliament and, in 1837-38, was defeated by Thomas Short Esq., falling a victim to the insane and wicked "no popery" howl; how insane may be judged in the light of subsequent events. In 1861, he, again, contested the County with Colonel Haultain but, again, without success, being defeated by a narrow majority. In the election of 1863, he was chosen by acclamation, his old political opponents joining in the work of placing him in the Legislature. As we have said, the serious illness under which he was laboring at the time, and which continued in an aggravated form, prevented his giving that attention to his Parliamentary duties, which he would have desired. He succeeded, however, in procuring the appointment of a Committee on his favourite scheme, the Trent Canal and, to his earnest desire, to complete the evidence on the subject and present his report, is due, we honestly believe, his continued prostration. When he, in justice to himself, ought to have been at home, away from the bustle and excitement of life at the seat of Government, he insisted upon remaining at his post and, although too unwell to attend in his place in Parliament, he performed, indefatigably, his duty at Chairman of that Committee, dictating to a secretary from a couch when too weak to sit up, far less to write himself. His last official act was the presentation of the report of his Committee, to his earnest desire to complete, which he sacrificed, in great degree, his chances of recovery. And in the act of self sacrifice in the performance of what he believed to be a public duty, we have the full character of Mr. Conger displayed. Of an earnest temperament, and a strong spirit of self-reliance, he never stopped to consult with his friends or to take counsel of his own, more personal interests, when he had a public duty to perform. This disposition was, at times, carried so far as to be mistaken for mere unreasoning self-will and, as has been the case with so many men similarly constituted, it, at times, made enemies of those who ought to have been firm friends. He carried this disposition into everything he did and, with the indomitable perseverance which was a marked feature in his character; it gave him success in enterprises when almost any other man must have failed. Years ago, he conceived the idea of promoting the settlement of the Country lying in rear of this County and, while the Honourable Mr. Price was Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands elaborated a scheme for the purchase, by the Counties of the Crown Lands in rear of them, at a nominal price, a scheme which, had it been accepted and properly worked out, would have tended greatly to the



advantage of the County. Failing in this, he never ceased to urge upon the Government, the opening up, for settlement, the Townships north of Peterborough and Victoria and when the vacancy occurred in the representation of the County, in 1856, the hope of being able more successfully to effect this object was the ruling motive in inducing him to give up a lucrative office for the trouble and uncertainty of public life. He had the gratification of seeing that object accomplished and, before his death, found no less than half a dozen representatives in the County Council from the section which, on his entrance into public life, eight years ago, was a wilderness, unsurveyed, and unsettled.

This is the monument Mr. Conger has left behind him to attest to his friends how well he has done his duty in life and, as evidence to others, of what may be accomplished by earnest and persevering effort. The settlement of the County was the daydream of his existence and few men have more realized the object of their wishes. This was, at once, the aim and extent of the "ambition" which may be attributed to him. It was an ambition to have his name connected, in some way, with the progress of his native Country, nothing more, nothing less. An ambition without one single grain of the alloy of sordid self seeking! We write not thus the spirit of idly panegyric of the dead. God forbid, that, in this hour of our great sorrow, for the death of one who has been predominantly the friend of the County of Peterborough, we should write one word beyond the simple truth. Now that he has gone from among us to "that borne from whence no traveler returns," men will realize how great have been the services he has rendered to the County and how severe is the loss it has sustained in his decease. We offer to his sorrowing widow our heartfelt sympathy, in which we are sure we are joined by the people of the County at large. May she receive those consolations which He who chasteneth whom He loveth, can alone bestow.

The Funeral will take place at 4 o'clock this afternoon, with Masonic honours. 29 July 1864.

Funeral of W.S. Conger Esq. The funeral took place on Friday afternoon, last, and was the largest we remember to have seen in Peterborough. A few minutes before 4 o'clock, the brethren of Peterborough and Corinthian Lodges of Free Masons proceeded to the residence of the deceased brother where that portion of the Masonic burial service, appointed to be read before leaving the house, was read by W.M. Dr. Burnham, Peterborough Lodge, assisted by W. Bro. P.M. White, Corinthian Lodge. The procession then moved out in the following order: The Tyler with drawn sword, the Band, E.A. Masons, Fellowcraft Masons, Master Masons, Officers, Past Masters, the open Bible carried by Bro. McGregor, the oldest Mason present, W.M. Dr. Burnham, Peterborough Lodge, W.M. R. White, Corinthian Lodge, the coffin borne by eight pall bearers, the chief mourners, Members of the Town and County Councils, Mourners walking, Mourners in carriages.

In this order the procession, under the direction of R.W. Bro. William A Kelsey, Past Asst. Grand Lecturer of the State of New York, USA, who had been appointed Marshall, proceeded to the Church where the funeral service was read by the Reverend J.W.R. Beck. Then the procession reformed, the coffin being placed in a hearse

and proceeded to Little Lake Cemetery when, after services by the Rector W.M. Burnham, the Masonic Funeral service was conducted.

The stores in Town were all closed during the greater part of the afternoon. 5 August 1864.

### **Canadian Forestry Corps, 1916-1919**

With 2014 being the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the beginning of World War I, it is likely there will be publications and media projects produced over the next few years to mark that conflict. The names of battles – Ypres, the Somme, Passchendaele, and Vimy, among others – will, no doubt, be prominently mentioned. Individual soldiers will be remembered, and the Canadian units such as the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, the 93<sup>rd</sup> Overseas Battalion, and the Newfoundland Regiment will all be discussed.

There are some Canadian units that served important support roles in the Great War, without whom the fighting regiments and divisions would not have been able to do their jobs as well as they did, but who are all but forgotten because they served behind the scenes – and generally did not make the front page news. One such group of Canadians was the Canadian Forestry Corps. They were professional foresters, lumbermen, sawyers, teamsters, etc., who provided millions of feet of all types of lumber for military usages from the forests of Britain and France. Their jobs even included the creation of airfields for the Royal Flying Corps (later the Royal Air Force) – some of these fields, Biggin Hill for example, would become famous names during the Battle of Britain and the air campaign over Europe during World War II.

I have begun to research the history of the Canadian Forestry Corps in World War I, and would be very interested to learn of any Peterborough and area men who served with this group during this time. My initial interest in this subject came about because of the service of the Reverend James Rollins, then minister of St Andrew's Presbyterian (now United) Church in Peterborough, who was a military chaplain to the Forestry Corps units based in the royal estate forests around Windsor Castle.

If anyone wishes to share information about local men who served with the Canadian Forestry Corps, either in Britain or in France, please contact me by e-mail at [donwillcock@hotmail.com](mailto:donwillcock@hotmail.com) or by phone at 705-768-6602.

Thank you.

*Don Willcock*

### **Verey's Zographicon played Peterborough, 1864 and 1871**

One interesting query we received in the last while came from Norma Foster in Australia. She was looking for information regarding Joseph Verey and his Zographicon. Joseph Verey (1851-1938) was her great-grandfather's brother, and he apparently traveled with it in both Canada and Australia. As it turned out, three advertisements about the traveling exhibit appeared in the Peterborough Examiner: one in 1864, and two more in 1871.

The 1864 showing of the zographicon in Victoria Hall, Cobourg, was endorsed by J. C. Philip, Wesleyan Minister, as “calculated to impress the mind with a sense of the awful effects of vice, and to lead persons to awake up to the claims of morality and virtue.” It consisted of Bunyan’s Pilgrim’s Progress and other paintings by George Wonderlich. Verey returned in February 1871, this time with a panorama entitled “Ten Nights in a Bar-room” in addition to some Scotch and American scenes.

One story which appeared in “The Verey Family, Under Southern Skies” tells of Alf Verey joining with his Uncle Joe to tour with a Temperance Panorama in the state of Victoria in Australia.

“The panorama consisted of a large roll of canvas on which was painted a series of scenes portraying a story [in which] the change of scene was carried out by rolling the canvas from the full roll to the empty roll across a framed space.” The speaker told the story as the scenes unfolded. The paintings had to be touched up because of the wear and tear. The presentations were an entertainment and people paid admission and their tickets were eligible for a draw for a prize. The shows were advertised by forward men who took posters to the towns along the route. As well, Joseph Verey would enter the town and talk to groups wherever they might be, apparently with great success. There was not great money to be made and the sleeping conditions in the various towns were chiefly discussing.

We found some stories from the Peterborough Examiner in 1864 and 1871. In October 1864, J. C. Philip, the Wesleyan Methodist minister in Omemee endorsed the production. “I consider the exhibition of these paintings calculated to impress the mind with a sense of the awful effects of vice, and to lead persons to awake up to the claims of morality and virtue. Those of young Lee convey a lesson to the teacher and the taught, and thus cannot fail to impress the mind of the young, and may tend to the reclaiming of even the abandoned drunkard.” The notice said the exhibition was opening in Victoria Hall, which may have been the upstairs of the Market House, that was later known as the E. C. Hill Music Hall.

In 1871, the Zographicon was exhibited in Hill’s Music Hall. The notice read: “Verey’s New Panorama will be exhibited in Hill’s Music Hall, on Monday and Tuesday evenings. The scenes are beautiful, and the painting, we understand, new and good; Scotch and American scenes principally, except “Ten Nights in a Bar-room” which are the same everywhere.” [Examiner, 16 February 1871] Afterwards, the Examiner, 23 February, commented, “Mr. Verey exhibited his very interesting Panorama in the Music Hall last night. He has added largely to his paintings since his last visit. The scenes are very good, and the moral effect of “Ten Nights in a Bar-room” must be good. He exhibits to-night again, and well deserves a full house.”

We were quite surprised to learn that this was an Australian production playing in Peterborough.

The story had appeared in the Heritage Gazette, vol 6 no 4 (February 2001) in passing in a review of a single issue of the Peterborough Examiner for October 1864.

“We can learn in different ways about the place of alcohol in Peterborough. H. Calcutt announced that he had obtained the patent for an upright corrugated tubular liquid cooler and heater which he was prepared to sell to brewers.

He claimed, depending on size, he could cool beer directly from the boiler at the rate of five to one hundred gallons per minute. This meant that brewers could brew in the hottest season without fear of the beer going sour. H. Calcutt, Peterborough and T. Cochlin of Hastings were selling a brewery in Hastings. George Mitchell, at St George’s Saloon claimed to be the sole local agent for Creighton’s Superior Ales and Porter. Lewis Glover, was the sole agent for Copland’s Pale Ale. James Campbell, on Hunter Street, was selling Gooderham and Worts whiskey as well as superior brandies and wines for “medical purposes”, champagnes, St Julien Claret, Guinness’ Dublin Porter, and Aldwell’s ales and porter. John Watterson, at the sign of the British Flag, was a dealer in liquors, wines, and beer as well as for groceries and provisions. There were a few ads for the sales of elixirs and pain killers. Perhaps related, since it promoted temperance, was the Zographicon of Pilgrim’s Progress, and 100 other paintings, painted by a German painter, George Wonderlick ; this was running at Victoria Hall; elsewhere, William Coulter, proprietor of Victoria Hall, announced it was for sale. ...

### Rupert Davies

We had a request for a photo of Rupert Davies in connection with a story on the origins of CHEX-TV. It turns out that the Peterborough Examiner fonds had a delightful photo that was distributed to Canadian newspapers by the Canadian Press. We have thousands of photographs and biographical files relating to people who were prominent from the 1950s to the 1990s particularly.



### Hayward family

Les Hayward of Narara, New South Wales, Australia, contacted TVA to obtain a story from the Peterborough Examiner archives that impacted his family in 1912. His great-uncle, Harry Hayward, drowned while trying to rescue his 3-year old daughter, Mildred Cecily, from the Otonabee River. She had fallen in while she and her father, together with her 9-year-old brother, Leonard, were on an excursion in the family's punt on the river near their home on Lock Street.

The funeral notice, Peterborough Examiner, Tuesday, 16 July 1912:

**Double Funeral / Was Held To-Day  
Mr. Harry Hayward and Daughter Who Were  
Drowned in Otonabee on Sunday Last, Interred With  
Impressive Ceremony This Afternoon**

The funeral of Mr. Harry Hayward of Gordon Avenue and his little daughter, Mildred Cicely, who were drowned under such pathetic circumstances on Sunday evening last, took place this afternoon. At 3:30 an impressive service was conducted at the residence of the brother of the deceased, Mr. George Hayward, corner of Lock Street and Wilson Avenue, by the Rev. J. N. Clarry of St. James' Church, after which the cortege proceeded from that residence (the two hearses abreast) to the Little Lake Cemetery where interment took place.

Although the majority of the relatives resided too far away to enable them to be present at the ceremony, there was a very large attendance of relatives, friends and others from the city and district. The beautiful display of floral tributes included a bouquet from the "We Never Sleep" camp in whose vicinity the fatality occurred, and one from the Bricklayers' Union.

Included in the procession was a representation of the Bricklayers' Union who marched in a body to the cemetery. The pall-bearers were made up of six of their number.

Six little neighbours acted as pall-bearers for the child.

The news story, Examiner, July 15, 1912, reported that: "the Hayward family is well known in Peterborough. Mr. and Mrs. George O. Hayward were the first to come to Peterborough, about four years ago. They reside on Lock Street, near the end of the car line..."

Judging by the time frame ("four years ago"), this Mrs. Hayward is most likely to have been Louisa. By June 1913, when Les Hayward's father was born, George was in Australia with a different Mrs. Hayward—Emma Lillian Vaughan. On Australian birth certificates, the date of marriage of the parents is noted. According to the birth certificate of one Australian Hayward child of George and Emma, the marriage date is recorded as June 14, 1912. On another, the date is recorded as July 14, 1912—the day that Harry and Mildred drowned, and George and Louisa were supposed to have been living together on Lock Street.

Incidentally, according to the same 1911 census, a widow, Emma Vaughan, and her 2 children are living in North Monaghan.

The researcher would appreciate any information regarding what happened to Louisa Maidment (b. 1871 in St. Minver, Cornwall, England), George's first wife.

Family lore suggests she returned to England, but this has not been proven thus far. He is also curious to determine an actual marriage date for George Hayward and Emma Vaughan.

### Trent Valley Archives Fundraising

We sent out a fundraising letter a few weeks ago, and are pleased to report a promising start toward our important goal of keeping Trent Valley Archives in the black. We have received generous support from the County of Peterborough, the second of three grants, and we are pleased to thank them for their appreciation of the importance of archives. However, we still need to consider the ongoing operating costs of maintaining a frugal operation. We have had one paid employee for several years, and that is Heather Aiton Landry, who I am pleased to say has been promoted to Assistant Archivist. Briefly, we have had a second employee in Matthew Griffis, who has been appointed to a professorial position in Mississippi effective August 1. It has been a delight to work with these two great people who have a genuine affection for the work of the Trent Valley Archives, and have shown great ability and expertise. Our operation is more complex than one might imagine, and we accomplish a great deal with the resources at hand. We need the support of our friends and supporters. If you have misplaced your letter, we will be glad to send you another. If you have not sent your donation, why not do it now?

Thanks for your support.

Elwood Jones, TVA Archivist



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### Little Lake Cemetery; Moe; Glover

*Researcher wished specific information about Little Lake Cemetery, Cheeseman Moe and about the family of Lewis Glover. This is the response which Elwood sent.*

1. The Little Lake Cemetery is a private non-profit company, and has been so since day one. There was discussion about having a municipal-run cemetery, but people such as W. S. Conger were quite persuasive, that such would be beyond the capability of the town. Moreover, the cemetery had a wider constituency than just the city.

2. The town, only incorporated in 1850, passed the resolutions forbidding cemeteries in the city limits. It would have been foolish in the context to annex the

proposed cemetery property; its advantages were that it was close to the town, but was not in the town. Over time, as the city grew and the provision of services, such as roads, water and sewage, became issues, the areas were annexed. Annexation usually brought increased taxes, and so it was necessary to weigh the advantages. By the 1940s and the 1950s, the city was annexing large chunks of North Monaghan, and the cemetery would have been isolated from the rest of North Monaghan. As well, part of the cemetery that had been added later was in city boundaries, and now the issue of whether it was okay to have a cemetery in the city became moot, given the large area of the cemetery and that moving it was not practical.

3. Cheeseman Moe might be best known for being a partner in building the government mill and bridge over the river at Hunter Street after Sir Peregrine Maitland's visit to the young settlement in February 1826. Moe owned what was known locally as Moe's Point until he died in 1838. His death facilitated the suggestion for a cemetery, and the Crown still had rights to the property in 1850, enough to insist that the cheap price for the land would be available at the same rate should the Roman Catholics decide to build a cemetery on the same acreage. My impression was that Birdsall was holding it in trust, for the dozen years that it took to arrange the future of Moe's Point.

4. Lewis Glover was an Ashburnham miller. It looks as if he was the father of the William that is of interest to her. In the Dobbin Historical Index at the Trent Valley Archives there is this description of Lewis Glover, which I think is pretty good.

GLOVER, LEWIS – Pioneer of Peterborough district. Born in Edinburgh, Scotland, 1820. Came to Canada, 1832; to Peterborough some years later. Eventually engaged in milling business with W.J. Robinson as millers. Further on, in business with late Henry Denne. Rented Rogers Mill, Ashburnham, continuing during 1870-1875. Bought Allandale Mill, known as Short's Mill, where he lived rest of his life. Died April 28, 1904. Member of Ashburnham Council, many years.

Allandale is now known as Lang, and this is the mill that is part of the interpretation at the Lang Century Village. As you can see, Lewis Glover operated the Rogers' mill, which was near the Hunter Street bridge. You will also remember that the Rogers ran a grocery store in connection with the mill, and that William would have been in his early 20s by the time Lewis Glover was there.

### Thomas Dorland

Researcher is writing about a Quaker, Thomas Dorland (1759-1832), who was read out of his meeting because he signed up to fight for the British in the American Revolution. He came from Dutchess County in New York to Adolphustown. I am most interested in Captain Thomas' 3 wives: Tabitha Pugsley (1760-1790); Elizabeth Delong (1764-1793); and Maria Fairfield (1764-1853). Each wife had a child by Thomas. Any assistance you or TVA members could give would be wonderful. *Ruth Kuchinad, Selwyn Township, ON*

### Preserving historical treasures

By *Dale Clifford, Peterborough Examiner*  
Monday, February 18, 2013 10:41:28 EST PM

Peterborough's Henry Desbarbieux had quite the story to tell...or show. He brought several items of [interest](#) with him to the Trent Valley Archives as part of Family Day activities Monday. The theme of the day was encouraging members of the public to bring in photos, letters, newspapers, maps, whatever they had, and have TVA members appraise them or [offer](#) advice on how to preserve them.

"It could be anything they found in the attic," said Heather Aiton-Landry, TVA assistant archivist, with a smile. "Preserving what you find is important for [future](#) generations and says a lot about what we are about. It can be important for research. You find your ancestors, you learn a lot about yourself."

Desbarbieux brought in family-owned material which he discovered, including newspapers from the mid-1930s, a framed picture from 1943 of British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Canadian Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King, thought to be taken somewhere in Quebec, a print of the Gettysburg Address delivered by U.S. President Abraham Lincoln and a map of Ontario from 1926. "I brought them in to see if they were real or fake and how to preserve them," said Desbarbieux. "I think it is important to preserve history like this for future generations who want to see it. My parents collected it and kept it to preserve it. I want to do the same."

Organizers estimated about 40 people came out for the afternoon, mostly in the 40-60 age group. Other items of interest were family war albums, Bibles, postcards, and other maps from the 1800s. The next big event on the local calendar is Archives Week in April.

### Robertson Davies Centennial

Canada Post is preparing a commemorative stamp for the hundredth birthday of Robertson Davies ( ) the celebrated playwright and novelist who was also a revered publisher of the Peterborough Examiner. Davies was also a delightful storyteller, known for his ghost stories, his humour and quietly sage alter ego, Samuel Marchbanks.

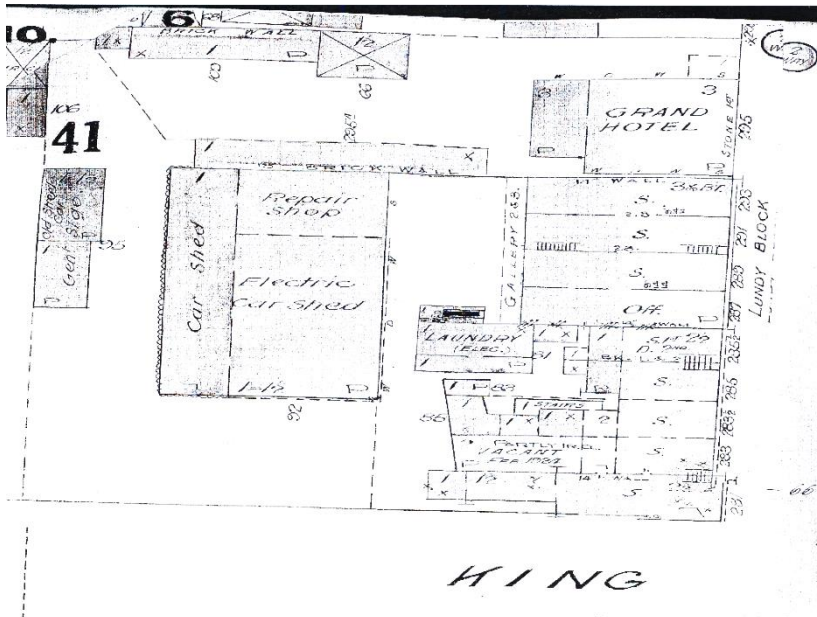
Trent Valley Archives has several photos of Davies which we shared with the researchers. Our photographs are in different parts of the Peterborough Examiner fonds, and we have a classic pose in our Electric City Collection. We ran a story about Davies correspondence with Howard Pammatt in the *Heritage Gazette*, February 2003.

**Trent Valley Archives is pleased to be running a bus tour on Davies' birthday, 28 August 2013.** The bus tour will feature stories related to Davies told at several sites in the city. As well, we will have a delightful lunch. Tickets are limited, and only cost \$75. We recommend booking your seat early. Call Trent Valley Archives, 705-745-4404 for details.



### Peterborough Radial Railway car barn c 1910

Martin, Edward J., *On a Streak of Lightning: Electric Railways in Canada*, (Delta, British Columbia: Studio E, 1994) 80  
Received from Gordon Young via email from Paul Delamere



Fire Insurance Plan for the corner of George and King, 1925 (Trent Valley Archives, F90)

The streetcars went out of service in 1927, and in the 1937 street directory the car barns were still being used by Border Transit Company. We are uncertain when the car barns ceased to operate as a bus barn. The photo of the car barn shows the back of the Lundy Block, which was also known as the Adelphi Block. It is interesting to see that the street car company in 1910 had sleigh cars for use in the winter.





### What Lies Beneath

Diane Robnik reports on her past year since leaving the Trent Valley Archives to take a position at Thunder Bay Museum.

Fabrication is now being completed for our new traveling exhibit, "What Lies Beneath: Canadian Shipwrecks of Lake Superior." The exhibit consists of 12 coloured 4x5 panels with accompanying artifact cases as well as digital diving footage. It has been an exciting project to be part of and I am eager to see it open here at the Thunder Bay Museum in July 2013. If you are planning a cross-Canada adventure this summer/fall, be sure to stop in and check it out. Come November, the exhibit will be on the move, traveling around the Northwest region and later on Canada-wide. Having not worked on an exhibit for

many years, I was pleased to have the opportunity to work on the concept, design and soon-to-be installation of the project. Hopefully this will be the start of a new traveling exhibit program here at the museum as we have a few other ideas.

My work is slowly wrapping up for this year as well as I prepare to go on parental leave. I look forward to returning next summer to focus on outreach to new groups in our City including at risk young offenders, Rotary and Kinsmen as well as the local Steampunk group. With over three-fourths of the visitors to our museum coming from within our own community, getting the word out to why museums are important institutions and how we can provide services to the public is my challenge for 2014.

Diane Robnik, Community Resource Officer; Thunder Bay Museum, 425 Donald Street E; Thunder Bay, ON, P7E 5V1 807-623-0801

### Queen Mary and King George School Celebrate 100 Years

Two of Peterborough's best schools are celebrating 100 years of exceptional service to the community. Queen Mary School has placed an advertisement on our inside front cover, and we commend it to your attention. It promises to be a great day. Susan Matthews, the principal at Queen Mary, mentions that there will be drop off parking in the school yard, but people should use street parking. There will be a photographer and people will be able to purchase photos, as well as some memorabilia. Cogeco is creating a documentary that will be shown on Cogeco and CHEX-TV. Keep an eye for that. Elwood Jones and Andrew Elliott are featured speakers.

King George School is celebrating its centennial at the same time. Lynn Self, the principal, invites former students, staff and the community at large to its celebration on Saturday, June 1st. They are planning school tours, a central stage for performers, a picnic on Armour Hill. The recommend letting them know if you can come. [lynn\\_self@kprdsb.ca](mailto:lynn_self@kprdsb.ca)

## County supports Trent Valley Archives

By *Galen Eagle, Peterborough Examiner*  
Wednesday, March 20, 2013 6:25:57 EDT PM



Trent Valley Archives came armed with a tailored message for Peterborough County council Wednesday and left with another \$10,000 from county coffers towards its Peterborough Examiner archives.

"I want to begin by thanking you for your support last year," Trent Valley Archives board member and former Peterborough MP Peter Adams said. "We're here to ask you for more."

The county made an exception to its long-standing policy of refusing grants to outside organizations when it gave Trent Valley Archives (TVA) \$10,000 last year to begin its organization of The Examiner collection of newspapers and photos dating back to 1847.

"We spent the \$10,000 you gave us very quickly and we're ready to spend more," archivist Elwood Jones told councillors, explaining the tedious process facing volunteers as they attempt to preserve and organize 600,000 negatives en route to ultimately digitizing the entire collection.

Adams targeted the councillors' affinity for history and tradition, characterizing the collection as a direct link to the county's first settlers.

"Any of us will be able to go back online to 1847 and research our ancestors," Adams said. "We are in a unique position today because those 1847 newspapers were read by the very first settlers of this area. We can convert them into a form in which they will last for the future and will be well preserved digitally and searchable from anywhere in the world."

Selwyn Deputy Mayor Andy Mitchell voted in favour of the donation, arguing the county had a responsibility to ensure the preservation of its heritage.

"If you don't know where you have been, you don't know where you are going," Mitchell said.

But Jim Whelan, mayor of North Kawartha Township, opposed the grant. Whelan said the TVA was given special treatment that other outside groups were not given to speak before council in the final stage of its budget process.

Warden J. Murray Jones pointed out that council had agreed in principle to give the TVA funding over a three-year period when it made the first commitment last year.

TVA has received financial support from Peterborough city council and received a \$28,000 Trillium Foundation grant to acquire the climate-control system that houses the collection. The group also relies on annual fundraising.

The Examiner collection was a surprise acquisition, donated when The Examiner moved to its current East City location from its former home on The Kingsway. Archiving it has taxed the limits of the TVA and some 50 volunteers, Elwood Jones explained in a letter to council.

"I just want you to get a sense that this is an extraordinarily important collection and already we have been able to make some headway into this. It's only the tip of an iceberg so far," Elwood Jones said.

NOTE: Photographs developed from The Examiner collection depicting Peterborough County will form part of the Spark Photo Festival in Peterborough in April.

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*Re Photo: Board of directors member Ivan Batemen displays an archived photograph and photo of Mayor Hamilton welcoming the Victoria Order of Nurses published in the Peterborough Examiner in 1943 during the Trent Valley Archive Open House event on Saturday, Sept. 15, 2012 that included guest speakers, tours of the facility and a few words in honour of Martha Kidd and Ron Doughty.*  
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# OSBORNE STUDIO PROJECT

## PROJECT CHARTER PURPOSE

The Osborne Studio project will operate on several levels. This is one of the most important professional photographic collections in Peterborough. It is particularly strong on sittings in the 1970s and 1980s, and is deemed particularly important for capturing styles of the period, identifying some important people working locally, staff and facilities of industries and businesses around Peterborough, and capturing weddings.

In addition to appraising the archival integrity of the collection, we want to refresh the housing of the collection with current archival standards for housing. It will be necessary to assess the quality of the photographs and to consider approaches to identifiable deterioration that is affecting the negatives, the prints or earlier archival housing. The photos will be placed in a double set of envelopes and will be stored in reinforced Hollinger quality storage boxes chosen for the size.

After we have completed about three boxes we will assess the collection against several criteria. What materials will be required to complete the rehousing project? What resources will be needed to cover staffing issues? What recommendations can be made with respect to digitizing the fonds? What are the time frames that will be needed to complete the tasks undertaken and anticipated?

We will then prepare a proposal for funding from an outside agency. We will need to be very specific about budget, time constraints, risks, resources, and standards agreed upon for the project.

## PROJECT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

We want to give first-class attention to the Osborne Studio fonds.

- The goal is to showcase the Osborne Studio as a major photographer working in Peterborough about 30 to 40 years ago and permit access by the broader community to our collective history.
- The objectives will be to rehouse the photographs; assess the physical condition of the individual photos; update the finding aid and scope and contents statements; develop proposals for making the collection more accessible and available, possibly by strategies in our media options, emphasizing the possibility of purchasing photos from the web page; develop strategies for conserving and digitizing the collection
- The Osborne Studio collection contains up 5,000 projects and perhaps 20,000 images.
- It is assumed that the project can be started in-house, but that professional assistance will be required for conservation, digitizing, and developing negatives. It might be useful to develop strategies for in-house scanning.
- It is clear that some photos were in bad condition when the collection was received around 2001. We have kept the damage latent by having a controlled atmosphere and by occasional spot checking.
- The costs for the project will be assessed at an early stage. We need to consider costs for material, staffing, equipment, and for use of outside experts.
- It is assumed that the project will be a five year project being completed in 2018.
- For the initial stage, the work will be done by Elwood and Matthew. As we expand the project we will need to factor in team work considerations.

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

By making the Osborne Studio fonds accessible and meeting international standards for photographic archives, it is expected that this collection will complement key features of the Peterborough Examiner archives and allow systematic study of the 1970s and 1980s in Canada.

Matthew Griffis has undertaken the processing of the Osborne Studio fonds. The collection was given preliminary attention about a decade ago by Fraser Dunford and summer students. However, we worked with the original envelopes and filing of the studio. This helped for the short term but now we want to give it fresh envelopes and assess the quality of the images in the fonds. We want to prepare a more complete finding aid. The Osborne photos are rich in portraiture, but there are also many other photo projects which were undertaken over the 1970s and 1980s. Matthew has given us a good start on this project but we will need to engage volunteers to complete the project. We are pleased to congratulate Matthew on his appointment as a professor at Southern Mississippi University; they have made a smart move.



## SPARK PHOTO FESTIVAL

The Trent Valley Archives exhibit of photographs drawn from our Peterborough County Photographic Collection opened to a terrific crowd on April 6. The photos attracted much comment from the fifty people who passed through in a period of just over two hours. There was considerable interest in the large photo of George Street in early 1959, partly because there were so many interesting details for comment. The hoardings for building the new Empress Hotel framed one side. The Barrie Building looked impressive as might be expected for a well-designed building that now houses the Peterborough Inn. The New Grand Hotel brought back memories and three movie theatres were visible, but the marquee for the Capitol was the only one that was readable. The street parking was full, and the snow had fallen quite recently. There were also kudos for the horses silhouetted against the early morning light, and for the cheese factory in Warsaw, and the splendid horse-drawn snow plow. Two of the photos captured the market square under different circumstances, and the arch of the Hunter street bridge showed well against the brick walls of Quaker Oats.

Here is the list of the photos that were on display. It is still possible to order copies of these photos in sizes from 8x10 to 24x30, with prices for the smallest photos costing only \$20. The prices are so reasonable because of Ron Briegel, our resident all-round photographer. The sources are PE for Peterborough Examiner and MK for Martha Kidd, all in the Peterborough County Photo Collection of the Trent Valley Archives (TVA).

- 1 Spinning Wheel and Lady PE F340/B4/57
- 2 Otonabee Mills, west of Driscoll Terrace MK F90/836/OP7-31
- 3 Haying Manvers: two farmers, a boy and a wheel PE F340/B4/4-2
- 4 White & Gillespie on the Market Square MK F90/836/OP 7-19
- 5 Cheese Factory Warsaw PE F340/B4/268
- 6 Hunter Street Bridge and Quaker Oats viewed from a boat PE F340/B4/100
- 7 Lee House, 704 George Street MK F90/836/OP 7-21
- 8 Farmers Farming: Haying in Manvers 1967 PE F340/B4/7-1
- 9 Fire Brigade at Peterborough Farmers' Market MK F90/836/OP9-31
- 10 Bailey Footbridge, Campbellford Ontario PE F340/B4/97
- 11 Curve Lake PowWow, 1956: two young girls, Cindy and Nancy PE F340/B4/313-3
- 12 Robertson Davies at PCVS, circa 1960 PE F340/B3
- 13 Penny Farthing Bicycles in 1950s Parade PE F340/B4/34
- 14 London Street Bridge, April 1952, looking towards St. Paul's Church, PE F340/B4/98-5
- 15 Wedding, c 1918 MK F90/836/OP 7-24
- 16 Turnbull Building Collapse, August 1913 Photo by Roy PE F340/B4/110
- 17 Art Class, PE F340/B4/66
- 18 Silhouetted horses in dawn workout, PE F340/B4/163-2
- 19 St. Thomas Anglican Church Millbrook, lawn group, May 1953 PE F340/B4/163-2
- 20 Curve Lake PowWow, 1956; Indian Chief PE Fe40/B4/313-2
- 21 Curve Lake PowWow, 1956: Princess with totem PE F340/B4/313-1
- 22 Steam Engine 6167, Last run, September 1964, CNR line Sherbrooke and Bethune PE, F340/B
- 23 Snow plowing with a horse, winter 1952; PE, F340/B4
- 24 George Street South of Charlotte 1959 MK F90/386
- 25 Laying of the cornerstone of Beth Israel Synagogue, November 1964 PE F340/B4/118
- 26 S. B. Roman wins Kahn Trophy for Grand Champion Holstein Bull, October 1965 PE F340
- 27 White & Gillespie on the Market Square, mounted poster, F103
- 28 Little Lake with a lumber boom, c 1930 F103, PL collection
- 29 Potato Picker 1: the Porters PE F340/B4/10-1
- 30 Potato Picker 2: PE F340/B4/10-2
- 31 Worker at Curtis Brickyard PE F340/B4/79
- 32 Nutria, October 1970 PE F340/B4/79
- 33 Ackerman Building, George and Dalhousie F103



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