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President's Report

My genealogy and local history activities change with the seasons. Winter is more conducive to indoor archival and internet research, while summer favours outdoor exploration of cemeteries and old family locations, and participation in guided historical tours.

The growing importance of the internet in genealogical research was brought home by a recent *Guardian* article on "Josh Hanna: High Priest of the latter day genealogists." Hanna was born in New England and worked in Silicon Valley but is now head of the family history website Ancestry.co.uk. The My Family group which runs Ancestry.com and sells the software *Family Tree Maker* made US\$140 million in 2005 from 800,000 paying subscribers. In February 2006, some 2.4 million visitors searched Ancestry.com; 1,100% more than visited in January 2005. The days after Christmas and Easter are the busiest times of the year. Hanna explained that "families get together and inevitably start telling stories about granny and someone gets the bug to go explore further." Tim Sullivan, the chief executive of the group, has certainly got the bug and taken full advantage of the services his group offers. He has 60,000 names in his family tree! TVA subscribes to Ancestry.com, and our members have the opportunity to use it.

During March and April, the TVA ran historic pub tours from the Pig's Ear to the White House and points in-between. Diane Robnik researched the tours, Bruce Fitzpatrick proved an entertaining guide, and the pub landlords added anecdotes. The tours were so well received that we will undoubtedly offer them again. In the meantime if you have any interesting historical information, photographs or personal anecdotes on any of Peterborough's historic hotels and bars, please let us know.

In April an unusual number of people and groups gained recognition or awards for contributions to archival work, local history or heritage preservation. On 7 April some members of TVA joined many others at a dinner marking the retirement of Prof. Elwood Jones from Trent University.

Numerous speeches testified to Elwood's illustrious and multi-faceted career and recognized in particular his work revealing the history of this community. Diane Robnik, our highly-deserving assistant archivist, received one of the annual Heritage Awards presented by the Peterborough Historical Society. The Dorothy Duncan Award for 2006 from the Ontario Historical Society went to the Greater Harvey Historical Society and its Heritage and Archive Centre. The Cavan and Millbrook Historical Society won a Trillium Grant to produce an illustrated book on the architectural heritage of that area. As well, I commend Jean-Pierre Pawliw and the Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for hosting a public meeting to promote the creation and protection of heritage districts in Peterborough and to establish a local county chapter of the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario.

The spell of warm, sunny weather in mid-April and Dr. John Carter's presentation on "Barns: Our Disappearing Heritage" at our Annual General Meeting inspired me to resume my photographic inventory of historic features, such as barns and farmhouses, around Peterborough County. Having taken over 500 photographs in Smith-Ennismore, I am concentrating this summer on Otonabee Township. I started with the farms between Keene and Mather's Corners where the International Ploughing Match will be held in September. The TVA will have a display in the Peterborough County tent at this major rural event, which is expected to attract 100,000 people. Preparation of our other contribution to this event, an issue of the *Gazette* focusing on the agricultural history of the region, is well underway.

May you have a good summer in your genealogical and local history pursuits. If you have not been on our ghost walks, join us for one around eerie Ashburnham on Sunday nights beginning in June. We have some new cemetery tours on Wednesday evenings in July and August that you and your summer visitors should find interesting. Consider heading to Apsley, with our latest publication, "Up the Burleigh Road", as your historical guide. See us at the Ploughing Match. Of course, even in summer, you will still be welcome indoors at the Fairview Heritage Centre to use our ever-expanding archival resources and the internet. And we do have picnic tables outside where you can enjoy your

bag lunch and a chat.

John Marsh

Peterborough's old burying ground: the Review reports

Peterborough Review, 17 February 1854:

THE TOWN COUNCIL. – met on Monday Evening last, and transacted some rather important business.... Mr. Conger gave notice of his intention to bring in a By-law to close the old cemetery on and after the 1st of May next.

Peterborough Review, 13 April 1854:

A meeting of the Town Council was held last night, at which considerable routine business was transacted....

A By-law was introduced to close the burial ground in the town, under a penalty of £5 for any attempt at interment after the passage of the By-Law which had a second reading. The By-Law is expected to be read a third time on the 15th of May. In connection with this subject we are glad to learn that the different religious bodies have signified their writing to have this burial ground closed; it certainly is an evil, and a great source of annoyance to those living in its neighbourhood.

Peterborough Review, 21 April 1854, and some later issues: By-law No. 71

A By-Law to prohibit the burial of the dead in the Town of Peterborough.

Whereas it is necessary for the better preservation of the health of the inhabitants of the Town of Peterborough that the practice of burying the dead within the limits of the said Town should henceforth be wholly discontinued.

Be it therefore enacted by the Mayor and Town Council, and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same:

That from and after the fifteenth day of May next, it shall be unlawful to bury in any Cemetery or Burying Ground within the limits of the said Town of Peterborough.

That any person or persons who shall after that date be guilty of any violation of the By-Law, shall, upon conviction thereof before the Mayor or any Magistrate having jurisdiction within the said Town, be fined for each offence in the Sum of Five pounds and costs, which said fine and costs may be levied of the goods and Chattels of such offender or offenders or such offender or offenders shall be imprisoned in the Counties Gaol for a period of seventy days unless the amount of such fines and costs be sooner paid.

JAMES STEPHENSON (sic), Mayor.

W. H. Wrighton, Town Clerk.

Passed April 17th, 1854.

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Peterborough Review, 21 April 1854:

[Thomas White's editorial comments]

In our last issue we alluded to the necessity for the adoption of sanitary regulations, in view of the probability of our being, during the coming season, visited by epidemic of some kind, and promised to continue our remarks on the necessity of at once closing the cemetery situated in the North Ward. We are told that while the common sense of almost every man in the community acquiesces in the propriety of permitting no more interments within this ground, the feeling of many rise up in opposition to this conclusion. These feeling highly honourable and characteristic of our humanity though they be, and much as it would be abhorrent in any way to violate them, may frequently be and are frequently, carried too far. That lingering love which all persons hold for departed relatives; the sweet calmness with which the remembrance of past associations, closely linked with the memory of the lost one, is fraught; the shock which those feelings sustain at the thought of the last remains being disturbed; and the longing desire to be ourselves one day when done with the scenes of life, laid by the side of those who have gone before, all these things have to be overcome, whenever the question of the closing of a cemetery, long used as a receptacle for the dead, is discussed. We are well aware therefore of the care with which a subject must be approached. – We are fully alive to the danger which exists of doing violence to that most sacred of human feelings, veneration for the memory of the dead, and we therefore hope that if in our remarks we should utter any sentiment having the appearance of harshness, or savouring of a disregard for those with whom we can and do fully sympathize, that our anxiety for the health and well-being of the living may be our excuse.

The history and experience of the past, is the best guide for action during the present or for the future, and we have no hesitation in submitting our care to this test. There is scarcely a town of any number of inhabitants in Christendom, that has not suffered from the proximity and crowded state of burial places. Even in our own town during the sickness of 1847, when many fell victims of the scourge, to this cemetery was attributed in a great measure by medical men the cause of the calamity. Let any one pass by the cemetery on a summer day, when the scorching rays of the sun descend with intense vigour, imparting a feeling of languid oppressiveness, and he will at once become sensibly impressed with the fact that an effluvia of the most dangerous and disagreeable character is constantly arising. The frequent opening of graves for the interment of the dead, and the consequent exposure of bodies but a short time told beneath the sod, and in the very worst stage of

decomposition: the crowding of the friends of the lately deceased person around the grave in which he is being interred, inhaling the atmosphere that arises, and carrying with them the seeds of diseases; the constant supply of that element, ready to be converted into a deadly poison by the test or touchstone alluded to in our last – these are some of the dangers to be apprehended from the continued use of already overcrowded graveyards. The following remarks though intended to apply to sepulchral vaults, we conceive to be equally applicable to the case in point. They are from an article on Burying Places in the *Cyclopedia Americana*: –

“It is only in latter times that men have become convinced how injurious it is for the health of the living to remain, for a long time, in the vicinity of the death; particularly if the corpses remain standing in simple coffins, and are not placed deep in the earth, as is commonly the case in the sepulchral vaults of the church. From these the effluvia of putrefaction escape easily, and diffuse themselves in the air. On the occasion of the opening such sepulchral vaults, those who stood near them have sometimes fallen dead on the spot, and no one could venture into the church, for a long time after, without exposing himself to dangerous consequences. At present, they are suppressed, or at least permitted only under certain restrictions. Even in Naples and Rome, the general practice of erecting sepulchral in churches was forbidden in 1809, and the foundation of burial places without the city was provided for.”

That the cemetery whose closure we now advocate is already overcrowded, that it is almost impossible to dig a fresh grave without exposing to a certain extent the remains of those already interred, every one acquainted with the place will admit. Hence the danger of continuing to open up new graves must be apparent. There is indeed little use now for the cemetery. Already have two others, one at each end of the town, been prepared for the use of Protestant denominations, and our Catholic friends we are told have it in contemplation immediately to procure a plot. Permission might be granted to remove the bodies of friends from the old to one of the new cemeteries, and thus the principal objection would be overcome, an important section of the town improved, and the danger to the health of the community avoided.

Since the above – intended for our last issue, but omitted for want of space – was in type the By-law for the closing of the cemetery has been passed by the Council. A Copy of the By-law will be found in another column.

Peterborough's old burying ground: historical commentary

The old burying ground, also known as the North Ward cemetery, was closed by the terms of By-law 71, passed 17 April 1854, Easter Monday. Some people have claimed that the by-law does not use the actual expression “closed” and therefore the by-law is flawed. However, all the commentary uses the word closed without any reservation. And the common sense meaning of the by-law is that future burials were prohibited throughout the town of Peterborough.

These documents were found at the Trent Valley Archives

in the papers of Martha Ann Kidd, Peterborough's grand old lady of Peterborough historical research. And it has been verified by two independent researchers in the columns of the *Review*. The accompanying article contains the total commentary by the *Peterborough Review* in 1854. The *Review* was then in its second year, and its editor was Thomas White who went on to enjoy one of Canada's most successful careers in journalism and politics. White (1830-1888) founded the *Peterborough Review*, 1853 and then went to the *Hamilton Spectator* in 1864, and to the *Montreal Gazette* in 1870. He was the Emigration Agent of Canada in England, 1869-70 and MP for Cardwell, 1878-1888, and Minister of the Interior in Sir John A. Macdonald's cabinet, 1885-1888. During his years in Peterborough, White was a Reformer but the patronage of the Reform Party went to his rivals at the *Peterborough Dispatch* and its successor the *Peterborough Examiner*. The *Review* became the local Conservative paper, possibly later in 1854 when John A. Macdonald began his first term as Attorney-General for Canada West, the *de facto* Premier.

The year began with notices to extend the boundaries of the Town of Peterborough to include several town lots in North Monaghan township, most immediately west of Park Street. One letter writer suggested that was not enough:

... say we take in the whole of the Scotch village, or Peterborough East, as far as Mr Shaw's hill; thence to Whitlow's Creek, south; thence north to the boundary between Otonabee and Douro. The cross the river and proceed northward, entering Mr. Langton's property [Blythe Mills]; then take a westerly route at the northern extremity of Mr Langton's property, and also Mr John Milburn's farm; crossing the communications road at the south of Mr. Thos. Lee's farm, westerly until the said line intersect the western boundary proposed in your notice; running South, as described, until the southerly boundary intersect the same at right angles from Whitla's creek.

R. Stevenson was renting his cottage “situated on Water Street, facing the Old Burying Ground.” This puzzling description suggests lots on George Street where City Hall is now situated were vacant. The Mechanics' Institute, the forerunner of the Public Library was featuring talks on electricity and magnetism.

Town Council embarked on several improvement projects, including asking John Langton, MPP, for provincial government funding to repair the locks at Bobcaygeon and the dam at Buckhorn. White commended Wilson S. Conger, "that indefatigable and enterprising promoter of public improvements." Conger was Peterborough's first sheriff, and was the founder of the Peterborough Fair in 1843. He was a town councillor and also served as MPP. His house was on the site that eventually became Hazelbrae, the home of the Barnardo Children, in 1884. Conger was toasted at the big dinner marking the opening of James Wallis' Model Mill at Fenelon Falls in February. On 17 February, Conger introduced a motion to buy stock in the Peterborough and Bobcaygeon Graveled Road; and a notice of motion to "close the old cemetery."

James Stevenson became Mayor at the January elections, but only after several candidates refused to accept nominations; Stevenson was the last man standing, as the *Review* cleverly put it.

In February 1854 the paper was already noting that cholera was striking immigrant ships sailing to New York. Fire destroyed the Parliament Buildings in Quebec City, the capital of the Province of Canada (one province which included what became Ontario and Quebec in 1867). The Province of Canada moved its capital several times: Kingston, Montreal, Quebec, Toronto and Bytown all had stints as capital. The fire at the Parliament buildings brought back memories when protestors in 1849 burned the legislative buildings in Montreal. It is a miracle that any of our pre-Confederation government archives survived so many moves and fires; the Public Archives of Canada was founded in 1870, not long after Confederation, mainly to house the records of the British Government which was then withdrawing its army from the new country. The 1854 papers also contained coverage of the Crimean War still remembered to later generations for Florence Nightingale and the "Charge of the Light Brigade." The Anti-Clergy Reserves Committee met in Peterborough. The Hincks-Morin Government fell in June 1854 as it fended off corruption charges and failed to find popular and acceptable solutions to the questions surrounding the Clergy Reserves in Canada West (Ontario) and the Seigneurial system in Canada East (Quebec). Although not clear in the spring of 1854, there were elections in June and a new ministry in September 1854. The new Macdonald-Morin Government would solve the two old problems by buying out the seigneurs in Canada East and spending a like amount of money in Canada West, mainly through a Municipal Loan Fund which would allow municipalities to borrow money for municipal buildings, waterworks, and railways subsidies.

William Cluxton was selling the Ship Brewery, but I have no idea where that was located. Otonabee Township banned the sale of alcohol except at one shop in Keen and one tavern in Peterborough East. Ashburnham became an incorporated village 10 September 1858. Fire at Waddell's waggon shop prompted the *Review* to ask "When will our Town Father adopt means for the organization of an efficient fire department?" Peterborough's first fire company, the Britannia Fire Co. No. 1 was formed in mid-April; the fire brigade was reorganized in 1868. Nassau Mills was actively seeking a variety of workers for the huge mills on a site now occupied by Trent University. Robert Dennistoun was selling forty lots on the north side of Smith Street, now Parkhill.

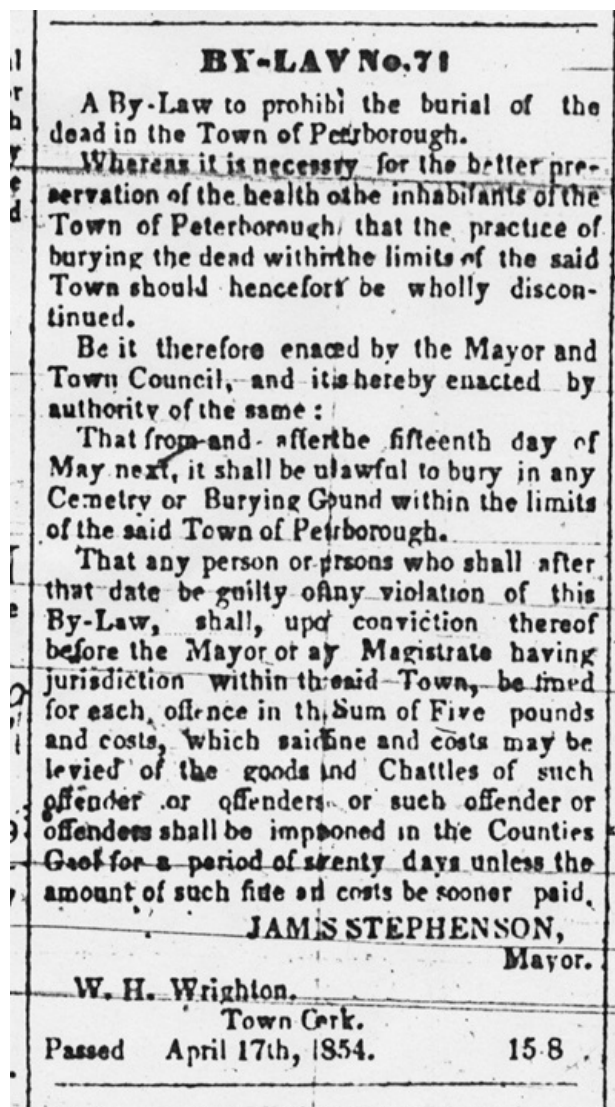
Construction of the Cobourg to Peterborough Railway began in March 1854. People were worrying about the need for more hotels once the train connection is completed.

Peterborough organized a Board of Trade meeting in the Town Council Chamber: James Hall was president, Rae Dickson, vice-president, and Frederick Fergusson was secretary-treasurer. The town was leasing land in the Market Block to be used as lock-up.

Robert Romaine opened a bookstore, the Wesleyan Book Room, on George Street, three doors south of the North American Hotel. On 31 March 1854, MacGregor and Brothers took over the North American Hotel.

Professor Ernest Peiler arrived from Germany, and soon had references from Judge Hall, William Cluxton, and Sheriff Conger. He put on a concert at the Town Hall. For the first while he stayed at Fisher's Hotel, at Water and Hunter, but after the concert moved to Mrs McCormick's house, "across from English Church" only two blocks away.

Canada West was in the midst of an economic boom from 1851 to 1856, and Peterborough shared in the optimism some fueled by investment in railways, and by great wheat harvests. However, more significant was local investment and for Peterborough, these were heady days. The decision to close the old burying ground was informed by real concerns in



public health, and the town's growth in terms of population, economics and the expanding town boundaries.

We could wish that the newspaper coverage had been more extensive, or that more personal and public papers had survived. Still, for the period surrounding the closing of the old burying ground we have the documents printed in an accompanying column. Wilson S. Conger, the sheriff and leading proponent of public improvements, raised the matter in February with a view to having the cemeteries closed in May. The Town Council passed the **bylaw for closing the cemetery** through three readings on the 12 and 17 April 1854, and the by-law took effect 15 May 1854.

The commentary in the minutes makes two points. The churches favoured the move, and those living in the neighbourhood considered the grounds evil and a nuisance. When writing the history of St John's Anglican Church in the mid-1970s I had puzzled over the curiosity that Peterborough had no churches with adjacent burial grounds. It now seems evident that Richard Birdsall surveyed the town of Peterborough in August 1825. That very month Peterborough received its first major influx of settlers, the Irish settlers brought from Ireland's County Cork by Peter Robinson. The founding churches of Peterborough had limited opportunities until the 1830s, and the local burying ground was by then well-established, and divided to meet denominational needs.

The Baldwin-Lafontaine Government elected in December 1847 and January 1848 was committed to the principle "that government is best which is closest to the people." Its legislation embodying that principle set the landscape of Ontario for more than a century. The township or municipality became the basic level of government, and each, including the Town of Peterborough, was incorporated by the Municipal Act of 1849, taking effect in January 1850. Incorporation gave municipalities the power to tax and borrow as well as to make binding local laws. The principle was extended quickly to school boards, and other local bodies. Little Lake Cemetery was the first private cemetery established under the terms of the 1850 Cemeteries Act which allowed municipalities to set up or permit cemeteries.

The Little Lake Cemetery did not preclude having other cemeteries, and by 1854 the Methodists had started a cemetery on Hilliard Street, and the Roman Catholics were searching for land for a new cemetery. It would appear that there had been pressure to keep the old burying ground until it was no longer necessary. The wording of the particular bylaw to close the old burying ground was couched very widely, and it was published as "A By-Law to prohibit the burial of the dead in the Town of Peterborough." This shrewd political move meant that the Roman Catholics had to extend their search beyond the new boundaries of the town; the new Roman Catholic cemetery was placed at what is now Monaghan and Lansdowne. Everyone at the time thought the by-law both closed the old North Ward cemetery and prevented any further cemeteries from being established inside the current boundaries of the Town of Peterborough. Little Lake Cemetery was south of the town boundary, cleverly called Townsend Street, and until 1872, the Methodist cemetery was in Smith Township.

The support of the clergy suggests churches felt that the new cemeteries would meet their needs. Certainly, it would save the local congregations the expense of acquiring and maintaining land. It remains a surprise to me that no one has uncovered the records related to Peterborough's old burying ground. We don't even have complete burial records of the various churches. A sample of burial records for the Anglican Church appeared in the *Heritage Gazette of the Trent Valley*

(May 2005), but the parish boundaries covered several townships north of Rice Lake as well as Peterborough and Ashburnham, and there were no entries specifying which burial ground was used. At some time there must have been official records for the old burying ground, probably kept before 1850 by the district clerk, and after incorporation, by the town clerk. There should be survey and layout plan of the grounds. There should be ledgers keeping track of the various numbered lots. There should also be a minute book or journal providing chronological information about the burials. Such records, if they still existed, should have been transferred from the City Clerk's Office to the City of Peterborough Archives [CPA] held within the Peterborough Centennial Museum and Archives.

When City Hall sought information about the old burying ground in 2004 they turned to the CPA. Apparently By-Law 71 was missing from the By-Law register but a search of the newspapers found the copy of the by-law printed above. However, the research did not apparently include Thomas White's very interesting editorial. Nor did anyone notice that the language of the newspaper reports was consistent that the old burying ground was being closed.

Thomas White's editorial adds layers to our understanding of Peterborough in 1854, and the circumstances surrounding the decision to close the old burying ground. White links the closure to issues of sanitation, sentiment, burial practices, and the realities of Peterborough.

With respect to sanitation, there were reasons to believe that Peterborough might have a cholera epidemic in the summer of 1854. Foul smells emanated from the cemetery in the dog days of summer. When people attended burials they were exposed to the diseases by which people died, and no one knew how long the atmosphere might be poisoned, or whether the "seeds of death" might be in soil that was disturbed for subsequent burials, or even with the removal of bodies from the burying ground. It would be another thirty years before scientists identified viruses, and so White was working with the scientific knowledge of the day. We could follow the vector or pathway of disease, but its causes were explained by reference to foul air, water or soil. This reasoning lies behind the idea that it would be dangerous to move all the bodies from the old burial ground to one of the new cemeteries. The air of the town through which the bodies passed could become so polluted that many people would die. The town appointed its first Health Inspector, James K. Lince, in June 1854.

White recognized that many people did not want to close the old burial ground, because they venerated the dead, they hoped when the time came to be buried near loved ones. White sympathized, but valued more "the anxiety for the health and well-being of the living." He thought it was a reasonable compromise for people to move the bodies of loved ones to a new cemetery and to be buried with them there.

White ranges very far in his discussion of burial practices, because he believes there are lessons to learn. His excerpt from the *Cyclopedia Americana* article on Burying Places really relates to burials in enclosed spaces such as sepulchres and churches. People die on the spot, or are deterred by the odor. Naples and Rome banned sepulchres in churches and put cemeteries in far out places. Although White does not mention it, there was a significant movement to landscaped cemeteries, where the country setting was deemed to be healthy. Little Lake Cemetery became a great example of this trend certainly by the 1870s. For a combination of reasons, contemporaries favoured having cemeteries in wide open spaces, most likely in the countryside.

Peterborough had suffered through a typhus epidemic in 1847, that led to the death, among others, of Dr John Hutchison and Thomas A. Stewart. Immigrants were cared for at Hospital Point, now a part of Cray Park, but as White notes, many thought the cemetery was a cause of the disaster. This seemed confirmed by the "dangerous and disagreeable" effluvia that rose from the burying ground.

Surprisingly to me, White says the old burial ground was so overcrowded that the digging of fresh graves often exposed bones from old graves. The recent archaeological dig confirms that the old burying ground had been the site of quite a few burials.

Several conclusions emerge from a close reading of the *Peterborough Review* newspaper for the first third of 1854. The old burial ground was closed. Bodies were removed to Little Lake Cemetery only if families wished to establish family plots. People of the day had very thoughtful reasons for their decisions. There was no outside pressure on the Town; the initiative appears to be with the Town Council, and their motives were health, public improvement and urban image. It is always wise to assume that people have good reasons for their actions. If we do not understand them, the fault is ours. Even though there will be other considerations, informed political decisions should be based on a solid analysis of the historical issues and events.

Peterborough's old burying ground: editorial

City officials concluded that the old burying ground had never been officially closed and sought a decision from the provincial government. There was a need for a firm decision before the city could decide whether, and under what conditions, to allow the construction of Peterborough's Wall of Honour. Local veterans have supported this initiative which would salute everybody from Peterborough who served in either World War I or World War II. It would be in the proximity of the famed war memorial designed by Walter S. Allward, famed sculptor of the Vimy Ridge Memorial. It would also be on the site of the old burying ground. Since 1825 several structures have been built in the area that served as a burying ground, but the proposed area was in the area that has been a city park since 1884. The park already has sidewalks and a memorial to the Riel Rebellion of 1885. Those supporting the Wall of Honour project consider it to be appropriate for this site and if it is not built here it will not be built. Many of those opposed to the Wall of Honour project believe that there has already been too much construction in the area. Others believe that if the cemetery is closed that it will be necessary to remove whatever bones might lie within the selected footprint of the memorial. The promoters of the Wall of Honour have believed there is no need to remove bones as the memorial will be above the ground. There has also been a suggestion that the memorial could have an addendum to commemorate those who were buried in Peterborough's Old Burying Ground, 1825-1854.

When the documents printed above were found in the Trent Valley Archives, its archivist, Dr Elwood Jones informed Michael D'Mello, the Registrar (Acting) of the Cemeteries Regulation Unit in Toronto. His letter of 24 March was released to the *Peterborough Examiner* the following week, and the story was featured on CHEX-TV and on CBC Ontario Morning. The clear point was that if the cemetery had already been closed was there any need to close it again. The city has

been secretive about what it told the province, and the City of Peterborough Archives has refused access to researchers interested in seeing the original by-law. There is no valid reason to keep by-laws secret as they have always been public documents for people can not obey by-laws that are kept secret. We believed that the Registrar was possibly being asked to make a decision without getting a clear idea of the total historical context. The Trent Valley Archives has published the attached items in order to clarify the historical context for our members and others who might be interested.

Of course, we realize that the decisions on what happens next are political. From our perspective, current political decisions judging or superceding historical realities should be based on solid and complete historical evidence. If the politicians decide to ignore the historical information that would be better than leaving the impression that our ancestors could not make reasoned decisions. At least the public will have a chance to respond. Without archives there is no history.



We also realize that it is not so wise to give a government archives a monopoly on the documents of the past. The judgement of government employees can be impaired by political pressure or incomplete research.

Cow Path in Central Park

Vox Populi,

Peterborough Examiner, n.d [c. 1920].

It is across the Central Park. It leaves the granolithic walk under the trees about the centre and makes straight for the north-east corner of the Collegiate Institute. Its beginning was last winter when the snow lay deep and unbroken. An adventuresome fellow reaching the centre of the granolithic beheld the unbroken snow, boldly, with venturesome spirit determined to shorten his way home, so he lifted his leg and planted it in the unbroken snow, and keeping his eye fixed on the bush at the north-west corner of the lawn, he pressed boldly on. It was heavy tramping, but he was venturesome and bold and not deterred by the thought that he was the first man to break the still now untrodden field, he succeeded in reaching the south side of McDonnell street. On reaching it he proudly looked back and saw the deep imprints of his big feet. Others came along and seeing the path, thought they too, would shorten the way by cutting the corner. It was shorter and quicker by four seconds. Then a woman came; she was going out to do a day's washing, and she said to herself, where a man goes a woman can go, so she lifted her left leg and plunged. The snow was deep and her skirts were in the way, so she lifted them and plunged on. The way was trying and the snow was cold, oh, so very cold! but she determined to go through with it, and she did. Then others came along. Life is short and four seconds is worth saving. They looked at the short cut and they took it, and the cow path over the grass was made. In spring the snow went away but the path was adhered to and has been used ever since. The school janitor was spoken to and it was suggested that a stake at each end with a short board nailed with a notice, "No

passage,” would save the grass and remove the eye sore, and suggest to all that it was bad manners and improper to make bare paths by tramping over the grass and making paths where they were not desired. The janitor, however, remarked that was no part of his business to interfere. Then the matter was brought up in the School Board meeting and after careful and long consideration a resolution was passed unanimously. The resolution was as follows:

Moved by Mr __, seconded by Mr __, “That the matter of the cow path over the lawn be left over till after the war.” *Carried.*

Thus the path goes down to history. The war is over and the path remains. It is largely patronized by thoughtless people who have a consciousness of their wrong doing. The grass is worn off and it is three or four feet wide. The janitor or some other thoughtful person put up notices. One said, “Please keep off the grass,” and to add emphasis some one tied a dark, rusty old wire across the path, keeping it about ten inches high, just enough to send people ploughing the path with their noses. This wire was not seen after dark, and so many went down. They got up in amazement, saying, “What was that d__ thing?” The men limped from the scene of the rusty wire. The women would have examined their shins but there were so many people they didn’t like to do it, but went limping, exclaiming, “such a nasty trick is no credit to the School Board.”

The wire has been removed, but the ends are still around the two trees. Pedestrians read the warnings that were planted right in the middle of the cow path, “Keep off the grass.” “Please keep off the grass,” and one man indignantly exclaimed, “the blamed fools, I’m not on the grass; there isn’t a blade of grass now on this path, the grass is gone long ago. Where am I to walk. If I walked on the grass that notice would be all right, but if I leave this path I will then be violating the command.

It is quite evident that this cow path is too big a problem for the board. No one knows what is coming. Some suggest that the granolithic walk be taken up and diverted to the cow path. It would perhaps be an improvement – straight lines are odious.

Then it would be so original and interesting to learn the history of the diversion of that walk. But enough. The school board have as interesting a problem as the new bridge is to the City Council and they will probably wrestle with it as long, to the wonder and amazement of the people.

The Oriental: Formerly a Grand Hotel

When we were preparing the itinerary and gathering information about the hotels of Peterborough, Peter Lillico treated a few of us to a tour of the third floor of all that remains of the Oriental, once Peterborough’s grandest hotel, extending along the south side of Hunter Street from the Cluxton Building, which was not as old, down almost to the American House. Walking with care we could see some of the original woodwork and doors, remnants of the wallpaper, and even the marks led by the enunciators which were installed

in 1876. The building was owned by the Dickson Estate, and was managed over most of the years to 1912 by the Graham family. When the arrangements ceased, Geordie Graham moved to the White House. The Trent Valley Archives has the fascinating hotel register for the year 1914 at the White House. After that the Grahams moved to the Hotel they renamed the Empress, which became the city’s grand hotel for the next forty years.

Peter Lillico has recently published his articles which appeared in the *Peterborough Examiner* in a booklet he calls “Legal Legacies: Historical Sketeches of Peterborough.” He tells of some famed cases with Peterborough connections, and profiles some former lawyers, and he comments on the Oriental Hotel in passing. The Oriental had commercial units

on the ground floor, of which Peter mentions Michael Muty who sold boots and shoes from 163 Hunter in the late 1890s; James Lewis who operated a barbershop for 40 years; and the Oriental Café in the most westerly part of the building. In the late 1960s and 1970s, the Trent University Bookstore occupied the whole main floor. Most of the building was demolished when the city made a swap of land with Bell Telephone Company to enable the construction of the Simcoe Street parking garage.

In some of the old Roy Studio photos the elegant hotel has a fourth storey. We suspect the top floor was dismantled in the late 1920s or early 1930s when the Peterborough Fire Department was removing false mansards

and fashionable roof constructions which were considered fire hazards.

After its glory days, the hotel found renewed life in the late teens and early 1920s as Peterborough’s first isolation hospital. Peter says the Oriental operated as a hotel from 1875 to 1917.

Lois Davidson shared the following fascinating reminiscence. To this we have added two newspaper accounts. One provides hints of the dispute between the Dicksons and Geordie Graham. The second describes the opening of the isolation hotel. These are samples of the colourful material that helped make our recent pub crawls so grand. We also think that our storyteller *extraordinaire*, Bruce Fitzpatrick, was worth the price of admission.

Picture: original door and wallpaper of the Oriental Hotel. Photo by Jeff Dafoe.



Lois Davidson shares a Dickson family tale

You might be interested in the story of what brought about its demise - at least from the family tale. The Oriental Hotel was owned by the Dickson Company, and on the untimely death of Samuel Dickson (the founder) the company passed to his daughters. The water rights and timber limits were sold off about 1909 - the water rights to Quaker Oats and the Town of Peterborough, and some of the timber limits and the mill were reorganized into the Peterborough Lumber Company. Beavermead Farm (where the horses had been kept) and the Oriental Hotel and several other assets comprised the remainder of the Dickson Company. The daughters of Samuel Dickson who were living at the time when the Oriental Hotel became an issue would have been Miss Martha and Miss Charlotte Dickson and Mrs. T.G. Hazlitt all living in "Dickson Manor", now a Carslake retrofit at the corner of Dickson St. and Murray St., just above the Court House; Mrs. Walsh in the large red brick house on Dickson St. ; and Elizabeth Davidson at 510 Dickson St., the yellow brick house. All were devout members, "pillars" of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. This was the time when the Temperance Movement became a force in Peterborough, and there was no stronger voice than that of Rev. Pogue of St. Paul's Church.

In those days the liquor licence had to be in the personal names of the owners of an establishment, so picture the horror when Rev. Pogue informed the Misses Dickson et al that..... they had a liquor licence in their names!

Now the Oriental Hotel was managed by one Geordie Graham who also owned some of the chattels (the next part of the story). A Meeting was called in the sitting room of Dickson Manor consisting of the ladies and their nephew Dickson Davidson. Dickson was fully aware of the liquor licence and managed to wiggle out of it by asking why Mr. Hazlitt and Mr. Walsh (both now deceased) had not told their spouses about it, and as for his mother Elizabeth, they would have to buy out her interest in the Hotel if they got rid of the liquor licence because the Hotel would most certainly fail without the bar facilities. Nevertheless, in the interest of the Temperance cause, it was decided to surrender the liquor licence and replace the bar with ---- a soda fountain. The sisters bought out Elizabeth's share and did not speak to her (or Dickson) for nearly a year; and told Geordie Graham that the bar was gone. Geordie Graham told them he wouldn't run the Hotel - it could certainly fail - and he wanted out. Now Geordie had several lucrative sidelines, one of which was fighting cocks - strictly illegal, and of course unknown to the ladies. When the list of Geordie's chattels, which he intended to take with him, was presented to the ladies, they only questioned one item, and that was "Chickens". The story went that Geordie claimed they were his "pets", he had had them for a long time, they were not meant for the kitchen pot .. and in the end he was allowed to take them, provided substitutes were given.

Geordie went over to Charlotte Street, took over the Empress Hotel, and the Oriental went out of business, soda fountain included. Eventually the sisters spoke to each other, but the Oriental Hotel remained a sore spot for a very long time. When our house at 496 Hpmewood Ave. was built in 1925, Dickson Davidson salvaged some of the plumbing fixtures for it, including a rather handsome pedestal sink!

Judgement Given in an Interesting Legal Case His Honour Judge Huycke in County Court Refuses Application of Dickson Company in Case of Dickson Company and Geo. N. Graham in Regard to the Oriental Hotel.

Peterborough Examiner, 24 June 1912

In the case of the Dickson Co. and George N. Graham, His Honour Judge Huycke rendered the following verdict:

This is a proceeding brought under what was formerly known as the "Overholding Tenants Act" now part three of the Landlord and Tenant Act. A number of preliminary and technical objections were taken at the inception of the case but it was proceeded with subject thereto. These objections taken were more or less formidable but in the view I have taken of the law and evidence I do not decide as to their force nor whether they or any of them are necessarily fatal to the plaintiff's case.

Judge Huycke Equivocates

The defendant has been for 19 years and still is in possession of the Oriental Hotel, Peterborough as tenant of the plaintiffs or their predecessors in title. His lease expired on May 1st 1912 and he now holds possession plaintiffs say wrongfully – he says rightly and pursuant to a new agreement for further tenancy. Negotiations were undoubtedly entered into and their effect reduced to writing a small memo only by Mr. Gordon at that time, acting as solicitor for the defendant. This writing has been lost or mislaid by the plaintiffs or their manager. This is not very important however, there being little if any dispute as to the nature and contents. The defendant says it was an absolute binding bargain to be reduced into a formal lease; the plaintiffs contend it was tentative only and conditional on the assent of other parties not then present. A lease was subsequently tendered by the plaintiffs for signature by the defendant which differs materially from the terms contended by either party as a result of the meeting and negotiations mentioned.

The evidence is very contradictory and not in my mind wholly reconcilable. I before, suggested settlement – a suggestion which proved futile. The chief tone of contention is now apparently the licence – the defendants being apparently as determined to retain its control as the plaintiffs are to obtain it.

The contest is apparently bona fide conducted most strenuously and forcibly on both sides. The proceeding is a summary one; its result important and perhaps irrevocable and under a Statute which STILL I think must be construed and applied fairly strictly. I say still for I quite realize the difference of the present Statute and its predecessors. Under the old Statute including the words “without colour of right” the plaintiffs counsel would not I think ever ask for an order on the evidence submitted. The present act omits, I must assume purposely, the word “clearly” which was an essential part of the immediately preceding Act R.S.O., Cap. 171. Were it not for the present Act, I would have no hesitation in finding for the defendant. But it is not there, and what is the effect of its omission. In view of the fact that the onus is on the plaintiffs, I fail to see that the

difference is great. The onus must be borne, the burden shifted, before the order can be made in my opinion, even under the existing conditions.

Postcard of the Oriental Hotel, c 1910.

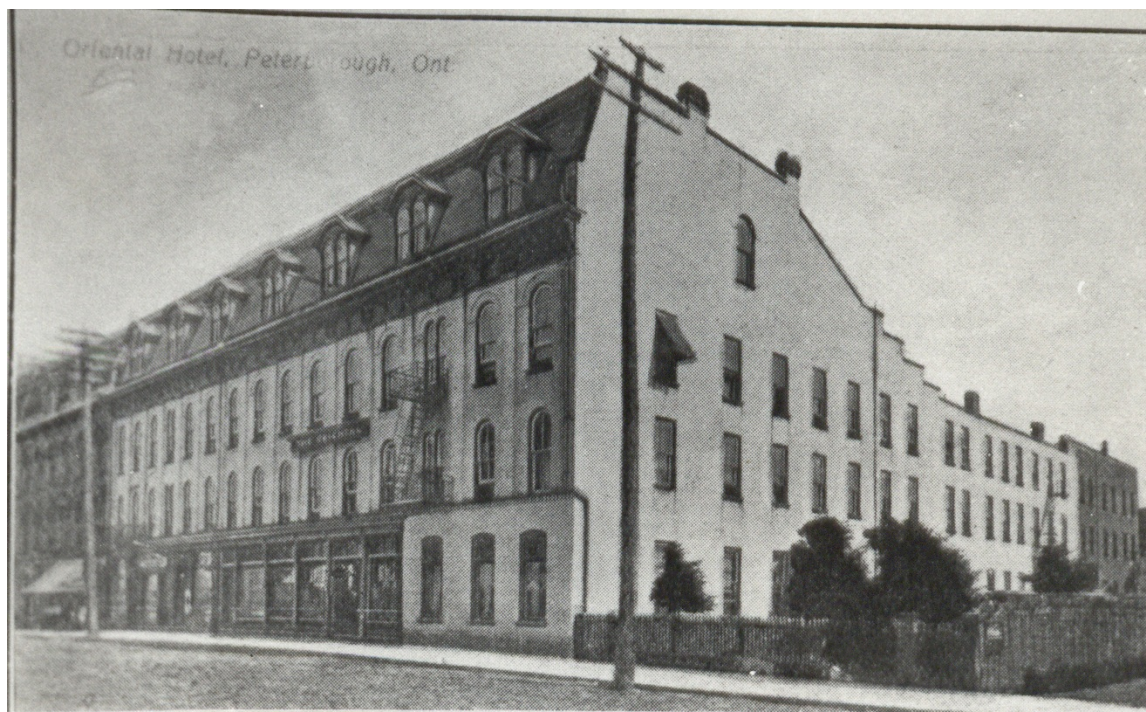
In summary proceeding such as this the case must certainly be “clearly” made out before an order is made. The word in the former Statute seems superfluous, an ample reason for its omission in the late revision. This is a summary proceeding conferring unusual and extraordinary powers which is another cogent reason for the strict construction of the Statute and for the landlord to show clearly and undoubtedly that the order for possession should be granted.

In view of the fact that there MAY, probably WILL be further litigation in another court (but with proper pleadings) and discovery between these same parties on these same facts and same evidence, I do not think it fair that I should either assist or prejudice any party or witness by a specific finding on the facts in controversy or any of them. I simply say I have not been convinced or satisfied that the defendant or tenant WRONGFULLY HOLDS the premises in question within the words of the Statute.

The application is therefore refused. Rent (the amount agreed on) has been tendered and refused. I think it should be paid until either settlement or termination of the litigation. It is not fair that the tenant hold without payment of rent. I did suggest that the parties agree on some person to whom the rent should be paid, \$64 per week. I again urge this course and if they cannot agree, then I have power to do so. I order that this money be paid into Court weekly awaiting further order. This to be without prejudice to further litigation to either party. But it is eminently a case for settlement. The tenant wishes to retain his hotel; the landlord company wish to rent it and find little or no fault before me with the present occupant. A little reason and common sense should bring them together and I strongly urge this upon all parties.

With this in view, I refrain from making any disposition of the costs of this application. They may be spoken to again if and when the parties finally fail to arrive at an amicable settlement of their difference.

Oriental Hotel is Being Converted into a Hospital and Will be Open Wednesday. Building Will Provide Accommodation for 100 Patients – Ten Rooms Will be Open For a Starter – Will Take Care of Influenza and Pneumonia Cases –



Will Relieve Local Hospitals*Peterborough Examiner*, 28 October 1918

On Wednesday morning the emergency hospital in the old Oriental Hotel will be opened for the care of patients suffering from influenza and pneumonia, providing the heating apparatus is in proper condition.

Closed since 1916, the old hotel has since Saturday been the busiest spot in the city. All day Sunday the Relief Officer, Mr. F.W. Miller and the Sanitary Inspector, Mr. Charles Stapleton washed windows, swept floors and prepared generally for the voluntary army of workers who came in today to take over the business of cleaning up. // At nine o'clock when the whistles blew for the fire shot of the Victory Loan, the work became organized and Mrs. Achilles Turner, Mrs. A.E. Coulthard, Miss Nan Hall, Mrs. Sharpe, Miss Gladys Fife, Miss Daisy Stocker, Miss Ila Giles, Mrs. Thomas Stevenson, Miss Marion Powell and Miss Gladys Pentland, armed with soap, pails, brooms and cloths set out to give the rooms a final cleaning. One of the first to volunteer in any capacity was Adjutant Buntin who upon offering to serve in any capacity donned overalls and set about scrubbing the floors.

Tea Room Open

At an hour's notice, Mr. Stapleton had the coal in the building on Saturday evening and the building opened up for work. At present the ten rooms on the west second floor are opened up and under course of cleaning, with number 26, at the head of the stairs, in splendid order for the dispensary. As they are needed, more rooms may be opened at very short notice until if necessary, one hundred bed rooms will be ready for patients.

Miss Hattie Reid, Superintendent of the Isolation Hospital will take charge of the hospital and Miss Alford is busy organizing the nurses for the rest of the work. Miss Reid's room, the first on the west side, is already available for her.

Kitchen Ready

The plumbers worked all Sunday and all last night to help on the speedy opening of the hospital and as of ten this morning, the huge stoves in the kitchen, which were in perfect order fortunately, were all right and hot water ready for the voluntary worker. Early today the kitchen was made ready for the cooks to step in and take up the work. Quarters for the help have been provided behind the wards on the left side.

Dining Room Ready

The old dining room is ready now to be the hospital dining room directly – tables and chairs have been procured.

With the opening of the hotel doors this morning, donations in the ways of beds and bedding began to arrive. As the hospital will be run practically free to patients, keeping down the expenses will be a great consideration and the committee will very thankfully receive any donations of beds and bedding. Upon being notified such articles will be sent for.

Clergy Help

As the morning wore on a strangely assorted corps of volunteers assembled. In the hall of the ward, Rev. Robert Pogue dusted the ceiling while Rev. Mr. Mackenzie did odd jobs about the building. Several of the school teachers, including Miss Ross and Miss Rannie, joined the scrubbing brigade; also Mrs. (Dr.) Eastwood, Miss M. English, Miss Nina Borridale, Miss Knox and Miss Marjory Fanning. As the day wore on, more volunteers arrived to help on the work. Conspicuous amongst these was Mr. G.W. Powell who with Mr. J. S. Knapman and Mr. Hill assisted Mr. Stapleton and Mr. Miller in the Sunday preliminary operations.

Bradburn Hall's 1880 Repairs

One of Peterborough's landmark buildings for generations was the 1876 Bradburn Opera Hall. The interesting building, on the west side of George Street where Peterborough Square was built in 1974, had a commercial arcade on the first floor, city hall rooms on the second floor, and the Opera House on the third floor. The architectural plans for the building are in the archives of the Peterborough Centennial Museum and Archives. The Trent Valley Archives has materials that reflect on the architectural history of Peterborough, most notably in the papers of Martha Anne Kidd. We are also planning to publish a new book inspired by Martha's *Peterborough's Architectural Heritage*. The following articles relate to the 1880 examination of the building by architect Henry Langley and builder J. P. Wagner. Langley is well-known as the architect for the Metropolitan Methodist (United) Church in Toronto and George Street Methodist (United) Church in Peterborough.

BRADBURN'S HALL**Examination by Building Experts – Their Report – The Building to be placed in a Satisfactory Condition***Peterborough Examiner*, 18 March 1880

As stated last week, the Council had decided to procure an examination of Bradburn's Hall by Messrs. Langley and Wagner, of Toronto, in order to resolve all doubts as to its condition. These gentlemen reported on Tuesday, and at a special meeting of the Council held last Thursday evening, the report was read as follows:

Poster for the "Voices of the Town" exhibit featured Bradburn Hall from architectural plans at Peterborough Centennial Museum and Archives.

THE REPORT. Toronto, March 10, 1880
To the Mayor and Council of the Town of Peterborough: –



GENTLEMEN, – We the undersigned, having at your request on the 8th instant, examined the Opera House block in your town, beg leave to report as follows: –

THE WALLS AND PARTITIONS – The North, South and West external walls from the foundation to the roof we found to be in good condition, with the exception of a slight settlement at the north haunch of the north arch, heading into the arcade. This we found to be caused by the iron pillar carrying that side of the arch not having a full bearing on the foundation. This however, is a very insignificant settlement. A bulge on the upper part of the south wall is also apparent, but it evidently has not occurred since the wall was finished, and it in no way affects the strength of the structure. The rear or east wall, which is carried on brick piers and iron columns, we found to be cracked over each of the columns. These cracks we consider to be caused by the weight being concentrated on the narrow bases afforded by the iron columns. We also found one of the brick piers split vertically. We do not consider the cracks over the iron columns as serious, but in our opinion the brick pier should receive early attention. All the internal walls running from east to west, as well as the vaults, we found to be cracked in their whole height, evidently caused by the subsidence of the walls after being lifted by frost, or by water lying around the foundation, the joints of the masonry in the basement showing signs of both. In consequence of the settlement of the partition walls, the tie between them and the external walls is entirely broken, which tie ought at once to be restored as far as possible by means of anchors and iron straps.

THE FLOORS – We found the floors on the various flats to be strong and in good condition.

THE ROOF – The roof we examined with especial care, and in our opinions it is in a decidedly unsafe condition, the whole of the principals being of very faulty and weak construction, especially when they have to carry the concentrated weight of the cupola containing the clock, bell, and weights. The original principals have sagged some inches, allowing some of the braces to become loose, while the tie beams, which are made up of several thicknesses in the width and pieces in the length, have drawn apart at the joints. The tendency of this is to push out the front wall. Apparently a recent attempt has been made to strengthen the roof by means of extra trusses placed alongside the old ones, but in the way they are constructed we do not consider that they are of any great help. In our judgment the whole of the roof over the hall requires immediate re-trussing of the very strongest description.

THE MEANS OF EXIT – Although not coming, strictly speaking, within the scope of this examination and report, we feel it but just to express to your Council, as the guardians of the public safety, our opinion as to the adequacy of the means of exit from so large a hall. We consider the arrangement of stairs in the arcade extremely bad, its capacity insufficient, the effect of which would be in case of a serious panic, that the crowd would be jammed together on the small landing, and in all probability lives would be lost. There is serious danger too in case of fire occurring in the offices on either side of the corridor on the first floor, which would have the effect of cutting off egress from the upper to the lower stairs.

This is a point which we consider also demands immediate attention.

We are gentlemen, yours truly,
HENRY LANGLEY, Architect
J. P. WAGNER, Builder

Bradburn's Hall

Peterborough Examiner, 1 April 1880

The work of strengthening the roof of this hall, which has been going on vigorously since the inspection by Messrs Langley and Wagner is now completed. The public, especially architects, builders and carpenters, who are able to form professional judgment, are invited by Mr. Bradburn to visit the building and satisfy themselves of its perfect security, for which purpose the doors will be left open this week. It does not require professional knowledge to be convinced that, if there was any insecurity, there certainly is none now, as common sense will tell any one who chooses to go up and examine the roof as it has been re-trussed. Three of the old trusses have been strengthened by powerful 1 1/4 iron rods on each side giving an additional carrying power to each of 50 tons. Two new trusses with a carrying capacity of 25 tons each have also been added, making the total carrying power of the trussing of the roof over 325 tons, the actual requirement to support the roof being only about 50 tons, so that it may be considered that absolute security has been secured so far as it is possible for human ingenuity to do so. The work has been carried out jointly in accordance with the plans of Messrs. Langley and Wagner, the building experts who reported upon it a short time since, and they are expected to arrive in town on Monday or Tuesday to again report, now that their

suggestions have been fully carried out. While these alterations have been going on, Mr. Bradburn has taken full advantage of the temporary closing of the hall to make other improvements. The width of the stage front has been extended by 24 feet, making it now 45 feet wide, an alteration which cannot but be most grateful to theatrical visitors. The ceiling of the hall is very handsomely tinted, the woodwork fresh painted, and the hall thoroughly renovated. Mr. Bradburn deserves credit for the promptitude and thoroughness with which he has gone to these expensive alterations (needless as he regards them, because he holds that the roof was never in the slightest degree unsafe) for the satisfaction of the public; but as he determined that no ground of excuse for any kind of apprehension should remain, it is perhaps, on the whole, more satisfactory to know that the work has been so thoroughly done. The inconvenience, not to say loss, experienced by the temporary closing for a few weeks, give us reason to congratulate both the public and the proprietor upon its early reopening.

Cobourg's view of Peterboro' 1837

Introduction

Editor

Cobourg newspapers often carried news about Peterboro'. More coverage came after there were local newspapers from which interesting stories could be copied. Peterboro' earliest newspaper was the Peterborough Backwoodsman and Sentinel which John Darcus seems to have started in 1837. The Cobourg Star credits the Peterborough Sentinel. Very few issues of Peterboro' newspapers before 1846 have survived, and so we value what we can learn in this indirect fashion.

One can learn from such coverage. In these three excerpts, for example, we get an assessment 12 years after the Robinson migration of 1825, about the prospects for the town of Peterborough. Once the court house was completed, Peterborough would become the administrative centre for the new District of Colborne. It was a good moment to take stock.

Some of the interest is in the details. For example, who is the Mr Morrison, "our ingenious and truly clever townsman," who is putting the finishing touches on the clock face for the wooden clock soon to be placed in the tower of St John's Church. That clock was removed in 1882, and after a fascinating history is again in the Parish Archives of St John's Church. There has been considerable speculation about the clock, the largest wooden clock that clock collectors have seen. Local tradition matches the view the clock was built locally, but clock collectors say the clock is too sophisticated to have been built locally. Pencil notations on the clock suggest a Cumberland connection in England. Perhaps the connection is quite direct: Alexander Morrison was one of the Cumberland settlers, most of whom arrived in Smith Township in the few years after 1818.

We also get names to associate, for example, with the old stone brewery on Stewart Street, which had its most storied years as the Peterborough Protestant Home. Mr Bedford was the owner of this "capacious" brewery. The leadership of Robert Chambers, for whom the short downtown street is named, is also carefully noted.

This is also the source of information related to the first fair, held in Peterboro' in 1837. The local history of the Peterborough Fair, Winners, notes that the fair's origins were tied directly to the leadership of the county sheriff, and the fair's were held on the front

grounds of the court house annually from 1843 until 1862, when the Peterborough Horticultural Society decided that the court house needed a landscaped park.

You may find your attention drawn to different details. It is striking that our history is so fragile. Had the *Cobourg Star* not reprinted articles from the ephemeral *Peterboro' Sentinel*; and had someone not decided it was necessary to keep these issues, references to these stories would be lost to our generation. It is even better if we can pursue the leads, and recreate more of what it was like to live in the Peterboro' of 1837. There is important work for the Trent Valley Archives to do.

Cobourg Star, 6 September 1837, Peterboro' Sentinel

IMPROVEMENTS. Ere noticing the Locks, &c., in course of being constructed on the Otonabee, below Peterboro', we cannot deny ourselves the pleasure of dwelling for a few moments on the improvements – both publica and private – which have rendered this town worthy, in every respect, to become the capital of the Colborne District; and to vie, in appearance, respectability and business, with most other county towns of a more ancient date.

The original selection of the site of Peterboro's does infinite credit to the foresight of the first projector – being situated on a deep, beautiful and rapid river, which affords an almost inexhaustible extent of water power, until it passes the town, where, expanding at once into a smooth and extensive lake, it forms a natural harbor for the benefit of the inhabitants and a splendid basin at the entrance of the Canal – which is intended to be cut through the village to avoid the rapids and connect the navigation. It combines all the advantages which can be looked for, either by the merchant, the mechanist, or the admirer of beautiful and romantic scenery.

Surrounded by a closely settled and highly fertile country, whose surplus produce is poured into it, and whose constant supplies are drawn from it, Peterboro' is independent of any outside assistance. Nor is the time far distant, when we hope to see the produce of the "Far West," and the imports of Montreal, lie scattered on its wharfs in a business-like confusion.

The enterprising spirit and wealth of our new District is clearly evidenced in the extent, style and superiority of our public buildings – amongst which the English Church stands pre-eminent. Situated on the summit of a beautiful hill, attained by a gradual and easy ascent from George and Hunter Streets on the one side and commanding an extensive view of the Otonabee and surrounding country on the other. The building, which is of stone, is finished in a style of architecture, which for chasteness of design, and solidity of execution, reflects the highest credit on Mr. Scobell, the architect, by whose plan, and under whose superintendence, it has been so creditably completed. The weight of its massive steeple is most judiciously and usefully relieved by the dial of the clock, which we hope our ingenious and truly clever townsman, Mr. Morrison, will soon have finished for the benefit of the public.

The Scotch Church, on the other side of the town, is also a large and commodious stone building; lofty, plain and substantial, commanding a fine view and most eligibly situated.

The Roman Catholic Church, which is in progress, will also be of stone; and we understand the plan, when carried into effect, will prove highly ornamental to the town, and convenient for the congregation.

In enumerating the stone buildings, we must not pass over Mr. McDonnell's beautiful villa, Mr Duffy's extensive distillery, or Mr. Bedford's capacious brewery, the latter of which we hear will be in full operation in the course of the next month. Mr. Hall's and Mr. Fortye's water-mills are equal to any in the province; and Mr. Shaw's steam mill and distillery give the steamboat wharf a constant appearance of bustle and importance.

The number and superior accommodation of the hotels, show at once the business of the place and the respectability of its visitors – while its well-stocked stores and thronged counters are indicative of the flourishing conditions of the surrounding settlers.

That portion of the town which is extending itself on the eastern side of the river, is also acquiring a steady and increasing business, as Mr. Ferguson's advertisement on the fourth page of this paper clearly shows – while the Lake Distillery, on the borders of the Little Lake, gives a business like appearance to the scene, the beauty of which is greatly heightened by Mr. Wrighton's tasteful villa on the one side, and Mr. Moe's residence on the other.

We cannot leave this subject without particularizing one instance in which Peterboro' certainly surpasses every other town which we have had an opportunity of visiting in this country. We allude to its streets, which being made of very superior gravel that abounds in the neighborhood, and formed under the judicious superintendence of Mr. Robert Chambers – who has not only in this but in so many other instances, sacrificed both his time and purse in forwarding the public interest – present, even in the continued thaw of spring and the heavy rains of fall, a dry and level surface, over which the lightest shoe may walk, fearless of the damp, after half an hour of sunshine.

Cobourg Star, 6 September 1837, Peterboro' Sentinel
PETERBORO FAIR – The interest which is created by the prospect of our first Fair, through the surrounding country, is such, that we anticipate a good show of all descriptions of cattle – and even in these dull times we have little doubt that sales will be effected to a considerable amount. Independent of its utility as a general market, it will prove highly advantageous to the farmers in general, by bringing into one spot the best cattle of all kinds which the District possesses, and enabling them to learn where they may find the most likely means of improving their own stock.

It is also in contemplation to establish a regular WEEKLY MARKET, which will be equally advantageous to the buyer and seller – as the farmer will be able to get rid of his produce without delay, and the purchaser know at what time and place he may procure those articles which according to the present system, he can only obtain by chance or irregular opportunities.

Cobourg Star, 20 September 1837, Peterboro' Sentinel
Our first Fair has certainly proved most creditable to this portion of the district, and even at this busy season it was well and most respectably supported. The show of Cattle was very numerous, and generally speaking, in fine condition. Among the most remarkable was a yoke of Steers, of the full Durham breed, the property of the Hon. T. A. Stewart, which were perfect models. Mr. James Love's drove were certainly the finest on the ground, consisting of nine head, all in prime condition and superior cattle.

Cobourg Star, 20 September 1837
The interesting Annual Meeting of the Newcastle District Branch Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge was held

on Monday evening last in St. Peter's Church, Cobourg, in place of the Court House, as heretofore; the Honorable Zaccheus Burnham presiding. The Report of the Society for the past year was first read by the Rev. A.N. Bethune, and must have afforded very general satisfaction to the highly respectable assemblage present, a large majority of whom are subscribers. After which, the Rev. C. T. Wade read to the meeting, agreeably to notice, a most interesting Journal of his labours as Travelling Missionary in the District, up to the time of his appointment in Clarke. The details of this journal are most encouraging, upon which much pleased with the subsequent resolution to have it published consecutively in "The Church."

Richard Parnell

DEATH OF A RESPECTED RESIDENT

Richard Parnell, A Pioneer Citizen of Peterborough, Passes Away

Daily Examiner, [27 October 1893]

Thanks to Jonathan Parnell

This morning Mr Richard Parnell, a well-known and highly respected resident of Peterborough passed to his rest after an illness of three months. The late Mr. Parnell was a native of England, having been born in Cornwall, in 1818. He came to Canada in 1839, settling in Norwood, where he resided till his removal, in 1846, to Peterborough, where he has since lived. Here he will be remembered as conducting the door-milling business, previously conducted by his father-in-law, Mr. Peter Pearce, and upon the site of the first mill erected in Peterborough, the site being at present occupied by the buildings of the Ontario Canoe Company. In his business dealings he was always upright and obliging, and will be remembered for his practical exhibition of these qualities. Mr. Parnell was married before he came to this country to Miss Ellen Jane Pearce. This union was blessed with nine children of whom six are living, Mr John Parnell, Mr. Martin Parnell, town; Mrs. Elias Thompson, Mrs. Anson Sperry and Mrs. John Turner, town, and Mrs Chambers, Montreal. Mrs. Parnell died about twenty years ago and Mr. Parnell subsequently married Mrs Robt. Stevenson who survives him. Mr. Parnell was a member of the George Street Methodist church and being an enthusiast in music he acted as leader of the choir for a period of a quarter of a century, giving his services cheerfully and gratuitously and on his retirement about 16 or 18 years ago, the trustees presented him, as a recognition of the valuable work he had done in connection with the musical services of the church, with a handsome gold watch, suitably inscribed. While highly respected in the community, the late Mr. Parnell's kindly qualities of heart were shown conspicuously in his home, where his children were caught up in an atmosphere of considerable affection. The funeral will take place from the family residence, Communication Road, Smith, on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Peterborough Town Council 1850-1865

Peterborough was incorporated as a town effective 1 January 1850. Prior to that local government was conducted on a district model not unlike the regional government models in many parts of present-day Ontario. Robert Baldwin was rightly proud that he had achieved local government in the western part of the Province of Canada. Peterborough elected its aldermen in the election held every January. During the 1850s the council then chose the mayor, reeve, and deputy reeve from among its numbers. Beginning in 1860, the position of Mayor was elected by the town at the polls. During these years the town was divided into four wards: North, Central, South and East.

We will publish the names of the members of Town and City Councils as an ongoing project. For the years prior to 1913 we are using the work of F. H. Dobbin as our guide. The Trent Valley Archives has acquired most of Dobbin's encyclopaedic history of Peterborough and it may be used in our reading room. We are glad to help those wishing details on the various elections, and we also have the resources for identifying some of the activities of the various people noted.

	Name	Position	Ward
1850	Benson Thomas	alderman	East
1850	Chamberlen Edmond	alderman	South
1850	Conger Wilson S.	alderman	North
1850	Cumming William	Chief Constable	
1850	Eastland William	alderman	Central
1850	Hall James	alderman	Central
1850	Hall John	alderman	East
1850	Harper Thomas	alderman	East
1850	Harvey James	alderman	North
1850	Hudson Charles	alderman	South
1850	Hudson Charles	mayor / reeve	
1850	McDonald Duncan	alderman	North
1850	Nicholls Robert	Treasurer	
1850	Ridley Robert	alderman	Central
1850	Ryan Patrick	alderman	South
1850	Vizard W. H.	Town Clerk	
1851	Benson Thomas	alderman	Central
1851	Chamberlen Edmond	alderman	South
1851	Chambers Thomas	alderman	East
1851	Conger Wilson S.	alderman	North
1851	Ferguson Frederick	alderman	South
1851	Ferguson Frederick	Reeve	
1851	Harvey James	alderman	North
1851	Henthorn James T.	alderman	East
1851	Hudson Charles	Mayor	
1851	Hudson Charles	alderman	South
1851	Reid John	alderman	Central
1851	Spaulding Clarke	alderman	East
1851	Spencelly Joseph	alderman	North
1851	Thompson Charles	alderman	Central
1851	Wrighton W. H.	Town Clerk	
1852	Chamberlen Edmond	alderman	South
1852	Chambers T.	alderman	East
1852	Cluxton William	alderman	Central
1852	Cluxton William	Reeve	

1852	Conger	Wilson S.	alderman	North
1852	English	John	alderman	South
1852	Hall	James	Mayor	
1852	Hall	James	alderman	North
1852	Harvey	James	alderman	North
1852	Hudson	Charles	alderman	South
1852	Nicholls	Robert	alderman	East
1852	Perry	Charles	alderman	Central
1852	Snyder	William	alderman	East
1852	Thompson	T.	alderman	Central
1853	Burnham	Elias	alderman	South
1853	Conger	Wilson S.	alderman	North
1853	Ferguson	Frederick	Reeve	
1853	Ferguson	Frederick	alderman	South
1853	Hopkins	Daniel	alderman	East
1853	Hutchinson	Thomas	alderman	North
1853	Lundy	William	alderman	South
1853	McDonald	Duncan	alderman	North
1853	Nicholls	Robert	alderman	East
1853	Perry	Charles	alderman	East
1853	Perry	Edgerton	alderman	Central
1853	Perry	Charles	Mayor	
1853	Rowe	Robert	alderman	Central
1853	Stevenson	James	alderman	Central
1854	Burnham	Elias	alderman	South
1854	Conger	Wilson S.	Reeve	
1854	Conger	Wilson S.	alderman	North
1854	Ferguson	Frederick	alderman	South
1854	Hopkins	Daniel	alderman	East
1854	Hutchinson	Thomas	alderman	North
1854	Lundy	William	alderman	South
1854	McDonald	Duncan	alderman	North
1854	Nicholls	Robert	alderman	East
1854	Scott	William S.	alderman	Central
1854	Stevenson	James	Mayor	
1854	Stevenson	James	alderman	Central
1854	Taylor	David	alderman	East
1854	Thompson	Robert	alderman	Central
1855	Conger	Wilson S.	alderman	North
1855	Dixon	Robert	alderman	South
1855	Eastland	William	alderman	Central
1855	Ferguson	Frederick	Reeve	
1855	Ferguson	Frederick	alderman	South
1855	Hall	James	alderman	Central
1855	Hall	James	Mayor	
1855	Henthorn	James T.	alderman	East
1855	Hopkins	Daniel	alderman	East
1855	Lundy	William	alderman	South
1855	McDonald	Duncan	alderman	North
1855	Nicholls	Robert	alderman	East
1855	Scott	William S.	alderman	Central
1855	Walton	Joseph	alderman	North
1856	Conger	Wilson S.	Mayor	
1856	Conger	Wilson S.	alderman	North
1856	Ferguson	Frederick	alderman	South
1856	Haggart	John	alderman	North
1856	Hall	James	alderman	Central
1856	Hall	James	Reeve	
1856	Hatton	David G.	alderman	South
1856	Henthorn	James T.	alderman	East
1856	Hogan	Michael	alderman	South
1856	Hopkins	Daniel	alderman	East
1856	McDonald	Duncan	alderman	North
1856	Nicholls	Robert	alderman	East
1856	Scott	W. A.	alderman	Central
1856	Stevenson	James	alderman	Central
1856	Stevenson	James	Deputy Reeve	

1856	White Jr	Thomas	Town Clerk		1861	Ormond	Charles	alderman	East
1857	Burnham	Elias	alderman	South	1861	Perry	Charles	Mayor	
1857	Conger	Wilson S.	alderman	North	1861	Ryan	James	alderman	South
1857	Conger	Wilson S.	Deputy Reeve		1861	Stevenson	James	alderman	Central
1857	Haggart	John	alderman	North	1861	Toole	William	alderman	North
1857	Hall	James	alderman	Central	1862	Bradfield	Charles	alderman	North
1857	Hatton	David G.	alderman	South	1862	Chamberlen	Edmond	alderman	South
1857	Henthorn	James T.	alderman	East	1862	Cummings	W.	alderman	Central
1857	Hopkins	Daniel	alderman	East	1862	Dickson	Samuel	alderman	East
1857	McDonald	Duncan	alderman	North	1862	Fry	E.	alderman	East
1857	Nicholls	Robert	alderman	East	1862	Hughes	George H.	alderman	South
1857	Nicholls	Robert	Reeve		1862	Lawson	Henry	alderman	North
1857	Poole	Edwin	alderman	South	1862	Moloney	J.	alderman	Central
1857	Scott	W. A.	alderman	Central	1862	Perry	Charles	Mayor	
1857	Stevenson	James	alderman	Central	1862	Reid	John	alderman	Central
1857	Stevenson	James	Mayor		1862	Ryan	James	alderman	South
1858	Bradfield	Charles	alderman	North	1862	Stevenson	Robert	alderman	East
1858	Burnham	Elias	alderman	South	1862	Toole	William	alderman	North
1858	Carlisle	David	alderman	East	1863	Burnham	Elias	alderman	South
1858	Hall	James	alderman	Central	1863	Carlisle	David	alderman	North
1858	Hall	William	alderman	East	1863	Cluxton	William	alderman	Central
1858	Harvey	James	alderman	North	1863	Dickson	Samuel	alderman	East
1858	Hatton	David G.	alderman	South	1863	Dixon	J.	alderman	Central
1858	Hogan	John	alderman	North	1863	Fry	E.	alderman	East
1858	Hopkins	Daniel	alderman	East	1863	Lawson	Henry	alderman	North
1858	Hopkins	Daniel	Reeve		1863	Lundy	William	alderman	South
1858	Leary	C.	alderman	Central	1863	Nicholls	Robert	alderman	Central
1858	Poole	Edwin	alderman	South	1863	Ormond	Charles	alderman	East
1858	Scott	W. A.	alderman	Central	1863	Perry	Charles	Mayor	
1858	Scott	W. A.	Deputy Reeve		1863	Ryan	James	alderman	South
1858	Stevenson	James	Mayor		1863	Toole	William	alderman	North
1859	Burnham	Elias	alderman	South	1864	Burnham	Elias	alderman	North
1859	Carlisle	David	alderman	North	1864	Eastland	William	alderman	East
1859	Conger	Wilson S.	alderman	North	1864	Hamilton	R.	alderman	East
1859	Conger	Wilson S.	Reeve		1864	Lawson	Henry	alderman	South
1859	Fowlis	Andrew	alderman	South	1864	Leonard	T.	alderman	North
1859	Harvey	James	alderman	North	1864	Lundy	William	alderman	North
1859	Henthorn	James T.	alderman	East	1864	McNaughton	J.	alderman	Central
1859	Hogan	Michael	alderman	South	1864	Moffat	J.	alderman	East
1859	Kennedy	John	alderman	East	1864	Morrow	Alex.	alderman	Central
1859	Morrow	Alex.	alderman	East	1864	Perry	Charles	Mayor	
1859	Read	W. B.	alderman	Central	1864	Stevenson	James	alderman	Central
1859	Scott	W. A.	alderman	Central	1864	Toole	William	alderman	South
1859	Stevenson	James	Mayor		1864	Whyte Jr	J.	alderman	South
1859	White Jr	Thomas	alderman	Central	1865	Burnham	Elias	alderman	South
1859	White Jr	Thomas	Deputy Reeve		1865	Chamberlen	Edmond	alderman	South
1860	Chamberlen	W.	alderman	South	1865	Chambers	Thomas	alderman	East
1860	Harty	William	alderman	Central	1865	Helm	William	alderman	Central
1860	McDougall	A.	alderman	Central	1865	Lawson	Henry	alderman	North
1860	Moloney	J.	alderman	East	1865	Leonard	T.	alderman	South
1860	Morrow	Alex.	alderman	East	1865	McNaughton	J.	alderman	East
1860	O'Beirne	I.	alderman	South	1865	Ormond	Charles	alderman	East
1860	Ogilvy	William	alderman	Central	1865	Perry	Charles	Mayor	
1860	Ormond	Charles	alderman	East	1865	Scott	W. A.	Mayor	
1860	Ryan	P.	alderman	South	1865	Stevenson	James	alderman	Central
1860	Sawers	Augustus	Mayor		1865	Toole	William	alderman	North
1860	Toole	William	alderman	North	1865	Whyte Jr	J.	alderman	North
1860	Walton	R.	alderman	North	1865	Williams	A.	alderman	Central
1860	White	J.	alderman	North					
1861	Bradfield	Charles	alderman	North					
1861	Chamberlen	Edmond	alderman	South					
1861	Dickson	Samuel	alderman	East					
1861	Eastland	Thomas	alderman	Central					
1861	Kennedy	J.	alderman	East					
1861	McDonald	Duncan	alderman	North					
1861	Menzies	Thomas	alderman	Central					
1861	Moloney	J.	alderman	South					

Queries

Diane Robnik

Stewart

Looking for Constable Joseph Stewart in the 1901 Census. He came over from Ireland to Peterborough in 1880 and has been found in the 1881, 1891, and 1911 Census for the area.

Jefferson

Looking to verify a marriage for Mary Rahelly to John Jefferson in 1884, Peterborough. Also looking for Mary's death date and burial and possibly son Thomas Jefferson, b.1885

Crippen/O'Brien

Searching for a marriage that possibly occurred in Norwood or Asphodel township around 1850-1854 between David Crippen and Derinda O'Brien.

O'Connor

Searching for information on Peter O'Connor (also recorded in church documents as Connor or Connors) and Ann Finnigan (alt spelling Finnegan). They married in 1843 at St Mary's in Lindsay (no parents were listed). In the 1869 directory Peter is listed as owning lot 10 se. 1/4 24 in Ops. We have little information on Peter or his family (Peter was born in Ireland). Any history that you could provide on this land would be greatly appreciated.

Peter O'Connor died between 1871 and 1881; his wife is a widow on the 1881 census. In addition, if you had information on his will or that of his wife, this would be greatly appreciated. Ann died in 1888 in Ops County. I have a copy of her death record. Her death was reported by her son, Patrick of Ops. Her birth place was listed as Co. Meath, Ireland. Census records lead us to believe that she was born in 1820 or 1821.

I have also noted that there a number of Finnigan families listed in the directory in Ops, but I am uncertain if any are related. I have found all of the records for Ann and Peter's children, and the only Finnigan recorded as a sponsor was a Mary Finnigan. We do not believe that either the Finnigan or O'Connor families were Robinson settlers.

Galloway, McNabb

Researcher seeks information about Margaret Galloway's family. She was born 1848 in Millbrook with two older brothers, William and David and two younger sisters, Jane and Olive. I have found some of Jane's grand-children in the Peterborough area. Margaret's parents were George and Rebecca Galloway. Rebecca might have been Richardson or Whitfield before marriage. She is buried in Welcome cemetery with her second husband's family. Jane, her daughter, is also buried in Welcome. George died when the children were young and is supposedly buried north of Millbrook. Margaret went to live with relatives, including Belle Galloway, Euphemia (Galloway) Edwards and William Whitfield. (She was listed in the 1861 census as a servant at Whitfield's.)

George may have been the brother of another Jane Galloway, married to David Galloway of Miner's Bay. This Jane died in 1906. Another sister, listed in Jane's obituary, was Euphemia (Galloway) Edwards. A correspondence to my grandmother in 1909 refers to "Aunt Euphemia Edwards" - she died in 1920 and is buried in Little Lake Cemetery. I am trying to confirm this. Euphemia and Jane were born in Cobourg/Hamilton Twp 1831, 1820. The

census for 1851 for Darlington is limited- and that was where Euphemia was listed as living before her marriage in 1853 to William Edwards.

There's a story about Margaret Galloway's marriage to John McNabb. They supposedly met aboard ship and although Canadian, were married in Oswego, NY in 1868. Any thoughts about that connection, or information about the Galloway's would be appreciated!

Creepy Canada

Creepy Canada is planning to air our segment on the ghost of the Lift Lock, on 12 May 2006, 9 pm on the Outdoor Life Network. Diane Robnik and several volunteers helped make this work. It was an outcome of the research undertaken for our great walking tours.

Giant Book Sale

As well, we are also having our GIANT booksale on 20 May. Books can be dropped off during our business hours. Watch for details as to exact time. We have accumulated an impressive array and welcome even more.

Ghost Walks

Ghostwalks officially start June 4, but we are having early tours beginning 13 May. Anyone interested should phone TVA to book dates.

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Letters to the Editor

Rev Herbert Symonds

Grace Barker

In the February 2004 issue of the *Heritage Gazette*, page 13, the article on the Reverend Herbert Symonds wrongly mentions two nephews, Herbert and Eric, who had died in 1917, as sons. These two boys were the sons of Willie Boyd and would be cousins of the Symonds' children. Herbert died as the result of being gassed in the war; he had been sent home to be hospitalized in Peterborough, where he died in 1917. Willie's son Eric died that same year by drowning in Pigeon Lake. A third son, Thornton, was killed overseas in the trenches in 1916.

If you look on page 9 in the 2nd edition of "Timber Empire" you will find a family tree of the Boyd family. The Symonds had three sons: Victor Kingsley; Herbert Boyd Symons (always called "Boyd"); and Spencer Rupert. These three boys served and died in World War I. The war was very hard on the young men in the Boyd family. A cousin Dr. H. O. Boyd, a cousin of Willie and Mossie was the resident doctor in Bobcaygeon. He and his three sons all served overseas and none of his sons survived. He returned to Bobcaygeon and was the family doctor for my family. Beautiful stained glass windows in Christ Church Anglican, Bobcaygeon, pay tribute to these young men. The wife of Dr H.O.Boyd carved the altar at Christ Church.

Peterborough's Canadian National Station

Jacqueline Martin-Kent

One of our members, Jacqueline Martin-Kent, was pleased to discover that her childhood home was in the background of the painting of the Canadian National Railway Station at Charlotte and Bethune, Peterborough. The editor asked if there was more information about the house.

I am trying to remember things about the incident, and I believe that when the article came out in the Peterborough Examiner there was a picture and I also think my Dad was in the picture and they picked up on this as an interest viewpoint. My father worked at G.E. and was at one time the President of the Union for Office Workers, I.U.E. C.I.O. While going through some things I also found a Westclox newsletter called Tick Talk for May 1940. My Aunt Viola (Martin) Watson was the secretary to the manager who was Mr. Vernor. I found it odd that in my Grandparents Anniversary story, though they mentioned what their two sons did for a living they never mentioned what their daughter did, and she had worked there since she was 17. In 1940 my dad worked at the Westclox and that is where he met my mother.

I love the sound of trains, and only have fond memories of them even though there could have been a disaster. The house was so close to the track when the old trains went by it seemed to rattle everything and the trains would shunt back and forth and though we had an oil furnace, you could see young children out collecting the coal that fell. With the old trains I remember the cinders in the yard. One thing that sticks out is the amount of people who would come along and climb under the connections for the cars; if the train were stopped for a period of time how would you know when it was going to suddenly start again.

One day a couple of years ago I was talking to a neighbour who though only in her forties had been bed ridden for a long time and I had gone to visit her. We talked about different things and she told me as a child she had lived in

Peterborough. Imagine my surprise when she said she lived on the corner of Bethune and Dalhousie. I said that is where I lived; she had lived in a small house no longer there across the road. She remembered the trains. My sister remembered her brother. My mother remembered the family whom she met during the depression working in a soup kitchen. They had a large family and lived in East City by the bus barns. It really is a small world.

McGibney Family and their Pullman Palace Car

Gordon Young, editor

The McGibney Palace Car was built by the Pullman Palace Car Company, an arms-length subsidiary of Pullman Car Company. As the name says, it was a custom shop on the back-lot. Cars were sumptuous and custom-built to any given specifications. They were, a "make-work project" for the regular staff when times went slow, usually winter-off work. Although they would begin as a "normal Pullman passenger car" in the front assembly area, that's where things stopped and the shell would be shoved back to the custom shop. Since Pullman couldn't afford to keep specialists on staff, he would "out-source" for specialized cabinets, specialized chairs, specialized lighting, other than usual railroad rugs etc. ad infinitum ad nausea. The slow time crews would then install them at the back shop. (Naturally, some cars had to be built while full production was going on, so undoubtedly some sort of shuffling of staff and overtime probably occurred.) For the price equivalent to the train-fare of all that brood of kin, they could contract with the Grand Trunk to get them from Chicago to Halifax or Portland Maine. Tendering was no different back then than it is now. They would tender out to the various passenger departments of the railroads for the best fare for towing their car, parking the car on a siding and for any maintenance. The most difficult and probably most expensive would have been the maintenance. They would have to have a yearly safety certificate, much like we have today. Otherwise, the railways wouldn't touch their car for towing. More than likely their car would have been towed on the back end of a regularly carded train.

Jeff McGowan a volunteer, Mid-Continent Railway Museum (retired) passed this information to Lakefield Heritage Research.

Auburn Mill

Cy Monkman

I worked for G. Whitaker & Co. Ltd from 1949 to 1958. They bought the remaining building and property at the Auburn mill early in World War II. Other buildings were demolished. It (as was the Lakefield cement plant) was used to store Australian wool by the Melbourne Merchandising Company. Wool was stock-piled across Canada because of a fear that the Japanese would invade Australia and cut off the supply of wool for uniforms etc. After the war Whitakers resumed possession of the building and used it as their warehouse after their warehouse at the foot of Charlotte Street burned down in the summer of 1946. Three employees lost their lives in that fire. I have photos of that fire. Later they moved their office to Auburn from 192 Hunter St. W. They also built a second building to scour (wash) wool. The property was eventually sold to Triple T for condominiums and all buildings were torn down. Whitakers ceased operations in Canada. I also have photos of the Charlotte Street warehouse interior when it was used to grade and store wool prior to the fire. It was owned by Dewart Milling which was next door.

Edment Carpenter Hill (1822-1892)

AN OLD RESIDENT DEAD

Mr. E. C. Hill, a Well-Known Citizen

Passes Away After a long illness

Peterborough Daily Evening Review, 21 December 1892

Mr. E. C. Hill, one of Peterborough's oldest residents, passed away last evening after a long illness. There was no citizen more widely known in the town and surrounding district than Mr. Hill and the news of his death will be received with regret by many who respected him as a man of honesty and integrity. The deceased several weeks ago was confined to bed with a painful illness which proved to be fatal, death coming to his relief last night about ten o'clock.

Edment Carpenter Hill was born in Somerset, England, and was seventy years of age at the time of his death. When very young he came to this country and about the year 1848 he came to Peterborough from Belleville. Here he worked as a carriage builder and had a shop on Hunter st., which he successfully operated for many years. Early in the sixties he managed the old Music Hall, where all the travelling companies catered to the amusement loving portion of the community. In connection with the Music Hall the deceased also conducted business as city bill poster and in these two capacities he not only became familiar with the residents of the town, but was well-known in the towns of the district and among the theatrical people who were on the road in his day. For eleven or twelve years he managed the Music Hall with success and it was only a few years ago he sold out as city bill poster. As a citizen he was eccentric in some respects and was always of a very independent spirit. He also at one time operated a skating rink on Hunter Street. He was a skilled workman and being a great lover of music, he turned his mechanical skill to good account and manufactured several pipe organs. He had been an industrious man and had accumulated sufficient means which allowed him to spend his latter years in retired life in good circumstances.

The funeral will be private and will take place from his late residence corner of Brock and Donegal streets at two o'clock tomorrow.

Broke his Ankle

Peterborough Daily Examiner, 22 December 1892

The late E. C. Hill, in his will had a clause inserted to the effect that his grave was to be encased in brick, laid in Portland cement, and covered with stone slabs. This morning while Mr. Jas. Bogue, contractor, was handling one of these slabs he had the misfortune to let it slip from his hands, and the heavy weight fell on one of his feet, breaking the ankle, and also badly bruising the member.

The Late E. C. Hill

Peterborough Daily Examiner, 22 December 1892

By an inadvertence the following reference to the death of E. C. Hill, which was in type, was omitted from yesterday's edition. Though not unexpected, the death of Mr. E. C. Hill, which took place at his residence on Tuesday night from inflammation of the spinal cord, was heard with deep regret by his many friends in town and by the public generally to whom he was well known during his residence of nearly forty-five years in town. The deceased was born in Somerset, England, seventy years ago. In his earlier years in town he conducted

a carriage business. Subsequently his love of music led him to the conducting of the old music hall, removed from the public square a couple of years ago. Subsequently he was city bill poster. Industrious and of good business habits, he amassed a comfortable competency, and he spent his last years in comparative retirement, enjoying the honestly earned fruits of his toil. Mr. Hill, while he held peculiar opinions on certain civic subjects, which he had the courage to express fearlessly, was in all respects a good citizen, and in his business dealing a straightforward, honest man. He took an active interest in public matters, and his voice was heard with no uncertain sound in the interests of straight and economic civil government. He was passionately fond of music and in his earlier years was actively associated with several church choirs. The funeral which was private took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

Back to the Orphanage [Nelson Gray]

A Sixteen Year Old Lad Starting Back on a Tramp From Westwood to Toronto

Peterborough Review, 9 April 1900

Nelson Gray, aged sixteen, a boy who appeared at the police court this morning as a vagrant, was in appearance a perfect type of the "Man with the Hoe" species although he talked fairly intelligently. He had an outfit on him like that of a Doukhobor tramp down on his luck. The lad was taken from the Sunnyside orphanage, Toronto, six years ago by a family living near Westwood and with them he spent the intervening time. Yesterday, however, he decided to vamoose the ranch and walked up to town during the afternoon on his way back to Sunnyside. He applied at the police station for a night's lodging. He will be detained while enquiries are being made concerning him. He was photographed by Mr Roy this morning as the "Boy with the Spade."

This brief story provides the text to go with a famous picture from the Roy Studio. About ten years ago I commented that Roys put different messages with photos of men as opposed to women. The tendency was to shoot women with flowers or pretty things. Men, on the other hand, were posed with favourite things, such as their automobile, or a tool suggesting their trade. The picture of the boy with the shovel prompted questions about the shovel. Could that really be a prized possession? What did it suggest about occupation? This news item illustrates the difficulty of doing research on photographs.

We are happy to say that Don Cournoyea has worked back on this gathering of Peterborough news stories and has deposited his notebooks and countless xerox copies of important news stories at the Trent Valley Archives. We will continue our efforts to enlarge the computer data base with respect to his valuable work. The result is the best index of Peterborough's local newspapers. It is worth adding the Cournoyea collection to your searches. Thanks to Don for his terrific work.

LITTLE LAKE CEMETERY THE BEAUTIFUL BURIAL GROUND GREATLY IMPROVED

**A System of Waterworks for Irrigation – A Convenient
Arrangement – Fountains to be Erected – Appearance of the
Ground**

Peterborough Review, Thursday, 12 July 1883

The care that is bestowed upon the graves, lots and grounds in the cemetery, and the large number that visit it weekly and daily, show what an interest the people take in this, the last resting place of their friends. The Cemetery Company and the owners of lots have worked together in enhancing the beauty of this place, and the Company has not allowed expense to interfere in any way with the improvements.

This summer, so far, the Company has expended about \$500 in putting in one improvement which will be a great convenience. This is a SYSTEM OF WATERWORKS by which the flower beds and grounds will be watered. The power is furnished by a wind mill, which is situated at the north east corner of the cemetery, on the point which runs into the Little Lake. It is sixty feet high, and was manufactured by Mr. W. Forsythe, who also furnished the tanks. From the mill 800 feet of pipes are laid to the tanks, which are situated on the hill a short distance north of the Cemetery Chapel. The tanks are raised above the ground some feet, and are two in number. They are connected by a small tube and water first enters one and flows into the other. They are eight feet wide and six feet high, and their combined capacity is 140 barrels. The elevation from the wind mill to the tanks is fifty feet, and between these two points places have been fixed for four hydrants, one of which was already in operation on the occasion of our visit Monday. In addition there is a place where the hose can be attached at the tanks, which makes an additional hydrant. At the tanks there is a valve in the pipes to control the entrance and outflow of the water, and a drip cock is placed at the lowest level on the hill by which the water can be drained from the pipes. The Company have on the ground 150 feet of hose, and they have procured 500 feet. This hose will be used for the purpose of IRRIGATING THE FLOWERS and grounds. Even if the hose were not used the hydrants would save much time in carrying water, but when the waterworks are extended according to the plan the whole cemetery will be watered with the hose. While the mill was working 50 feet of hose was attached and a stream was thrown about 30 feet from the nozzle. The mill fills both the tanks, with a good wind, in about twelve hours.

The waterworks system now extends from the wind mill at the north east corner to the tanks, and IT WAS TESTED on Friday by a committee of the Directors and found to work satisfactorily. At a meeting of the Directors on Monday night it was accepted as satisfactory, and taken off the contractors' hands. Mr. G. W. Ranney was the engineer of the works, and Mr. G. Bolton had the contract. The system will be further EXTENDED THIS SUMMER and pipes will be laid from the tanks to the chapel and to the entrance gate, where there is a circular flower bed, a fountain will be erected which will add greatly to the appearance of the cemetery. It will stand in such a position that it may be seen from Lock street. The system will be still further extended next summer, when it has stood the test of the winter months, to cover the whole cemetery, and several fountains will be put in, one probably on the flat east of the chapel.

It will easily be seen what an improvement the waterworks are. They will save much time in attending to the flower-beds and grounds, and they will no doubt give evidence of the benefit they receive from them. The water could also be utilized in the event of a

fire at the Superintendent's residence to assist in extinguishing the flames.

In walking around the cemetery for a short time, it was noticed that, as usual, THE GROUNDS ARE WELL KEPT, and many of the lots showed evidences of great care and attention. Among those which especially attracted attention were the Mrs John Whyte lot, which has been and is one of the most attractive in the cemetery. The Kilmarnock willows, planted in this lot last summer, is doing well, and also those which were planted in the Lundy lot at the same time. The Lundy lot is a beautiful one, and is well attended to. On the Hall brothers' lot, where the little daughter of Mr. Maxwell Hall was buried, an ornament of a new design has been erected. Pillars of wire, painted green, stand on the four corners with flower pots on the top, and are connected by an arch. Suspended on the arch there is a marble tablet with the child's name cut in the stone, and painted in gold letters. Vines are growing in the centre of the pillars, and the lot is covered with flowers. On the new lot, where the late D. G. Hatton is buried, large vases have been placed in the corners, flowers have been planted and other ornamental work done. Mr. Cluxton's lot gives evidences of recent care and careful attention, as does also the Conger lot. The fence around Capt. Rubidge's lot has recently been repaired and painted, and other improvements have been made. The trees planted on Mr. W. H. Moore's lot are growing nicely, and the appearance of Mr. W. Galley's lot shows that it has been carefully attended to, and the flowers on it look fine. The lot in which Miss Wood was interred last week has always been one of the best in the cemetery, owing to the care she bestowed upon it, and it is now brilliant with the beautiful flowers growing on it. Judge Dennistoun's lot and Mr. A. Goodfellow's give evidence of much care. Mr. J. W. Flavell's lot has been improved in appearance, and looks well. On the Oddfellows lot, where Mr. Martin and Mr. Buckett are buried, there is a unique flower bed representing the triple links. On Dr. King's lot a new and large bed of flowers have been planted, and a similar tasteful adornment has been planted in Mr. A. Cox's lot. Mrs. Mercer's lot looks well, as does that of Mr. Wallis. The fence around Mrs. T. Lannin's lot has been painted, and two pretty flower beds, in the shape of diamonds, have been planted on it. Mr. S. D. Loomis' lot, on one of the new terraces, has an ornament of a new design, being a pillar with flowers on the top and arching branches with flowers on the end of the arms. In fact the whole cemetery has a beautiful appearance this summer, and not only is the same care bestowed upon it as in previous seasons, but the attention given to it seems to have increased. The lots, the grass plots and the walks are all well kept, and Mr. John Kelly, the obliging superintendent, appears to be indefatigable in his attention and determined in his efforts to make and keep the cemetery as beautiful as possible.

Again it becomes our duty, in mentioning this cemetery, to call the attention of the Town Council to TWO THINGS REQUIRED, which it is their duty to supply. One is a sidewalk on the street leading to the cemetery, and the other is some protection for the street, as by cribwork, before it is entirely washed away. Mr. Kelly informs us that during the ten years he has been at the cemetery, the width of the roadway has diminished by at least fifteen feet, or an average of one foot and a half each year. Nothing more is wanted to show the urgent necessity for some steps to be taken to stop this steady and assuredly fatal aquatic consumption. For one check the planting of willows at the water line might be adopted, as it would both prevent the eating away of the bank, and in a short time would become ornamental.

Little Lake Cemetery Tours 2006

This summer we begin our third season of tours in Peterborough's picturesque Little Lake Cemetery. Each year we have offered three different tours handled by about ten volunteers. We offered our Tragic Tales tour in the first year and building on its success we offered a similar option in the second and now third year. Otherwise variety has come from developing tours from the ground up. In our first year we offered tours on people who were well-known in our history. In the second year we celebrated Peterborough's centennial by offering a tour on Edwardian Peterborough. Also a feature of our second year was the tour which captured



Peterborough's military connections from the Napoleonic wars to the near-present. For our third year, we have teams developing tours on Peterborough's sports history and on firefighting Peterborough style. A rich trove of historical research on events and on people ensures high quality and lively presentations. We think people are unaware of the diversity and freshness of our tours and hope you will spread the word to your kith and kin.

Little Lake, A Quiet Page of Peterborough History

C. H. Ireson *Peterborough Examiner*, 25 June 1949

Of the quotations of epitaphs there is no end, and their name is legion. In these modern days they have almost fallen into disuse. But if one walks through the churchyards and cemeteries in the old Country one can generally see an epitaph that is worth noting.

They are of every type – some amusing, if one may use the term in such a connection – many pathetic, and some unduly sycophantic.

But turning from the general to the particular and from far-off fields to our own cemetery, a tour through our own beautiful "God's Acres" – Little Lake Cemetery (now nearly 100 years old) – discloses some interesting epitaphs and memorials.

Perhaps the best known to the general public is that over the

grave of the strong man, Daniel MacDonald, which tells its own story:

"In memory of Daniel MacDonald, died October 27, 1871, aged 33 years.

Ye weak, beware! Here lies the strong,

The victim of his strength;

He lifted sixteen hundred pounds,

Now here he lies at length."

There seems to be some doubt as to the locale and exact knowledge of this fatal display of strength, but there is no doubt that MacDonald, by means of some harness on his body, lifted clear of the ground an object weighing 1,600 poounds, and in so doing burst a blood vessel and died.

If it is true that the evil that men do lives after them, and that the good is oft interred with their bones, it is only fair that the merits of the departed should be written in stone to form an enduring monument of their virtues and the services rendered by them to the community.

Here in Little Lake Cemetery we find many testimonials to the public services rendered by various citizens of the past. These form an epitome of and commentary on the civic life of the community in days gone by.

Let us consider some of these. Starting at the southern end, we come to one erected in memory of James Robert Stratton, 1859-1916, and inscribed thereon this record: "For 22 years he represented West Peterborough in Ontario and Dominion Parliaments."

Not very far away there is a monument "In memory of Wilson S. Conger, MPP for the county of Peterborough, who during his lifetime filled the office of sheriff of the county, warden of the County Council, and mayor of the town of Peterborough."

Passing on we come to James Hall, who filled many public offices. He was MP for the combined counties of Peterborough and Victoria, 1849-1851; sheriff of the same counties, 1856-1863; sheriff of the county of Peterborough, 1863-1872; MP for the east riding, 1872-1878; mayor of Peterborough, 1852-1855; and first president of the Little Lake Cemetery Company.

We find a monument to another prominent citizen in James Stevenson, 1829-1910: "For ten terms mayor of Peterborough; for nine years member of Parliament."

In another sphere of action was Capt. Donald Andrew Frazer, "who served his country with distinction as an officer of the 42nd Regiment in many of the actions of the Peninsular War and at Waterloo, and also acted for many years as police magistrate for the county of Peterborough, beloved and respected by all who knew him."

There is a striking tribute to work well done on a monument: "Erected as a tribute to the memory of John McNabb, surgeon, 1871. He was constant and unremitting in all acts of benevolence and charity, at all times ready, and by his skill in his profession he rendered to the poor and needy, hi gratuitous services."

There are some of the memorials to men prominent in local civic life, but there are others of wider interest.

Probably unique is a memorial to John A. Sherlock, whose cenotaph lies near the banks of the Otonabee River: "In memory of John A. Sherlock, Canadian voyageur, one of those who volunteered for prolonged service under Lord Wolseley. He died at Karber on the Nile in the Soudan, March 26, 1885, aged 26 years and four months. There is not a name, there is not a stone, and only the wind from the desert makes moan, but he'll never be forgotten, no never."

But the unique feature is that there is embedded in the monument a small piece of fossilized wood taken from the vicinity of the place of his death and sent to his relatives here, who had it fixed in the monument or cenotaph. This strange relic from the tropical Soudan has weathered without damage the rigors of many Canadian winters.

Not far away we find a monument of more than local interest. A granite cross marks the last resting place of Isabella Valancy Crawford. This gifted young woman, in her lifetime comparatively unknown and now almost forgotten, possessed, according to great literary critics, the true genius of poetry. The monument was erected by friends and admirers and has an inscription of simplicity and strength, "Poet by the Gift of God." Could a multitude of words say more?

At the end of our journey, and not far away, rises that landmark so well-known to all visitors to the cemetery, the bronze angel standing with outstretched wings facing the rising Son, erected "In loving memory of John MacDonald, eldest son of the late Lieut.-Col. John MacDonald, died March 27, 1892, aged 45 years."

International Plowing Match

We are planning a special issue of the Heritage Gazette of the Trent Valley for August 2006. We will have updated information on the events and the ways in which the Trent Valley Archives will be participating. I recently had an opportunity to see a great film reporting on the International Plowing Match held in Cobourg in 1953. The colour is fading but it was fascinating to see the English officials touring Canada and to see the complex efforts required to erect a tent city in 1953. One wonders how modern technology will make a difference. It should be impressive.

The Trent Valley Archives has news coverage of the 1941 plowing match held in the Peterborough area. Peterborough hosted plowing matches in 1931 and 1964 as well.

If you have photographs and memories to share about farming, plowing and changing technology on the farm, please let us know. Material may be left at the TVA or contact the editor elwoodjones@cogeco.ca.

Census 2006

When you complete your census return, 16 May 2006, be sure to say "yes" to Question 53; that means that your return will be accessible 92 years hence to historical and genealogical researchers. Pass the word on to friends, relatives, and neighbours.

The question is on the return as a compromise. For nearly forty years the Public Archives of Canada and its successors battled with Statistics Canada to have earlier censuses made routinely available after a reasonable length of time. The census information is crucial to Canadian social, economic and political historians. We can capture snapshots of Canada's history, or part thereof, every five years. We can measure change and continuity in a variety of areas, but the validity of the snapshot rests on being able to study statistically significant criteria. The printed census is very valuable, but the manuscript census allows historians to analyze combinations of characteristics rather than one characteristic at a time. As well, the census is important for biographers and genealogists and others interested in individuals. The data about individuals can be analyzed in a variety of ways. Saying yes now ensures that such research will be possible after 2098, but to be really useful the returns need to be open on a consistent basis. You can do your bit to ensure that happens.

Professor Bill Waiser, an historian at the University of Saskatchewan, wrote a very informative article in the *Globe and Mail*, Good Friday, 14 April 2006.

Lodgers, Boarders, Roomers 1911 and some earlier

Diane Robnik

The following list is part two, K-Z, of a list compiled with a view to identifying strays in institutional settings, beginning with the 1911 census, newly released. We wanted to place such people into a context such as family, permanence, and neighbourhood. We used the list of hoteliers from the pertinent directories (such as the 1901 list published above) to try to identify hotels. But we were surprised to find that there were many hotels (such as the Hub Hotel) for which we knew nothing. We identified many institutions such as the Peterborough Protestant Home (for which TVA has the archival records) and other institutions whose records are not generally available. We also identified boarding houses, and discovered that hotels were used as near-permanent lodgings for some people. We started to realize that we could learn a great deal about the people of Peterborough and about the housing situation as well. The list remains valuable for identifying people who genealogists often have trouble tracking down: those who do not live in family situations.

The list provides snapshots of three moments in time. We can get a sense of scale: how many people lived in a hotel or hospital at a given moment in time? We can check the accuracy of the snapshot by recourse to other archival sources. Surprises abound. To get a fix on some of the surprises, we sometimes pushed back to 1901 and 1891 censuses. It was not always easy to identify the comparable institution; sometimes they did not exist. However, the pre-1911 census records do not routinely give addresses. Still, we have made a good start at identifying the location of places.

This list is printed in alphabetical order by individuals. The records were hand-written and so we cannot guarantee the accuracy of names. Moreover, census takers often err. There is considerably more information in census returns but we have edited the list for the format of the *Heritage Gazette of the Trent Valley*. The more complete database, which now includes information from as early as 1851, is accessible at the Trent Valley Archives. It In this list the columns are; name, address, institution (with indication of census year), sex, relationships of people within the building, marital status, and current age at the time of the particular census.

One good way to sample the list is to trace the names of hoteliers. For example, Cavanaghs in 1891 ran the hotel that eventually evolved into the Empress; do not show up on our 1901 list, but do show up on the following list, running a boarding house in 1901. Similarly we can learn about the Clancys, Grahams, Hogans and Jacksons. In this installment we have the sisters tied to convents and hospitals listed under S. Sometimes we get interesting information on how, for example, hotels were staffed and run.

Some readers will want to check out the status of orphans and young children. Others can check and see who stays at the Y. It is just a fascinating list. We hope to do something more systematic in the future, but genealogists will find much of interest in this list. Let us know if the list helps you solve a family mystery.

Kane, James	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Bus?	Single	19
Keenan, Mary Ann		1891 Unknown Hotel	F	Wife	Married	34
Keenan, Mary Elizabeth		1891 Unknown Hotel	F	Daughter		8
Keenan, Patrick		1891 Unknown Hotel	M	Head	Married	40
Keenan, Will	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	7
Kell, William	344 Aylmer St.	1911 Cavanagh Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	35
Kelley, Kate		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Domestic	Single	16
Kelly, Frank		1901 Hub Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	28
Kelorne, Larry	Norwood	1911 Jail	M	Prisoner	Married	47
Kemp, Mimmie		1891 Scollie Boarding	F	Domestic		21
Kennedy, Annie	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	18
Kennedy, Charles	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Single	
Kennedy, Charles	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	70
Kennedy, Emma	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	23
Kennedy, Mervin S.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Married	22
Kennedy, Robert	344 Aylmer St.	1911 Cavanagh Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	31
Kennedy, T	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger		
Kent, Margaret		1891 Barnardo	F	Lodger		50
Kewin, Francis	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	5
Kewin, James	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	7
Kidd, Albert	346 Aylmer St.	1911 McDonald Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	22
Kidd, Alexander	346 Aylmer St.	1911 McDonald Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	31
Kidd, Harriot	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	43
Kidd, Minnie	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	33
Killoran, Ann	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		71
Kimberly, Alfred	295 George St.	1911 Grand Hotel	M	Servant	Single	
Kindred, Christina		1901 Kindred Boarding	F	Wife	Married	55
Kindred, Jenny		1901 Kindred Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	16
Kindred, Lillian		1901 Kindred Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	20
Kindred, Lottie		1901 Kindred Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	23
Kindred, Maud		1901 Kindred Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	19
Kindred, Robert		1901 Kindred Boarding	M	Son	Single	22
Kindred, William		1901 Kindred Boarding	M	Head	Married	55
Kindred, William		1901 Kindred Boarding	M	Son	Single	15
King, Rose	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	12
Kitely, William	Inmate	1901 Jail	M	Inmate	Single	52
Knott, Edward		1901 Hub Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	39
Knott, Theresa	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	20
Knowles, Charles	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	M	Lodger	Married	25
Knowles, Mary	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	F	Lodger	Married	23
Knox, John	186-190 Charlotte St.	1891 Snowden House	M	Domestic	Married	47
L, Mildred	293 London St.	1918 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	16
LaBelle, William O.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Single	25
Lackey, Andrew	470 Stewart St.	1911 Protestant Home	M	Inmate	Married	73
Lacombe, Bernard	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	35
Lacombe, Francis		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	M	Lodger		28
LaHeur, Edmere	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	24
LaHeur, Ida	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	19
Lamb, Martin	475 George St.	1911 YMCA	M	Lodger		23
Lane, Emma	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	F	Inmate	Single	80
Langton, Richard		1891 Elliot Boarding	M	Lodger	Widow	63
Lansey, Annie	293 London St.	1922 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	16
Larew, Joseph	181 Simcoe St.	1891 Phelan Hotel	M	Domestic		65
Laroque, Delina	172 Simcoe St.	1911 Oxford Hotel	F	Wife	Married	53
Laroque, John B.	172 Simcoe St.	1911 Oxford Hotel	M	Head	Married	53
Latchford, John	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	M	Inmate	Widow	71
Lauder, Elizabeth	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	10
Lavintree, Louis		1891 Brault Boarding	M	Lodger		48
Law, Gertrude		1891 Barnardo	F	Inmate		8
Lawrence, Robert	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	M	Inmate	Widow	85
Lazour, Rose	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	18
Leahy, Bridget	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Single	12
Leahy, Harry	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Single	23
LeBrun, Henry	444 George St.	1891 Palace Hotel	M	Lodger		44
LeClair, Francis		1891 Brault Boarding	M	Lodger		50
Lee, Edward		1901 Hub Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	28
Lee, Richard	Inmate	1901 Jail	M	Inmate	Widow	82
Lennox, Cortland	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	M	Inmate	Single	13
Leonard, Edward	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Cook	Single	27
Leonard, William W.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Patient	Single	28
Leowden, George		1901 Hub Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	
Levitt, Rose	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	7

Lindsay, Ephrism	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	M	Inmate	Married	80
Little	475 George St.	1911 YMCA	M	Lodger	Married	36
Little, Ada		1901 Protestant Home	F	Inmate	Single	25
Little, Lillie	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	39
Little, Matilda		1901 Morrow Boarding	F	Lodger	Single	31
Livingston, George		1891 Choate Boarding	M	Lodger		35
Lizzie?	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	22
Lockhart, Margaret		1891 Barnardo	F	Inmate		18
Logan, Ellen		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Domestic	Single	43
Londerville, Grace		1901 Protestant Home	F	Matron	Single	22
Londerville, Josie		1901 Protestant Home	F	Matron	Single	25
Londrigan, Mrs.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		75
Loneragan, Mary	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Visitor	Single	18
Long, Candace?	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	F	Sister	Single	11
Long, Fannie	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	F	Sister	Single	19
Long, Frederick	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	M	Brother	Single	16
Long, Georgina	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	F	Sister	Single	13
Long, Margaret	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	F	Mother	Widow	50
Long, Mary		1891 Peterborough Protestant House	F	Lodger	Widow	75
Long, Nellie	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	F	Wife	Married	22
Long, Samuel	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	M	Head	Married	24
Loomis, D.	475 George St.	1911 YMCA	M	Lodger	Single	23
Louths, Colonel	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	33
Louths, Donald	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	5
Louths, Margaret	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Lodger	Married	34
Loveday, Jane		1901 Unknown School	F	Secretary	Single	52
Lowes, Burton		1891 Lowes Boarding	M	Son		12
Lowes, Clara		1891 Lowes Boarding	F	Wife	Married	30
Lowes, Della		1891 Lowes Boarding	F	Daughter		6
Lowes, Joseph		1891 Lowes Boarding	M	Brother	Widow	42
Lowes, Milton		1891 Lowes Boarding	M	Son		14
Lowes, Ruby		1891 Lowes Boarding	F	Daughter		3
Lowes, Samuel		1891 Lowes Boarding	M	Nephew		9
Lowes, Wilbert		1891 Lowes Boarding	M	Son		9
Lowes, William		1891 Lowes Boarding	M	Head	Married	40
Lowry, Samuel W.	Inmate	1901 Jail	M	Inmate	Married	39
Loyne, William	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	48
Lund, Richard		1891 Peterborough Protestant House	M	Lodger	Widow	77
Lund, Richard	123 Hunter St.	1891 Morgan House	M	Domestic		19
Lunderville, Annie		1891 Peterborough Protestant House	F	Domestic		22
Lytle, John	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	M	Inmate	Single	51
M?, Anne		1891 Nicholls Hospital	F			24
Mackenzie, Hugh	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	29
Magill, Robert	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	M	Lodger	Widow	65
Mahan, Alice	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Single	6
Mahan, Johanna	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Single	3
Mahoney, Bridget	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		50
Mahoney, James		1901 Bishop's Palace	M	Groom	Single	33
Mahoney, John	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Married	71
Mahoney, John	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Married	73
Mahoney, Mrs.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		79
Malloch, John	265 Hunter St	1911 Cameron Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	69
Malone, Rose		1891 Peterborough Protestant House	F	Lodger		80
Maloney, Mary		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	22
Man, Robert	617 George St.	1911 Bickell Boarding	M	Boarder	Married	52
Mann, Calvin		1891 Clancy's Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	28
Mann, Martha	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	33
Mann, May		1891 Clancy's Hotel	F	Lodger	11 mon	
Mann, Minnie		1891 Clancy's Hotel	F	Lodger	Married	23
Mann, William	617 George St.	1911 Bickell Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	49
Marino, Angelo						
Martin, Arthur		1891 White Boarding	M	Lodger		27
Martin, Kathleen	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Boarder	Single	25
Mason, Herbert	122 Park St.	1911 Darrah Boarding	M	Boarder	Married	50
Mason, Herbert Jr.	122 Park St.	1911 Darrah Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	22
Masters, Ora	186 George St.	1911 Foster Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	23
Masterson, Peter		1901 Bont Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	23
Matthews, Harriett		1891 Barnardo	F	Inmate		15

Maxwell, George		1901 Bishop's Palace	M	Boarder	Single	22
Mc, John	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	22
McBride, Mary	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		72
McCabe, John	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	18
McCabe, Margaret	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Servant	Single	50
McCabe, Margaret	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		71
McCall, Charles	181 Simcoe St.	1891 Phelan Hotel	M	Domestic		40
McCalla, Mary D.	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Supervisor	Single	30
McCarthy, Mary	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Married	71
McCarthy, Mary	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		60
McCarthy, Michael	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Single	
McCashen, Margaret	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Training	Single	21
McClennan, Fred B.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Porter	Single	20
McColl, John	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	21
McCormick, Agnes	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	13
McCowan, Sarah A.	123 Hunter St.	1911 Morgan House	F	Sister-in-law	Single	51
McDermid, Alex	186 George St.	1911 Foster Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	21
McDonald, Edward	190 Charlotte St.	1911 Snowden House	M	Domestic	Single	54
McDonald, Florence	346 Aylmer St.	1911 McDonald Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	30
McDonald, Kate	346 Aylmer St.	1911 McDonald Boarding	F	Head	Widow	60
McDonnell, Mary		1891 Unknown Hotel	F	Mother-in-law	Widow	43
McDonough, John		1901 Torley Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	27
McDonough, Miles	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Bar Tender	Single	20
McDuffe, H	475 George St.	1911 YMCA	M	Lodger	Married	31
McGill, Della	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	26
McGill, James A.		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	M	Lodger		27
McGirr, Francis	Peterborough	1911 Jail	M	Vagrant	Single	70
McGolrick, Jane		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	F	Lodger	Widow	32
McGrath, Irene	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Single	4
McGrath, Mary	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Single	7
McGrath, Teresa	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		71
McGreggor, May	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Assistant Supervisor	Single	27
McGregor, Andrew		1891 Sloan Boarding	M	Lodger		17
McGregor, Donald	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	M	Inmate	Single	9
McGregor, Douglas	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	M	Inmate	Single	8
McGregor, Jorgan	293 London St.	1916 St. Vincent's	M	Inmate	Single	7
McGregor, Margaret	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	11
McGregor, Wilma	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	4
McGuire, C.	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	6
McGuire, Mrs.	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Training	Single	22
McIntyre, Alexander W.	444 George St.	1891 Palace Hotel	M	Nephew		1
McIntyre, Catherine		1891 Unknown Hotel	F	Domestic		74
McIntyre, Egbert	444 George St.	1891 Palace Hotel	M	Nephew		4
McIntyre, James	444 George St.	1891 Palace Hotel	M	Head	Married	37
McIntyre, John		1902 Whyte Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	34
McIntyre, John	Montreal	1911 Jail	M	Prisoner	Single	57
McIntyre, Mary Eliza	444 George St.	1891 Palace Hotel	F	Wife	Married	36
McKay, Mary	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Servant	Single	21
McKeely, Ernest	346 Aylmer St.	1911 McDonald Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	20
McKenna, Mrs.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		84
McKenzie, Hugh	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Married	
McKenzie, Joseph	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	12
McMahon, Johanna	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Married	36
McMahon, Mrs.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Patient	Widow	35
Matthew						
McMillian, Mrs.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		48
McMullen, Edward	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Stable Boy	Single	46
McNamara, Dan		1891 Unknown Hotel	M	Domestic	Widow	45
McNaughton, Thomas		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	M	Lodger		70
McPherson, Mary		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Domestic	Single	20
McWilliams, Mary	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	30
Meacher, Fanny	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	14
Medge, Mary	181 Simcoe St.	1901 Phelan Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	22
Mein, William		1901 Hub Hotel	M	Bar Tender	Single	26
Melville, Henritta		1891 White Boarding	F	Niece		23
Menosa, Joseph						
Merda, Thomas		1891 Elliot Boarding	M	Lodger		18
Metcalfe, John		1891 Scollie Boarding	M	Lodger	Married	50
Michand, Mary	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Single	5
Middleton, Maggie	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	24
Milbourn, Ellen	144 Brock St.	1911 Little Windsor	F	Mother-in-law	Widow	64
Miller, Clara	186 George St.	1911 Foster Boarding	F	Boarder	Married	19

Miller, Jennie		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	28
Miller, Thomas	186 George St.	1911 Foster Boarding	M	Boarder	Married	25
Milliard, Ethel	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	14
Milliken, Maggie	123 Hunter St.	1891 Morgan House	F	Domestic		20
Milliney, Cecil		1901 Hub Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	36
Mitchell, William		1891 Richardson Boarding	M	Lodger		21
Moher, Daniel	45 Hunter St. East	1911 Albion Hotel	M	Boarder	Single	42
Moloney, Mrs. John	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Patient	Single	70
Moloy, Mary	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		44
Montgomery, Ettie		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	F	Lodger	Married	37
Montgomery, Eva		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	F	Lodger		3
Montgomery, James		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	M	Lodger		1
Montgomery, John		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	50
Montgomery, Luella	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	29
Montgomery, Thomas		1891 Scollie Boarding	M	Lodger		35
Montgomery, William		1891 Unknown Hotel	M	Lodger		49
Moon, Allen	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Head	Married	51
Moon, Delia A.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	F	Wife	Married	45
Moon, Lilian W.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	F	Daughter	Single	19
Moon, Lyman F.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	F	Son	Single	23
Moon, Margaret G.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	F	Daughter	Single	13
Moore, Catheline	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Lodger	Single	6
Moore, George	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Labourer	Single	25
Moore, George	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	40
Moore, Lillian	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Lodger	Married	31
Moore, Thomas	284 Aylmer St.	1911 Montreal House	M	Boarder	Single	60
Moore, William	122 Park St.	1911 Darrah Boarding	M	Boarder	Married	65
Moore, Winnifred	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Lodger	Single	8
Mor?, Rose		1891 Barnardo	F	Domestic		17
Moranda, Charles		1893 Brault Boarding	M	Lodger		70
Moretto, Rocque						
Morgan, Alfred P.	123 Hunter St.	1891 Morgan House	M	Head	Married	43
Morgan, Arthur	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	55
Morgan, Eliza	123 Hunter St.	1891 Morgan House	F	Wife	Married	40
Morgan, Harry	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	M	Domestic	Single	20
Morgan, Henry P.	123 Hunter St.	1891 Morgan House	M	Son		9
Morgan, Lottie	123 Hunter St.	1891 Morgan House	F	Daughter		17
Morgan, Phyllis	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	13
Morley, Matilda	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	26
Morley, Miss B.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Patient	Single	27
Morris, Eliza	144 Brock St.	1911 Little Windsor	F	Domestic	Single	55
Morrison, J.C	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Married	30
Morrison, James H.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Married	39
Morrison, Muriel	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	24
Morrison, Robert		1901 Bont Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	22
Morrow, Maria		1901 Kindred Boarding	F	Servant	Single	55
Morrow, Maria	470 Stewart St.	1911 Protestant Home	F	Inmate	Single	65
Morrow, Mary E.		1901 Morrow Boarding	F	Head	Widow	66
Morse, Charles	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Single	21
Mossett, Kate	190 Charlotte St.	1911 Snowden House	F	Domestic	Single	52
Mother Placidia	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Head	Single	40
Mother Theodocia	Convent	1911 Convent	F	Head	Single	45
Mowat, James	617 George St.	1911 Bickell Boarding	M	Boarder	Married	32
Mowry, Thomas	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Single	
Mrs. White	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	F	Inmate	Widow	72
Muller, Fred A.	346 Aylmer St.	1911 McDonald Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	19
Mullholland, Edward	386 Stewart St.	1911 Stuart Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	20
Mulligan		1901 Bishop's Palace	M	Boarder	Single	18
Mullin, William	Guelph	1911 Jail	M	Prisoner	Single	42
Munock, Margaret	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	29
Munro, Harold	123 Hunter St.	1911 Morgan House	M	Son	Single	19
Munro, Irene	123 Hunter St.	1911 Morgan House	F	Daughter	Single	21
Munro, James		1891 Unknown Hotel	M	Lodger		30
Munro, Robert J.	123 Hunter St.	1911 Morgan House	M	Head	Widow	51
Munt, Francis		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	26
Murphy, D.A	563 George St.	1911 Campbell Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	25
Murphy, Jennie	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	11
Murphy, John	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	M	Inmate	Single	8
Murphy, Mary	293 London St.	1921 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	6
Myers, Frank	617 George St.	1911 Bickell Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	18
Needle, Florence	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	13
Nelson, Joseph		1891 Hub Hotel	M	Lodger		24
Nesbitt, Henderson	Jailer	1911 Jail	M	Head	Widow	68
Newall, Sarah	186-190 Charlotte St.	1891 Snowden House	F	Domestic		28

Newel, Maggie	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	28
Newell, Samuel	Dummer	1911 Jail	M	Prisoner	Single	37
Newton, Lillian	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	15
Newton, Sarah	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	F	Inmate	Widow	75
Nichols, E.	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	M	Inmate	Widow	86
Nichols, Ellen		1891 Unknown Hotel	F	Domestic		
Nichols, William	Inmate	1901 Jail	M	Inmate	Married	25
Nixon, Austin	295 George St.	1911 Grand Hotel	M	Son	Single	9
Nixon, Charles	295 George St.	1911 Grand Hotel	M	Head	Married	34
Nixon, Charles	295 George St.	1911 Grand Hotel	M	Son	Single	3
Nixon, Clifton	295 George St.	1911 Grand Hotel	M	Son	Single	11
Nixon, Mabel	295 George St.	1911 Grand Hotel	F	Daughter	Single	9 mon
Nixon, Mary	295 George St.	1911 Grand Hotel	F	Wife	Married	34
Noble, Aisie G.		1901 Noble Boarding	F	Head	Married	45
Noble, Emily J.		1901 Noble Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	19
Noble, Irene		1901 Morrow Boarding	F	Lodger	Single	
Noble, Jane		1901 Noble Boarding	F	Wife	Married	43
Noble, Lillian E.		1901 Noble Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	6
Noble, M	467 Water St.	1911 Water Street Rooming	F	Lodger	Single	38
Nolan, Ellen		1891 Unknown Hotel	F	Sister-in-law		22
Nurse, Arthur	617 George St.	1911 Bickell Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	26
O'Beress, John J.		1901 Torley Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	20
O'Brien William	293 London St.	1917 St. Vincent's	M	Inmate	Single	10
O'Brien, Daniel	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	M	Inmate	Single	11
O'Brien, Ella	293 London St.	1923 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	7
O'Brien, Julia	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	8
O'Brien, Katie	181 Simcoe St.	1901 Phelan Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	19
O'Brien, Maggie	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	12
O'Brien, Mary	Peterborough	1911 Jail	F	Insane	Single	82
O'Brien, Mary	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	9
O'Brien, Michael		1901 Bishop's Palace	M	Curate	Single	29
O'Brien, William		1891 Clancy's Hotel	M	Lodger		42
O'Brien, William	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Patient	Married	68
O'Connell, Daniel	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	?	Single	66
O'Connor, Frank	172 Simcoe St.	1911 Oxford Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	26
O'Connor, Rct. D.		1901 Bishop's Palace	M	Head	Single	63
O'Donnell, Margaret	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		44
O'Donnell, Martha	172 Simcoe St.	1911 Oxford Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	48
O'Dowd, Mary	219 Hunter St.	1891 Carew House	F	Aunt	Widow	52
O'H, Catharine	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		54
O'Hara, Kate	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	30
Oldham, Helen		1901 Protestant Home	F	Inmate	Single	
Oldham, Jenny		1901 Protestant Home	F	Inmate	Single	20
O'Leary, Teresa	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		32
Oliver, Mary		1901 Hub Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	45
O'Neill, David	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Servant	Single	56
Opler, Margaret	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	27
O'Shea, Francis	440 George St.	1891 Commercial House	M	Son		4
Clement						months
O'Shea, James	217 Hunter St.	1911 Palace Hotel	M	Wine Clerk	Single	22
O'Shea, James H	440 George St.	1891 Commercial House	M	Head	Married	30
O'Shea, James Vernon	440 George St.	1891 Commercial House	M	Son		2
O'Shea, John		1891 Elliot Boarding	M	Lodger	Widow	61
O'Shea, Margaret	440 George St.	1891 Commercial House	F	Wife	Married	30
O'Shea, Mary Monica	440 George St.	1891 Commercial House	F	Daughter		4
O'Shea, Michael	440 George St.	1891 Commercial House	M	Son		9
O'Sullivan, Joseph		1901 Bishop's Palace	M	Curate	Single	30
Overend, Arthur A.	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	M	Son		5
						months
Overend, Catherine	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	F	Daughter		9
Overend, Henry H.	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	M	Son		11
Overend, John	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	M	Nephew		2
Overend, Kenneth	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	M	Sister		5
Overend, Lucy A.	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	F	Daughter		7
Overend, Maria	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	F	Sister-in-law	Married	35
Overend, Mary	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	F	Niece		10
Overend, Mary E.	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	F	Daughter		3
Overend, Mary M.	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	F	Daughter		13
Overend, Thomas	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	M	Brother		37
Overend, William	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	M	Head	Married	40
Owens, Leslie		1891 Richardson Boarding	F	Lodger		12
Owens, Percy		1891 Richardson Boarding	M	Lodger		14
Owens, Thomas	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Single	
Owens, William	Toronto	1911 Jail	M	Prisoner	Single	46

Owens, William W.		1891 Richardson Boarding	M	Lodger	Widow	40
Paquette, Alfred	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	53
Paquette, Arthur C.L.	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	22
Paquette, Emily J.	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Lodger	Married	60
Par?, John	386 Stewart St.	1911 Stuart Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	19
Parker, Albert	186 George St.	1911 Foster Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	65
Parks, Frederick		1891 Cunningham Boarding	M	Lodger		25
Parnott, Joseph	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	37
Parr, Nellie	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	20
Patrick, Mary	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	72
Patterson, Archie		1901 Hub Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	25
Payne, Eliza A.	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	F	Inmate	Single	40
Pearce, Adelaide		1891 Barnardo	F	Lodger		25
Pearce, Adelaide		1901 Unknown School	F	Teacher	Single	33
Pearson, Kathleen	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	F	Inmate	Single	
Pearson, Lena	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	F	Inmate	Single	27
Pelline, Rose	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Single	17
Pendlebury, Arthur	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	21
Peoples, Herbert	346 Aylmer St.	1911 McDonald Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	26
Perkins, Lena	186-190 Charlotte St.	1891 Snowden House	F	Domestic		29
Perrin, Mrs.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		80
Peters, Emmanuel	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	44
Peters, Richard A.	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	35
Phelan, Edward	181 Simcoe St.	1891 Phelan Hotel	M	Head	Married	55
Phelan, Edward	181 Simcoe St.	1901 Phelan Hotel	M	Head	Married	68
Phelan, Joseph	181 Simcoe St.	1891 Phelan Hotel	M	Son		20
Phelan, Mary	181 Simcoe St.	1901 Phelan Hotel	F	Wife	Married	65
Phelan, Mary	181 Simcoe St.	1891 Phelan Hotel	F	Wife	Married	50
Phelan, Walter	181 Simcoe St.	1891 Phelan Hotel	M	Son		16
Plain, Stanley	266 Hunter St.	1911 Cameron Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	21
Pollard, Albert	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	37
Porter, Ernest	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	20
Posette, Edward M.	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	33
Posette, Mary F.R	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Lodger	Single	27
Posette, Sarah	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Lodger	Widow	63
Potter, Jenny		1891 Barnardo	F	Inmate		16
Power, John	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	53
Price, Richard		1901 Bont Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	30
Price, Thomas	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	22
Primeau, Mrs.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		85
Pritchard, Margaret	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Married	68
Prunegar, Luisa	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	16
Puffer, Clara	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	27
Pyke, Ann	402 Water St.	1911 Crown Hotel	F	Cousin	Married	53
Quigby, Mary	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Patient	Widow	64
Quigley, John	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Married	100
Quigly, Durance	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	M	Inmate	Single	7
Quigly, Edna	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	10
Rae, Allen W.	Son	1911 Jail	M	Son	Single	20
Rae, Ethel	Daughter	1911 Jail	F	Daughter	Single	21
Rae, Hannah	Daughter	1911 Jail	F	Wife	Married	58
Rae, Mable	Daughter	1911 Jail	F	Daughter	Single	22
Rae, Robert	Turn Key Residence	1911 Jail	M	Head	Married	55
Ralph, Annie		1891 Peterborough Protestant House	F	Domestic		20
Ralupton, Edith	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	14
Ranger, Emelia	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	26
Rathburn, Arthur	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	26
Rau, Ernest	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	50
Rawling, Fred	Peterborough	1911 Jail	M	Vagrant	Single	72
Ray, Fred	186 George St.	1911 Foster Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	28
Ray, Robert		1901 Noble Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	27
Redfern, Miles	186 George St.	1911 Foster Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	24
Redman, William		1901 Torley Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	38
Redmond, Robert		1901 Protestant Home	M	Inmate	Widow	68
Redmond, William	172 Simcoe St.	1911 Oxford Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	48
Reed, Florence	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Supervisor	Married	50
Reed, Mary J.		1891 Hub Hotel	F	Domestic		24
Reevis, Sarah	267 Hunter St.	1911 Cameron Boarding	F	Domestic	Single	42
Reid, Alexander	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	M	Head	Married	42
Reid, Alice M.	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	F	Daughter	Single	13
Reid, Etta	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Waitress	Single	22
Reid, Gertrude	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	30
Reid, Grace		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	22

Reid, John J.		1901 Bont Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	25
Reid, Kate E.	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	F	Wife	Married	31
Reid, Lona	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	F	Daughter	Single	7
Reid, Mary C.	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	F	Daughter	Single	9
Reid, Russell	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	M	Son	Single	4
Reid, Thomas	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	27
Renwick, James	Inmate	1901 Jail	M	Inmate	Married	67
Reynolds, Francis		1891 Scollie Boarding	M	Lodger		25
Reynolds, May	470 Stewart St.	1911 Protestant Home	F	Inmate	Widow	98
Rice, Lizzie	293 London St.	1924 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	11
Rich, Horace	186 George St.	1911 Foster Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	39
Richard, George		1891 Brault Boarding	M	Lodger		28
Richardson, Julia	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	22
Richardson, Julia		1901 Unknown School	F	Kitchen Maid	Single	22
Richardson, Margaret		1891 Richardson Boarding	F	Head		45
Richardson, Mary	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	38
Rilson, John	183 Charlotte St.	1911 White House	M	Boarder	Married	40
Rivard, Joseph		1901 Hub Hotel	M	Lodger	Widow	37
Robbins, Edward	Smith	1911 Jail	M	Insane	Single	36
Robert?	Inmate	1901 Jail	M	Inmate	Single	76
Roberts, Frederick	45 Hunter St. East	1911 Albion Hotel	M	Boarder	Married	28
Roberts, Mary	45 Hunter St. East	1911 Albion Hotel	F	Boarder	Married	30
Roberts, Penny	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	23
Robertson, Joseph	344 Aylmer St.	1911 Cavanagh Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	23
Robertson, William	344 Aylmer St.	1911 Cavanagh Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	38
Robertson, William	344 Aylmer St.	1901 Cavanagh Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	30
Robinson, George	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	M	Inmate	Single	74
Robinson, Margaret		1891 Nicholls Hospital	F	Domestic		28
Robinson, Tom	284 Aylmer St.	1911 Montreal House	M	Boarder	Single	24
Robison, John		1901 Hub Hotel	M	Lodger	Widow	65
Roper, John H.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Married	67
Roseboro, George	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	M	Janitor	Single	43
Rosemond, Eileen	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	25
Ross, Hugh		1901 Protestant Home	M	Inmate	Single	72
Ross, Robert	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	29
Rouse, Thomas	122 Park St.	1911 Darrah Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	26
Rowan, Jennie	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	36
Rowland, Annie	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Domestic	Single	28
Rowland, Henry		1891 Unknown Hotel	M	Domestic		25
Rumings, David		1891 Choate Boarding	M	Lodger		25
Rutherford, Alexander		1901 Kindred Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	48
Rutherford, Harry	123 Hunter St.	1911 Morgan House	M	Lodger	Single	35
Ryan, John	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Married	
Ryan, Mrs. J.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		83
Saint, Emma		1891 Barnardo	F	Inmate		17
Samell, James	217 Hunter St.	1911 Palace Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	35
Samette, Fritz	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	28
Sanderson, Florence	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	18
Sandpiller, Catherine		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	F	Domestic		19
Savery, Gilbert	217 Hunter St.	1911 Palace Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	35
Scanfield, Mary	217 Hunter St.	1911 Palace Hotel	F	Lodger	Single	22
Schleuter, Max	183 Charlotte St.	1911 White House	M	Boarder	Single	33
Schofield, G.A		1891 YMCA	M	Lodger		25
Scobell, James	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	26
Scollard, William	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Patient	Married	43
Scollie, Sarah		1891 Scollie Boarding	F	Wife	Married	50
Scollie, William		1891 Scollie Boarding	M	Head	Married	50
Scott, A.E		1891 YMCA	M	Lodger		30
Scribber, Lizzie	123 Hunter St.	1911 Morgan House	F	Domestic	Married	36
Scrimshaw, James		1891 Lowes Boarding	M	Lodger		40
Seabrooke, Charlotte	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	15
Seal, Ellen	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	9
Searle, Arthur	123 Hunter St.	1911 Morgan House	M	Lodger	Single	23
Sewenor, Ellen	172 Simcoe St.	1911 Oxford Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	24
Seymone, Oliver		1891 Brault Boarding	M	Lodger		30
Sharpe, Alexander	Inmate	1901 Jail	M	Inmate	Married	51
Shearer, James	Peterborough	1911 Jail	M	Prisoner	Single	17
Sheehan, John	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Single	
Shelton, Richard		1891 Richardson Boarding	M	Lodger		24
Sherman, Harold	122 Park St.	1911 Darrah Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	22
Sherwood, Ethel		1901 Protestant Home	F	Inmate	Single	4
Sherwood, Hattie	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Lodger	Married	33
Sherwood, Hattie	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	F	Boarder	Married	44

Sherwood, William	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	41
Sherwood, William	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	M	Boarder	Married	50
Shirley, Earnest	386 Stewart St.	1912 Stuart Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	27
Shirlow?	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Waitress	Single	25
Short, David	284 Aylmer St.	1911 Montreal House	M	Boarder	Single	24
Sills? Jean	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	40
Siminsaw, ?		1891 Brault Boarding	M	Lodger		27
Simonds, Nettie		1901 Morrow Boarding	F	Lodger	Single	27
Simons, Edith	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	20
Simpson, Elizabeth		1901 Unknown School	F	Kitchen Maid	Single	24
Simpson, Gertrude	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	14
Sinclair, Fred	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	M	Domestic	Single	18
Siste Agatha	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	32
Sister Alberto	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	22
Sister Alexandra	Convent	1911 Convent	F	Lodger	Single	21
Sister Amuctah Heart	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	40
Sister Angela	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	32
Sister Angelica	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	28
Sister Anslom	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Sister	Single	27
Sister Antoinette	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	38
Sister Ardenius	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	24
Sister Aurelia	Convent	1911 Convent	F	Lodger	Single	48
Sister Aurilia	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	45
Sister Barbara	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Sister	Single	21
Sister Benedict	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	28
Sister Bernadine	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	34
Sister Besonica	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	27
Sister Bladina	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	22
Sister Clement	Convent	1911 Convent	F	Lodger	Single	24
Sister Cleophas	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	29
Sister Constance	Convent	1911 Convent	F	Lodger	Single	25
Sister Cosmere	293 London St.	1912 St. Vincent's	F	Sister	Single	22
Sister Domica		1901 Convent	F	Convent Sister	Single	51
Sister Elizabeth	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	26
Sister Elzear	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	35
Sister Evelina		1901 Convent	F	Convent Sister	Single	29
Sister Filatio		1901 Convent	F	Convent Sister	Single	37
Sister Gen?	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	27
Sister Helen of the Cross	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	39
Sister Hillary	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	38
Sister Incarnation	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	49
Sister Jane Francis	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	25
Sister Josephine	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	35
Sister Leonada		1901 Convent	F	Convent Sister	Single	29
Sister M. Antionette	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	26
Sister M. Cloteled	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Superior	Single	46
Sister M. Genevive	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	22
Sister Magdelene	Convent	1911 Convent	F	Lodger	Single	40
Sister Mary Joseph	Convent	1911 Convent	F	Lodger	Single	30
Sister Mary Rose	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	18
Sister Mercedes	Convent	1911 Convent	F	Lodger	Single	20
Sister N. Aloysian	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	28
Sister Patricia	Convent	1911 Convent	F	Lodger	Single	35
Sister Perpetina	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	37
Sister Petronella	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	20
Sister Rosaline		1901 Convent	F	Convent Sister	Single	46
Sister St. Edward	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Superior	Single	43
Sister St. Gerald	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Sister	Single	35
Sister St. James		1901 Convent	F	Convent Sister	Single	43
Sister St. John		1901 Convent	F	Convent Sister	Single	44
Sister St. Joseph	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Sister	Single	33
Sister Teresa	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F		Single	40
Skinner, Kate	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	18
Sloan, Emma		1891 Sloan Boarding	F	Wife	Married	31
Sloan, Frank		1891 Sloan Boarding	M	Son		7
Sloan, Richard		1891 Sloan Boarding	M	Uncle		40
Sloan, Walter		1891 Sloan Boarding	M	Son		5
Sloan, William		1891 Sloan Boarding	M	Son		1
Sloan, William		1891 Sloan Boarding	M	Head	Married	32
Small, Samuel	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	M	Inmate	Single	82
Smith, Elizabeth	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	28
Smith, Elizabeth		1891 Barnardo	F	Inmate		13

Smith, Gwendolyne	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	17
Smith, Jacob		1891 Unknown Hotel	M	Lodger		67
Smith, Jacob		1901 Protestant Home	M	Inmate	Widow	80
Smith, Jane	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	10
Smith, Jean C.	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	29
Smith, John	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	M	Cousin	Single	37
Smith, Joseph H.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Bus Driver	Single	16
Smith, Mossom		1891 Nicholls Hospital	M	Domestic		21
Smith, Olga	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	11
Smith, Pricilla	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	9
Smith, Sarah	Inmate	1901 Jail	F	Inmate	Married	45
Snowden, Alfred	191 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	M	Son	Single	21
Snowden, Annie	186-190 Charlotte St.	1891 Snowden House	F	Daughter		22
Snowden, Harold	186-190 Charlotte St.	1891 Snowden House	M	Son		12
Snowden, Herbert	186-190 Charlotte St.	1891 Snowden House	M	Son		19
Snowden, Herbert	191 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	M	Son	Single	29
Snowden, Jane	190 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	F	Wife	Married	68
Snowden, Jane W.	186-190 Charlotte St.	1891 Snowden House	F	Wife	Married	54
Snowden, Walter D.	192 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	M	Son	Single	29
Snowden, William	190 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	M	Head	Married	68
Snowden, William	186-190 Charlotte St.	1891 Snowden House	M	Head	Married	58
Sommerville, Frederick	386 Stewart St.	1911 Stuart Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	28
Spellman, James	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Single	33
Spencer, A.W		1901 Armstrong Boarding	M	Lodger	Married	34
Spencer, Gertrude		1901 Armstrong Boarding	F	Lodger	Married	30
Spencer, Jessie		1901 Armstrong Boarding	F	Lodger	Single	6
Spilsbury, Edward	197 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	M	Lodger	Married	44
St. Michael (Mother)	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Mother Superior	Single	45
Stanford, Joseph		1891 Richardson Boarding	M	Lodger	Widow	50
Stanford, Nora		1891 Richardson Boarding	F	Lodger		20
Stanger, Edna		1891 YMCA	F	Daughter		10
Stanger, Elizabeth		1891 YMCA	F	Wife	Married	34
Stanger, Estella		1891 YMCA	F	Daughter		7
Stanger, Hazel		1891 YMCA	F	Daughter		2
Stanger, John		1891 YMCA	M	Head	Married	37
Stanley, George	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Patient	Married	33
Staple, John		1891 Peterborough Protestant House	M	Lodger	Widow	90
Staples, Lillian		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	27
Stashick, Martha	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		25
Stevenson, Adelaide	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	F	Boarder	Married	28
Stevenson, Adelaide E.	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	F	Boarder	Single	5
Stevenson, G.B	467 Water St.	1911 Water Street Rooming	M	Lodger	Single	41
Stevenson, Marjorie	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	F	Boarder	Single	4
Stevenson, Rufus	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Married	35
Stevenson, William J.S	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Single	2
Stewart, Florence	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	5
Stewart, Henry	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	M	Head	Married	55
Stewart, Jane W.	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	F	Wife	Married	45
Stewart, Mary	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	14
Stewart, William D.	69 Hunter St.	1911 Stewart Boarding	M	Son	Single	16
Strames, Charles	172 Simcoe St.	1911 Oxford Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	28
Stribble, John		1891 Unknown Hotel	M	Domestic	Widow	65
Stuart, Alice M.	386 Stewart St.	1911 Stuart Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	33
Stuart, Margaret	386 Stewart St.	1911 Stuart Boarding	F	Head	Widow	72
Stuart, Margaret M.	386 Stewart St.	1911 Stuart Boarding	F	Daughter	Single	29
Succee, E.	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Laundress	Single	23
Sullivan, ?	563 George St.	1911 Campbell Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	30
Sullivan, Albert	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Patient	Married	11
Sullivan, Daniel	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Married	
Sullivan, David	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	74
Sullivan, Ellen	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		46
Sullivan, Ida		1901 Torley Boarding	F	Domestic	Single	15
Sullivan, John	189 Hunter St.	1911 American Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	38
Sullivan, John	187 Hunter St.	1891 Peterborough House	M	Father	Widow	62
Sullivan, Julia	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Married	77
Sullivan, Mary Ann	187 Hunter St.	1891 Peterborough House	F	Sister-in-law		27
Sullivan, Patrick	45 Hunter St. East	1911 Albion Hotel	M	Domestic	Single	70
Summers, Charles		1901 Noble Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	39
Summerville, L.H.W		1901 Bont Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	23
Sutcliffe	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	20
Sutcliffe, James M.	196 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	M	Lodger	Single	30
Sutherland, Annie		1891 Scollie Boarding	F	Domestic		24
Sutton, Albert		1891 Unknown Hotel	M	Grandson		2

Sutton, Albert H.		1891 Unknown Hotel	M	Head	Married	26
Sutton, Caroline		1891 Nicholls Hospital	F	Domestic		23
Sutton, Louisa	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	10
Sutton, Melina		1891 Unknown Hotel	F	Wife	Married	28
Sweeney, Aggie	181 Simcoe St.	1901 Phelan Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	25
Sweeney, Agnes	190 Charlotte St.	1911 Snowden House	F	Domestic	Single	29
Sweeney, Michael	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Married	
Sydlow, Ella	193 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	F	Domestic	Married	23
Sydlow, Richard	192 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	M	Clerk	Married	28
Taberville, Heather	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	17
Taylor, Eliza	444 George St.	1891 Palace Hotel	F			30
Taylor, Mary	194 Charlotte St.	1901 Snowden House	F	Domestic	Single	20
Taylor, W	475 George St.	1911 YMCA	M	Lodger	Single	22
Telford, Allie	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	
Telford, James	444 George St.	1891 Palace Hotel	M	Domestic		32
Thompson, Carrie		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Domestic	Single	15
Thompson, Ester	470 Stewart St.	1911 Protestant Home	F	Inmate	Widow	67
Thorpe, Mary	45 Hunter St. East	1911 Albion Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	24
Tighe, Martha J.		1901 Morrow Boarding	F	Lodger	Single	36
Titford, Ida	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	20
Todd, John		1901 Bont Boarding	M	Lodger	Married	21
Todd, Lewis H.		1901 Bont Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	
Todd, Mary A		1901 Bont Boarding	F	Lodger	Married	19
Torley, Lizzie		1901 Torley Boarding	F	Wife	Married	36
Torley, Michael C.		1901 Torley Boarding	M	Head	Married	36
Toshar, Patrick	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Laundry	Single	44
Tracey, John	219 Hunter St.	1891 Carew House	M	Lodger		20
Trambley, Mrs.	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		81
Trennum, Thomas		1891 Cavanagh Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	31
Trente, Ellen	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	13
Trew, James	470 Stewart St.	1911 Protestant Home	M	Inmate	Married	63
Trotter, Ada		1901 Hub Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	19
Trotter, Jemima		1891 Peterborough Protestant House	F	Lodger	Widow	83
Trotter, Wilbert		1901 Kindred Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	23
Trussler, Alfred		1901 Kindred Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	29
Turner, Elizabeth	Jail Worker	1911 Jail	F	House Keeper	Single	52
Twomey, Joseph	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	24
Vallina, Clara	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	12
Vanatto, Vera	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Patient	Single	2
VanderWater, Fred	Charlotte St.	1901 National Hotel	M	Boarder	Single	26
Vasciano, Nicol	Peterborough	1911 Jail	M	Prisoner	Married	32
Vernon, Margaret	Aunt	1901 Jail	F	Aunt	Widow	78
Vickers, William		1891 Nicholls Hospital	M	Domestic		24
Vigneuse, Alphonse	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Care Taker	Single	48
Vincent, Elizabeth		1891 Barnardo	F	Inmate		17
Vinette, Louise	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	22
Virgo, Kate	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	31
Vout, Annie	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	25
Vout, Lillie	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	26
Walder, Jennie	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Waitress	Single	23
Waldron, Charles		1901 Torley Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	19
Walker, Fred	123 Hunter St.	1911 Morgan House	M	Lodger	Single	50
Wallace, Andrew		1891 Sloan Boarding	M	Lodger		23
Wallace, Lily	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	35
Waller, Catheline	169-171 Hunter St.	1901 Oriental Hotel	F	Lodger	Single	6
Wallis, Samuel		1891 Clancy's Hotel	M	Lodger		29
Walsh, Arthur	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer		63
Walsh, Electa	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	33
Walsh, Mrs T.A	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Patient	Married	32
Walt, Edith		1891 Elliot Boarding	F	Lodger		17
Walton, Bessie	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Boarder	Single	61
Warde, Mrs. James	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Patient	Married	36
Warren, Ellen	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	15
Waters, Harry	Peterborough	1911 Jail	M	Prisoner	Single	50
Watt, Mary		1901 Morrow Boarding	F	Lodger	Single	41
Watts, Mary	751 George St.	Margaret Cox Home	F	Inmate	Single	15
Webb, Perceival	201 Hunter Street	1911 Royal Oak Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	38
Webster, Effie	470 Stewart St.	1911 Protestant Home	F	Sister	Single	17
Webster, Nellie	470 Stewart St.	1911 Protestant Home	F	Head	Single	30
Webster, William	Inmate	1901 Jail	M	Inmate	Single	21
Welding, George	470 Stewart St.	1911 Protestant Home	M	Inmate	Married	91
Welsh, Mick	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	M	Inmate	Single	62
West, Jocie	295 George St.	1911 Grand Hotel	F	Servant	Married	
Weston, Or	217 Hunter St.	1911 Palace Hotel	M	Lodger	Single	25

Whalen, Matthew	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Roomer	Married	
Whaley, Catherine	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Patient	Widow	46
Whibbs, Annie	364 Rogers St.	1901 House of Providence	F	Inmate	Married	68
Whitcher, Albert E.		1901 Torley Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	23
White, Augustus	183 Charlotte St.	1911 White House	M	Head	Married	41
White, Ellen	183 Charlotte St.	1911 White House	F	Wife	Married	30
White, Florence		1891 White Boarding	F	Daughter		26
White, Gordon		1891 White Boarding	M	Son		12
White, Hariet		1891 White Boarding	F	Daughter		20
White, Harriet C		1891 White Boarding	F	Head	Widow	52
White, Jane	183 Charlotte St.	1911 White House	F	Daughter	Single	2
White, Patrick	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	M	Inmate	Single	68
White, Robert	183 Charlotte St.	1911 White House	M	Son	Single	4
White, Rose	364 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	F	Roomer		26
White, Samuel		1891 White Boarding	M	Son		16
Whitehair, William		1891 Peterborough Protestant House	M	Lodger	Widow	64
Whitney, Sandy	344 Aylmer St.	1911 Cavanagh Boarding	M	Lodger	Single	34
Whyte, Isabella		1901 Whyte Boarding	F	Wife	Married	69
Whyte, James		1901 Whyte Boarding	M	Head	Married	66
Wild, John		1891 Clancy's Hotel	M	Lodger		23
Wilding, George		1901 Protestant Home	M	Inmate	Widow	80
Wilken, Thomas	284 Aylmer St.	1911 Montreal House	M	Boarder	Single	49
Wilkes, Alfred J.	122 Park St.	1911 Darrah Boarding	M	Boarder	Married	24
Wilkes, Edwin A.	122 Park St.	1911 Darrah Boarding	M	Boarder	Single	2
Wilkes, Rosie	122 Park St.	1911 Darrah Boarding	F	Boarder	Married	22
Wilkeson, Annie	123 Hunter St.	1891 Morgan House	F	Domestic	Widow	31
Wilkinson, Edith		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	23
Williams, Alice	230 Simcoe St.	1911 YWCA	F	Lodger	Single	34
Williams, Henry	Inmate	1901 Jail	M	Inmate	Single	60
Williamson, Emma	123 Hunter St.	1911 Morgan House	F	Domestic	Single	26
Wilmot, Margaret A.		1901 Nicholls Hospital	F	Assistant	Single	21
Wilson, Elsie	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	24
Wilson, Eva	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	12
Wilson, Florence	169-171 Hunter St.	1911 Oriental Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	26
Wilson, G.	475 George St.	1911 YMCA	M	Lodger	Single	43
Wilson, Violet	284 Aylmer St.	1911 Montreal House	F	Servant	Single	18
Windsor, Abb	45 Hunter St. East	1911 Albion Hotel	M	Boarder	Single	44
Windsor, Archie	45 Hunter St. East	1911 Albion Hotel	M	Boarder	Single	22
Winifred	293 London St.	1911 St. Vincent's	F	Inmate	Single	10
Winniett, Frances B		1901 Morrow Boarding	F	Lodger	Single	70
Winters, Jane		1891 Barnardo	F	Inmate		16
Wolf, Ferdinand	384 Rogers St.	1911 House of Providence	M	Patient	Single	7
Wood, Alice M.		1901 Morrow Boarding	F	Lodger	Single	36
Wood, Hannah	217 Hunter St.	1911 Palace Hotel	F	Domestic	Single	21
Wood, Mary	Barnardo Home	1901 Barnardo Home	F	Inmate	Single	16
Wood, Sarah	Nicholls Hospital	1911 Nicholls Hospital	F	Nurse	Single	26
Wood, Stephen		1891 Elliot Boarding	M	Lodger	Widow	78
Woodbrige, P	475 George St.	1911 YMCA	M	Lodger	Single	24
Woodgate, Harriet S.		1901 Unknown School	F	Head	Single	58
Woods, Elizabeth		1901 Noble Boarding	F	Domestic	Single	21
Woodstock, John	187 Hunter St.	1891 Peterborough House	M	Domestic		40
Wordgate, Harriet		1891 Barnardo	F	Head		48
Wren, Charles	172 Simcoe St.	1891 CPR Hotel	M	Lodger	Married	53
Wright, Harry	Peterborough	1911 Jail	M	Insane	Single	32
Wynn, Marguerite	Concession 8, Lot 25	Lakefield House of Refuge	F	Inmate	Widow	61
Yates, Charles		1891 Nicholls Hospital	M	Domestic	Widow	56
Yurley, Nelson	470 Stewart St.	1911 Protestant Home	M	Inmate	Single	70

Religious Revival

Robert Neild

In 1897 the Rev. J. J. Rae pastor of Charlotte Street Methodist Church and the Rev. W. R. Young of George Street Methodist Church invited the Rev. A. H. Ranton to preach at a series of revival meetings. Ranton, an Ontario native, was a very young man considering his outstanding record of successful evangelistic work. The meetings ran from 24 March until 27 April, and the extensive newspaper coverage suggests Ranton sometimes had more than one meeting in a day; and sometimes no meetings. Most meetings were held in George Street Methodist Church, but two Sunday meetings were held at the Bradburn Opera House, and at least four were held in the Charlotte Street Methodist Church.

I will emphasize only three of his many

topics but in passing will share quotes from the *Peterborough Examiner* and the *Peterborough Review* relating to other subjects. Music seemed to be an important feature of every meeting and on at least one occasion there was a 100-voice choir. Those singing solos and duets were usually noted. For many of the meetings extra chairs had to be fetched. Sometimes hundreds of people stood lining the walls, and on at least two occasions hundreds of people had to be turned away because of lack of space. By all standards, Ranton's revival was a great successes.

On the second night he preached on "The Unpardonable Sin" which was both the rejection of Jesus Christ as ones personal saviour, or the postponement until tomorrow of what should have been done today. The speaker pleaded earnestly with those present to procrastinate no longer but to seek and obtain salvation before they became too

hardened, and Christ's loving message had no meaning.

He following night he explained "How to get there." He told people they needed to obey and then repent; they had to give up their guilt and their sinning. They had to turn over a new leaf entirely: 'quit your meanness'.

At the Bradburn Opera House Ranton preached on the liquor traffic which he called "The Devil's Best Friend." When challenged as to whether

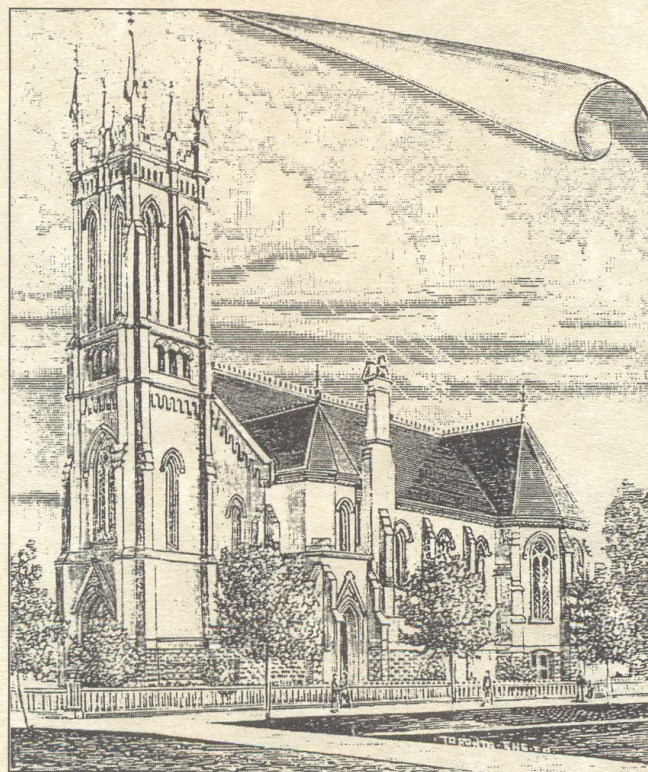
this was a religious question, he responded that Religion must save both body and soul. He claimed:

'Alcohol is the blood of the gambler, the inspiration of the burgler, the stimulus of the highwayman and the support of the midnight incendiary. It suggests the lie and countenance the liar; condones the thief and esteems the blasphemer. It violates obligation, reverences fraud, turns love to hate, scorns virtue, and innocence. It insights the father to butcher its offspring, and the child to sharpen the fratricidal axe. Alcohol burns men, consumes women, destroys life, curses God and despises heaven. It suborns witnesses, nurses perfidy, defiles the jury box and stains the judicial ermine. It bribes voters, disqualifies votes, corrupts elections, pollutes our institutions, endangers the government, degrades the citizen, debases the legislator, dishonors the statesman and disarms the patriot. It brings shame, not honor; terror, not safety; despair not hope; misery, not happiness; and with the malevolence of a fiend, calmly surveys its frightful desolation, and reveling in havoc; it poisons felicity, destroys peace, ruins morals, wipes out national honor, curses the world, and laughs at the ruin it has wrought. It does that and more. It murders the soul. It is the sum of all villainies, the father of all crimes, the mother of all abominations, the devil's best friend.'

For one afternoon service all children under 13 were requested to remain away. He said that the 'Modern Dance' is unscriptural, opposed by the church and leads to immorality in many cases – Christians, he says, should not dance.

"I wish to disabuse your mind of any thoughts of their being any narrowness or bigotry on my part. Being naturally fond of pleasure, and believing that there is a time to laugh as well as a time to weep, I am in thorough sympathy with any recreation that can make the home lighter and hopes brighter, and add to the sum total of our enjoyment in the world. It is freely conceded then that there is a place for amusement in the life of old as well as young. The demand for it is simply natural. There is an appetite of eye, of ear, and of every sense for the gratification of which – within bounds – God has provided the material, and made it

George Street Wesleyan Methodist Church



accessible to us. I desire to place a few propositions; - (a) No amusement is innocent if not productive of good fruit. (b) No amusement is innocent if its tendency is evil. (c) No amusement is innocent if it is not compatible with a Christian profession. The devotee of the waltz finds no other joy quite so great, no other amusement so fascinating, and although the young lady may sometimes scarcely understand what it is that causes her pulse to beat so quickly, and her blood to flow with such exhilaration, the young man does know, her partner understands it and she will know some day."

Again to an overflow crowd in the Opera house, Ranton stated that card playing in the home is the commencement of gambling in many instances.

"There is no more harm per se in the game of cards than the game of authors, both are practically games of chance, and so far as they are concerned they are identically the same game. The only way to answer the question is by the text, "By their fruits ye shall know them." Those parlor games have not the history that card playing has. Cards are the recognized implements of gamblers, and when parents and friends play at home they simply teach those present the art of gambling. To imagine men gambling over authors or Parcheesi, or any other of the many similar games, would require, indeed, a vast stretch of imagination. But the deck of cards, from the day it was invented to amuse an idiotic king down to the present time, has been constantly used as the gambler's tool. No individual, any home, any community has ever benefited by card playing. We are not discussing the ideal card party, but card playing as we find it today. On the branches of this social tree there may be found fruit of the following kinds: (a) Waste of time (b) selfish ambition (c) hereditary infirmities and latent propensities to gambling upon posterity. (d) Religious leanness. (e) Dishonesty. (f) Neglect of duties, personal and general, private and public. (g) Jealousies, contentions, envy, strife and bickerings. In the cultured society these last five are seldom brought out where the public can gaze on them, but they exist nevertheless. But the most unpalatable

fruit found on this social tree is - (h) Incitement to gambling."

Rev. Ranton then went on to give examples of the fall of young men, one of whose last words before he died on the gallows were 'Card playing has led to my ruin.'

Ranton shared other advice.

"Find a spiritual home somewhere. There is such a thing as a spiritual tramp - a person who does not belong to any church and who wanders around anywhere and everywhere. Select a church where you can feel at home in the fullest sense of the word. Do not put yourself in such a position in the church that it will have to carry you. Come into the church to work, walk, and help somebody else. This is the ideal church spirit. The church needs you and you will need the church. Be a benevolent Christian. Give a tenth in the dollar, if possible. Be charitable in your criticism of others. Be appreciative. Speak only of the good qualities of people. Be steadfast in your religion. Be faithful to it and it will be faithful to you."

For his last service Rev. Ranton spoke on the subject of "Spiritual Dynamics". He said "Some people have the idea that Christ crucified forms the central and most important theme of the Bible. This is not so. Christ resurrected is the principal theme. This is what Paul preached. Had Christ not risen from the dead, the whole plan laid out by God would have been a failure. Paul was human like ourselves, as was also God. People give as a reason for not belonging to some church, that it seemed too much like being bound down by a very strict code of rules, and that a church member had not that air of perfect freedom about them which he otherwise would have were he not a church member. The truth only can set you free, and when you believe the truths of the Bible you will be free indeed."

In conclusion very few will be found to deny that that the evangelist's object was a good one, or that he was sincere as well as earnest in his desire to do good. It is evident that under Ranton's ministrations, large numbers turned from sinful courses to a better way of life, and it is only fair that such results, in their infinite superiority of importance, should be permitted to far more than balance the account in respect of somewhat intemperate censure, uttered under the impulse of a perfervid zeal. The vast majority of correspondence applauded Rev. Ranton for the stands that he had taken.

News and Views

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Elwood Jones

Peterborough Historical Society Awards

The Peterborough Historical Society presented its annual awards at its April meeting. Catherine Dibben won the F. H. Dobbin award for her excellent work in producing the *Peterborough Examiner* Monday feature of a Roy Studio photo generously annotated with useful historical information. As well, she helped with the Roy Studio calendar and is writing a monthly feature for *Peterborough This Week* that provides details about the monthly photos. She thought it was appropriate that someone named Dibben would win the Dobbin award. Dobbin's historical encyclopedia

a completed in 1913 is now available in the Trent Valley Archives and we have shared some of the research in the *Heritage Gazette*.

Diane Robnik won the J. Hampton



Burnham award for her excellent work in designing, leading and promoting the Little Lake Cemetery tours. We are now heading into our third season of these tours and the number of different tours we have run will reach seven. Diane is particularly proud of

the Tragic Tales tours which she also researched, and which has dovetailed nicely with our scary walks in the downtown and Ashburnham. [Photo: Diane Robnik receives Burnham Award from Elwood Jones. Photo by Jeff Dafoe.]

Kathy Lynn Parsons won the Samuel Armour award for her work in creating study guides for plays held on the Heritage Pavilion Stage at PCMA.

George A. Cox awards were presented to the developers of two nice restoration projects in Peterborough's downtown. The Smith Brothers at AON won for their patient and innovative redesign of the old Post Office building on Charlotte Street, now a desirable apartment building with some commercial activity. Brian Mulligan restored the Eastland house on Hunter at Stewart. This grand stone house was the official residence of managers of the Bank of Montreal and has recently been rediscovered as the place where Winston Churchill stayed the night Peterborough entered the twentieth century.

The Charlotte Nicholls Heritage Award recognized the recent restoration of the grist mill at Lang Pioneer Village, a project made possible by financial donations from Carl Doughty, Mr and Mrs Jack McIntyre, and the Community Futures Development Corporation. Charles Burge and Will Cleveland accepted the award for the latter.

The Peterborough Historical Society is having two meetings in May, on the third and fifth Tuesdays. The second meeting, 30 May, is the rescheduled date for Wally Macht's discussion of what he learned while producing the very popular television documentary on the history of Peterborough.

Architectural Conservancy of Ontario

The Peterborough Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee [PACAC] hosted a meeting at St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Peterborough, 20 April. Erik Hansen explained the program that assists the owners of heritage properties by providing breaks on the property tax. Catherine Nasmith explained the advantages of developing Heritage Conservation Areas. Peter Rungay, J. P. Pawliw and Cathy Nasmith discussed the advantages that might come from having a Peterborough chapter of the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario. The ACO was founded by the famed

historical architect, Eric Arthur, in 1933 and the first and strongest chapter is Port Hope, with 400 members. The ACO has 1000 members in 12 chapters across the province, and it has developed an enviable record of advocating the preservation and improvement of heritage buildings. The main point made during the evening was that ACO can act independently to advocate built heritage causes, while city employees and committees such as PACAC, no matter how talented the members, cannot. As well, City employees and committees can be better informed if there is an organization dedicated to working with them. Moreover, there is a high turnover of city councillors and the need for eternal vigilance and proactive education is clear. We wish the ACO the best of luck in this endeavour, and will gladly make our pages open to news they wish to share.

On 1 May, the founding meeting of the Peterborough ACO was held at Sadleir House, and an executive was chosen and given a mandate to set the branch in order. Those wishing more information can contact the president, Ed Smith at 705-743-1953.

Hockeyville Canada

When Peterborough was making a big run for the title of Canada's Hockeyville, I used the occasion of my retirement to make the following comments and to give my treasured hockey stick to Mitch Parker to take to Ed Arnold at the *Peterborough Examiner* there to join other artifacts and archives related to Hockeyville Peterborough.

You may be surprised to know that I hold the evidence that seals the case for Peterborough. During my tenure as head of college I gave my support to college hockey by attending the playoff games for our A team and am happy to report they never lost a game that I attended. For five years, Otonabee was the powerhouse of intramural hockey. Paul Wilson considered it the most unlikely story in Trent's athletic history – me a champion of champion athletics! One of my treasures from those years is this hockey stick signed by every member of that great team. This 1983 Louisville Pro Pattern stick is inscribed "Thanks for your support!! Kev '79-83." I can still make out some of the names: Wally Buenz; Kevin Rodgers #77; Edge Goba; Graham Harrison; Tim Craig; Troy Kent; Scott Menzies; Dave Quinn; Steve Rae the goon; Mike Mello; Kevin Cruz; and there

are others. This adds vital information to support our claims for Hockeyville.

Many people were surprised to learn that I was an athlete.

We are happy to report that Peterborough's bid to be Hockeyville Canada was very much alive as we went to press.

International Plowing Match

The International Plowing Match and Rural Expo, 19 to 23 September 2006, will be held on 700 acres near Mather's Corners, near Peterborough. The planners are expecting 100,000 visitors for the plowing match and to visit and shop at the 30 acres of antiques, the ten acres of historical and environmental displays, and the five acres of animal displays. The next issue of the *Heritage Gazette of the Trent Valley* will highlight stories related to farming, agricultural businesses, and exhibitions. If you have stories you would like to share for this special event please contact the editor at elwoodjones@cogeco.ca For information on the International Plowing Match visit www.peterboroughipm.ca

San Francisco earthquake at 100

San Francisco commemorated the centennial of one of the world's famous disasters, the 1906 earthquake that toppled buildings and set fires that covered large parts of what was already a major American city. Over 3,000 people died and 200,000 were left homeless. Perhaps more important are the photographs that were taken by J. B. Monaco and which survived because they were stored in steel cases sealed behind sheetrock. The treasure trove was found in the 1970s and are now a real treasures of San Francisco's terrible day (some are posted on the web). Of the many stories tied to the quake, Enrico Caruso's is most interesting. Caruso was in San Francisco to play a lead in *Carman* at the Mission Opera House and his memory of the night attracted wide interest. This is an excerpt of the piece that appeared in the *London Sketch*.

But what an awakening! You must know that I am not a very heavy sleeper—I always wake early, and when I feel restless I get up and go for a walk. So on the Wednesday morning early I wake up about 5 o'clock, feeling my bed rocking

as though I am in a ship on the ocean, and for a moment I think I am dreaming that I am crossing the water on my way to my beautiful country. And so I take no notice for the moment, and then, as the rocking continues, I get up and go to the window, raise the shade and look out. And what I see makes me tremble with fear. I see the buildings toppling over, big pieces of masonry falling, and from the street below I hear the cries and screams of men and women and children. I remain speechless, thinking I am in some dreadful nightmare, and for something like forty seconds I stand there, while the buildings fall and my room still rocks like a boat on the sea. And during that forty seconds I think of forty thousand different things. All that I have ever done in my life passes before me, and I remember trivial things and important things. I think of my first appearance in grand opera, and I feel nervous as to my reception, and again I think I am going through last night's "Carmen."

The photographs and the memories survived; but the earthquake and the fires destroyed important archival materials. Much of the

Scoundrels and Rascals a Great Success

Bruce Fitzpatrick and Diane Robnik ran several pub walks designed to entertain and inform people about the storied past of drinking in Peterborough. The media coverage was good, and several tours were filled to overflowing. The tours were very dramatic. People went into four pubs with historic roots, and heard stories that resonated in varied ways. As well other information was shared as people moved from one pub to another, past historic sites of Peterborough's "Alcohol Alley." Congratulations to Bruce for a job peerlessly done.

Bruce Fitzpatrick at one of the stops on the pub tour. Photo by Jeff Dafoe.

Retirement memories

I would like to thank the many friends who attended his recent retirement party or sent salutations. Those who wish to see the newspaper coverage and the collage of fine pictures taken by Art Dainton may contact me at elwoodjones@cogeco.ca. The occasion prompted me to reflect on my university career, which I now share with your indulgence.

I am flooded with memories of Trent and Peterborough. In the summer of 1964, on my way to a terrific job at the Public Archives in Ottawa, I came through Peterborough expressly to see Trent University; in the process I learned it had a Lift Lock but we never saw the university. We thought we had overshot the university when we turned around at Kentucky Fried Chicken, located then where Tim Horton's now is. Bruce Hodgins and Alan Wilson set up the History Department at Trent that year. Dee, Mark and I visited Peterborough in February 1966 at the invitation of Bruce and Carol Hodgins; we saw Champlain under construction, and stood where the Faryon Bridge would span the Otonabee.

I came to Trent to teach American history, and over the years have taught courses in colonial, revolutionary, republican and Civil War America. My teaching fields were American, Canadian, Eighteenth Century Britain and the French Revolution. Over the years I pioneered many courses, perhaps most significantly with Doug McCalla and Dale

Standen. History 230 on Urban Canada was a pioneering course, and Doug and I linked well with the community of scholars pursuing urban themes. Later the three of us developed History 475, Everyday Life in the Past, in which our students pursued research in local archives, usually on group projects, sometimes at imaginary museums such as the Peter Adams Sports Hall of Fame and at Sadleir House. The reports for most projects were housed at the Trent University Archives. We did annual field trips to Lang Pioneer Village or Hutchison House locally, in preparation for trips to Ottawa, Kingston, Detroit and Rochester. In the final version of that course, the class produced a published history of Anson House. As well, I was a guest lecturer in several courses, most memorably for John Wadland, Morgan Tamplin and Bruce Hodgins. I taught graduate courses and supervised graduate students, a few times. I supervised the last student who received a History M.A.

I became Master of Otonabee College apparently because of my expertise in American history. Otonabee was getting a reputation for being ungovernable, as it was the newest and largest of Trent's College, and it opted for a College Council that governed the college with a single government that included the master, students, fellows, the college assistant, and the porter, and sometimes a secretary. Bob Carter was the philosopher behind the governance, but I was the expert on the Pennsylvania constitution of 1776. I did not apply for master but offered to explain the Pennsylvania constitution to the search committee. Its members decided I should let my name stand. Dee and I and Mark and Heather had to do a lot of thinking, and were able to arrange changes in the configuration of the Master's Lodge. It was a family decision, and mostly a good one.

Mark and Heather did quite well at Otonabee. Mark had the *Star* route and Heather the *Globe and Mail*, and both had strong routes. Mark got his degree in Physics and Computers while in residence; and has since held jobs that build on his expertise in computers. Heather resolved to get as far from Trent and Peterborough as possible. While I loved the small city and the small classes, she yearned for the big city and the big university. Both did well, and, at least by highway, Toronto is not far from Peterborough.

President Don Theall made his first appearance at a Trent function attending a college dinner at Otonabee. In those months



theory around archives dwells on how to treat what has survived fire, water, disease and neglect. A few archives have developed disaster plans and we know they will reduce the loss of archives. Monaco's photographs survived because he had a disaster plan.

the Faculty Association moved towards a union, and a strike seemed imminent. As master I was not allowed to strike. I introduced President Theall with an elaborate story that unfolded like this.

People are probably aware that faculty are poorly paid, and that masters have little authority. In order to amplify my income I have sold the film rights to my life story to the Canadian Film Development Corporation. A movie is in production: it is called "Master of None" and stars Burt Reynolds as the master; and Sally Fields as the nun.

Don Theall said he had been told that the master of Otonabee was a hard act to follow, and he then delivered his first policy speech at Trent.

While Master of Otonabee, I was briefly Trent's Director of Planning at Trent. I still have the door sign from that position, and it now hangs on the door of my library. I learned a great deal about the governance of universities during those months. I resigned the position, and the position died with me, primarily because a decentralist, which by definition a college head must be, cannot simultaneously develop centralist policies. I think my resistance to the 1980 Hanson Report defined my term as master.

I also have fond memories of many college visitors. Perhaps the most innovative was the first visit of George Raab in 1981. George Raab ran a printmaking workshop in our JCR of the day. He brought in the printing press and a group of 25 or so people made intaglio prints from our etched copper plates. We then framed favourite prints and arranged for the plates and a print to be given to the college. Some still decorate our walls. George then decided we could convert the JCR to an art gallery and have an opening. We got chains and hooks; white wine, grapes and crackers; and advertised the opening around the college. George got a friend to make the sign "Ironwood Gallery" and we were in business. It was a great success. We had other art shows and special events over the years, but for me that occasion best illustrated that colleges had the flexibility to create moments of excitement, education and experience.

As Master of Otonabee I got to know a wide range of students sometimes very personally. For example, I met in the first week of the term with every incoming student and it turned out to be the experience that made students feel comfortable to visit me later in the year. Sometimes quite quickly. I remember one student who arrived

by private plane with a Bank of Montreal certified check to cover his residence and tuition. After a hard day of drinking during Introductory Seminar he plopped his name tag on the check, then tried to pull the tag off, taking the letters of the check with it. He then tore up the check and flushed it down the toilet. After he was sober he came to see me about what could be done. I happened to know the manager of the Bank of Montreal, a parishioner at St John's, who wondered if students regularly burned money this way. Together, we made miracles happen. These were new experiences for me, but I soon came to realize that all my past was now fodder for dispensing advice. I had worked since I was ten, and had worked as a newspaper boy, a postal clerk, a landscape gardener, a brewery employee, an officer cadet, an officer with IPPCLI, an historical researcher for Hudson's Bay Company, and in several odd jobs. I even had a sports career in bowling and running.

Trent provided me with rich experiences far beyond the classroom. And I felt these experiences made me a better teacher as well. Students found it easier to do the work I assigned than to find ways around it. The personal touch really made a difference, and it will always be the essence of Trent to me. The diversity of experiences helped me feel young; teaching never became a rut.

Over the years I had major research projects, now retirement projects, on nineteenth century Ontario political culture, and on Anglican Loyalism in Virginia, Pennsylvania and Ontario. I served about ten years as editor of the *Journal of the Canadian Church Historical Society*; during part of that time Ian Storey was my right-hand man. Brian Heeney, one of Trent's finest historians who served as Master of Champlain and as Vice-President, drew my attention to the Society and I was drafted as president. That began a long association with Terry Reilly, a Trent grad from the 1970s who was then the General Synod Archivist in Toronto.

Despite an exceptional agenda defined well beyond Peterborough, I was drawn into the history of Peterborough. Jean Cole asked me to give a talk on the Peter Robinson Settlers to a visiting group at the Centennial Museum. I said I knew nothing; she said that's okay as long as you keep it to ten minutes. Then, at the suggestion of W. L. Morton (who didn't want to do it) I was asked to help write the history of St John's Church. That was an eye-opener. At one meeting I suggested someone who had chaired a committee for most of the years since 1944 could write a chapter on that aspect. I was told

he was a newcomer; naturally I wondered what I was. I was told it was different, because I was a professor. From that day forth, I never apologized for doing Peterborough history.

However, almost without exception, people in the community defined my projects in Peterborough history for me to do. The Peterborough Historical Society has produced an annual occasional paper every year since 1980, and I have worked on all of them. The core of the editorial committee has been Jean Cole, Michael Peterman, Dale Standen and I for perhaps a quarter century. I committed to *Peterborough The Electric City* on invitation so that I could have a book for my students in urban history and everyday life in the past; my partner in that was Bruce Dyer who used that key year to move from Labrador to this area. Later, Ivy Sucee asked me to write the history of the exhibition, and members of the golf club asked me to write their history, and Jill Adams was the key figure with the Anson House committee.

Because of my earlier career in archives I did a lot of work in the 1970s chairing the university archives committee, founding the archives at St John's Church and giving advice to the archivist, Marianne MacKenzie, at the Centennial Museum. I also chaired the Archives Committee of the National Anglican Church for a few years. Late in 1988 Keith Dinsdale asked me to help him develop strategies for the development of a regional archives in east central Ontario. The strategy is still in embryo, but the Trent Valley Archives was the result and by 1998 it evolved into a full-service archives for the five counties in the historic Newcastle District. I am extremely proud of the many accomplishments of that organization, and am delighted so many volunteers from the Trent Valley Archives were at my retirement dinner.

Surprisingly, Trent University will present me with the Eminent Service Award at Convocation on 1 June. As well Otonabee College and the History Department have established the Elwood Jones History Prize. Donations in support of this prize may be made by calling the Trent University Development Office.

Peterborough, Trent, and especially the History Department and Otonabee College, have provided the perfect environment for someone like me, and I am grateful.

**Archives Assn of Ontario
13th Annual Conference**

7 - 9 June 2006

Come join the Archives Association of Ontario at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario at their 13th annual conference. The 2006 theme is The Philosophy of Archives. Papers related to the theme will discuss the philosophy of archives and the way archivists apply, adapt or change theory.

AAO Conference in Hamilton

The program looks very strong. Ian Wilson, the Librarian Archivist of Canada, will give the keynote address. There will be papers related to migrant labour and to Lambton County's oil industry. Talks on better archival descriptions and risk analysis in archives follow. Another will discuss the relationship between time and information flow. Carloynn Bart-Riedstra, the AAO Archives Advisor will consider her experience answering when an archival collection becomes an archives. "Dan German will be fulminating on why archivists are neither historians, nor records managers." Robert Fisher examines the theory behind government archives acquiring private funds.

Archival Items of Interest

West Jersey Proprietors' Archive Comes To Trenton *Joseph R. Klett*

In early December 2005, the Council of Proprietors of West New Jersey formally deposited its vast collection of land surveys, minute and account books, and maps with the State Archives. The collection, spanning three centuries of land sales and settlement in the western half of the New Jersey, was previously maintained in the Surveyor General's Office in Burlington. However, without staff and other resources, the Proprietors were able to make the archive available to researchers on a limited basis only.

Under the depository agreement, the State Archives will now care for the manuscripts and administer public access to them. The Council retains legal ownership of the documents, although the deposit is intended to be long-term (i.e., open-ended). The agreement authorizes the State Archives staff to make professional determinations relating to the arrangement and description (i.e., cataloging and indexing) of the records, reformatting of portions of the collection (i.e., microfilming and/or imaging), and decisions as to whether the condition and level of inventory of specific documents or groups of documents will allow research use of original materials.

The collection includes eleven large parchment documents dating from 1664 to 1763; 55 bound volumes of minutes, surveys, warrants, and other records dating from 1676 to 1909; 20 cubic feet of loose papers, including survey returns from 1680 to the 1900s; and 52 boxes of rolled maps and plans dating back to the 1700s.... State Archives staff and West Jersey Council members completed their inventory, packaging and relocation of the collection from the Surveyor

General's Office in Burlington to Trenton in November. On 14 December, the Council of Proprietors and the State Archives celebrated this historical development with a press event and exhibition unveiling selected manuscripts. The event included short addresses by West Jersey Council President Robert S. Haines, Surveyor General William H. Taylor, Clerk Daniel W. Haines, State Senator Diane B. Allen of Burlington, Karl J. Niederer, Director of the Division of Archives and Records Management, and Mr. Klett.

For more information on the collection visit <http://www.njarchives.org/links/wjp.html>

Virginia Commonwealth University Libraries Launches Archives of the New Dominion Initiative *Alex Lorch, Virginia Commonwealth University*

Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Libraries in Richmond, Virginia, is pleased to announce a new community outreach project to locate, collect, and make accessible materials relevant to the 20th and 21st century social and cultural history of Central Virginia. Begun with a three-year National Historical Publications and Records Commission grant, the Archives of the New Dominion initiative will initially focus on influential organizations and individuals from the region's African-American, women's activist, Hispanic, and gay and lesbian communities.

The voices and actions of these under-documented communities help shape our society; but the papers which contribute to and result from their work must be collected in order for future historians and researchers to properly represent their contributions. This proactive initiative reaches out into the communities to work with organizations and individuals to ensure that their important influences are well documented.

VCU Libraries has hired a Community Outreach Archivist to assist non-profit groups, social and cultural organizations, and community leaders to document their history and secure their archives. Groups and individuals who participate in this project will have their archives housed in Special Collections and Archives at James Branch Cabell Library. These efforts build upon the strong collection of papers from these communities long held by VCU including the Richmond Crusade for Voters, the Richmond YWCA, Planned Parenthood, and the Parents and Families of Lesbians and Gays.

While this effort will be important to future scholars, it also will benefit the local community. By storing their history in a secure, climate-controlled environment, the leaders of today's communities will ensure their heirs will have access to their own history and a better understanding

of how the world in which they live was forged. Among the early participants in this project are *La Voz Hispana de Virginia*, the Richmond Triangle Players, the Virginia Partisans Gay and Lesbian Democratic Club, the Virginia Log Cabin Republicans, Art 180, and the Fan Free Clinic. "We have been delighted to begin this archival process with VCU. The fact that Fan Free Clinic's history will be kept as an important part of our region's history is a real honor," said Cat Hulburt, Director of Development at the Fan Free Clinic, the oldest free clinic in the Commonwealth.

VCU Libraries would like to speak with any individual or organization that has papers that document the lives, interests, concerns and activities of their community. The project focuses on, but is not limited to, social and cultural organizations of the Central Virginia region. We also wish to speak with any persons who want to learn how to help document their own community. No organization or individual is too small or too young to begin the process of documenting their work and history.

For more information, please visit <http://www.library.vcu.edu/newdominion/> or contact Alex Lorch at 804-828-1108

Books for Sale at Trent Valley Archives

The first volume of our reprint of **Mulvany's 1882 Biographical Notices** is hot off the press, and available for \$50. This is one of the best histories of Peterborough and Haliburton counties and we highly recommend it. There are several typos which we have kept as part of the feel of the volume. Many of them are easy to detect, and most occur because the manuscripts were hand-written by various people; most of the biographical sketches, for example, were written by people close to the subject. The original is very rare, and some will like the idea of having a comparatively inexpensive reference to this highly used part of Mulvany.

We have also a very limited special. We are offering **hard bound copies** of volumes 6 to 10 of the **Heritage Gazette** for \$30 a volume. We found it was necessary to have bound volumes for the research room; however, supplies are limited because some of our issues are going out of print.

Up the Burleigh Road .. Beyond the boulders is being indexed and will be published very shortly. The book has been a labour of love by all who have been associated with the project, and especially by Mary and Doug Lavery. There will be some hard cover copies available at \$50; the soft-cover version sells at \$30. The pre-publication price, no longer available, was only for soft cover version. Look for special events to celebrate the new book. Organizers are looking to be at Apsley on Canada Day.

Diane Robnik's book on **Mills in Peterborough County** is going through final editing and will also be available soon. We are still working ahead with our books on Omeme walking tours; Peterborough's Architectural Heritage; and the Irish in Peterborough to 1850.

We also have a variety of other books on sale that have been published by others. If you are looking for a specific title it is a good idea to inquire.

Rosemere Manor

Kim Krenz is working on a history of Rosemere Manor to mark its centennial, which will be featured in a special issue of the *Heritage Gazette of the Trent Valley* for November 2006. If you have memories, documents or stories that relate to any part of its history please contact the Trent Valley Archives or Kim.

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Canadian Canoe Museum

Prince Andrew has donated royal canoes to the Canadian Canoe Museum and will visit Peterborough and Toronto in early May to promote the Canadian Canoe Museum. Prince Andrew has maintained connections with this area ever since he attended Lakefield College School. The Peterborough Examiner devoted a four-page special section, 4 May, to mark this occasion.

New exhibits at Peterborough



Centennial Museum and Archives

PCMA is featuring a n

exhibit, "Nostra Storia: Peterborough's Italian Community," until 11 June 2006. The exhibit was prepared by 14 Museum Studies students and opened in March. The exhibit presents memories shared by different people on the immigrant experience, the Italian community in Peterborough, the impact of war and other exciting moments. The students have worked closely with members of the Italian community and the exhibit is most interesting.

Another group of students created an exhibit on Sadleir House which is on display at Sadleir House, the former Peter Robinson College building on George Street just north of Parkhill.

Historica Fair

The regional Historica Fair was held at the Alderville First Nation, and several schools from Peterborough to

Bowamanville, Port Hope and Cobourg were on hand with some interesting exhibits. The students, working alone or with partners, had very limited space in which to work. Most exhibits were poster sessions, and some were supplemented with artifacts, models or laptop set-ups. It seems that the best exhibits chose a comparatively small topic: a person, an event, a block. They then answered the questions that naturally relate and placed the small problem into a wider context. Some of the best exhibits emerged from History club settings in the schools. Many of the exhibits were class assignments but ranged widely.

My dream is that students will be encouraged to use archives; indeed this year the Archives of Ontario was giving an award in each region for the best use of archives. Archives were rarely well used but the winning exhibit from this region, and which now travels to national competition, was a look at Harvey Street in Peterborough and had used PCMA effectively. A great many used the internet, but none that I noticed used a website that I would class as archival. Students need to know that using an encyclopedia even when on the web, and useful as it might be for identification purposes, does not constitute research. Some used sites that were polemic and conspiratorial as if they were historical sites.

Historica is to be congratulated for this initiative, and it is heartening to see young people catching a bug for history.

The seventeen judges included Liz Kerr, Al McConnell, Elwood Jones, Andrew Corbett, Gordon Young, and Mary Charles.

Recent Books Worth Noting

Keith Hansen, *Last Trains From Lindsay* (Roseneath, Sandy Flats Publications, 2000, second printing). \$75. Pp iv, 483.

This is a terrific book in all respects, and it looks as if we should have noticed it six or eight years ago. However, the book is so well done it will have a very long shelf. The book looks at the last run of railways that connect with Lindsay or with places that connect with Lindsay. This roughly covers an area from Toronto to the Muskokas to Coe Hill to Belleville. The book is loaded with useful maps showing the patterns of railways in most towns and cities. There are a terrific range of photographs capturing the trains in action or near stations. There is loving descriptions of the trains and of the frequency and length of service. The chapters are arranged by subdivisions. I would have loved more footnotes, but the book is very authoritative. Keith Hansen is clearly a stickler for details. Railways were so central to generations of our ancestors and this book will reward those who want to reconstruct such pasts.

Ted Rafuse, *Wooden Cars on Steel Rails: a history of the Crossen Car Companies, Cobourg, Ontario* (Port Hope, Steampower Publishing, 2004) Pp vii, 167. This book is sold at the Trent Valley Archives.

Ted Rafuse will be in Peterborough on 16 May to talk about his earlier book. Suffice it to say, Ted Rafuse is hooked on sharing the railroad history of Cobourg, no matter where it takes him. Peterborough was the other terminus of one of the earliest railways in Canada West, now Ontario. Crossen manufactured wooden rail cars for passenger and freight

service; only one car remains in service, and that on the Prairie Dog Central Railway in Manitoba. Despite the absence of personal and company archives, Rafuse was able to assemble a comprehensive history through a thorough reading of the Cobourg newspapers, and a canvass of reference works which documented railway cars. He has made good use of photographic collections, such as the various Merrilees collections. The book is a delight and should have wide interest in areas far beyond Cobourg. The Crossen cars certainly travelled widely.

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Trent Valley Archives plans busy summer

Giant Book Sale

The calendar for this season begins with our terrific book sale on the Victoria Day weekend, which this year is 20 May. If you have books to donate please bring them to TVA by the 18 May. If you wish to volunteer in unpacking, displaying and selling books please talk to a board member. If you wish to deliver posters or fliers talk to Diane. Be sure to come to the sale and bring your friends and family as well. We have a really strong choice of good books this year. No musty or dirty books are allowed. The sale will run from 7 to 11 am.

Creepy Canada

The Trent Valley Archives will be featured in a segment on the ghost of the Lift Lock. Expect the show in the near future.

Ghost walks

We are touring Eerie Ashburnham on Sunday nights through June, July and August. You must get tickets in advance; \$10; 745-4404, ask for Diane. We are running some tours at other times; talk to Diane for details.

Little Lake Cemetery Tours

The Cemetery Tours will run this July and August on our traditional Wednesday night, beginning at 6:30 pm. Some will be able to tie the tour in with an evening at the Festival of Lights. This year we have added two completely new tours that we hope will have wide appeal. The one is on Peterborough's Sports Heroes, while the second is titled "A Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight." We are also featuring the classic cemetery walk, "Tragic Tales of Loss & Misfortune." Each tour is \$5 a person. Meet at the Little Lake Chapel ten minutes before 6:30.

Wally Macht on Peterborough TV History

Wally Macht will speak at the Peterborough Historical Society special meeting (a snow-date from January) on 30 May at 7:30pm in the Peterborough Public Library. He will share some of the special moments associated with producing the television history of Peterborough. Many people have acquired DVDs of the history which are still available from CHEX-TV. The PHS is offering two meeting dates in May, possibly the first in its history. The regular third Tuesday slot features Ted Rafuse talking about the Cobourg Ferry.