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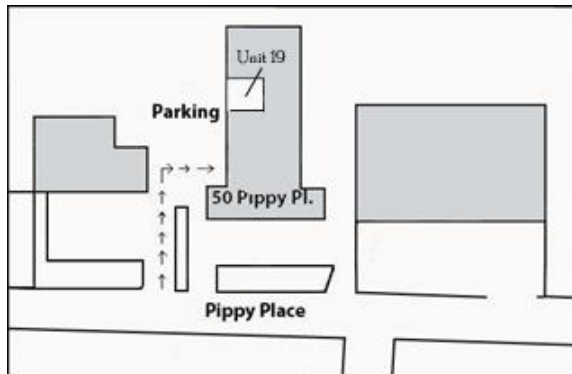


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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Frederick R. Smith

Our objective was to get this issue of the Newfoundland Ancestor out before Christmas. With the pandemic, our office move, and network problems, everything has been backed up. We pushed hard and are happy the issue is ready and in the mail. Now we can look forward to a fresh start in 2022.

We hope you have been spared from COVID 19. It has been a difficult time for everyone, but it appears genealogy has prospered during the pandemic. Not that many years ago genealogical research during lockdowns would have been impossible. However, now the enormous amount of material online can be searched easily by anyone with very little computer experience. But not having access to archives and libraries, it is hard to access original documents and check facts, and sadly, many people, with good intentions, post incorrect data online and all of us, one time or another, have been led astray in our research. The Family History Society of Newfoundland and Labrador is slowly building up a large document collection on our website and the Memorial University Digital Archives Initiative (DAI) is building up an immense collection. We are so lucky to have such fantastic archives which you can check out in person, especially if you live in St. John or by email or post from outside the City. In addition to the FHSNL and DAI mentioned above, the Provincial Reference Library in the Arts and Culture Centre has a very large genealogical collection and the largest collect of our newspapers. The MUN Maritime History Archive has a fantastic collection of records especially if your ancestors were seagoing. Don't forget the MUN Center for Newfoundland Studies and the MUN Archives and Special Collections. Most people are familiar with the Provincial Archives in The Rooms, but we find not so many are familiar with the F. Burnham Gill Archival Centre on Terra Nova Road which is the City of St. John's archive and is another professionally catalogued archive.

Our Society is doing well and has been maintaining a stable membership with a gradual increase over the last couple of years. Thank you for your loyalty and support.

Good luck with your genealogical research. We would love to have a copy of your research results for our archive.

EDITORS' NOTE



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We hope you enjoy the pleasures of celebrating the season with family and friends. If you anticipate having some spare time over the holidays, please consider contributing an article to the Ancestor. If you are struggling to come up with a suitable topic, here are some suggestions to get you thinking. (1) Your own or a relative's memories of moving from your/their home community during resettlement. (2) Details of a past family reunion or come home year and pictures to illustrate. (3) An account of your DNA journey and the discoveries you made. (4) An ancestor's war history. (5) A historic timeline of the development of a community. Chatting with relatives may give you inspiration as well and we look forward to hearing from you in the new year with the results of your research.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

NEWS OF THE SOCIETY



ACQUISITIONS

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TITLE

St John's City Directory 1993

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Index of names, baptisms, marriages, and burials

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There are about 4600 marriages in the Basilica records, sorted by bride's surname, bride's birth name and by groom's surname. There are about 2400 baptisms in the King's Cove records.

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All request for research, articles and general information should be directed to the main office at 709-754-9525, e-mail at fhs@fhsnl.ca or by regular mail.

The Newfoundland Ancestor relies on its members and general public to submit articles regarding their family histories, community histories and other historical events related to family history. In order for us to continue to publish the Ancestor we need you to continue to send in articles and pictures.

E-mail us at ancestor@fhsnl.ca

If you would like to see an article about a specific topic in the Newfoundland Ancestor, please let us know and we will attempt to find the information for you. Topic suggestions are always welcome.

IN MEMORIAM

Submitted by Pat Walsh

Note: In this and previous issues of *The Newfoundland Ancestor*, I have attempted to pay honour and respect to our veterans of World War II and the Korean War and members of our Armed Forces and also other citizens who have died aged 100 or older. There may be some individuals included who may have achieved some noted degree of accomplishment in their chosen profession. I have relied on the obituary notices in the local *Telegram*. I know there are many other veterans and other noted individuals who have passed away in other areas of our province. More information on these individuals may be found in *The Telegram* - www.the-telegram.com/. Lest We Forget.

Brokenshire, Frederick Robert, in St. John's, on Oct. 27, 2021, aged 69. Founder of Fred's Records on Duckworth Street, St. John's, in 1972. Promoter of Newfoundland & Labrador music & Founding member of the Music Industry Association of Newfoundland, later Music NL & the East Coast Music Awards. Father of Jane, Burke & Murray. Predeceased by his parents Jim & Gwen (Earle). Brother of Jim, Howard & Earle. He was an avid sailor. Article, photos & obit in *The Telegram*, Oct. 30, 2021.

Carter, Lloyd, on Oct. 26, 2021, aged 90, in Waterloo, ON. Korean War Veteran. Predeceased by his parents Bill & Effie. Father of Daniel, Michael, Christopher & Catharine Hilker (Jack). Partner of Cheryl Britnell. Brother of Muriel Touchings, Anne Dawson, Joe, Barb, Sue Burr, Bill & Ruth Walker. Obit Oct. 30, 2021.

Tapper, Virginia (Gen) nee Everson, Aug. 29, 1919 – Aug. 15, 2021. Predeceased by her

parents Edward & Margaret (Wade) Everson of Flatrock, & her husband Jimmy, 2004. Mother of nine. Obit & photo Aug. 18, 2021.

Vardy, Major Annette Marguerite, Jan. 25, 1918–Nov. 3, 2021, in St. John's. Born in Clarendville, daughter of George & Emily (Stanley) Vardy. Predeceased by her parents & her brothers Edgar, 1958 & Wilson, 1965 & her sisters Mary, 1983, Violet, 2009 & Laura. Sister of Lucy Williams, Florida. Mother of her adopted daughter, Lt. Col Leela Kale in India. Anette was a Salvation Army Officer & an RN. She served in India for twenty-five years. Barrett's Funeral Home Obit & photo. See also CBC Sept. 29, 2017 & the South West Arm Historical Society.

Wells, Andy, aged 76, on June 25, 2021. Retired Chair of the Provincial Public Utilities Board. Long-time municipal politician, St. John's City Council, Nov. 3, 1981–March 2008. Councillor, Deputy-Mayor & Mayor.

- I am bound to them, though I cannot look into their eyes or hear their voices. I honour their history. I cherish their lives. I will tell their story. I will remember them. – Author unknown. From the Newfoundland & Labrador Genealogy Facebook page.

ENLISTED MEN FROM LOWER ISLAND COVE, CONCEPTION BAY WHO SERVED DURING WW1

*Those who returned and those who gave their supreme
sacrifice.*

Submitted by Judy Rogers

Back in the fall of 2017, a man from “home” posted a picture of The Roll of Honor which contained 21 names of men from Lower Island Cove, Conception Bay, NL who served during WW1. It is hung in the United Church in Burnt Point, Conception Bay, NL. The church in Lower Island Cove was decommissioned and the document was moved to Burnt Point Church.



The lettering has faded, but the significance it bears, caught my attention. It caused me to wonder, what if anything, we could do to honor these men. The idea of obtaining a plaque that we could place in our community, became rooted in my mind.

Over several years, we obtained money through donations & selling of items at the AYLA during the Lower Island Cove Regatta, to consider having the plaque made. We contacted a company for an estimate on a plaque that could be mounted in the Old Methodist Cemetery in Lower Island Cove. A stone was selected & was placed in the cemetery in July, 2019.



Limited research revealed more than 21 men; the plaque contains 31 names. We have added the Regimental number for each and the unit they served with. While we went with those born in Lower Island Cove, we know there were others who served whose parents or grandparents were from Lower Island Cove.

The plaque was installed September 2020.

#1. Pte. Kenneth Morris # 412 Royal NL Regiment



Kenneth was born on March 27, 1889 to Joseph William & Sarah Jane (Trenchard) Morris. We know that Kenneth became a schoolteacher & taught before enlisting. He enlisted on October 1, 1914 and was killed on July 1, 1916.

#2. Pte. George Stanley Garland # 200 Royal NL Regiment



George was born on February 8, 1895 to Eli & Elizabeth Maria (Louis)Garland. He was a Post Office Clerk before enlisting. He enlisted August 27, 1914. He sustained injury to his leg October 1915. He died June 9, 1916.

3. Lance Corporal Henry Garland (Harry) # 2792 Royal NL Regiment



Harry was born on September 27, 1895 to Lemuel & Susannah (Johnson). He married Susannah Snelgrove on September 14, 1929. We know that he was one of the businessmen of Lower Island Cove. Harry died August 23, 1957. There is a headstone in the United Church Cemetery for him.

#4. Pte. Gascar Charles Garland # 3032283 19th Battalion of the Canadian Infantry



Gascar was born on April 8, 1892 to Thomas & Rosanna (Louis) Garland. Gascar was an iron worker. He died on August 28, 1918; he is buried in Vis-en-Artois, British Cemetery, France. There is a headstone in the United Church Cemetery erected by his mother.

#5. Sergeant Alexander Marshall Hudson # 961 Royal NL Regiment

Al Hudson was born on January 16, 1894 to Allen Germaine & Eliza Rankin (Louis) Hudson. He married Annie Maud Cooper on November 5, 1931 & they had three daughters. He was Justice of the Peace. He passed away on October 3, 1977. There is a headstone for him in the United Church Cemetery.

#6. Pte. Louis Sparkes # 1052 Royal NL Regiment

Louis Sparkes was born on December 29, 1892 to Jabez & Bertha Maria (Louis) Sparkes. While in hospital in England, he met Amy Richards. They were married on September 4, 1917 in Richmond, England. They returned to NL & eventually back to Lower Island Cove. They had 5 children. Amy was one of the midwives there. Louis died on October 19, 1985 & is buried in the Salvation Army Cemetery there.

#7. Pte. Reuben Wheeler # 2787 Royal NL Regiment

Reuben was born on April 14, 1899 to John H. & Mary Magdeline (Cooper) Wheeler. Reuben enlisted on May 25, 1916 at 18 years of age. Reuben was killed in Belgium on October 14, 1918.

#8. Seamen Newman Wheeler #1603X Royal Naval Reserve

Newman was born on September 20, 1894 to John H. & Mary Magdeline (Cooper) Wheeler. He married Annie Maude Morris on June 20, 1918 in Montreal. They had 4 children. He passed away June, 1964 in Palm Beach, Florida.

#9. Pte. Selby Allan Morris # 2790 Royal NL Regiment

Selby was born on October 23, 1896 to Eleazer & Charlotte (Butt) Morris. Selby married Mary Banks on October 12, 1918 in England. They had 4 children. He died in New Jersey in 1968.

#10. Pte. Kenneth George Leshane # 69512 Canadian Expeditionary Forces

Kenneth was born on February 28, 1891 to Newman & Mary Ann (Cooper) Leshane. He enlisted on December 22, 1914 at St. John's, NL. He died on November 6, 1917.

#11. Pte. John Lewis # 8403 NL Forestry Corps

John was born on September 29, 1899 to Edward & Annie (Stockwood) Lewis. He enlisted on October 27, 1917 and was discharged on July 30, 1919. He died in Cambridge, Mass. in 1936.

#12. Pte. William Manuel # 4290 Royal NL Regiment

Bill was born on February 20, 1896 to John Perry & Elizabeth (Martin) Manuel. He married and had 2 sons. He passed away September 14, 1973 in St. John's.

#13. Pte. Charles Reid # 4280 Royal NL Regiment

Charles was born on January 12, 1898 to Edward & Elizabeth (Lewis) Reid. Missing in action on October 14, 1918

#14. Pte Horatio Turner # 5103 Royal NL Regiment

Horatio was born on February 2, 1898 to Charles & Susie (Cooper) Turner. He was married & they had six children. Horatio died at Torbay on September 20, 1941.

#15. Pte. Allen Germaine Turner # 19261, The Canadian Expeditionary Forces, 92nd OS Battalion Highlanders.

He was born on October 3, 1884 to Joseph & Sarah Ann (Garland) Turner. According to his Canada, WW1 CEF Attestation papers, his birth date was December 18, 1884. His trade was given as Rigger when he enlisted on August 31, 1915. He married Eliza Steele on February 15, 1922 in York, Ontario; they had one son. Allen passed away in 1959.

#16. Pte. Herbert John Bursey # 4544 Royal NL Regiment

Herbert was born on October 23, 1897 to Ebenezer & Sarah (Murray) Bursey. He enlisted on April 22, 1918 and was discharged on July 22, 1919. On October 30, 1920, in Cambridge, Mass., he married Annie Grace Norman from Catalina. They had five children. Herbert passed away in 1958 in Lexington, Mass.

#17. Seaman Philip Louis # 1213X

Philip was born on May 10, 1898 to Frederick & Melina (Froude) Louis. He drowned on January 1, 1915 while serving on the HMS Viknor.

#18. Sapper Simeon Louis # 1081814 1st Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Forces

Simeon was born April 28, 1896 to Frederick & Melina (Froude) Louis. He passed away August 1967 at St. Pete's, Florida.

#19. Seaman Simeon Morris # 1138X

Simeon was born on March 29, 1898 to Willis & Susanna (Rogers) Morris. He died on January 25, 1917 while serving on the HMS Laurentic. Simeon was married & had children.

#20. Pte. Charles Vail # 5095 Royal NL Regiment

Charles was born on March 15, 1898 to William & Mary Ann (Champion) Vail. Charles married Mary Grace Cole on September 6, 1919. They had two daughters; Ella who died at four months & Florence. Mr. Charlie Vail passed away on May 1st, 1974.

#21. Pte. John Charles Snelgrove # 895 Royal NL Regiment

He was born on December 9, 1890 to Samuel & Annie (Champion) Snelgrove. When he enlisted on January 5, 1915, he gave his occupation as sheet-metal worker. Private Snelgrove was reported missing on July 1, 1916. A family memorial which stands in the General Protestant Cemetery in St. John's commemorates the sacrifice of Pte. Snelgrove.

#22. Pte. Arthur Cummings # 815 Royal NL Regiment

Arthur was born on July 26, 1896 to Charles & Elizabeth (Garland) Cummings. He was their youngest son. Arthur enlisted on December 26, 1914. He died on September 14, 1917. He is buried in Grave # 526, Tournai Cemetery, France. There is a marker in the General Protestant Cemetery, St. John's, erected to his memory.

#23. Pte. Carl Reid # 790 Royal NL Regiment

Carl was born in 1896 to Caleb & Jane (Driscoll) Reid and he was killed on August 12, 1916 in Belgium. His age was given as 22 when he died. There is a headstone in the General Protestant Cemetery, St. John's to commemorate his memory.

#24. Pte Hemnon Vail # 5282 Royal NL Regiment

Hemnon was born on August 18, 1897 to George & Susanna (Lewis) Vail. He was listed as a Railroad section man on his enlistment papers. After his discharge, he was admitted to Jensen Camp on December 4, 1918. He passed away on July 7, 1919. There is a headstone in the General Protestant Cemetery erected to his memory.

#25. Pte. Arthur Driscoll # 1054 Royal NL Regiment

Arthur was born in 1896 to Absalom & Virtue (Snelgrove) Driscoll. He enlisted on January 29, 1915. He died July 1, 1916 aged 20 years. There is a headstone in the General Protestant Cemetery, St. John's erected to commemorate Arthur Driscoll.

#26. Seaman Leander Driscoll # 11813 5th Battalion Kings Shropshire Light Infantry

He was born on October 19, 1883 to Benjamin & Ann Ware (Turner) Driscoll. He died as a result of an accident on September 10, 1929 at Takaracli, Africa. He was an officer on a freighter plying the waters between England & Africa. He was married & had two children.

#27. Pte. Edward Turner Driscoll # 8371 NL Forestry Corps

Edward was born on October 19, 1887 to Benjamin & Anne Ware (Turner) Driscoll. He died on July 15, 1957 in Peabody, Mass. He was married & had one daughter.

28. Sergeant William John Driscoll # 3368 Royal NL Regiment

William John was born on January 18, 1890 to Benjamin & Anne Ware (Turner) Driscoll. When he enlisted in 1916, he was listed as a clothing cutter. William John died on February 24, 1966; he is buried at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, St. John's.

29. Merchant Seaman Caleb Robbins # K22763

Caleb was born on May 17, 1884 to John & Elizabeth Ann (Driscoll) Robbins. Caleb married Alice Critch on December 24, 1907 at St. John's & they had ten children. Caleb passed away on October 25, 1930

30. Pte. Levi Rogers # 26245 Royal Montreal Regiment

Levi was born on January 23, 1885 to Henry & Susanna (Driscoll) Rogers. Levi married & had eight children. He passed away on June 8, 1963 at Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec.

#31 Pte. William Morris

I was unable to find identifying information on William. The initials RNR were after his name but to date I have not found William in the records. I left his name among the others, as killed in action. If for no other reason than to fill the gap on those we haven't found.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR STRAYS DEATHS AFAR

Compiled by Pat Walsh pwalsh1919@gmail.com

What is a Stray? A Stray is defined as a person who is described in a record of an event as being from or connected with a place outside the area in which the event took place. For example, someone born in one place dies in another and the event is reported in a local newspaper. I do take most of our strays from *The Telegram*, as noted below. Thank you to The Ontario Genealogical Society for this definition of a Stray.

Strays from Bell Island appear on the Historic Wabana Nfld Facebook page. It is a website celebrating the history, culture & people of Bell Island, NL with particular emphasis on the Wabana iron-ore mining operation. Thanks to Gail Hussey-Weir, this public group page has over 3,000 members.

The obituary information which follows has been taken from past issues of *The Telegram*, a daily newspaper published in St John's, NL, unless another newspaper has been noted. For more detailed information, please research the newspaper for the dates shown.

Breen, Rosalie Marie (nee Mansfield) on Aug. 7, 2021 in Ontario. Born on June 12, 1946 on Bell Island. Long-time resident of Bolton, ON. Predeceased by her husband Guy Joseph Breen, 2018. Guy was born in Canada Harbour in 1943. Mother of Corinne, Kim, Guy, John, Bradley, Paul, Melissa & Ian (deceased May 7, 2021). Obit & photo Egan Funeral Home, Bolton, ON & Historic Wabana Nfld Facebook page.

Butler, Lorne James, in Fredericton, NB on Aug. 18, 2021. Born on Bell Island. Predeceased by his parents William & Marian (Stevens) & his brother David. Husband of 53 years of Anne (nee Muggah). Father of Rob, Keith & Kim. He attended Memorial University & Technical University of Nova Scotia. Obit & photo McAdam's Funeral Home, Fredericton, NB. & Historic Wabana Nfld Facebook page.

Caines, Peggy Sandra (nee Ball) on Sept. 26, 2021 in Edmonton, AB. Born on July 26, 1946, daughter of Scott & Ethel (Wight) Ball. Her mother Ethel of Deer Lake died on June 3, 2007. Also predeceased by her father & sisters Viletta, Yvonne & Joy & her husband John (May 2012). She was born in Corner Brook. Mother of Lori, Dwayne & Jeffrey. Sister of Maxine, Sophie, Margaret, Ellen & Scott. Obit & photo Oct. 2, 2021.

Cluett, Stephen Paul, on Oct. 3, 2021 in Grande Prairie, AB, aged 45. Formerly of Frenchman's Cove, Son of Harvey & Donna. Father of Mason & Morgan Cluett (Lolita Hoddinott). Predeceased by his daughter Macy Katrina Cluett. Brother of William, Justin & Miranda Sullivan (Raymond) Obit Oct, 2021.

Curtis, Con, on May 22, 2013 in Yellowknife, NWT, aged 74. Formerly of Trepassey & Renew. Husband of 48 years of Betty (Pittman). Father of Bryan & Enola. Obit May 25, 2013.

Fitzgerald, Bernard Michael "Bernie", resident of Aylesford, NS, on July 16, 2021, aged 77. Born on Bell Island on Jan. 20, 1944, son of Ronald & Bridget (Galway). Husband of 57 years of Lillian (Wheten). He retired after 53 years of service with the Canadian Armed Forces. Predeceased by his parents, his infant daughter Kathleen Mary Frances & his brothers David, Ronald "Ron" & Francis "Frank". Father of Bernard, Michael Jr. & Karen Lynne Heukshorst (Joseph). Brother of Eileen, Agnes "Aggie" & Karen "Bobby". Interment in the Holy Cross Cemetery, Kentville, NS. Obit & photo White Family Funeral Home & Cremation Services & Historic Wabana Nfld Facebook page.

Fowler, Jean nee Mugford formerly of Clarke's Beach, on Aug. 7, 2013 in Kelowna, BC, aged 73. Predeceased by her parents William & Stella (MacRoberts) Mugford, and her husband Joseph

Fowler. Mother of Margaret, Karen, Sheila, Gordon, Phillip & David. Obit Aug. 14, 2013.

Hall, Michael Hackett, of Bedford, NS, aged 87, on Sept. 20, 2021. Born on Woods Island, Bay of Islands. Resident of Pasadena, NL. Predeceased by his parents Paul & Anne (Hackett) Hall, his stepmother Bella (Leonard) & his brother Paul "Bud". Employed as an accountant with Western Memorial Hospital in Corner Brook. Husband of 60 years of Ida Mary (Batt). Father of Gary, Pauline, Robert & Pamela. Brother of Clifford. Obit & photo *The Chronicle Herald*, Halifax, Sept. 25, 2021.

Hann, William Louis, Dec. 13, 1935–Sept. 18, 2021 in Mississauga, ON. Husband of 63 years of Margaret. Father of Doris, Billy, Margie, Geri, Garry & Brian. Brother of Florence French. He worked at Arrowhead Metals for 26 years, following his time as an iron-ore miner on Bell Island. Obit & photo Ridley Funeral Home, Etobicoke, ON & Historic Wabana Nfld Facebook page.

Jardine, Louise (nee Peckford) in Cambridge, ON. May 28, 1926–Aug. 19, 2021. Predeceased by her parents Dorman & Ethel Peckford & her husband Neil, her daughter Fran & her sisters Juanita, Ruby, Beulah & her brothers Roy & Melvin. Mother of Gail Graham (Wayne) & Mark. Sister of Joan & James. See obit & photo at Lounsbury Funeral Home, Cambridge, ON.

Kenny, Walter J., US Army Ret'd, CW2 of Fayetteville, North Carolina on May 17, 2013, aged 72. Formerly of Fermeuse. Predeceased by his parents Austin & Bridget & his sister Wilhelmina. Father of Debbie & Vaughan. Brother of Bernadine, Patricia, Ambrose, Austin, Kevin & Reg. Obit & photo May 25, 2013.

Kent, William, Dec. 18, 1943–Aug. 17, 2021 in Cambridge, ON. Predeceased by his parents Terrence & Lillian & his wife Marie (nee Eveleigh) 2018 & infant son William. Father of Debbie, Donna Carol-Ann, Ronnie & Trudy. Brother of Helen, Wayne, Irene & Ron. See obit & photo Lounsbury Funeral Home, Cambridge, ON & Historic Wabana Nfld Facebook page.

Larson, Deborah "Debbie" Christine (nee Collins) of Calgary, AB. Oct. 21, 1958–Sept. 4, 2021. In Rocky Mountain House, AB. Born in Gander. Formerly of Gander & St. John's. Predeceased by her father Harold Collins, MHA on Nov. 10, 2015. Daughter of Joan (Peckford) Collins. Wife of Byron. Mother of Michael & Joshua (their father Keith Barnes). Sister of Brian, Betty, David, Paul, Sharon, Kevin, Craig, Derek & Tony. Obit & photo Sept. 11, 2021.

Mahoney, Patrick Joseph (Paddy) PJ, on May 23, 2012 in Vancouver, BC. Born on March 5, 1929 in North River, Conception Bay, son of District Inspector Michael & Hannah. Predeceased by his parents & his first wife, Frances in 1972 & his second wife Mary in 1997. Father of Tara, Hannah, Shane & Kelly. Brother of Loretta, Joan, Ramona, Sheila, Iris & Michael. Burial in Belvedere Cemetery, St. John's. Obit June 9, 2012.

Morrison, Anita Josephine (nee Power) on Sept. 20, 2021 in Ottawa, ON. Born in Mount Carmel on Nov. 1, 1930, daughter of William & Elizabeth "Bella" Nolan) Power. Resident of Halifax, NS & Ottawa, ON. Mother of Mark, Paul, Sue Ellen & Bruce. Sister of Ralph & William. Predeceased by her husband Daniel Morrison & her brothers & sisters, William, George, Mary, Stella, John, Walter & Theresa Behan (Ernie). Obit & photo *The Halifax Chronicle* Sept. 25, 2021.

Muirhead, Mavis (nee Brown) on Aug. 6, 2013 in Halifax, NS. Born in King's Cove. Predeceased by her parents Kenneth M. Brown, OBE. & Violet Holwell Brown, her first husband Dennis Fitzgerald (1965) & her second husband Gordon Muirhead (1999) & her sisters Violet & Audrey & her brother Clyde. Sister of Ethel Brown Lawton, St. John's. Obit Aug. 14, 2013.

Murphy, Greg. T. on Sept. 18, 2021 in Ottawa, ON. Born in 1950. Former resident of Mount Pearl. Husband of 48 years of Anne (Foran). Predeceased by his parents Terry & Gladys & his brother Terry (July 17, 2012). Former Canada Post employee. Father of Jason & Kris.

Brother of Ed, Fabian, Gerard & Debbie Parsons (Fred). Obit & photo Oct. 2, 2021.

Newell, Barbara Ann, Dec. 14, 1974–Sept. 20, 2021 in Ontario. Born on Bell Island & moved to Cambridge, ON when she was 14 years of age. Predeceased by her father Harvey Newell. Mother of Sabrina, Keshia, Nicholas & Damian. Step-mother of Becky, Sara & Jessica. Sister of Gerald, Eddie, Olive, Marie & Harvey. See Obit at the Barthel Funeral Home web site & Historic Wabana Nfld Facebook page.

Payne, Jean (nee Hanlon) June 9, 1959–June 3, 2012 in Brampton, ON. Originally from St. Mary's Bay. Predeceased by her parents James & Anita Hanlon. Wife of Dwight. Mother of Sonya & Brandon. Sister of five sisters & eight brothers. Obit & photo June 9, 2012.

Peddle, Sean of Carbonear, on Sept. 22, 2021 in Bonnyville, AB. Son of Theresa & Kevin. Brother of Colette, step-brother of Nici, David & Jack. Predeceased by his grandparents Thomas & Mary Dunphy & Laurence & Ellen Peddle. Obit & photo Oct. 2, 2021.

Pynn, Colin Gerald, Oct. 20, 1944–Aug. 2, 2021 in Simcoe, ON. Predeceased by his parents Gerald & Lyda, his first wife Patricia, 2019 & daughter Joy Lynn Pynn, 1981. Husband of Betty Jean. Father of Colleen & Dane Wing. Obit & photo Coutts Funeral Home & Cremation Centre, Cambridge, ON & Historic Wabana Nfld Facebook page.

Richards, Flora (nee Parsons) on Aug. 9, 2013 in La Jolla, California. Predeceased by her

husband Rick in 2000, 2 of her brothers Rupert & Gerald. Mother of Dennis & Keith. Sister of Jean W. Stentaford, St. John's (died on June 13, 2015 as per her own obit) & William H. Parsons, Lansing, New York. Obit Aug. 14, 2013.

Smith, Roland Calvin, of Newmarket, ON, aged 79, on Sept. 28, 2021. Born in Bishop's Falls, son of Ralph & Rebecca (nee Vokey). Husband of Barbara (Prince), from Charleston, NL. They were married on Feb. 2, 1963. Brother of Ralph, Isaac & Sybil Taylor (Ted, predeceased). Former employee of McLean Hunter Printing in Toronto, ON. Obit & photo Oct. 2, 2021.

Stoyles, Jean (nee Stone) of Middle Sackville, NS on Sept. 24, 2021, aged 81. Predeceased by her parents Chesley & Ellen (Cake) Stone of St. John's, her husband of 40 years Clifford, her infant brother Malcolm, her brothers Jim, Fred & Bill & her sister Betty Lowas (Peter, deceased). Mother of Shelley & Steven. Sister of Roy, Allan & Patricia Hussey (Walter, deceased). Obit & photo *The Chronicle Herald*, Halifax, NS Sept. 27, 2021.

Note: A good source for obituaries & In Memoriam notices is *The Shoreline*, a community newspaper covering Conception Bay South, Paradise, Conception Bay Centre & the Avalon.

“It is good to have an end to journey toward, but it is the journey that matters in the end.”

Ernest Hemingway



WILLIAM HARDING'S DIARY

(Continued from previous issues.)

Submitted by Brian Williams

Oct 1 Friday Oct 1875

Arose 6 am very dull. In evening fixing bedstead. Recieved a letter from Mr Brace; with paper & envelopes. Was to see Mary Ann's baby, she is sick. Fine day.

Oct 2 Sat

Arose 6 am Dull & foggy. Wet all day. Attended Division but did not stay my wife sick.

Oct 3 Sunday

Arose 6 am Cold blowy morning. Attended Service, Met my Class Attended Service again. Daniel Bishop held Prayer Meeting Bless God for a good day to my soul.

Oct 4 Monday.

Arose 6 am. Dull morning, was at John Paul's Had from Thomas Gorman 2 lbs ? (Brian's note - this entire sentence was handwritten by Ethel in the top margin of the page, since it had not been entirely photocopied from the bottom of the preceding page. Ethel added the ?) 6 lbs Sugar. 1 lbs Figs 1 ½ lbs Cheese & some sweeties. Paid 9/8 (Brian's note: this appears to be 9/8, written more like it is g/8 which doesn't make sense) for the lot. Dull day.

Oct 5 Tuesday

Arose 6 am Mary Ann was here in the evening. Mrs Amelia Collins was here helping to make a dress for my wife. Dull & rainy all day.

Oct 6 Wed

Arose 6 am Dull morning. Fixing the house. Alice Vincent was here Was informed that Mr Winter seized the "Hero" thinking they did not enter. Mrs A Collins was here. fine evening.

Oct 7 Thurs.

Arose 6 am. Fine morning. fixing the windows & dug my potatoes. Ann Keech & Arthur John Elliot's son were here Met my Class, recieved a letter from Selina Isaacs, they are well (*Wm wife?*) (recent handwriting)

Oct 8 Friday

Arose 7 am Wet morning. Mary Ann here after her letters Wet all day.

Oct 9 Sat

Arose ½ past six. Still wet. took up my turnips & carrots. Aunt Sally Brushett was here. Jersey James brought up 11 sticks of wood & some hoops. Attended Division but felt poorly, so did not stay. Dull day.

Oct 10 Sunday.

Arose 7 am Cold dull morning. Attended Service, Met my Class, Attended Service again & I held Prayer Meeting. Mr Pascoe gave the Sacrament 94 partook. Wet day.

Oct 11 Monday.

Arose 6 AM. Fine windy morning; Blew a gale all night I brought up the sticks of wood Jersey James gave me. 11 in number. Wrote a letter to Mrs Coady & to Selina & to G. Hatcher. Attended the funeral of Ames Mitchell's infant. Fine day.

Oct 12 Tuesday.

Arose 7 am Fine morning. Sawing & cleaving wood. Posted my 3 letters.

Oct 13 Wed.

Arose 6 am Very wet night & dull morning. Posted a letter for Mary Ann. Mr G Inkpen came from Labrador. Blew hard. fine day.

Oct 14 Thurs.

Arose 7 am Fine morning. Mary Ann came down with the baby & stayed all night & went home this evening. Wm Vincent & his two brothers George & Philip brought me a nice bit of wood. Wm Collins went off for St Johns with a freight of fish for John Paul. Fine day.

Oct 15 Friday

Arose 6 am White frost on the planks. G Deer & I spelled up the wood that was brought yesterday I was forced to lie down my back was so bad. Mary Ann was collecting in the Coves for Wm Isaacs. Fine day.

Oct 16 Sat.

Arose 7 am. dull morning. Sawing up a little wood. My back so bad I could not saw much. Fixed the Hall for Division but did not go as my back was so very bad.

Oct 17 Sunday.

Was confined to my bed all day in a bad back. Could not attend the Services. Wet all day.

Oct 18 Monday.

Arose ½ past 6, a little better in my back. Fine morning. Ed. Pyke began to bring coal to the Church. Mr E Inkpen sailed for St Johns

Oct 19 Tuesday.

Arose 7 am Fine, could not do much, my back so bad. Fine day.

Oct 20 Wed.

Arose 1.2 past six. Fine morning. Was on board two potatoe schooners & inspected their barrels & got the payment in potatoes. Attended Prayer Meeting. Mr G Bishop appointed Class Leader of the Minister's Class.

Oct 21 Thurs.

Arose 7 a m Dull morning. Sawing wood. After breakfast attended Leader's meeting but no one attended.

Oct 22 Friday

Arose 7 am Fine morning, came to snow but cleared off & froze very hard most of day.

Oct 23 Sat.

Arose 7 am Cold morning. Fixed the Hall for Division. Blowing very hard. James Brushetts & Jersey James two sons Joseph & Alexander were putting up Mr Willy's headstone. windy day.

Oct 24 Sunday.

Arose 7 am. Cold morning. Attended Service, Met my Class. Mr Pascoe read a letter he had from Mr Forsey. Attended Service again & Daniel Bishop held Prayer Meeting. Fine day Bless the Lord.

Oct 25 Monday.

Arose 7 a m Fine morning, Shoreing up the house. Was at Charles Hollett & at Dr Smith's; at Mary Anns & Dr Morans. brought home a bag of shavings.

Oct 26 Tuesday.

Arose 7 am. Dull morning fixing lamps in Church. Hannah 25 (recent handwriting) Deer came with her baby & Thos Isaacs was with them. Hannah & baby stayed all night.

Oct 27 Wed.

Arose 7 a m Cold but fine, was at Dr Smith's & brought home a bottle of rubbing stuff for my wife's legs & a strengthening plaster for my back. G Deer & I were at Dr Moran's & brought home 2 bags of shavings. Attended Prayer Meeting Fine day.

Oct 28 Thurs.

Arose 7 am Wet morning & continued all day. Expecting the funeral but so wet it did not come. Met my female Class.

Oct 29 Friday

Arose 7 am still wet. Sawing up wood. Attended Wm Isaacs funeral. Wet day.

Oct 30 Sat

Arose 7 a m Cold morning fixed the Hall for to-night Wm Henry put new steps to the entrance of the Schoolhouse. Attended Division but did not stay long.

Oct 31 Sunday.

Arose 7 a m Fine morning. Attended Service, Met my Class. Charlotte Roberts was with us to dinner. Attended Service again. R Pascoe held Prayer Meeting Fine day

Nov 1 Monday November 1875

Arose 7 am. Dull morning Mr Deer & G Vincent were here to breakfast Drew out 4 Notifications for the following for Pew Rent, Rd Pine, Rd Smurdon, T Mackay. & David Coombs. After dinner wrote a letter to Mr Hooper, St Peters. Wet evening.

Nov 2 Tuesday

Arose 7 a m Wet all night & this morning, Was at Burin Bay with a letter to Mr Rd Paul to carry to Mr Hooper, St Peters. Very rough windy day.

Nov 3 Wed.

Arose 7 a m. Wet morning Sawing wood after breakfast. In the afternoon Mary Ann Reed & Harriet Isaacs were here a bit Attended Prayer Meeting. Dull day.

Nov 4 Thurs.

Arose 7 a m Cold morning. Sawing wood. Wm Henry going to St Johns with Edmund Reed. They sailed 3 p m. Fine day.

Nov 5 Friday

Arose 7 am Dull morning. Glory be to God that I live to see my 82nd birthday Hennigar & George Deer & I went into Salmonier. Fine day.

Nov 6 Sat.

Arose 7 a m. Dull & cold. Buried carrots & cut up two barrels cabbage.

Nov 7 Sunday.

Arose 7 a m. Cold with snow. Attended Service, Met my Class attended Service again & I held Prayer Meeting. Bless the Lord for a good day to my soul. Snowed in evening.

Nov 8 Monday.

Arose 7 a m Wet morning Sawing wood & fixing Hall for to night. Star of the East. Attended Trustee meeting & then Temp. Meeting.

Nov 9 Tues.

Arose 7 a m Dull morning. Cutting up wood. G Collins brought me two turn of wood. Charlotte Vincent was here & slept with Hennigar. Fine day.

Nov 10 Wed.

Arose 7 a m Fine morning Buried seed potatoes. Charlotte went home. Robert Inkpen sailed this afternoon for St Johns. Mr G Bishop, Wm Collins, G Collins & John E Collins went with him. Rd Kirby arrived from St Johns. Attended Prayer Meeting Fine day.

Nov 11 Thurs.

Dull morning. was at Dr Moran's, Mary Ann's Charles Holletts & Mr O'Neils & Mrs Morris' Met my female Class. snowed & rained.

Nov 12 Friday

Arose ½ past 7. Wet morning. sawing wood part of day. Began on a barrel Flour.

Nov 13 Sat.

Arose 7 a m. Fine, sawing wood & working about the house. It blew a gale of wind to-day.

Nov 14 Sunday.

Arose ½ past 7. Dull morning. Attended Service. Mr Pascoe met our Class for tickets Attended Service again. Mr Pascoe held Prayer Meeting Blowy day.

Nov 15 Monday

Arose 7 a m fine but cold. Had 1 ½ tons of coal from Mr G Inkpen John brought it up. Attended Division settled for another year if spared, for the same salary. Recieved L 1.10 shillings in advance. Mrs Lambe was here 'till 10 oclock. Fine day.

Nov 16 Tuesday.

Arose 7 am. It was a frosty night After breakfast was at Mr Pd Pauls brought home 6 lbs Cheese 1 c Tea & 10 lbs Sugar. Mr Hodder & Edmund Reed *my great grandfather (E Hollett)* (recent handwriting by Ethel in the top margin; this note was connected with a line to "Mr Hodder" though I know from Ethel that it is "Edmund Reed" who was her great grandfather) arrived from St Johns. Wm Henry & Bill Vincent also.

Nov 17 Wed.

Arose ½ past 7. Dull morning. After breakfast sawing wood. Attended Prayer Meeting not many there. Blowy day.

Nov 18 Thurs

Arose 7 am Snowy, sawing wood, blowing hard all day & evening.

Nov 19 Friday.

Arose 7 a m. Cold rough morning. Sawing wood. After dinner was at Mary Ann's & Dr James Moran. Brought home a quantity of notices to be posted up for directions to the Public in reference to Weights & Measures. I sent one to the Post Office, one to Burin Bay, one to Spoon Cove; one to Port aux Bras & one to Great Burin & one to John Pauls.

Nov 20 Sat.

Arose 7 a m Fine morning. Went into the bay with Wm Henry & Thos Collins Dinner at Charlotte's Was at Hannah Deers & Mary Ann. Fine but cold.

Nov 21 Sunday.

Arose 7 a m. Cold morning Attended Service, Met my Class, Attended Service again. No Prayer Meeting so very cold.

Nov 22 Monday.

Arose ½ past 7. very cold. Sawing wood. Was at Thos Gormans & brought home Cheese, Cocoa, Raisins & blacklead. No meeting at the Hall. No attendance. Cold night.

Nov 23 Tues.

Arose 7 am very cold morning. Froze hard last night. Sawed wood. very cold.

Nov 24 Wed

Arose ½ past 7. snowy morning. writing a letter to Grand Bank to George Attended George Hodder's wedding. Attended Prayer Meeting. snowy day.

Nov 25 Thurs.

Arose 7 am Cold morning. Fixing the stoves & piping in the Church. Mr Pascoe met my female Class for tickets. Very cold day.

Nov 26 Friday

Arose ½ past 7 very cold. Posted a letter for George Harding Cold day.

Nov 27 Sat

Arose ½ past 7. Snowy & cold. Nothing particular occurred.

Nov 28 Sunday.

Arose ½ past 7. Cold morning. Lit the fires in Church. Attended Service, Met my Class Met my Class (Brian's note - the transcriber copied this last phrase twice, so I have included it twice).

Attended Service again & I held Prayer Meeting. Mr G Bishop & Wm Collins arrived in the steamer. Mr Rd Hodder went in her. Cold day.

Nov 29 Monday

Arose 7 a m Fine only cold. Was at T Gormans. At the Dr's & at Charles Holletts with Temp Papers. Was at Mary Ann's. No letter from Selina Isaacs. Blew & snowed so that we could have no Meeting.

Nov 30 Tues:

Arose ½ past 7. Snowed in night. Shoveling snow. Mary Ann was here this afternoon. Fine day.

Dec 1 Wed. Dec 1875

Arose 7 a m Fine only cold Was at Mary Ann's with the address James Mitchell gave me for Selina Isaacs & Albert Coady. I wrote a letter to-day to Selina & Mrs Coady. Attended Prayer Meeting.

Dec 2 Thurs.

Arose 7 am Snowy morning. Fixing Church. Posted letters. No Class no one attended too snowy & continued all day.

Dec 3 Friday

Arose ½ past 7. Cold morning. Sawing wood. The two Mary Anns & Lizzy Reed their cousin from the bay were here. Thomas Isaacs was here also.

Dec 4 Sat

Arose ½ past 7. Fine but cold. Engaged part of the day in clearing away from the entrance of the Church & part in writing Sermons. Bless God for His Mercies for another week.

Dec 5 Sunday.

Arose 7 a m. Snowy morning. Attended Service, Met my Class. Attended Service again. After, (Brian's note - "after" is repeated) a Love Feast. A goodly number spoke of their experiences. Bless God for a good day to my soul.

Dec 6 Monday

Arose 7 a m snowy morning. My dear wife very poorly. Writing most of day. Was not able to go to Division my wife so ill.

Dec 7 Tues.

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning. Fixing Church Lamps. Hannah Brinton & her baby here all night. It was a fine day.

Dec 8 Wed.

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning. Was informed that two sons of Samuel Bennett viz Samuel & William while coming with a load of wood two St Johns men were drowned. John & Ann Keech were here to dinner. Attended Prayer Meeting fine day.

Dec 9 Thurs

Arose 7 am Fine morning John Collins & I put the Spring on the Church door. Met my Class. Mrs Amelia Collins was here to Tea a lovely fine day. I saw the new Clock in the Hall. John put down the foundation of his house.

Dec 10 Friday

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning Was to Dr Moran's & resigned the office of inspecting Weights & Measures. I bought 1 lb of ground coffee & 1 lb of biscuits paid 2/4 for it bought 2/6 worth of wood from Mr Ed Collins Fine day.

Dec 11 Sat

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning. After breakfast brought the wood up on Ed. Collins' flake in order to get it home. Helped to haul up Wm Henry's boat. Mr Joseph Kirby brought us five fine fish.

Dec 12 Sunday.

Arose ½ past 7. Dull morning. Attended Service, Met my Class. Attended Service again & I held Prayer Meeting Mary Ann & baby here to dinner. Mrs Amelia Collins here in the evening fine day.

Dec 13 Monday.

Arose ½ past 7. Wet morning & very wet day. Not to Division to-night. My wife ill.

Dec 14 Tuesday

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning. After breakfast helping John Collins to lower the lamps in the Church. Attended John Collins & Charles Patten Forsey's weddings. Blowy cold day.

Dec 15 Wed

Arose ½ 7 Cold morning working about the Church. Attended Prayer Meeting.

Dec 16 Thurs.

Arose 7 am. Cold. After breakfast Mr Pascoe went with G. Collins to Flat Islands. Met my Class. Fine day.

Dec 17 Friday

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning. Was at Mr Hoopers & was informed of the death of John Penney. May God prepare us all for our latter end.

Dec 18 Sat

Arose ½ past 7 soft morning Fixing Hall for Monday evening. Went to Dr Moran's to see Mr Hooper but had to go to the steamer with his letter. received a letter from Selina Isaacs.

Dec 19 Sunday.

Arose ½ past 7. Cold drifty morning Held Service as Mr Pascoe is at Flat Islands. Met My Class & held Service again & I held Prayer Meeting. Mary Ann & the baby & Mrs Reed were here to dinner. Mrs Amelia Collins here.

Dec 20 Monday

Arose ½ past 7 Cold frosty morning & continued all day. I was not to Division to night.

Dec 21 Tues

Arose ½ past 7. Cold with snow. Wrote a letter to Selina Isaacs & one to Mrs Coady. Mary Ann was here for her letter from Selina This is the shortest day.

Dec 22 Wed

Arose ½ past 7. Soft morning. Fixing Church & Schoolhouse for Prayer Meeting. I held it as Mr Pascoe is not returned from Flat Islands. Thomas Isaacs was here & brought us a bit of fresh pork and Wm Deer brought us a bit of mutton.

Dec 23 Thurs.

Arose ½ past 7 after a very stormy night, but it is calm & fine this morning. Posted a letter to Selina Isaacs & in it one for Mrs Coady. Writing part of day. Mr Pascoe came home.

Dec 24 Friday

Arose ½ past 7 Fine morning a very cold day.

Dec 25 Sunday.

Arose ½ past 7. After a very cold night. Bless God that we live to commemorate the Blessed Advent of our Saviour to our world. Attended Service. very cold forepart of day & very slippery, it was milder afternoon.

Dec 26 Sunday.

Arose ½ past 7. Rained & snowed in the night. attended Service Met my Class attended Service again Mr Pascoe held Prayer Meeting.

Dec 27 Monday

Arose ½ past 7 After breakfast fixing the Hall for to night as it is our Quarter night. The Freemasons went to Ship Cove Church Mr Lockward preached to them, then they returned to the Lodge for Dinner a very disagreeable day, so wet; it rained hard. I was sent for to dine with the Freemasons in the Lodge. Then I attended the Division.

Dec 28 Tuesday.

Arose 7 am Fine morning. Attended the Dinner Party of the British & there I was informed that Mrs Amelia was very ill & her life was in danger. After the Dinner in the evening Wm Henry & Hennigar, Lizzy Collins & I went over to Dr Smiths to see her & found her very bad. I talked to her & prayed with her. committing her to God. Bless the Lord she is Happy in her mind.

Dec 29 Wed.

Arose ½ past 7. Was informed of the death of dear Mrs Collins she died this morning about 3 o'clock at Dr Smiths, her sons brought her home.

Dec 30 Thurs.

Arose 7 am Fine morning Met my Class, only two present. Oh Lord help us all to prepare for Death.

Dec 31 Friday

Arose 7 am. Fine morning. The steamer came from the Westward brought nothing for either Joseph Kirby or me from St Peters. Fixing the Bell to toll for Mrs Collins' funeral. I tolled the Bell for her. Attended Watch night Service. So ends the year 1875. Thanks be to God for all past Mercies.

Jan 1 - 1876 to March 1877 (in the top margin)

Jan 1 Saturday

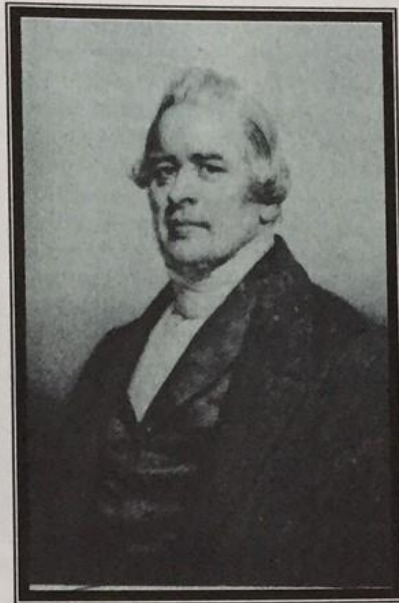
Arose ½ past 7. Snowy but mild. Glory be to God we are brought to see the beginning of another year. May we be more faithful. No letter from Grand Bank. Henry Collins from Flat Islands was here 'till 10 pm & prayed with us.

Jan 2 Sunday

Arose ½ past 7. Fine only cold. Attended Service, Met my Class. Attended Service again. at the Lord's Table were 120 Communicates. Oh Blessed God may we all at last surround Thy Table in Heaven. Fine day.



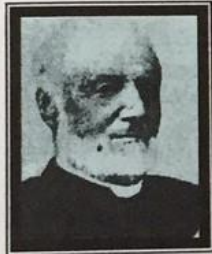
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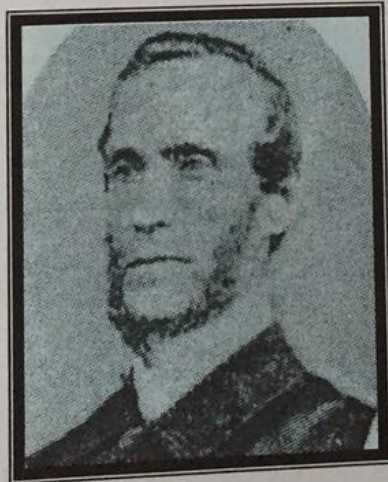
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Rev. Sam Sprague



Rev. Elias Brettle

Clergy associated with William's diary

Jan 3 Monday.

Arose ½ past 7. Wet morning. Fixing Church & Hall. Mr Pascoe held Prayer Meeting in the schoolhouse. Fine evening.

Jan 4 Tues.

Arose 7 a m Fine morning. I was at Mary Ann's & Mr John Paul's. Attended Prayer Meeting a goodly number present. Fine all day.

Jan 5 Wed.

Arose 7 a m. Fine morning Fixed Church for to-night. Attended Service good Prayer Meeting. Fine day.

Jan 6 Thurs.

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning. Fixed the lamps in the Church for to-night. Very cold. Froze very hard. Posted a letter for Grand Bank. No one attended Class. Attended Prayer Meeting, not many there. Fine day.

Jan 7 Friday

Arose ½ past 7. a very rough boisterous morning. snowing & drifting and continued all day. A great deal of snow drifted in some places.

Jan 8 Sat

Arose ½ past 7. Very drifty morning. After breakfast fixing Church for to-morrow. John & Joseph Mitchell & Joseph Kirby assisted me in taking down the pipes & cleaning them. Blew strong breeze of wind & drifted almost all day.

Jan 9 Sunday.

Arose ½ past 7. Attended Service, Met my Class, Attended Service again. Mr Pascoe held Prayer Meeting

Jan 10 Munday.

Arose ½ past 7. Cold but fine. The steamer came but no letters Fixing Hall & shoveling snow great part of day. Was not to Division

Jan 11 Tues.

Arose 7 a m Fine morning after breakfast fixing Church for to-morrow night sawing wood. Was informed that old Mr Jacob Street died some time ago in New York. Pretty fine to-day.

Jan 12 Wed

Arose ½ past 7. Cold with snow squalls all day so that Mr Pascoe could not have the Missionary Meeting Had Prayer Meeting in the schoolhouse.

Jan 13 Thurs.

Arose 7 a m. Moderate morning. After breakfast sawing & cleaving wood. Assisted John Mitchell & Daniel Bishop in putting up a Platform for Missionary Meeting this evening Mr G. Bishop was Chairman, Mr Pascoe read the Report and Messers John Bugden, Daniel Bishop & G Collins addressed the audience I was not on the Platform. Wm Henry & Hennigar were with us 'till eleven p.m.

Jan 14 Friday

Arose 7 a m Fine morning. After breakfast sawing wood. John Mitchell & I cleared away the platform in the Church. Mary Ann was here a little while.

Jan 15 Sat.

Arose 7 a m Fine morning. After breakfast fixing Church for to-morrow. Had a fresh fish caught down the bay by Edmund. Hannah Brinton *granddaughter* (recent handwriting) was here. Snowed a little in the evening.

Jan 16 Sunday.

Arose ½ past 7. Snowy morning. Attended Service, Met my Class Attended Service again. Mr Pascoe held Prayer Meeting, snowed this evening.

Jan 17 Mon.

Arose ½ past 7. rough snowy morning; shoveling snow. Fixing Hall for Division, I was not there, Mrs Lambe here 'till almost 10 pm.

Jan 18 Tuesday

Arose ½ past 7. Frosty morning. The Harbour was frozen over. after breakfast sawing wood. Posted a letter for the Rev James Cook, Wesleyan Minister, Bideford, Devon, England. Brought home from Mr Thos. Gormans a Tea Canister, paid 1/9 for it. Began on the Tea we had from St Peters *St Pierre* (recent handwriting). Fine day.

Jan 19 Wed.

Arose ½ past 7. Rainy morning, after breakfast fixing Church and shoveling snow. Attended Prayer Meeting, a soft rainy day.

Jan 20 Thurs.

Arose 7 am. Wet morning. No Class to-day weather too wet, writing to-day

Jan 21 Friday

Arose 7 am, after a very boisterous night, it blew a gale & continued Writing most of day. The Good Templers have their Tea & Lecture in the Temp Hall this evening. Still rough.

Jan 22 Sat

Arose 7 am very drifty snowy morning Writing part of day Fixing Church for Sabbath, Boisterous day.

Jan 23 Sunday.

Arose 7 am Fine morning only very frosty Harbour caught over Attended Service, Met my Class, attended Service again. Mr Pascoe at Burin Bay. Daniel Bishop held Prayer Meeting, very few at Church The Reach full of ice. The steamer came from the Westward this evening Fine day only cold John Mitchell & I on the door.

Jan 24 Monday.

Arose 7 am Snowy morning & continued until evening. A great fall of snow. I was not to Division.

Jan 25 Tues.

Arose 7 a m very frosty morning ice in the Harbour; the steamer went out. Mr Brinton & his son went in her. Ed Appleby and Alex Brushett joined the Good Templers. Cold day.

Jan 26 Wed.

Arose ½ past 7. Cold frosty morning, the Harbour fast. Sawing wood. Attended Prayer Meeting. Mr Pascoe held it Moderate evening, saw three boys on the ice in the Harbour.

Jan 27 Thurs.

Arose ½ past 7. Still very cold. Henry Hodder, Joseph Mitchell & I took down the Church piping & cleaned it. was so engaged & had no Class Meeting. Moderate only cold.

Jan 28 Friday

Arose 7 am. After breakfast cleaning out the Church. After dinner went to Mrs Inkpens to see her sick nephew; prayed with him & gave him a book "Christ's Invitation to Come to Him" Hannah Brinton & Mary Ann were here. Several walking on the ice across the Harbour. Lent John my draw knife. Moderate day.

Jan 29 Sat

Arose 7 a m Fine but cold. After breakfast sawing wood fixing Hall for Monday night. It came to snow & drift this evening.

Jan 30 Sunday.

Arose 7 a m Wet morning Rained in the night. Attended Service Met my Class, Attended Service again & owing to the boisterous weather Mr Pascoe held short Prayer Meeting after the sermon & then concluded the Services for the day. 24 (recent handwriting) John Isaacs was here with us to dinner.

Jan 31 Monday.

Arose 7 a m. Fine but cold & frosty, sawed the last of my wood. Mr Pascoe was here & prayed with us. Not to Division, could not leave my wife so poorly.

Feb 1 Tues. Feb 1876

Arose ½ past 7. Fine. people walking across the Harbour, ice so strong. Several joined The Good Templers. John Isaacs among them, May they prove faithful to their obligations.

Feb 2 Wed. Candelmas Day.

Arose this morning ½ past 7. Soft morning; fixing Church. Saw a crew in the Burying Ground digging a grave for Henry Mayo who died last night. Wrote to rev G Forsey, Attended Prayer Meeting only ten present. Rough evening.

Feb 3 Thurs.

Arose 7 am Cold snowy morning & continued all day. A gale of wind to NW. broke up part of the ice. No one attended Class Began on 1 lb of Tea this evening.

Feb 4 Friday

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning. Was shoveling snow. Saw a crew of men cutting out the ice from Collins' Cove. Posted letter for Rev Forsey. It came to snow & drift in the afternoon & continued all the evening.

Feb 5 Sat.

Arose 7 am; after very rough boisterous night, shoveling snow. It froze all day.

Feb 6 Sunday.

Arose 7 am; very cold morning. The Harbour was caught over again. Attended Service, Met my Class. Attended Service again. Daniel Bishop held Prayer Meeting. I was not there. my wife ill. Mr Pascoe was at Gt. Burin. Cold day.

Feb 7 Monday.

Arose ½ past seven. Dull morning with light snow. Fixing the Hall for Division. Attending Henry Mayo's funeral. Wet evening. Not to Division my wife ill. Filled the new canister with Tea.

Feb 8 Tuesday

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning. Was at Mary Ann's & at Mr ONeils & Mrs Morris' bought 2 quire of note paper. Mary Ann was here. Mr Pascoe went to Fresh Pond. Fine day.

Feb 9 Wed.

Arose ½ past 7. very cold morning. Fixing schoolhouse for Prayer Meeting Mr Pascoe returned from Fresh Pond & held Prayer Meeting, very cold. Thomas Isaacs was here.

Feb 10 Thurs.

Arose ½ past 7. very cold morning. Writing, Met my Class. only two present, Oh Lord awaken the Careless. Wm Henry brought home his planking sticks that he & his crew cut yesterday into Fresh Pond. A fine but cold day.

Feb 11 Friday

Arose 7 a m Fine morning only very cold. Froze hard. Writing. Was at Mrs Inkpen's & saw her nephew Wm H Collins that hath been sick he is getting better.

Feb 12 Sat

Arose ½ past 7. very snowy morning & continued till 10 am Shoveling snow up to the Church & around our house. Fine evening.

Feb 13 Sunday.

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning. Attended Service, Met my Class, Attended Service again, Mr Pascoe held Prayer Meeting. Fine day.

Feb 14 Monday.

Arose 7 am very cold. Brought two bags of shavings to light fires in Church. Attended Trustee Meeting, resolved that the Church be lengthened 15 or 16 ft in the Western End. Fixed Hall for Division could not go, my back bad. Cold evening.

Feb 15 Tuesday

Arose ½ past 7. Fine morning, brought home knobs of wood from the Lodge. Writing. Mr Pascoe went to Mortier Bay. Fine day.

Feb 16 Wed

Arose 7 a m. Snowy morning & snowed almost all day. I was writing & I held Prayer Meeting. Mr Pascoe at Mortier Bay.

Feb 17 Thurs.

Arose 7 a m. Snowed most of the night & snowing still. Met my Class. Writing most of day. Moderate day.

Feb 18 Friday

Arose 7 a m fine morning. In the afternoon, attended the funeral of Mr Wm Wagg. The two societies of which he was a member viz The Sons of Temperance & The British attended & crossed from Mr Burfitts on the ice & from Mr Waggs back to the Church with the corpse & then to The Burying Ground where he is resting until the Trumpet shall sound to awake him to appear before God.

Feb 19 Sat

Arose 7 a m Fine morning. Fixing Church & Temp Hall for to-morrow & Monday. Shoveling snow. Fine day.

Feb 20 Sunday.

Arose 7 a m Fine morning. Attended Service, Mr Pascoe met my Class Attended Service again. I held Prayer Meeting Mr Pascoe at Spoon Cove. Edmund & Mary Ann & baby & Hannah Moulton were here to Tea this evening. Fine day. Bless God for another Blessed Sabbath to my soul.

Feb 21 Monday.

Arose 7 a m Dull & Cold. Writing part of day. Recieved a letter from *son George* (recent handwriting in the left margin) Grand Bank. Attended Division. Fine day.

Arose 7 a m. Dull morning. Fixing Hall for Public Meeting. This evening working about the Church clearing away ice from the porch.

Feb 23 Wed.

Arose 7 a m Fine morning after breakfast cut a drain before the Church door to drain away the water. Writing part of day. Mary Ann & Hennigar were here to tea. Was informed that Philip Vincents three sons came home yesterday from Garnish, they left their boat there because of the ice. Mr Pascoe held Prayer Meeting; it came to snow & drift very much; 6 p m.

Feb 24 Thurs.

Arose 7 a m Cold morning, a good deal of snow fell last night & so continued all day, very very boisterous. Mr Pascoe was here but no one attended for Class, it was so stormy. May God preserve us all from danger this night. Amen.

Feb 25 Friday

Arose 7 a m. Cold snowy morning. continued so all day, could do nothing out of doors. Wrote a letter; my Prayer is that the weather may soon alter.



CRAFT AT RISK AND THE HERITAGE NL MENTOR-APPRENTICE PROGRAM

Newfoundland and Labrador is known for its traditions and culture, heritage skills, arts, and crafts. Concerned about the loss of traditional know-how, Heritage NL is working to document crafts at risk and to develop ways to encourage the sharing of heritage skills through two new programs.

The Heritage NL Craft at Risk List 2021 is a joint project of the Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador (Heritage NL) and the Craft Council of Newfoundland and Labrador, which aims to assess the current viability of traditional heritage crafts in Newfoundland and Labrador, and to identify those crafts which are most at risk of disappearing.

The Heritage NL Mentor-Apprentice Program is a one-on-one immersion program that provides funding up to \$10,000 to support the teaching of endangered crafts and skills from an established mentor to an apprentice craftsperson or tradesperson. The craft or skill funded must be listed as critically endangered or endangered on Heritage NL Craft at Risk List 2021. Priority will be given to living art forms with few remaining practitioners.

For more information on both programs and to download application forms and the complete report, visit <https://heritagenl.ca/programs/craft-at-risk/> or email ich@heritagenl.ca.

A NEWFOUNDLAND RECORD NOTED IN MASSACHUSETTS' COURT RECORDS.

Submitted by Pete Noel

Records and files of the Quarterly Courts of Essex County,
Massachusetts Vol III

Letter of attorney, dated Nov. 1, 1665, from Phillop (his mark) Beare* and Artor (his mark) Abot* of Ipswich, seamen, to Edward Wothing of Salem. Wit : Henry (his mark) Milbore and Richard (his mark) Milbore.

John Curtist† owned, Aug. 24, 1665, that Mr. Rusell had paid 5li., in Fortin, upon their account for necessaries, and agreed to be accountable for the skin due to Philip from the Sagamore.

Henry Russell, aged about fifty-five years, deposed he was asked to deliver the letter of attorney, etc. Sworn in court.

Joseph Wise, aged about twenty-two years, deposed that Russell owned Phillip Bere and Clemmot Hudly to be his two men engaged for the voyage, etc. Sworn, 27 : 9 : 1665, before Anthony Stoddard,† commissioner.

John Curtist† agreed, Aug. 21, 1665, to discharge Rusell from transportation of himself and the Indians to New England, the voyage being ended. Wit : Samuel Bud† and Thomas Brian.†

Henry Russell deposed that Thomas Haly shipped Phillop Beare for 35s. per month, and he served this company twelwe months and a half. Sworn in court.

Letter addressed "For his loueinge freinds John Curtis or Mr. Hennery Russell att newfoundland these by a frend whom god peerue," from Thomas Hawley,† dated Roxbury, July 15, 1665 : "These are to Certefie that wee as allso y* wife & Child & the rest of y* Relations are in good helth hopeinge it is the same with y^a & the rest of the Company : wee haue formerly write to you & M^r Russell If it Come to y^r hands wee haue bene amongst the indians but they are all beaten from Syuayuack & poCuntuckit by the man heks there is nothings at psent to be gotton amongst them tradinge at psent is verey dead beavor not aboue 7^s p pound . . . If it bee peace with holland it is likely to bee a beater price

*Seal.

†Autograph.

If you Cold leave the indians one nother yeare If they weere willinge to stay it would bee advantagious in Regard of the great Charge of there transportation If M^r Russell weere willinge to stay but wee leave that to y^r selfs pvoysions heare are verey Cheepe," etc.

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Henry Russell§ certified that on Aug. 6, 1664, he sailed from Boston for Newfoundland in the vessel called the Mayflower, John Gore, master, and in the same month arrived at Peater's Ilands where he, in behalf of his partners, disposed of some goods, as did Mr. Jinnors, factor for Mr. Peater Oliver. Then they set sail for Fortune harbor, where they put off more of the cargo, and then they sailed for the Bay of Fortune, where they landed their provisions for wintering there with the Indians for the term of the voyage. Upon Sept. 4, he returned with one of their men with the vessel to the harbor of Fortune to Mr. Jinnors' and thence to Peater's Iland to take aboard their goods and dispatch the vessel to New England. Then he and the man returned with a shallop to John Cortis, who was left there with one of their men and ten Indians. About the twentieth of the next month they had built their house and in October, said Russell and the two men went hunting and brought home to John Cortis beaver and deer in their boat. "Then I & John Cortis with one of our men went againe to Hunt & left the other man to keepe the house & wee brought home more vinson, & in November I Henry Russell & one of the Indians went with me a hunting, and John Cortice with our too men did land me & the Indian in the Harbor caled the Peecke, & they retornid to another harbor & the Indian & I went into the Contrie, & wee ware 32 dayes before wee came to our house or neare uppon, and in that time John Cortise did give to the rest of the Indians provitions to sirue them the most part of the winter & did order our to men to tranport the sagimore with three others & there provitions to a place wich the sagimore did name & there did leaue them & then I being retorned from Hunting & the Indian with me I did say to John Cortis send this Indian to the sagimore & to his company that is with him to goe in those parts wheare I haue bin for wee haue seen many beauer cabins wich wee haue not medlid with- all but when the Indians retorned they did bring but one beauer skin in this time there was 3 Indians that had a cabon neare our hose & Coming often & brining no beauer I Henry Russell did demand the reason of John Cortis, & hee told me that the Indians did say the ponds ware to much frosin.

"I replied to, & said that the Indians ware lasie, & I said to John Curtis goe you with me, & thos three Indians & you shall see what may be done, this was on the 19 day of Desember or nere uppon & wee went to a beauer caben & in the space of three ours I Henry Russell did stricke too beauer with my harping Iron & had them both, before the Indians facis, & the next retornid to our hose, & about the Last of feabuary the Indians preparid for to goe a Hunting & were not to retorne before the 25 day of June insuing & I left in the house one Caske of Indian corne & some flouer, & I & John Cortis with our too men did Com done the bay the Last day of march with some provitions & with our Beauer & others & foxes skines, & there at a planters hose the 9 day of Aprill I left John Cortis with our prouisions & such, . . . then I set sayle with a bad boate with our too men to pick a Barck from the harbor of Renwes

called the too sisters menshoned in our couenants for the transportation of our selues & the Indians to New England and to saue charges the partnirs was not to pay any frait now this harbor of Renwes was from our hose one hundrid & eight Leags," etc.

Thomas Swan, aged about twenty-two years, deposed that he heard Mr. Henry Russell of Ipswich say that he shipped one of the men belonging to the **Newfoundland** voyage and deponent's father Hawly the other. Sworn at Boston, Mar. 26, 1666, before Edward Tyng, † commissioner.

John Gore, aged about thirty-one years, deposed that he shipped two Englishmen, ten Indians, etc., from Boston to **Newfoundland**, etc. St. Peter's Island mentioned.

JOSEPH ROBERTS SMALLWOOD – BARRELMAN 1937-1943 AS COMMUNITY HISTORIAN

By Melvin Baker

Before he became premier of Newfoundland in 1949 and serving until 1972, Joseph Roberts Smallwood (1900-1991) had a varied career as a journalist, labour and co-operatives organizer, politician, editor of the two-volume *The Book of Newfoundland* published in 1937, radio personality, and pig farmer. From 1937 to 1943 he hosted a widely popular radio program called the Barrelman, through which he researched and provided information to his listeners on the history and culture of Newfoundland. The sponsor of the radio program on the publicly-owned Broadcasting Corporation of Newfoundland station VONF was St. John's businessman and manufacturer's agent Francis (Frank) M. O'Leary. O'Leary similarly shared Smallwood's passion for Newfoundland history and the program advertised products O'Leary sold.ⁱ The transcripts of Smallwood's broadcasts can be found in Coll-28, the Barrelman Radio Program Papers at the Archives and Special Collection, Memorial University Libraries.



Smallwood took his summer holidays in August of each year to visit outport Newfoundland to gather interesting stories for his radio program. His notebook for the 1940-1942 trips is also available in Coll-28, in file 4.01.007. In 1941 he was accompanied on his motor trip to Trinity and Conception Bays by Nimshi Crewe,ⁱⁱ an Elliston native and auditor with the Commission of Government who had a similar strong passion for local history.ⁱⁱⁱ Smallwood photographed some of the more interesting cemetery headstones he found and which he later described on his broadcasts. On a visit to Port de Grave in 1938, one of the “most interesting snapshots” he took was of a very old headstone with the inscription reading as follows: “John Daw Senior, Ship Cove, departed this life 17th April 1798, aged seventy-five years,” Smallwood noted this on his 1

September 1938 broadcast. The inscription also had the following verse: “Time was I stood as thou dost now, and view’d the dead as thou dost me. Ere long thou’ll be as low as I, and others stand there to look at thee.”^{iv} During the summer of 1939 he visited communities on the Southern Shore where in “an old graveyard in Renew’s” there was a headstone that was, he believed, one of the four or five oldest in Newfoundland being dated 1734 and erected to the memory of “John Jenkins, Esquire.” He expressed his amazement to his listeners that this headstone after 205 years had survived the “stress of our Newfoundland winter and spring weather.”^v Later that summer he was on Newfoundland’s northeast coast; at Fogo “after coming ashore from the *Sagona* and getting settled away in a boarding house,” he made a “bee-line for the Church of England churchyard.” There, he was fascinated by the old headstones which used “ye” for “the” in the inscriptions. Headstones belonging to John Goby, Junior, and John Hodges were among the “oldest in the Churchyard at Fogo.”^{vi} The Barrelman’s observations on the early settlers of various communities and cemetery headstones are important sources of information for both the community historian and genealogist.

ⁱ Leo Moakler, “The Barrelman: Making Newfoundland Better Known to Newfoundlanders,” in James R. Thoms, ed., *Call Me Joey* (St John’s: Harry Cuff Publications Ltd, 1990), 19–27; Philip D. Hiscock, “The Barrelman Radio Programme, 1937–1943: The Mediation and Use of Folklore in Newfoundland” (unpublished Phd thesis, Memorial University of Newfoundland, 1994); Peter Narváez, “Joseph R. Smallwood: ‘The Barrelman’: The Broadcaster as Foklorist,” in Peter Narváez and Martin Laba, eds., *Media Sense: The Folklore-Populist Culture Continuum* (Bowling Green, OH: Bowling Green State University Popular Press, 1986), 47–64; Jeff A. Webb, “Constructing Community and Consumers: Joseph R. Smallwood’s *Barrelman* Radio Programme,” *Journal of the Canadian Historical Association*, Vol. 8, No. 1 (1987), 165–86; and Melvin Baker and Peter Neary (forthcoming), *Joseph Roberts Smallwood: Masthead Newfoundland, 1900–1949* (Montreal & Kingston: McGill-Queen’s University Press, 2021).

ⁱⁱ Nimshi Cole Crewe (1901–1971), deputy auditor general 1936–50; research officer, Newfoundland Archives and Museum, 1960–68.

ⁱⁱⁱ See Joseph R. Smallwood, “Collectors and Collections,” *Canadian Collector* 10, no. 2 (March/April 1975), 36–37. Crewe’s research notes on local history are in MG 281 (Finding Aid # 108) at the Rooms Provincial Archives.

^{iv} Archives and Special Collection (ASC), Memorial University Libraries, Coll-28, file 1.01.011.

^v ASC, Coll-28, file 1.01.021, transcript for 3 July 1939. Renew’s native Gerald Barnable told me on 11 May 2020 that the weather had finally done its work on the Jenkins headstone, the “4” in the year of death was no longer legible. Jenkins was a Renew’s merchant and magistrate. See Gerald J. Barnable, “Biographical Data on the Magistrates of Newfoundland since 1729” (Unpublished manuscript, 1996 and revised 2004), entry on John Jenkins.

^{vi} ASC, Coll-28, file 1.01.022, transcript for 7 September 1939.

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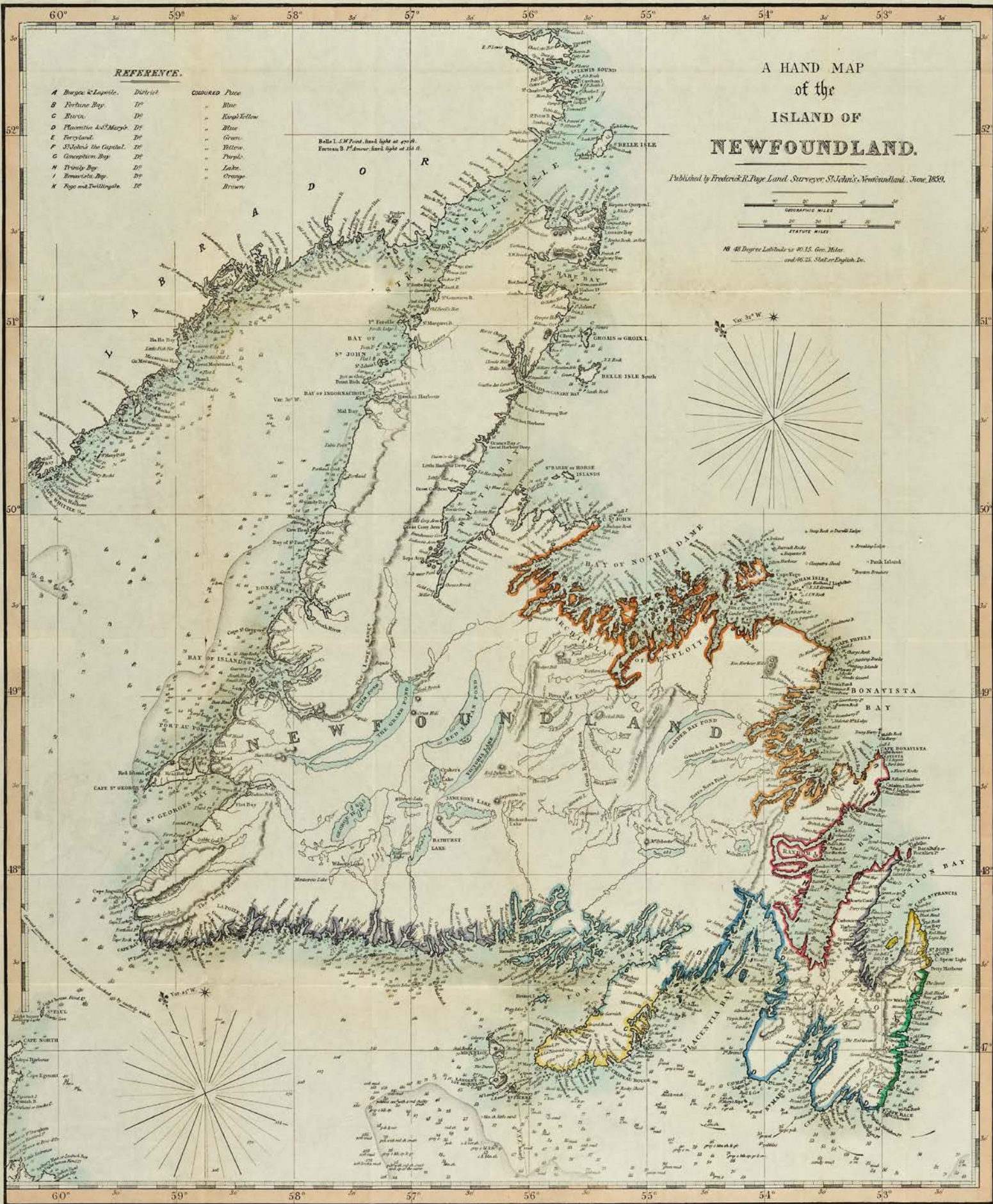
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