

## TRANSCRIPTION

### HUNTINGTON DIARIES 1938

#### MEMORANDA

**Louisbourg, N.S.    January 1, 1938**

Mayor: M.S. Huntington  
Councillors: G.B. Hiltz (Presiding Councillor)  
Jeremiah Smith  
D.J. MacInnis  
Alex C. MacDonald  
James F.D. Townsend  
Clifton Townsend

Town Clerk and Treasurer: Beecher M. Spencer  
Stipendiary Magistrate: Beecher M. Spencer

Medical Health Officer: Dr R. P. Baird, Acting Health Officer, appointed deputy Health Officer on Oct 17, 1937 in the place of Dr. H. J. Townsend who removed from here in last September without tendering his resignation.

Policeman, School Attendance Officer, Sanitary Inspector, Gaoler and Inspector under the Fire Ordinance: Daniel M. Johnston.  
Mr. Johnston is also Tax Collector, and Meter Reader for the Electric Light Department.

Public School Staff:  
Principal: Miss Mary Campbell  
Vice-Principal:     Donald Wilson  
                         Miss Annie Pope  
                         Miss Blanche Cross  
                         Miss Margaret Campbell  
                         Miss Mary Hiltz

Number of dwelling houses: about 260  
Number of families: about 270.

#### Public School Board

M.S. Huntington (Chairman)  
Jeremiah Smith  
G.B. Hiltz  
Clarence Peters                     Government  
Dougall A. Campbell                Appointees

Assessors

Beecher M. Spencer, Town Assessors  
John N. MacDonald  
Dougall A. Campbell

Revisors of Voters Lists

Robert A Peters  
Duncan Lamont  
Harold MacQueen

Collector of Customs, Port of Louisbourg, N.S.: A.W. Stacey

Pilots, Port of Louisbourg: John Power, John Kelly, George Wilcox, George Harris, William Williams, D.W. Ley, Thomas Wilcox.

Immigration Officer: Walter E. Jewell, Jr.

Harbor Master: Alex Smith

Port Warden: Ernest Matheson

Population : Town of Louisbourg, Census of 1931: (Canadian Government) 971.

Clergymen in charge of the various congregations in the Town of Louisbourg:

Anglican: Rev.. E. B. Gabriel

Roman Catholic: Rev.. D. H. Doyle

United Church of Canada: Rev.. D.A. MacMillan

Presbyterian: Rev.. Joseph Cathcart.

Register of Births and Deaths: James S. MacLean

Shipping Master, Port of Louisbourg: Emerson A. Grant

Issuer of Marriage Licenses: James S. MacLean

Number of Visitors registered at “Louisbourg National and Historic Park” during 1937. 14.000 according to figures given by Mr.s. William MacKinnon, wife of the caretaker.

Postmaster: Town of Louisbourg, Hugh Lynk, appointed April 1912.

**JANUARY 1938**  
**Saturday 1**

Louisbourg

Clear, becoming mostly cloudy in the afternoon. Light northwest to north winds. Min temperature 1 below, max temperature 26.

### FA.M.ily Gathering

Today, we held our usual New Year fA.M.ily gathering at the home of Mr.. and Mr.s. Fletcher Townsend. Those who were present at both dinners and suppers were as follows: Mr.. & Mr.s. Fletcher Townsend, Mr.. & Mr.s. Emerson Grant, Mr.s. J.W. Townsend, Clara Gillis, (our maid) and M.S. & Mr.s. Huntington. We returned home from Fletchers at about 8 P.M..

### General Holiday

Today was observed as a general holiday in town. All schools, and public offices closed with the exception of the Post Office and Telephone Office which were on holiday schedule.

### Community Rink

The first skating on the new out-door rink took place today. This community rink which is located on Strathcona Street has been in course of construction for more than two months under the direction of James H. Crowdis, mostly volunteer labor. The rink is about 180 feet in length and about 80 feet in width. A building is being erected at the entrance to the rink for the accommodation of skaters. This building which will be finished in a short time, is 40 feet long and 14 feet wide.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Sunday 2**

#### **Louisbourg, N.S.**

Snow which began at about 9 A.M. continued until about 3:30 P.M. when it was followed by rain. Rained moderately during the rest of the afternoon and early part of the night. Snowfall about 6 inches. Moderate east southeast wind shifting to south. Min temperature 16 Max temperature 32.

### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United, where Rev.. John MacKinnon, D.D. of Sydney was the preacher at both services.

### Bus Services

Sullivans Bus arrived here from Sydney in the forenoon but was unable to reach Sydney on the return trip, scheduled for 1 P.M.. It got as far as Michael MacMullins on the Sydney road in the afternoon, but was obligated to turn back owing to the storm which made wheeling very heavy.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Monday 3**

#### **Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and comparatively mild with moderate to fresh southwest to west wind. Min temperature 21, Max temperature 33.

### Bus Service

Sullivans Bus which was unable to make the return trip to Sydney yesterday, left here at about 10 A.M. and managed to get through to Sydney but did not return to Louisbourg . No mail by bus today.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Tuesday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Remarkably clear with light northwest wind which shifted to southwest in the afternoon. Cloudy at night. An ideal day. Min temperature 11, max temperature 29.

#### **Bus Arrives**

The Bus mail arrived here from Sydney at about 1 P.M., three hours behind schedule and left to return at about 2:30 P.M.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Wednesday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with a light drizzle of rain and some fog. Light southeast to southwest wind. Min temperature [blank] Max temperature [blank]

#### **Mail Arrives**

Sullivans Bus with Louisbourg mails arrived at about 1 P.M. while the road is open for auto traffic. The bus driver reports the highway in bad condition. Since last Sunday the bus has not been maintaining its regular schedule of two trips a day.

Snow melting fast and streets becoming very slippery.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Thursday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and comparatively mild with light westerly wind. An ideal winter day. Min temperature 14, max temperature 31.

#### **Tenders Called For**

In a recent issue of the Halifax Chronicle, an advertisement appeared asking for tenders for the erection of a building at Louisbourg for the Department of Public Works. Tenders to be in on or before January 12, 1938.

This building is to be erected on the southeast corner of Main and Warren Streets and when completed is to contain the Post Office and Customs Office.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Friday 7**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Moderately cold in the morning, mostly clear during the forenoon. Cloudy and threatening in the afternoon and evening. Rain began to fall at about 9 P.M. and continued during the night. Light to strong southeast to southwest winds. Min temperature 8, max temperature 32.

**JANUARY 1938**

**Saturday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mild, foggy and showery all day with light south to southwest winds. Min temperature 31, max temperature 38.

**JANUARY 1938**

**Sunday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear and moderately cold with moderate northwest wind. Min temperature 17 max temperature 32.

Very slippery streets, a glare of ice. Ground covered with snow and ice with the exception of a few bare patches.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. Both services were conducted by Rev.. John MacKinnon, D.D. of Sydney.

**JANUARY 1938**

**Monday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with fresh westerly wind. Min temperature 3 max temperature 18.

Week of Prayer

At 7:30 P.M. I attended the first of the services of "Week of Prayer" services in the First United Church. In the absence of the Pastor, Rev.. D.A. MacMillan who for several months has been confined to his residence through illness. Rev.. J.R. Miller of Port Morien United Church conducted the service. About 60 persons present.

**JANUARY 1938**

**Tuesday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light northwest wind. Min temperature 3 max temperature 19.

Week of Prayer

The second of the services of "Week of Prayer" services being held in the First United Church was conducted at 7:30 P.M. by Rev.. A.S. Adams of Epworth United Church, Glace Bay. I was not present.

#### Sydney Civic Elections

In the Sydney, N.S. Civic elections held today, Sydney E. Muggah who has held the office of Mayor for the past five years was defeated by George B. Slaven by a majority of 166 votes. Slaven: 3208 votes, Muggah, 3042.

Alderman elected today were as follows:

Ward 1: D.J. MacLean (re-elected) by a majority of 301 over John Pushie.

Ward 2: Angus MacDonald, acclamation (re-elected)

Ward 3: Norman MacDonald, majority 794 over Peter MacLellan

Ward 4: Seymour Hines, majority 772 over Anthony Johnson and Murdoch Carmichael.

Ward 5: John Lamond, majority 217 over Dan Gallivan

Ward 6: Thomas Wylde (re-elected) acclamation

#### Community Rink

The new Community Rink which is nearing completion was opened to the public for skating this evening with a good crowd in attendance.

### **JANUARY 1938**

#### **Wednesday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light northwest wind. Min temperature 4, max temperature 22.

#### Week of Prayer

At 7:30 P.M. I attended the "Week of Prayer" service which was held in the First United Church. Rev.. D.G. MacLeod of Chalmers United Church, Bridgeport, N.S. was the preacher.

### **JANUARY 1938**

#### **Thursday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate southeast wind, increasing at night. Storm threatening. Min temperature 3 max temperature 24.

#### Week of Prayer

Rev.. C.E. Crowell, who is at present supplying Know United Church, Glace Bay held the fourth of the services of "Week of Prayer" services in the First United Church at 7:30 P.M. I was not present.

#### Board of Trade

At 9 P.M. I attended the Annual Meeting of the Louisbourg Board of Trade. Officers elected and reelected were as follows:

President: James H. Crowdis, Vice-President: Dr. R.P. Baird, Secretary: George Lewis, re-elected. Other members of the executive all re-elected were: A.A. Martell, Bert Wilcox, John A. MacDonald.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Friday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light northerly wind. Min temperature 15, max temperature 29.

#### Week of Prayer

At 7:30 P.M. I attended the fifth and last of the series of "Week of Prayer" held in the First United Church during this week. Rev.. D. L. Gordon of the United Church at Reserve Mines was the preacher.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Saturday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold and mostly cloudy with light to moderate north to northeast wind. Min temperature 11 max temperature 21.

#### Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M. I attended and presided at a meeting of the Town Council. Those present were: Councillors: G.B. Hiltz, D.J. MacInnis, Alex MacDonald, Jeremiah Smith and James F. Townsend. Clerk: B.M. Spencer, Police Officer, D.M. Johnston, Mayor, M.S. Huntington. At this meeting the assessments roll amounting to [blank] was received. Before the close of the meeting I informed the Council that I did not intend to again offer as a candidate for the office of Mayor, a position I have held continuously since the election of February 1926.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Sunday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly clear and chilly with light to moderate northerly wind. Min temperature 14, max temperature 24.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where Rev.. John MacKinnon , D.D. of Sydney was the preacher. Emeline accompanied me in the evening, but was not out to the morning service.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Monday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly clear and cold with light to moderate northwest to north winds. Min temperature 4 max temperature 18.

#### FIRE

Today at about [blank] a fire on the roof of the house owned and occupied by John MacMullin and family, Wolfe Street did about \$100.00 worth of damage. The fire was extinguished by the neighbors, no fire alarm being sent in.

#### Ran Ashore

Motor Vessel, PORT ST. JOHN, enroute from England to Sydney, N.S. to load a cargo of steel products for New Zealand, ran aground on Livingstone shoals at or near the entrance to Sydney harbor shortly before noon today. She was released at about 6:30 P.M. with the aid of the Government ice-breaker, Montcalm and the tug, Cruizer and proceeded to the steel company's dock under her own power.

This ship, which is owned by Montreal, New Zealand, Australia Steamship line was on her maiden voyage.

### **JANUARY 1938**

#### **Tuesday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate northwest and north winds. Min temperature 1 below, max temperature 10.

#### FIRE

At about 9 A.M. an alarm of fire was sent in from the United Church Manse where sparks were falling on the roof from the chimney. No damage.

### **JANUARY 1938**

#### **Wednesday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.                      Sydney, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate west to northwest wind. Min temperature (Louisbourg) 2 below zero.

#### Joint Expenditure Board

At 9 A.M. I left Louisbourg in Cecil Steven's bus, enroute to Sydney for the purpose of attending the regular session of the Cape Breton County Joint Expenditure Board scheduled to meet at 10:30 A.M. Attended the first meeting of the Board which was called to order at about 10:45 A.M.. The following delegates were present:

Warden: R.A. MacKinnon (Chairman) Municipality of the County of Cape Breton. Mayor: G.B. Slaven, Aldermen: Angus MacDonald, Archie Sullivan, Arthur MacLellan and D. MacIsaac, City of Sydney. Councillors Cudahea, Wilton and MacCormack, Glace Bay. Mayor F.J. Kelly and Councillor Urguhart, North Sydney. Mayor A.C. MacCormick and Councillor Cunclife, Sydney Mines, Mayor William Hinchey, New Waterford, Mayor Ben Edwards, Dominion,



Mayor M.S. Huntington, Louisbourg. Two other delegates representing the Municipality of Cape Breton County besides Warden MacKinnon were Councillor Alex Campbell of Reserve Mines and Alex Ferguson of Mira Gut.

Morning meeting adjourned at noon to meet at 1:30 P.M. . All delegates present at the afternoon meeting which adjourned at about 4:30. Stopping at the Vidal Hotel. Spent the evening with ex-Mayor S.E. Muggah at his home, 25 Charlotte Street.

Stayed at the Vidal Hotel.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Thursday 20**

Sydney, N.S.

Moderately cold and mostly clear with light to moderate northwest wind.

#### Joint Expenditure Board

Attended the morning and afternoon meetings of the Cape Breton County Joint Expenditure Board. All the delegates present at both meetings.

#### Guest of George Morrison

At noon I was the guest of George Morrison, M.L.A. of Sydney at the weekly Luncheon of the Y's Mens Club in the dining room of the Isle Royale Hotel.

Met Robert Roper, representing Ganong Bros Ltd and gave him an order for confectionary, including Easter goods.

Spent the evening with ex-Mayor S.E. Muggah at his home, 25 Charlotte Street.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Friday 21**

Sydney, N.S.

Mostly cloudy and mild with a few light snow squalls. Light southwest to west winds.

#### Joint Expenditure Board

Today I attended the morning and afternoon sessions of the Cape Breton County Joint Expenditure Board with all of the delegates present.

#### Guests to Lunch

At noon, in company with Mayors: Kelly of North Sydney, MacCormick, Sydney Mines and Edwards of Dominion, I was the guest of Mayor G.B. Slaven of Sydney at the weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis Club in the dining room of the Isle Royale Hotel.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Saturday 22**

Sydney, N.S.            Louisbourg, N.S  
Clear and moderately cold with light north west winds. An ideal winter day.

Sydney to Louisbourg

Left Sydney at about 9:30 on Sullivan's Bus Service Car enroute to Louisbourg, arrived at 10:40.

Death of John Kelly

The death occurred at his home West Louisbourg of John Kelly. Mr.. Kelly who was highly respected by all who knew him was about 72 years of age. He was for many years one of the pilots out of this port.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Sunday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.  
Cloudy with light east to northeast winds and a few light snow squalls. Min temperature 5 max temperature 24.

#### S.S. WATUKA

Steamer "Watuka" Captain Hooper, arrived shortly before noon for a cargo of coal.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where Rev.. John MacKinnon was the preacher.

#### S. S. KONGSHAUG

Norwegian Steamer, "KONGSHAUG" arrived for bunker coal.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Monday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.  
Clear and moderately cold with light variable wind. Min temperature 3 max temperature 25.

#### S.S. KONGSHAUG

Norwegian Steamer, "KONGSHAUG" sailed at about 8 A.M..

#### Funeral

At 9 A.M. I attended the funeral of the late John Kelly. Service was held by Rev. D.H. Doyle in Stella Maris Church. Interment took place in the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Tuesday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and mild during the day, becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Light to moderate southwest to south winds. Min temperature 16 max temperature 31

**S.S. PHILIP T. DODGE**

British Steamer, "Philip T. Dodge", Capt. Hutchinson arrived, bunkered and sailed.

**S.S. RINGULV**

Norwegian Steamer, "Ringulv" arrived in the afternoon for bunker coal.

**S.S. WATUKA**

Steamer, "Watuka" Captain Hooper, sailed at about 1 P.M. for St. John, N.B. with a cargo of coal.

**Concert**

At 8 P.M. I attended and acted as Chairman at a concert held in Calvin hall under the auspices of the Young Peoples Society of the First United Church. Today is the Anniversary of the birth of the famous Scottish Poet, Robert Burns. The program consisted of songs, readings and recitations, connected mostly with the life of Burns and was advertised as a "Burns concert". Sang solo "My Ain Folk".

**Nomination Day**

Today the following nominations were filed with B.M. Spencer, Town Clerk for seats at the Town Council Board.

For Councillors: Jeremiah Smith, D.J. MacInnis and G.B. Hiltz. For Mayor: M.S. Huntington. As only three filed papers for Councillors and only one for Mayor there will be no election contest here on election day. February the first.

**JANUARY 1938**

**Wednesday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light variable winds. A perfect day. Min temperature 28 max temperature 36.

**S.S. ANNA SOFIE**

Norwegian Steamer, "ANNA SOFIE" arrived, bunkered and sailed.

**JANUARY 1938**

**Thursday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the morning but becoming cloudy and misty early in the day. Partly clear in the late afternoon. Light to fresh winds mostly south and southwest. Light frost at night. Min temperature 25, max temperature 33.

**S.S. LOTTE**

Danish Steamer, "LOTTE" arrived at about 3 P.M. for bunker coal.

#### Parliament Opened

Today at Ottawa, the Federal Parliament, 18<sup>th</sup> since Confederation was opened for its regular session by the Governor General, Lord Tweedsmuir. Premier Hon. W.L. MacKenzie King, Leader of Opposition: Hon R.B. Bennett.

### **JANUARY 1938**

#### **Friday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mild and mostly clear with light west to northwest wind. Thawing during the day, frost at night. Min temperature 17, max temperature 28.

### **JANUARY 1938**

#### **Saturday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light northwest wind. An ideal day. Min temperature 9, max temperature 20.

#### S.S. ELSE MARIE

Norwegian Steamer, "ELSE MARIE" arrived at about noon. After bunkering she sailed at about 6 P.M..

#### S.S. CRUIZER

British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation Tug, "Cruizer", Capt. Gilfoil arrived here from Sydney at about 3 P.M.. She will likely be stationed here for the rest of the winter for the purpose of attending to the docking of ships at this port.

#### S.S. WATUKA

Steamer, "WATUKA" Capt. Hooper arrived at about 9 P.M. for a cargo of coal.

### **JANUARY 1938**

#### **Sunday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and comparatively mild with light westerly wind which increased to a moderate gale in the early part of the night having shifted to south west. Became cloudy in the late afternoon. Min temperature 9 max temperature 26.

#### Church Services

At 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. The services at 11 A.M. and in the evening were both conducted by Rev. John MacKinnon, D.D. of Sydney. Emeline was out to the 11 A.M. service and accompanied me in the evening. At the close of the regular service in the

evening a song service followed immediately which was held under the auspices of the Young People's Society with Donald Wilson and Ed Levy as leaders.

## **JANUARY 1938**

### **Monday 31**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and mild with fresh southwest wind. Showers during the night. Streets almost bare of ice. Min temperature 26, max temperature 38.

#### Congregational Meeting

The regular annual congregational meeting of the First United Church took place at 7:30 P.M. in the church with 31 persons present, which was a very small representation for a congregation with upwards of 125 families.

After devotional excesses conducted by A.W. Stacey in the absence of the pastor, Rev. D.A. MacMillan, who is confined to his home through illness. Mr. Stacey was elected chairman and M.S. Huntington, secretary. Reports were presented by the various organizations of the congregation and adopted by the meeting. John N. MacDonald and Mr. John N. MacDonald were reelected Treasurer and Secretary, respectively. Stewards elected for 3 year terms were: Alex MacLean, Kennington Cove, D.J. MacInnis and William MacAulay, Louisbourg. Ushers elected: Howard Cann, D.J. MacIntyre, Harold Wilson, Duncan MacKay, George Stacey and Charlie MacIntyre. Auditors: Miss May Campbell and Donald Wilson. M.S. Huntington reelected assistant Treasurer. Meeting adjourned at about 10 P.M.

#### S.S. WATUKA

Steamer, "Watuka", Capt. Hooper, which was held here all day owing to boiler trouble, sailed during the night for St. John, N.B. with a cargo of coal.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Tuesday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowfall of about 2 inches in the early morning. Partly clear during the day with light to moderate north to north west winds. Min temperature about 4. Max temperature about 26.

#### Town Elections

The following persons were reelected today to fill 4 seats at the Town Council Board: for Councillors: Jeremiah Smith, D.J. MacInnis and Guy B. Hiltz. For Mayor: M.S. Huntington. All of the above were returned by acclamation. Today I have entered on my 7<sup>th</sup> 2 year term for Mayor.

Election results in other Cape Breton towns were as follows:

North Sydney: Mayor: F.L. Kelley returned by acclamation.

Sydney Mines: Mayor A.C. MacCormick, returned by acclamation.

New Waterford: P.G. Muise defeated Mayor W.J. Hinchey by 63 majority. Muise, 1558 votes, Hinchey: 1495.

Dominion: Francis Stephenson defeated Mayor Ben Edwards and Malcolm Martin. Stephenson: 429, Edwards: 232. Martin 150.

In towns in Nova Scotia: Mayors were returned without opposition.

At Lockport, N.S. and Clarkes Harbour, N.S. no one filed papers as candidates for the office of Mayor on nomination day. As a result no Mayor was elected in either of these towns in today's elections.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Wednesday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and mostly clear with light to moderate northwest wind. Min temperature 2 below. Max temperature 14.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Thursday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light variable winds. Min temperature 9 below zero. Max temperature 15.

### **Mayors Elected**

According to news items published in the Halifax Herald of February 2, 1938 the following Mayors were elected during the elections held in the Province of Nova Scotia on Tuesday, Feb 1, 1938.

Middleton: G. R. Beals  
Parrsboro: P. W. Wright  
Springhill: A. W. Davidson  
Canso: Alex. J. Ferguson  
Yarmouth: E. H. Spinney  
Wolfville: A. M. Wheaton  
Bridgetown: W. A. Warren  
New Waterford: P. G. Muise  
Dominion: Francis Stephenson  
Lunenburg: A.W. Schwartz  
Shelburne: F.S. King  
Stellarton: Frank Sobey  
Hantsport: G.K. Smith  
Digby: M.C. Denton  
North Sydney: F.L. Kelley  
Mulgrave: J.S. Breen  
Port Hawksbury: J. C. Trainer  
Oxford: E. B. MacDougall  
Louisbourg: M.S. Huntington  
Liverpool: John S. More

Mahone Bay: A.C. Zwicher  
Trenton: J.W. MacLean  
Truro: J. H. Slackford  
Pictou: Thomas Hooper  
Amherst: M. J. Kaufman  
Westville: J. A. MacGregor  
Sydney Mines: A. C. MacCormick  
Inverness: H.A. Ratchford  
Kentville: B.W. Roscoe  
Joggins: Robert J. Melanson  
Stewiacke: H. B. Havey  
New Glasgow: N.W. Mason  
Berwick: E.S. Illsley  
Bridgewater: H. M. Sweeney  
Antigonish: A. L. MacIntosh  
Windsor: Ira B. Lohnes  
Annapolis Royal: Arthur Kelsall  
Wedgeport: W. C. O'Brien  
Port Hood: Alex MacInnis

Lockport: no elections for Mayor, No candidate offering .  
Clarks Harbour: no elections for Mayor, no candidate offering.  
Glace Bay elections by special act, take place on first Tuesday in March.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Friday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain began to fall at about 9 A.M. and continued until about the middle of the afternoon. Fresh strong south to southwest wind. Min temperature [blank] Max temperature 35.

Streets very slippery, snow has all disappeared from the streets leaving a thin coat of ice.

#### School Holiday

Following the old custom of the newly elected Mayor giving a holiday to the schools, shortly after election day, I visited the schools at 9 A.M. and granted the pupils and school staff a holiday.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Saturday 5**

Clear and cold with fresh northerly wind which moderated in the late afternoon and became variable. Min temperature 5, max temperature 30.

#### Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M. I attended and presided at a meeting of the Town Council.

Those present were: Councillors: D.J. MacInnis, Jeremiah Smith, Alex C. MacDonald, James F. Townsend. Clerk: B.M. Spencer; Police Officer: D.M. Johnston. Mayor: M.S. Huntington.

Immediately before the meeting was called to order I was sworn in as Mayor of the Town of Louisbourg by Stipendiary Magistrate B.M. Spencer. After taking the oath of office I administered the oath of office to Jeremiah Smith and D.J. MacInnis who had been reelected as Councillors for the Town of Louisbourg on last Tuesday, Feb 1. G.B. Hiltz who was also reelected on the 1<sup>st</sup> was not present.

I now have entered on my 7<sup>th</sup> 2 year term as Mayor.

(see page February 7<sup>th</sup>)

#### Contract Awarded

A news item in today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record stated that the contract for the erection of a public building at Louisbourg had been awarded to the Fundy Construction Company Ltd of Halifax. Amount of contract \$17,250.00.

This building when completed is to house the Post Office and Customs Office.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Sunday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow began to fall at about 10 A.M.. Foggy and misty during the afternoon. Showers during the night. Moderate southwest wind. Snowfall about 1 inch. Min temperature 5, max temperature 33.

#### S.S. WATUKA

Steamer, Watuka, Capt. Hooper arrived at about 1 P.M. from St. John, N.B. for a cargo of coal.

#### Church Service

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where both services were conducted by Rev. D.L. Gordon of Gordon United Church, Reserve Mines, N.S.

#### Death of Mrs. George Crowdis

The death of Mrs. George Crowdis took place at 11:30 P.M. after an illness of several months. She was in her 81<sup>st</sup> year and is survived by two sons: Duncan of New Waterford, N.S. and James with whom she lived. She is also survived by one sister: Mrs. Chisholm. Her husband died on July 16, 1921.

### **FEBRUARY 1938**

#### **Monday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Heavy rain during the forenoon. Cloudy and foggy in the afternoon. Light variable wind. North at night, increasing to a strong breeze. Min temperature 24, max temperature 32.

Streets very slippery, snow of yesterday has all disappeared.

#### S. S. ASKELADDEN

Norwegian Steamer, "Askeladden" arrived at about 10:30 A.M. for bunker coal.

#### S.S. WATUKA

Steamer, "Watuka" Capt. Hooper, sailed at 1 P.M. for St John, N.B. with a cargo of coal.

#### S. S. ANGLO INDIAN

British Steamer, "Anglo Indian" arrived at about 9 P.M. for part cargo of steel products and docked on the east side of the Freight Wharf. This is the first ship to come here for steel this season. She is a new ship and is to take onboard her first cargo at this port.

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At this meeting Dr. R.P. Baird was elected Medical Health Officer for the Town of Louisbourg and D. M. Johnston was reelected Police Officer. All the standing committee of last year were reelected as follows:

Street and Bridge: Hiltz, MacDonald, Clifton Townsend. School: Huntington, Smith, Hiltz.

Finance: Huntington, James Townsend, Smith. Police: MacInnis, Smith, MacDonald. License: Huntington, MacDonald, James Townsend. Arbitration: MacInnis, Smith, Huntington.

Assessment: Huntington, Smith, Clifton Townsend. Public Property: MacInnis, James Townsend, Clifton Townsend. Electric Light: MacInnis, MacDonald, James Townsend. Public Health: the whole council. Law and Amendment: the whole council. Fire: Clifton Townsend, MacInnis, Huntington. Jury List: Hiltz, MacDonald, James Townsend.



## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Tuesday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, chilly and raw with snow squalls from about 8 A.M. until late in the afternoon. Fresh north to northeast wind. Snowfall about 3 inches. Min temperature 16, max temperature 25.

#### Icy Highways

Streets and highways a glare of ice. Never in all my experience have I seen a road so completely paved with ice as the highway between here and Sydney, today. Icy conditions of the streets and country roads make motoring extremely dangerous and it is only by exercising the greatest care in driving that motorists can get over the roads without serious accidents.

#### S.S. ASKELADDEN

Norwegian Steamer "Askeladden" sailed at about 7 A.M.

#### Funeral

At 1 P.M. I attended the funeral of the late Mrs. George H. Crowdis. After a brief service at the house the remains were taken to the First United Church where the service was continued. After the service at the church the funeral procession consisting of five cars and the hearse proceeded to Sydney where burial took place in Hardwood Hill Cemetery. Service at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. John MacKinnon, D.D. of Sydney.

The pallbearers were: Frank Fitzgerald, Sydney, Mr. Rorke, Sydney, R.A. Peters, George Lewis, M.S. Huntington.

As one of the pall bearers I motored to the cemetery with George Lewis who took his car.

Besides George and I in the car were Frank Fitzgerald, Mr. Rorke and D.J. MacIntyre. Returning we arrived home at 5:40 P.M. with the exception of Mr. Fitzgerald who remained in Sydney.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Wednesday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the forenoon but becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light northwest wind shifting to southwest and increasing to a moderate breeze. Min temperature 6 max temperature 24.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Thursday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, snowed moderately from 7 A.M. until noon and was then followed by rain and sleet until about 4:30 P.M.. Light to moderate southeast wind which shifted to north and northwest in the evening and increased to a terrific gale. Snow squalls and bluster during the evening and night. Very disagreeable. Snowfall about 4 inches. One of the heaviest northerly gales I have experienced for many years. Cold during the night. Min temperature 10, max temperature 30.

### S.S. ANGLO INDIAN

British Steamer, "Anglo Indian", Captain Day, sailed at 9 A.M. enroute to Vancouver, B.C. via Halifax, N.S. While here this ship loaded about 1300 tons of steel products. At Halifax she will complete her cargo of general merchandise. First shipment of steel products from this port this season.

### **FEBRUARY 1938**

#### **Friday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cold. Heavy gale which began last evening continued throughout the day and late into the night.

Min temperature 7 A.M. ;zero. Max temperature early A.M. 10 above. Temperature did not rise higher than about 4 above the zero mark all day. Low temperature coupled with a northwest gale made conditions out of doors anything but pleasant.

### **FEBRUARY 1938**

#### **Saturday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with moderate to fresh northwest wind which moderated to a light breeze in the late afternoon. Min temperature 1 above. Max temperature 12.

### **FEBRUARY 1938**

#### **Sunday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Comparatively mild and mostly cloudy with light to moderate west southwest wind. Min temperature 8, max temperature 28.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. The morning service was conducted by Mr. A.W. Stacey (Elder) and the evening service was in charge of the Young People's Society of the First United Church with Donald Wilson as leader.

### S.S. WATUKA

Steamer, "Watuka" Captain Hooper, arrived in the morning for a cargo of coal.

### **FEBRUARY 1938**

#### **Monday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, snowed moderately from about 10 A.M. until late in the afternoon with light northeast wind. Cleared at night. Snowfall about 2 inches. Min temperature 5, max temperature

### **FEBRUARY 1938**

**Tuesday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate north wind. Min temperature 5 below. Max temperature 13.

**S.S. STORVIKEN**

Norwegian Steamer, "Storviken" arrived at about 8:30 A.M. after taking on board bunker coal she sailed at about 6 P.M.

**S. S. MONTCALM**

Canadian Government Ice-Breaker, Montcalm, Capt. O'Hearn arrived here at about 11 P.M. First trip to Louisbourg this season.

**FEBRUARY 1938****Wednesday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate northwest to north winds. Min temperature 8 below, max temperature 12.

**S. S. WATUKA**

Steamer, "Watuka" Captain Hooper, sailed at about 8 A.M. for St. John, N.B. with a cargo of coal.

**S. S. LORD STRATHCONA**

Steamer "Lord Strathcona" Captain Stewart, arrived at about 9 A.M. from England. The Strathcona has on board about 800 tons of pig iron which is being discharged here.

**S. S. CARIBOU**

Newfoundland Steamer, "Caribou" arrived here at about 8 P.M. with passengers and freight from Port-au-Basque, Newfoundland. First trip here this season.

**Bus Service**

The bus service between Sydney and Louisbourg which was interrupted by the storm of Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> has been resumed and is now running on regular schedule.

**FEBRUARY 1938****Thursday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light winds, varying from northwest to northeast. Min temperature 10 below zero. Max temperature 10 above.

**S.S. CARIBOU**

Newfoundland Steamer "Caribou" Captain Taverner, sailed at about 3 P.M. for Port-au-Basque, Nfld with passengers and freight.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Friday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light to moderate north-northeast to north east winds. Min temperature 4 below. Max temperature 18.

#### Death of Samuel MacPherson

The death of Samuel MacPherson, took place at his home, corner of Main and Strathcona Streets at about 10 A.M. after an illness of several months. Mr. MacPherson who was in the 87<sup>th</sup> year of his age, moved here with his family from Port Morien about 42 years ago and for a number of years was employed by the Dominion Coal Company as foreman at the Shipping Pier. He is survived by one son and two daughters. The son, Donald lives at Glace Bay. The daughter, Mrs. Gordon Townsend (Jessie) Montreal and Miss Mary who lived with her father, at Louisbourg.

#### S. S. AUGUST

Norwegian Steamer, "August" arrived here at about 4:30 P.M. from Norfolk, Virginia for the purpose of loading a cargo of steel products.

#### S. S. BLINK

Norwegian Steamer "Blink" arrived at about 5:30 P.M. for bunker coal.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Saturday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear with light to moderate northeast wind. Min temperature 10. Max temperature 28.

#### S. S. LORD STRATHCONA

Steamer, "Lord Strathcona" Capt. Stewart sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

#### S. S. BLINK

Norwegian Steamer, "Blink" sailed at about 7 A.M.

#### S. S. CARIBOU

Newfoundland Steamer, "Caribou" Capt. Taverner, arrived at about 10:30 A.M. with passengers and freight from Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Sunday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly clear with light to moderate northeast wind. Min temperature 8. Max temperature 26.

#### S. S. CARIBOU

Newfoundland Steamer "Caribou" sailed in the afternoon with passengers and freight for Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. Rev. H.R. Grant, D.D. of New Glasgow, N.S. was the preacher both morning and evening. Emeline was not out to the morning service but accompanied me in the evening.

#### Funeral

At 1:30 P.M. in company with Emeline I attended the funeral of the late Samuel MacPherson which took place from his late home, corner of Main and Strathcona Streets. The services were held at the house and was conducted by Rev. D. A. MacMillan, assisted by Rev. H.R. Grant, D.D. of New Glasgow, N.S.

After the service the funeral procession proceeded by motor car to Black Brook Cemetery, Port Morien where interment took place. The pallbearers were: W.L. Skinner, John A. MacDonald, Edward MacDonald and John MacLeod.

### **FEBRUARY 1938**

#### **Monday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with fresh northerly wind. Min temperature 5. Max temperature 15.

#### Marriage

The marriage of Hedley Hopkins to Miss Bertha Huntington, both of Sydney took place today at the Baptist parsonage, Sydney. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Neil MacLean in the presence of the immediate relatives and a few other friends. Miss Huntington is the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington of Huntington, C.B. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Maud Huntington while the best man was Robert Bailey.

### **FEBRUARY 1938**

#### **Tuesday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and remarkably clear with light to moderate northerly wind. An ideal winter day. Min temperature 5. Max temperature 21.

#### S. S. CYRIL

Danish Steamer, "Cyril" arrived at about 5 P.M. After bunkering she sailed during the night.

#### Assessment Appeal Court

At 2 P.M. I attended and presided at the regular annual session of the Town's Assessment Appeal Court in the Council chamber. Those present were: Councillor: Jeremiah Smith,

Assessors: B.M Spencer, D.A. Campbell and John N. MacDonald. Police Officer: D.M. Johnston. Mayor: M.S. Huntington.

The only appeal presented and heard was that of Mrs. (Capt.) Thomas Townsend now residing at Buzzards Bay, Mass. Her appeal was against excessive assessment on a tract of land owned by her on Kent Street. The land in question is and has been for a number of years assessed for \$250.00. After considering the case from all angles the appeal was dismissed.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Wednesday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold in the morning but becoming mild and cloudy early in the day. Light variable winds mostly east and southeast. Min temperature 1 below. Max temperature 29.

#### S. S. Caribou

Newfoundland Steamer "Caribou" Capt Taverner arrived here at noon from Port-au-Basque, Nfld with passengers, mails and freight. Passengers 24.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Thursday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowed during the forenoon. Partly clear in the early afternoon but becoming cloudy shortly after with a light drizzle of snow. Snowfall about 2 inches. Moderate to fresh southeast to east wind. Min temperature 17. Max temperature 25.

#### S. S. CARIBOU

Newfoundland Steamer, "Caribou" Capt. Taverner sailed at 2 P.M. with passengers, mails and freight for Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

#### Drift Ice

Harbour mouth and coast blocked with drift ice. First appearance of drift ice at the harbor mouth this season.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Friday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow storm in the early morning, followed by a light drizzle of snow which continued at intervals during the greater part of the day. Snowfall about 3 inches. Moderate to fresh northeast wind. Min temperature 13. Max temperature 22.

#### Drift Ice

Coast and harbor mouth blocked with drift ice. Several Steamers reported off the harbor enroute here, but unable to enter owing to ice conditions.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Saturday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and comparatively mild with light variable wind. Min temperature 5. Max temperature 30.

#### Drift Ice

Entrance to harbour and coast blocked with drift ice.

#### S.S. CARIBOU

Newfoundland Steamer "Caribou" Capt Taverner arrived at about 7 A.M. with passengers, mails and freight from Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

#### S. S. GREY COUNTY

Norwegian Steamer, "Grey County" arrived at about 5 P.M. for a cargo of steel products and anchored in the stream.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Sunday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and comparatively mild with light to moderate west southwest wind. Min temperature 1 below zero. Max temperature 27.

#### S.S. AUGUST

Norwegian Steamer, "August" Captain Johansen, sailed at about 7 A.M. with a cargo of about 8000 tons of steel products for England.

#### S. S. LICA MAERSK

Danish Ship "Lica Maersk" arrived at about 1 P.M. for a cargo of steel products and docked on the eastern side of the Freight Wharf.

#### S. S. CARIBOU

Newfoundland Steamer "Caribou" Capt. Taverner sailed at 9 P.M. with passengers, mails and freight for Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

#### S. S. LORD STRATHCONA

Steamer "Lord Strathcona" Capt. Stewart arrived at about 8 P.M. from St. John, N.B. for a cargo of coal.

#### S.S. MONTCALM

Ice-breaker, "Montcalm" Capt. O'Hearn, sailed at 1 P.M. but returned during the night.

#### Church Services

At 7 P.M. I attended service in the First United Church where Rev. MacIntosh MacLeod of Sydney was the preacher. Mr. MacLeod also conducted the service at 11 A.M. Mr. MacLeod is a

clergymen who owing to ill health retired from the ministry some time ago. He now holds a position with the Provincial Government as Inspector of Old Age Pensions. I was not out to church in the forenoon, having kept house while Emeline attended.

## **FEBRUARY 1938**

### **Monday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with considerable fog. Rain during the forenoon. Partly clear in the late afternoon. Light easterly wind which shifted to southwest in the late afternoon and increased to a fresh breeze. Min temperature 18. Max temperature 34.

#### Meeting of School Board

At 7:30 P.M. I attended and presided at a meeting of the School Board. Those present were: Councillors: D.A. Campbell, Clarence Peters, G.B. Hiltz, Jeremiah Smith and M.S. Huntington. Clerk: B.M. Spencer. Attendance Officer: D.M. Johnston.

Tonight for the 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive time, I was elected Chairman of the School board.

Estimates for school purposes amounting to \$4500.00 were passed at this meeting.

Before the meeting of the school board was called to order, I administered the oath of office to Councillor: G.B. Hiltz who on Feb 1<sup>st</sup> was re-elected to the office of Councillor for the Town of Louisbourg.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Tuesday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowfall of about 1 inch in the early morning. Clear and mild during the greater part of the day. Moderate to fresh southwest to west winds. Cold at night. Min temperature 6. Max temperature 32.

#### S. S. KEM

Norwegian Steamer, "Kem" arrived at 1:30 P.M. for bunker coal.

#### S. S. MONTCALM

Ice-breaker, "Montcalm" Capt. O'Hearn sailed at 8 A.M. to the assistance of the Norwegian Steamer "Kem" which was stuck in the drift ice a few miles off this port. The Montcalm returned to port early in the afternoon and was soon followed by the Kem.

#### S. S. LORD STRATHCONA

Steamer "Lord Strathcona" Capt. Stewart finished loading a cargo of about 9000 tons of coal, hauled out from the pier and anchored in the west end of the harbour.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice which has blocked the coast and entrance to the harbor since Feb 24 moved off a short distance in the afternoon. The fresh westerly wind loosened the ice to a considerable extent in the western end of the harbor as well as along the coast.



### Glance Bay Town Elections

Civic elections were held today in the Town of Glance Bay with the following result: Mayor: D.W. Morrison was reelected by a majority of 2.327 over Hector MacDonald. Morrison 4455, MacDonald 2128. Councillors: Peter Calder reelected defeating Clare Dermont and Fred Brodie. Michael Morrison reelected defeating James MacNeil. John MacLean reelected, defeating John N. MacDonald and Eli Collins. Anthony MacCormack reelected, defeating Dan Campbell. John MacLeod elected, defeating Councillor William Wilton. Duncan MacKenzie, elected, defeating Councillor John Morrison.

(Elections results taken from March 2 issue of Sydney Post Record)

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Wednesday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold in the morning but becoming cloudy before noon. Snowed moderately during part of the afternoon. Snowfall about 2 inches. Light variable wind. Min temperature 2. Max temperature 18.

#### S. S. LORD STRATHCONA

Steamer, "Lord Strathcona" Capt. Stewart sailed in the morning for Halifax, N.S. with a cargo of coal.

#### S. S. KEM

Norwegian Steamer "Kem" sailed at about 7:30 A.M.

#### S. S. CARIBOU

Newfoundland Steamer, "Caribou" Capt. Taverner, arrived with passengers, mails and freight from Port-au-Basque, Nfld at about 5 P.M.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice which has on the shore at Louisbourg and vicinity for the past few days has almost entirely disappeared.

#### Nova Scotia Legislature Opened Yesterday

The first session of Nova Scotia 18<sup>th</sup> legislature was opened yesterday at Halifax by Lieut - Governor Robert Irwin, who read the Speech from the Throne. Reply to the Speech from the Throne was moved by D.D. Boyd, M.L.A. for Richmond County and seconded by Malcolm A. Patterson. M.L.A. for Cape Breton West.

Hon Angus L. MacDonald is Premier while Percy C. Black is leader of the opposition.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Thursday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cold with light drizzle of snow which continued nearly all day. Snowfall about 3 inches. Moderate to fresh northerly wind. Min temperature 8 below. Max temperature about 18.

#### S. S. LICA MAERSK

Danish Steamer, "Lica Maersk" sailed at 7:30 A.M. for [blank] with a cargo of about 3800 tons of steel products.

#### S. S. GREY COUNTY

Norwegian Steamer "Grey County" which has been at anchor in the stream since her arrival here on last Saturday docked at the freight wharf at about 8 A.M. and began loading a cargo of steel products.

#### S. S. CARIBOU

Newfoundland Steamer "Caribou" sailed shortly after 6 P.M. with passengers, mails and freight for Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Friday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate north to northeast winds. Min temperature 11 below. Max temperature 13.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Saturday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and very cold in the morning, moderating and becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light variable wind in the early part of the day. South-west in the afternoon increasing to a fresh breeze during the night. Snow began to fall at about 8 P.M. Min temperature 10 below. Max temperature 23.

#### S. S. MONTCALM

Icebreaker "Montcalm" Capt. O'Hearn, sailed in the morning to the assistance of the Norwegian Steamer, "FLINT 2" reported stuck in the ice about 10 miles off Louisbourg. The Montcalm returned to port at about 2:45 P.M. and was followed by the "Flint 2" about a half hour later.

#### S. S. FLINT 2

Norwegian Steamer "Flint 2" arrived at about 3:15 P.M. for part cargo of steel products and anchored in the stream.

#### S. S. CARIBOU

Norwegian Steamer "Caribou" Capt. Taverner arrived at about 4 P.M. with passengers, mails and freight from Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M. I attended and presided at a meeting of the Town Council in the Council Chamber, Town hall. Those present were: Councillors: Jeremiah Smith, G.B. Hiltz, Alex MacDonald, James Townsend and Clifton Townsend. Clerk: B. M. Spencer. Police Officer: D.M Johnston, Mayor: M.S. Huntington. Amongst other business transacted was the adoption of the assessment for the Town of Louisbourg, amounting to \$266.620.00 from which the rates will be levied for 1938. Tax rate set at 4 1.4 per cent. Discount for taxes paid before the first of May next, 3 per cent and paid before first of July 2 ½ per cent.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Sunday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow in the early morning followed by light rain. Cloudy and mild during the day with light frost at night. Light southwest wind shifting to northwest in the afternoon. Snowfall about 2 inches. Min temperature 21. Max temperature 38.

#### **S. S. CARIBOU**

Newfoundland Steamer "Caribou" Capt. Taverner sailed at 12:50 P.M. for Port-au-Basque, Nfld with passengers, mails and freight.

#### **S. S. FLINT 2**

Norwegian Steamer "Flint 2" which arrived here yesterday for part cargo of steel products, docked on the west side of the freight wharf early in the afternoon.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. Both morning and evening services were conducted by Rev. Adam L. Kennedy of Marion Bridge. C.B.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Monday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light to moderate northwest wind. An ideal day. Min temperature 6. Max temperature 25.

#### **S. S. MONTCALM**

Icebreaker "Montcalm" Capt. O'Hearn sailed in the morning.

#### **Meeting of Official Board**

At 7:30 P.M. I attended a meeting of the Official Board of the First United Church. Meeting was held in the Manse. Those present were: Rev. D.A MacMillan, A.W. Stacey, John A. MacDonald, John N. MacDonald, Neil MacRury, William MacAulay and M.S. Huntington.

This meeting was called for the purpose of considering the feasibility of collecting money for church purposes through the "Check off" as is the custom in the mining towns; where those employed by the Dominion Coal Company authorize the company to check off a certain amount weekly to be paid over to their respective churches. No action was taken other than to appoint a

committee consisting of A.W. Stacey and John A. MacDonald to obtain further information on the question. Meeting adjourned to meet again at the call of the Chairman: Rev. D.A. MacMillan.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Tuesday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the morning. Snow squalls in the forenoon. Clearing shortly after noon. Light to moderate southwest wind, shifting to west and northwest in the afternoon. Snowfall about 1 inch. Min temperature 8. Max temperature 32.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Wednesday 9**

Sydney, N.S.

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate north west wind. Min temperature (Louisbourg) 6 below. Max temperature (Louisbourg) about 16.

#### **S. S. LORD STRATHCONA**

Steamer "Lord Strathcona" Capt Stewart arrived from Halifax in the morning for the purpose of loading a cargo of coal.

#### **Motored to Sydney**

At 9 A.M. I left Louisbourg for Sydney on Stevens bus, arriving at about 10:15 A.M. At 3 P.M. I attended a meeting of the Mayors of the various towns and the City of Sydney and the members of the Cape Breton Hospital Commission in the County Court Chamber in the County buildings. This meeting was called for the purpose of considering the question of erecting an addition or annex to the present Cape Breton Hospital, located at Sydney River. Architect A.J. MacCormack was present at the meeting with sketches of the proposed building. No action was taken other than to authorize the County Clerk: James MacNeil to advertise through the medium of the Sydney Post-Record and the Halifax Chronicle for further plans and estimates for a building to contain about 100 beds.

Mayors present: G.B. Slaven, Sydney; Fenwick Kelly, North Sydney; Francis Stephenson, Dominion; P.G. Muise, New Waterford; M.S. Huntington, Louisbourg. Members of Hospital Commission present: Councillor L.Y. Urguhart, North Sydney; Councillor Cecil Cudhea, Glace Bay; Councillor Steve MacLean, Frenchvale; Gordon MacGregor, Dominion No. 6; Warden R. A. MacKinnon, presided. Others present: A.C. Daye, County Treasurer, James MacNeil, County clerk, Mrs. Daye, Matron, Cape Breton Hospital.

Had lunch at Vidal Hotel. While in Sydney today I

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## **MARCH 1938**

### **Thursday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and mostly clear with light to moderate west to southwest wind. Min temperature 2 below. Max temperature 23.

#### S. S. GREY COUNTY

Steamer "Grey County" (Norwegian) Capt. [blank] sailed in the morning for England with a cargo of about 7000 tons of steel products.

#### S. S. FLINT 2

Norwegian Steamer "Flint 2" sailed at about 8:30 A.M. with part cargo of steel products, about 3000 tons, enroute for England.

#### S. S. CITY OF YOKOHAMA

British Steamer "City of Yokohama" arrived at about 7:30 A.M. for part cargo of steel products.

#### S. S. MONTCALM

Government icebreaker, "Montcalm" Capt. O'Hearn arrived from North Sydney at about 7 P.M.

#### S. S. SURF

Small passenger and freight Steamer "Surf" arrived here from North Sydney at about 7 P.M. The Surf was towed out of North Sydney harbour through the ice blockade by the S. S. Montcalm and escorted to Louisbourg. The "Surf" is enroute to Canso, N.S.

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purchased a copy of "The Book of Newfoundland" 2 vol from G.W. Harwood who is at present selling the book in Cape Breton. This work is edited by J.R. Smallwood and retails for \$7.50. Returned to Louisbourg on Sullivan's bus arriving at about 6:45 P.M.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Friday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate north to north east winds. Min temperature 4 below zero. Max temperature 13.

#### S. S. SURF

Steamer "Surf" sailed for Canso, N.S. at about 6 A.M.

#### S. S. MONTCALM

Government icebreaker, Montcalm, Capt O'Hearn sailed for North Sydney but owing to ice conditions returned to port at about 1 P.M.

#### S.S. LORD STRATHCONA

Steamer, "Lord Strathcona" Capt. Stewart sailed at about 9 A.M. with a cargo of coal for St. John, N.B.

#### **S. S. CITY OF YOKOHAMA**

British Steamer, "City of Yokohama" sailed at about 12:30 P.M. for Australia and New Zealand, via Halifax, N.S. While in port this ship took on board about 400 tons of steel products.

#### Police Court

In Police court, this afternoon, before Stipendiary Magistrate B. M Spencer, Seward Hunt pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting John C. Johnson, on Saturday night, March 5, 1938. Hunt was sentenced to pay a fine of \$5.00 and costs, amounting in all to \$7.50, with an alternative of 10 days in the County jail. He was given until tomorrow afternoon to produce the cash.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Saturday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold in the morning but becoming mild early in the day. Clear and sun shining with light to moderate southerly wind. An ideal day. Min temperature 8 below. Max temperature 24.

#### S. S. MONTCALM

Government Steamer, "Montcalm" Capt O'Hearn sailed at about 7:30 A.M.

#### S.S. ESTHERMARIA

Danish Steamer, "Esthermaria" arrived at about 8 A.M. After bunkering she sailed at about 5:30 P.M..

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Sunday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and mild with light variable wind, mostly southwest. Min temperature 5. Max temperature 30.

#### S. S. KALO

Danish Steamer "Kalo" arrived at about 8:30 A.M. for bunker coal.

#### Remains Arrive

The remains of the late Sadie C. MacLean arrived at Sydney on the morning train and were brought to Louisbourg by D.M. Johnston, undertaker in his motor hearse, arriving here at about 9:45. Miss MacLean died at Keene, New Hampshire, U.S.A. last Wednesday, March 9 after an illness of one week. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Ronald MacLean and two sisters. The sisters are Mrs. John A. MacDonald (Erna) and Mrs. Louis H. Cann (Madge), all of this town. Miss MacLean was in her 47<sup>th</sup> year.

#### Funeral

At 2 P.M. I attended the funeral of the late Sadie C. MacLean, which took place from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. Cann. The funeral service was in charge of Rev. D.A. MacMillan, who was assisted by Rev. John MacKinnon, D.D. (Retired) of Sydney. After the service at the house

the funeral procession made its way to the United Church Cemetery, on Clarke's Road where burial took place, the commitment service being conducted by Rev. John MacKinnon, D.D. The pallbearers were: D.J. MacInnis, A.W. Stacey, Emerson A. Grant, Edward MacDonald, Edison Skinner and James H. Crowdis.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. Rev. John MacKinnon D.D. of Sydney conducted the morning service while Rev. D.A. MacMillan the regular pastor was the preacher in the evening. Owing to illness Mr. MacMillan has been unable to attend to his pastoral duties for several months, today being the first time he has conducted a church service since November 7, 1937.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Monday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowfall of about 3 inches in the early morning, followed by a light mist. Cleared early in the forenoon. Bright and sun shining during the rest of the day with temperature above the 30 mark. Snow melting and streets slushy. Cold at night. Light southwest to northwest wind. Min temperature 10. Max temperature 39.

#### S.S. KALO

Danish Steamer "Kalo" after bunkering sailed at about 8 A.M.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Tuesday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with moderate to fresh northwest wind. Min temperature 8. Max temperature 20.

#### Drift Ice

No drift ice in the harbour and none in sight off the Louisbourg coast.

#### Police Court

In police court at 10 A.M. today, Alex Hunt, Louis MacGillivray and Leonard Burke were before Stipendiary Magistrate, B.M. Spencer, on charges of being drunk and disorderly on the street on Saturday night, March 12, 1938. They all pleaded guilty and were each given 2 months suspended sentence and a severe lecture by His Honor.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Wednesday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold in the morning but becoming comparatively mild at night. Mostly clear with light northwest wind which became variable in the afternoon. Min temperature 2, max temperature 31.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Thursday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with variable wind, becoming cloudy in the afternoon with light easterly wind. Min temperature 8. Max temperature 23.

#### **S. S. MARTIN CAROL**

Danish Steamer, "Martin Carol" arrived in the evening for bunker coal. After bunkering, she sailed at about 10:30 P.M.

#### **Board of Trade**

At 8 P.M. I attended a meeting of the Board of Trade at the Dundonald Inn (Roy Ingraham, Proprietor) After the business part of the meeting was over, a light lunch was served to those present by Mr. Ingraham.

Members present as follows: James Crowdis, (President) George Lewis, (Secretary) D.M. Johnston, John Poole, Bert Wilcox, Rev. E.B. Gabriel, George Wilcox, Holland Fleet, D.W. Levy, E.J. Reyno, Alfred Tilley, Dr R.P. Baird, Sam Levy, Neil Murphy, Lawrence Kelly, Roy Ingraham, Alistair MacDonald.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Friday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain during the forenoon which froze as it fell and covered all out-of-doors with a coating of ice. Misty and foggy in the afternoon. Light to moderate easterly wind. Min temperature 22. Max temperature 30.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Saturday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and misty with some heavy showers at intervals during the day and night. Min temperature 28. Max temperature 32. Light variable wind, mostly north to northeast.

#### **Silver Thaw**

Silver thaw of yesterday and last night which encased all out-of-doors with ice did no serious damage. Ice disappeared from trees, fences and wires shortly before noon.

#### **Streets Bare**

Streets are bare with the exception of a strip of ice on each side.

#### **Drift Ice**

Harbor full of drift ice but none of any amount on the coast near Louisbourg.



## **MARCH 1938**

### **Sunday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and mild with light variable wind, which was mostly northwest in the forenoon. An ideal day. Min temperature 25. Max temperature 50. Snow and ice disappearing rapidly. Large patches of bare ground in the fields.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. The 11 A.M. service was conducted by A.W. Stacey (Elder) and the evening service was in charge of the Young People's Union with Donald Wilson as leader.

#### Visited Mr. & Mrs. Townsend

In the afternoon, Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

#### Death of Miss MacRury

The death took place at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Donald John MacRury, shortly after noon today of Miss Mary A. MacRury. Miss MacRury who was 95 years of age was born at Clarke's Road, but came to Louisbourg with the MacRury family in 1919 where she lived since that time.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Monday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with a few light showers. Light to moderate winds. Min temperature 26. Max temperature 35.

#### Death of Mrs. MacIntyre

The death of Mrs. Hugh A. MacIntyre took place at her home, Alfred Street at about 11 P.M. Mrs. MacIntyre who had been in poor health for a number of years is survived by her husband and four children, the oldest about 20 and the youngest about 12.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Tuesday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowfall of about 3 inches in the early morning, followed by a few light showers. Cloudy during the day with moderate to fresh north to northeast winds. Min temperature 22. Max temperature 24.

#### Snow Melting

Snow of the early morning nearly all melted during the day, leaving the streets bare and muddy.

#### Funeral

At 1:30 P.M., I attended the funeral of the late Miss Mary A. MacRury, which took place from the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. D.J. MacRury, Havenside. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. L.B. Campbell of the First United Church, Sydney, N.S.  
Burial took place in Catalone Cemetery.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Wednesday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly clear with light to moderate variable wind, mostly southwest. Min temperature 19. Max temperature 36.

#### Funeral

At 1:30 P.M. I attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Hugh A. MacIntyre, Alfred Street. The funeral service was held at the house by Rev. J.R. Miller of the United Church, Port Morien. Interment took place in the United Church Cemetery, Willow Grove on Clarke's Road.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Thursday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog. Showers during the night. Light southwest wind. Min temperature 25. Max temperature 36.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Friday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with moderate to fresh north and northeast winds. Min temperature 26. Max temperature 37.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Saturday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and very chilly with fresh north and northeast winds. Min temperature 20. Max temperature 33.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Sunday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and very chilly with fresh easterly wind. Min temperature 19. Max temperature 29.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice in sight a short distance off shore.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where Rev. D.A. MacMillan, the regular pastor conducted both the morning and evening services. Owing to illness, Mr. MacMillan has been unable to attend to his pastoral duties since last autumn. This is his second appearance in the pulpit since November 7, 1937.

#### Visited Fletcher

In the afternoon, Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend. Fletcher has been confined to his home through illness for the last two or three weeks.

#### Death of Mrs. Scott

The death took place at an early hour today at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Holland, Sydney Road of Mrs. Andrew Scott (Kate Ferguson) Mrs. Scott, who was about 85 years of age, had been ill for a considerable length of time.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Monday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow in the early morning. Cloudy and very chilly during the day with a light drizzle of snow. Fresh to strong east to northeast winds. Snowfall about 3 inches. Min temperature 22. Max temperature 28.

### **MARCH 1938**

#### **Tuesday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and chilly with light to moderate northeast wind. Min temperature 18. Max temperature 32.

#### S. S. ROSECASTLE

Steamer "Rosecastle" Capt. Kenny arrived from Halifax at about 10:30 A.M. for to load a cargo of coal.

#### Funeral

The funeral of the late Mrs. Andrew Scott took place at 1:30 P.M. from the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Holland, Sydney Road. Service at the house was conducted by Rev. D.A. MacMillan of the First United Church, this town. Interment took place in Catalone Cemetery.

#### Police Court

In Police Court today before Stipendiary Magistrate, B.M. Spencer, Gordon Stevens, Jr. pleaded guilty to a charge of violating the "Lord's Day" act in serving ice cream in his place of business on Sunday, March 6, 1938. Stevens was fined \$5.00 and costs. Stevens and several other merchants have for the last two or three years kept their shops open for business on Sunday but this is the first time that legal action has been taken to put a stop to Sunday selling. Police Officer D.M. Johnson of this town laid the information in this case.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Wednesday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate northeast wind. Min temperature 13. Max temperature 35.

#### **S.S. ROSECASTLE**

Steamer "Rosecastle" Capt Kenny sailed at about 12:30 P.M. for St. John, N.B. with a part cargo of coal, about 6000 tons.

#### **S. S. JOHANNES MAERSK**

Danish Steamer "Johannes Maersk" arrived at about 3 P.M. for a cargo of steel products.

## **MARCH 1938**

### **Thursday 31**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate variable wind, mostly southwest. Cloudy in the late afternoon. Min temperature 12. Max temperature 30.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Friday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, rained moderately during the forenoon and very heavy in the afternoon and night. Moderate to strong southwest wind.

Min. temperature 26. max. temperature 36.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Saturday 2**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and mild with light southwest wind. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 25. max. temperature 42.

#### **S. S. VAGA**

Norwegian Steamer "Vaga" arrived at noon for bunker coal.

#### **Drift Ice**

Harbour filled with loose drift ice. Ice close in shore on the coast.

#### **Went to Hospital.**

Fletcher Townsend who has been in poor health for the last two or three months entered the City Hospital at Sydney today for examination and treatment.

**Fox Sparrows Arrived.**

Today, I noticed that the Fox Sparrows, which visit us for a short time each Spring, have arrived and their sweet songs are heard on every hand. They are the largest of the sparrow family, reddish brown in color, and one of the best singers. They are on their way to their Northern nesting grounds and usually remain with us for about three weeks. When the time comes for them to depart they disappear with dramatic suddenness, not one remaining behind, as they continue their flight northward.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Sunday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.                      Sydney, N.S.

Heavy rain in the morning with silver thaw. Cloudy, misty and chilly during the day. Light to moderate northeast to northwest winds. Min. temperature (Louisbourg) 26. max. temperature (Louisbourg) 39.

#### **S. S. JOHANNES MAERSK**

Danish Steamer "Johannes Maersk" sailed at about 9 am with a cargo of about 2700 tons of steel products.

#### **S. S. VAGA**

Norweigan Steamer "Vaga" sailed in the morning.

#### **Church Services.**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. Both services were conducted by Rev. D.A. MacMillan. The communion of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the 11 A.M. service.

#### **Motored to Sydney.**

At about 1:30 P.M. Emeline and I motored to Sydney with Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Grant and visited Fletcher Townsend who is now a patient at the City Hospital, Sydney. Mr. Townsend who has been in poor health for several weeks went to the hospital yesterday for examination and treatment.

#### **Condition of Highway.**

The highway between here and Sydney is in fair condition for this time of year. The road is bare of snow and ice with the exception of a few patches along the sides in the wooded sections. Fields are mostly bare but there is still considerable snow in the woods.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Monday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with a few snow squalls. Light to moderate westerly wind shifting to southwest early in the day. Min. temperature 22. max. temperature 37.

#### **S. S. YRSA**

Finnish Steamer "Yrsa" arrived at about 9:30 A.M. After bunkering she sailed at about 3 P.M.

S. S. TEMERAIRE

French Trawler "Temeraire" bunkered, and sailed in the afternoon for the fishing grounds.

**APRIL 1938**

**Tuesday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowfall of about 3 inches in the morning. Cloudy and mild with some fog during the day. Light variable wind. Min. temperature 21. max. temperature 47.

S. S. TILSINGTON COURT

British Steamer, Tilsington Court Capt. Atkinson arrived at about 9:30 A.M. for part cargo of steel products.

**APRIL 1938**

**Wednesday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with light variable wind and light snow squalls during the greater part of the day. Fresh to strong northerly wind at night. Chilly and raw during the night. Min. temperature [blank], max. temperature 40.

Death of Duncan Troke

The death of Duncan, son of Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Troke, took place in the City Hospital, Sydney last night. He was about 2 years and five months old and was taken to the hospital for treatment yesterday.

**APRIL 1938**

**Thursday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold, and remarkably clear with strong northeast wind. Min. temperature 20. max. temperature 34.

S. S. BESTUM

Norweigan Steamer "Bestum" arrived at about 6 am. After bunkering, she sailed at about 6 P.M.

S. S. ROSECASTLE

Steamer "Rosecastle", Capt. Kenny, arrived from St. John, N.B. at about 7 A.M. for a cargo of coal.

S. S. WATUKA

Steamer "Watuka" Capt. Hooper, arrived from Halifax at about 6 P.M. for a cargo of coal.

Funeral.

At 2 P.M. I attended the funeral of the late Duncan Troke, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Troke. Service at the house and grave were conducted by Rev. D.A. MacMillan, Pastor of the First United Church. Interment took place in the United Church Cemetery on Clarke's Road.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Friday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold, and remarkably clear, with moderate to fresh northeast wind. Min. temperature 15. max. temperature 32.

#### **S. S. ROSECASTLE**

Steamer "Rosecastle" Capt. Kenny sailed at about 12:30 P.M. for Halifax, N.S. with part cargo of coal.

#### **S. S. WATUKA**

Steamer "Watuka" Capt. Hooper, sailed at about 6 P.M. with a cargo of coal for Liverpool, N.S.

#### **Alwyn Townsend Arrives.**

Alwyn Townsend, son of the late Rev. H.D. Townsend and Mrs. Townsend of Valley, Colchester County, N.S. arrived on the evening train, at Sydney, for the purpose of visiting his uncle, Fletcher Townsend, who is a patient in the City Hospital Sydney. After visiting the hospital he motored to Louisbourg with his cousin, E.A. Grant, arriving at about 10:30 P.M. He intends to remain at Louisbourg for a few days, and while here will be our guest.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Saturday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cold. Snow began to fall at about 10 am and was followed by hail at about 4 P.M. and later by rain which continued during the night. Snowfall about 3 inches. Min. temperature 13. max. temperature 35. Drift ice in sight off the coast.

#### **S. S. LOTTE**

Danish Steamer, "Lotte" arrived at about 9:30 A.M. After bunkering she sailed in the afternoon, and anchored in the southwest end of the harbour, owing to ice conditions.

#### **S. S. KYLE**

Newfoundland Steamer, "Kyle" arrived at 11:45 from Port-au-Basque, Nfld with upwards of 90 passengers, mails and freight. The Kyle is taking the place of the Caribou which is at present undergoing repairs.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Sunday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with some fog. Moderate southwest wind which shifted to west in the afternoon and later to northwest. Min. temperature 26. max. temperature 37.

#### S. S. KYLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Kyle" sailed in the late afternoon for Port-au-Basque, Nfld with passengers, mails and freight.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M., I attended service in the First United Church, but was not present at the evening service. Rev. D.A. MacMillan, the regular pastor conducted, both the morning and evening services.

#### Motored To Sydney.

At about 1:40 P.M. left here with Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Grant and motored to Sydney where we visited Fletcher Townsend, who is a patient in the City Hospital. Fletcher's condition is about the same and he had decided to go to the Victoria General Hospital at Halifax for further treatment. He intends leaving for Halifax on tomorrow night's train provided satisfactory arrangements can be made.

After having supper at the "Diana Sweets" and again calling at the hospital, we left for home, arriving at about 8 P.M.

#### Drift Ice.

Harbour full of drift ice and coast blocked.

### **APRIL 1938**

#### **Monday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with fresh to moderate northwest wind which shifted to southwest in the afternoon. Min. temperature 14. max. temperature 28.

#### Drift Ice.

Harbour clear of drift ice with the exception of a small quantity in the extreme eastern end. Ice in sight several miles of the shore, but coast clear.

#### Danish Steamer Sailed.

Danish Steamer "Lotte", which bunkered here on last Saturday and remained here owing to ice conditions, sailed from her anchorage at an early hour this morning.

#### S. S. ALFRED

French Steamer Trawler "Alfred" arrived at about 10 A.M. for bunker coal. The Alfred was considerably damaged in a storm recently and is likely to undergo repairs, here, before sailing for the fishing grounds.

Left for Halifax.



Fletcher Townsend, who has been a patient at the City Hospital Sydney, since April 2<sup>nd</sup>, on the advice of his physician, Dr. Dan MacLeod, left for Halifax on the evening train to enter the Victoria General Hospital, for further examination and treatment. He was accompanied by his wife, and his nephew, Emerson A. Grant.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Tuesday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and comparatively mild with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature [blank], max. temperature about 40.

#### **S. S. PORT MONTREAL**

British Motorship, "Port Montreal" arrived at about 7 A.M. for part cargo of steel products and docked on the west side of the freight wharf.

#### **S. S. WATUKA**

Steamer "Watuka" Capt. Hooper arrived at about 11 P.M. from Liverpool, N.S. for a cargo of coal.

#### **Motored to Sydney.**

Left Louisbourg at 9:10 A.M. and motored to Sydney in Steven's bus, arriving at about 10:20 A.M. After making a number of business calls had lunch at Vidal Hotel.

#### **Meeting of Hospital Annex Committee.**

At 2 P.M. I attended a meeting of a Committee, consisting of the Cape Breton Hospital Commission and the Mayors of the various towns and the City of Sydney. This meeting was called by order of the Chairman, Warden R.A. Mackinnon to deal with the question of building an addition, or annex, to the present Cape Breton Hospital, located at Sydney River. Plans of the proposed annex were placed before the committee by Leslie Fairns of Wolfville and Angus MacCormack of Sydney. According to Mr. Fairn's plan (104 beds) the building would cost about \$82,000.00 and the MacCormack plan (100 beds) would call for an expenditure of about \$156,000.00. On a vote being taken 7 of the 11, of the committee present, favored the MacCormack plan. The final decision, however, lies with the Joint Expenditure Board, which meets shortly to deal with the matter. Members of committee present were as follows:

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## **APRIL 1938**

### **Wednesday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with a few showers of rain. Light northeast wind. Min. temperature 27. max. temperature 36.

#### **S. S. WATUKA**

Steamer "Watuka" Capt. Hooper sailed shortly before noon for Liverpool N.S. with a cargo of coal.

### S. S. TILSINGTON COURT

British Steamer, "Tilsington Court" Capt. [blank] sailed with part cargo of steel products about (7400 tons) enroute to Vancouver B.C. via Halifax, N.S.

### PORT MONTREAL

British Motorship "Port Montreal" sailed at about 6 P.M. with part cargo of steel products, about [blank] tons.

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Warden, R.A. MacKinnon (Chairman) Mayor F.L. Kelly, North Sydney. Councillor L.Y. Urquhart, North Sydney, Mayor A.C. MacCormick Sydney Mines, Mayor: G.B. Slaven, Sydney, Mayor P.G. Muise, New Waterford. Councillor Cecil Cudahea, Glace Bay, Mayor Francis Stephenson, Dominion, Councillor Alex Ferguson, Mira. Councillor Steve MacLean, Frenchvale; A.C. Day County Treasurer, Mayor M.S. Huntington, Louisbourg.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Thursday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and very foggy with a few light showers. Light southwest wind. Min. temperature 26. max. temperature 40.

### S. S. ROSECASTLE

Steamer, "Rosecastle" Capt. Kenny arrived at about 8:30 A.M. from Halifax, N.S. for a cargo of coal.

### S. S. LEKA

Norweigan Steamer "Leka" arrived at about 9 A.M. After bunkering, she sailed in the afternoon.

### Death of Mrs. Ronald MacPhee.

The death occurred this evening, at her home on Main Street, of Mrs. Ronald MacPhee. Mrs. MacPhee is said to be in her 87<sup>th</sup> year. Her husband died many years ago.

### S. S. ALFRED

French Steamer Trawler, "Alfred" which has been undergoing repairs, at the Government wharf for the last few days sailed this afternoon for the fishing grounds.

### Legislature Prorogued.

The Nova Scotia Legislature which opened at Halifax on March 1, prorogued today.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Friday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with showers. Light southwest-west wind which shifted to northeast in the evening and increased to a moderate breeze. Min. temperature 28, max. temperature 38.

#### No Bus Service.

Owing to the bad conditions of the highway, Sullivan's Bus Service leaving Sydney at 9 A.M. and Cecil Steven's Bus due to leave Louisbourg at 9 A.M. failed to function today. No Bus mail. The mail due to arrive here at 10 A.M. came in on the evening train.

#### Accident to Mrs. Townsend.

On last Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. G.W. Townsend, Emeline's Step-mother, who has been living with us for about a year, stumbled and fell on the floor, in the front room of our home, and badly injured her left leg. She is now confined to her bed, unable to move without assistance. Dr. R.P. Baird, who is attending her is inclined to think the hip is broken, but is not sure. Yesterday we engaged a nurse, Miss Annie MacCuish, to assist in caring for her. Miss MacCuish came yesterday after noon.

Mrs. Townsend will be 89 years of age tomorrow, Saturday April 16. We have moved her bed downstairs to the living room, where we are trying to make her as comfortable as possible, under the circumstances.

### **APRIL 1938**

#### **Saturday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with moderate to fresh northeast wind. Min. temperature 18. max. temperature 34.

#### S. S. ROSECASTLE

Steamer "Rosecastle" Capt. Kenny, sailed at about 2:30 P.M. with a cargo of coal for Montreal. This is the first shipment, from the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation, to the St. Lawrence this season.

#### S. S. WANSTEAD

British Steamer, "Wanstead", Capt. Black, under charter to the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation Ltd. arrived from England, at about 5:30 P.M. This ship is the first of the overseas colliers to arrive on this side, this season. She will be engaged in the coal trade between Sydney and St. Lawrence ports during the spring and summer months.

#### Arrived Home.

Fletcher Townsend, who has been undergoing examination and treatment in the Victoria General Hospital, Halifax, N.S. since last Tuesday arrived home on the train, this evening. He was accompanied by his wife, and nephew, Emerson A. Grant. Dr. Mack of Halifax and his assistants, who conducted the examinations claimed that his kidneys were diseased and that they could not do anything more for him that could be done at his home. He was therefore advised to go home and that Dr. Dan MacLeod of Sydney and Dr. R.P. Baird of Louisbourg, would be instructed as to what to prescribe for him.

### **APRIL 1938**

#### **Sunday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and very chilly with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 15. max. temperature 36.

#### S.S. WATUKA

Steamer "Watuka" Capt. Hooper, arrived in the forenoon from Liverpool, N.S. and anchored in the northeast end of the harbour.

#### S.S. WENDOVER

British Steamer, "Wendover", Capt. Winter, arrived shortly before noon from England, and anchored in the southwest end of the harbor. This ship is under charter to the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation Ltd. and will be engaged in carrying coal between Sydney and St. Lawrence ports during the spring and summer months.

#### Church Services.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where Rev. D.A. MacMillan, was the preacher, both morning and evening.

#### Funeral.

At 2 P.M. I attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Ronald MacPhee which took place from her late home on Main Street. The service was held in Stella Maris Church by Rev. Father D.H. Doyle. Burial to [sic] place in the Roman Catholic Cemetery. (I was not present at the church or cemetery).

### **APRIL 1938**

#### **Monday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with light to moderate southwest wind. Showers at night. Min. temperature 24. max. temperature 36.

#### S. S. WATUKA

Steamer "Watuka", Capt. Hooper, which arrived here yesterday, sailed for North Sydney at about 10 A.M. for to load coal at that port.

#### S. S. HEROY

Norwegian Steamer, "Heroy" arrived at about 6:30 P.M. for bunker coal.

#### Bus Service Resumed.

Sullivan's Bus Service, between Sydney and Louisbourg, which has not been in operation since last Friday, owing to bad condition of the road, was resumed today. The road is still in bad shape, but the bus managed to get through.

### **APRIL 1938**

#### **Tuesday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with light to moderate southwest wind. Heavy rain during the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 31. max. temperature 38.

**S. S. WENDOVER**

British Steamer "Wendover" Capt. Winter, sailed at about 11 A.M. for Sydney for to load a cargo of coal.

**S. S. WANSTEAD**

British Steamer "Wanstead" Capt. Black, sailed at noon with a cargo of coal, for the St. Lawrence. This ship carries about 8,500 tons of cargo. While heading for Sydney a few days ago this ship was damaged by coming in contact with drift ice, a considerable number of rivets were started causing her to leak. Repairs were made while in port, by L.H. Cann.

**APRIL 1938**

**Wednesday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy during the forenoon. Partly clear in the afternoon. Light to moderate southwest wind shifting to westerly.

**S. S. HEROY**

Norweigan Steamer "Heroy" enroute from Trinidad to Montreal, sailed during the forenoon.

**Motored to Sydney.**

Left Louisbourg, for Sydney, at about 1:15 P.M. in a Taxi of Sullivan's Bus Service for the purpose of attending a Joint meeting of the Mayors of the various Cape Breton County Towns, and the Cape Breton County Hospital Commission, which is to be held tomorrow at 9 A.M. After a very rough drive owing to the bad condition of the road, arrived at Sydney at about 2:30. Visited Mr. and Mrs. Hedley Hopkins at their home, 11 Worgan Street, where Maud Huntington, sister of May Hopkins, was also present. After having supper at the Hopkins home, I walked out to the City Hospital where I visited R.A. Peters of Louisbourg, who has been a patient there since the 10<sup>th</sup> of this month. He is doing fine and expects to leave there in a short time. Walked from the hospital to the Vidal Hotel, arriving at about 9 P.M. where I stopped for the night.

**APRIL 1938**

**Thursday 21**

Sydney, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light southwest wind which shifted to northeast during the day. Rain during the afternoon and evening.

**S. S. CRUIZER**

Tug "Cruizer" Capt. Gilfoil, which has been stationed at Louisbourg since the 29<sup>th</sup> of January, sailed for Sydney at about 10 A.M. where she will attend to the docking of ships during the spring, summer and autumn months.

Meeting of Hospital Commission and Mayors.

At about 9:30 I attended a joint meeting of the Cape Breton Hospital Commission and the Mayors of the Cape Breton County towns and the City of Sydney in the Council Chamber of the County building. Those present were as follows:

R.A. MacKinnon, Warden Municipality of the County of Cape Breton (Chairman)

G.B. Slaven, Mayor of Sydney, F.L. Kelly, Mayor of North Sydney, A.C. MacCormick, Mayor of Sydney Mines, D.W. Morrison, Mayor of Glace Bay, P.G. Muise, Mayor of New Waterford, M.S. Huntington, Mayor of Louisbourg, F.J. Stephenson, Mayor of Dominion.

Cape Breton Hospital Commission:

A.C. Day (Chairman) Councillor: Gordon MacGregor, District No. 11, Dominion No. 6

Councillor: L.Y. Urguhart North Sydney

“ Stephen MacLean, District No. 22, Frenchvale.

Mayor: A.C. MacCormick, Sydney Mines

Dr. P.S. Campbell, Deputy Minister of Health, Halifax, N.S.

Dr. Beckwith, Divisional Health Officer for Cape Breton

Plans drawn by A.J. MacCormack of Sydney and L.R. Fair of Wolfville, N.S. were laid before the meeting and examined by Doctors Campbell and Beckwith.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Friday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, misty and foggy with a few showers. Light northeast wind.

Motored to Louisbourg.

Left Sydney at about 9:15 A.M. in one of Sullivan's Taxis, of the Sullivan Bus Service, (George Robb driver) and after a very rough passage, owing to the bad condition of the road, arrived at Louisbourg at 10:45.

Damaged in Ice.

The Steamer "Wanstead", which sailed from Louisbourg on last Tuesday for the St. Lawrence with a cargo of coal is reported to have been badly damaged enroute and to have arrived at Sydney yesterday for repairs.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Saturday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with light variable wind, mostly north to northeast. Min. temperature 26. max. temperature 48.

Concert.

MacDuff Copeland, Scottish Singer, Musician and Comedian and Kenneth Copeland Violinist, father and son, held a variety concert in Calvin hall, in the evening, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the First United Church.

The Copelands having been coming to Louisbourg for a number of years, and holding concerts similar to this one.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Sunday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and mild with light variable wind. Min. temperature 24, max. temperature 49.

#### **S. S. M.C. HOLM**

Danish Steamer "M.C. Holm" arrived in the morning for bunker coal.

#### **Church Services.**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. Rev. D.A. MacMillan, conducted both services. At the morning service MacDuff Copeland and Kenneth Copeland, father and son, assisted with the musical part of the service. The senior Copeland played the organ and sang a solo "When I survey the Wonderous Cross" while Kenneth rendered two violin solos.

#### **Death of Mrs. MacVicar.**

The death of Mrs. Neil MacVicar occurred at an early hour this morning at her home on Lorway Street. Mrs. MacVicar who was 74 years of age, is survived by her husband.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Monday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear during the forenoon, but becoming hazy in the afternoon and cloudy in the evening. Light to moderate easterly wind. Min. temperature 24. max. temperature 47.

#### **S. S. SNAR**

Norweigan Steamer, "Snar" arrived in the morning for bunker coal and docked on the west side of the coal pier. After bunkering she sailed at about 2 P.M.

#### **S. S. BLINK**

Norweigan Steamer "Blink" arrived in the morning for bunker coal and anchored in the stream, later docking on the east side of the coal pier. After bunkering she sailed at about 3:30 P.M.

#### **S. S. M.C. HOLM**

Danish Steamer "M.C. Holm" after bunkering, sailed at about 10 A.M.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Tuesday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowfall of about one inch, in the early morning, followed by rain. Cloudy, misty and cool during the day with moderate east to northeast winds. Min. temperature 28. max. temperature 36.

#### **S. S. KELET**

Hungarian Steamer "Kelet" arrived in the morning. After taking bunker coal, she sailed at about 7 P.M.

#### Funeral.

At 2 P.M. I attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Neil MacVicar. Services at the house and grave were conducted by Mr. [blank] Churchill, Baptist Student Minister of Mira Gut.

Hymns sung were as follows:

“Unto the Hills Around” “Rock of Ages” and “Nearer My God to Thee”.

Pallbearers: William Severance, Archie Munroe, Duncan MacDonald, Neil MacKeigan, Dan MacLeod and Ned MacDonald.

Interment took place in “Willow Grove” Cemetery on Clarke’s Road.

#### **APRIL 1938**

##### **Wednesday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the morning, but becoming hazy and cloudy early in the day. Light variable wind, mostly south increasing in the evening. Showers at night with some fog. Min. temperature 24. max. temperature 45.

#### S. S. AARO

Danish Steamer, “Aaro” arrived at about 2 P.M. for bunker coal and docked on the east side of the coal pier.

#### **APRIL 1938**

##### **Thursday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, mild in the forenoon, Chilly and cold in the afternoon and evening. Light southwest and northwest wind in the early part of the day, which shifted to northeast in the late afternoon. Light showers at night. Min. temperature 24. max. temperature 52.

#### S. S. AARO

Danish Steamer “Aaro” sailed in the morning.

#### S. S. MARPESIA

Norwegian Steamer, “Marpesia” arrived at about 8 P.M. for bunker coal.

#### Concert.

At 8 P.M. I attended, and presided at, a concert held in Calvin Hall, by the Young Peoples Society of the First United Church. Sang a solo entitled “The End of the Road”.

#### Police Court.

In Police Court, today, Mrs. Charles Shaw of this town was found guilty of keeping liquor for sale and sentenced by Stipendiary Magistrate, B.M. Spencer to pay a fine of \$100.00, or serve one month in the County jail. Her husband, who was tried with her on a similar charge, was acquitted.

Murdoch MacKeigan, Dick Kehoe, on charges of being in possession of liquor were each found guilty and sentenced to fines of \$100.00, or, one month in jail. Sergeant Churchill of the Glace



Bay detachment of the R.C.M.P. prosecuted in each case, while W.A.D. Gunn, Barrister, of Sydney acted for the defense.

William Bates, who was also found guilty on a similar charge, owing to his physical condition had his sentence deferred until a later date. MacKeigan and Kehoe were taken to jail by the police. The first hearing of all of the above was held.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Friday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the morning, but becoming cloudy at noon. Light variable wind. Min. temperature 22. max. temperature 42.

#### **S. S. DON**

Norweigan Steamer "Don" arrived at about 1 A.M. for bunker coal. After bunkering, she sailed at about 10:30 A.M.

#### **S. S. MARPESIA**

Norweigan Steamer, "Marpesia" sailed in the early morning.

## **APRIL 1938**

### **Saturday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with east to southeast wind which shifted to southeast in the evening. Heavy downpour of rain in the late afternoon and evening. Foggy at night.

#### **Moved Upstairs**

Mrs. G.W. Townsend, who on April the 12<sup>th</sup>, fell on the floor of the living room in our house, and was badly injured, was moved to the large front bedroom upstairs this afternoon. Since the accident she has been in bed in our living room. She has greatly improved during the past week and seems to be on the road to complete recovery.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Sunday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and cool with light to moderate southwest to northwest winds. Showers during the day with some sleet in the evening. Min. temperature 30. max. temperature 46.

#### **S. S. LIVERPOOL ROVER**

Steamer "Liverpool Rover" arrived shortly before noon and anchored in the northeast end of the harbour. At about 1:30 P.M. she docked on the east side of the coal pier.

#### **S. S. KORSFJORD**

Norweigan Steamer "Korsfjord" arrived at about 6 P.M. for bunker coal, and docked on the west side of the coal pier.

Church Services.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. Rev. D.A. MacMillan was the preacher at both services.

**MAY 1938**

**Monday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear during the day, becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Light variable winds mostly northwest. Light showers in the evening. Min. temperature 30. max. temperature 53.

S. S. KORSFJORD

Norwegian Steamer "Korsfjord", after bunkering, sailed at about 11 A.M.

S. S. LIVERPOOL ROVER

Steamer "Liverpool Rover" Capt. Williams, sailed at noon with a cargo of coal for St. John, N.B.

S. S. ATNA

Norwegian Steamer "Atna" arrived at 3:30 P.M. After bunkering she sailed during the night.

S. S. WATUKA

Steamer "Watuka", Capt. Hooper, arrived at 5 P.M. from St. Johns Newfoundland for a cargo of coal.

**MAY 1938**

**Tuesday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate north to northwest wind.

Min. temperature 22. max. temperature 44.

S. S. WATUKA

Steamer "Watuka" Capt. Hooper, sailed at about 8:30 A.M. for St. John N.B. with a cargo of coal.

S. S. EVELLYN MARION

Steamer "Evellyn Marion", hailing from Panama, arrived at about 5 P.M. for bunker coal.

**MAY 1938**

**Wednesday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate variable wind, mostly north and northwest.

Min. temperature 25. max. temperature 43.

S. S. EVELLYN MARION

Steamer "Evellyn Marion" sailed at about 9:30 A.M.

#### Drift Ice.

Drift ice put in an appearance this evening for the first time in several weeks. Late in the evening the entrance of the harbour was full of ice with a considerable body extending off shore.

#### Choir Practice.

At 8:30 P.M. I attended choir practice in the First United Church, Mrs. D.A. MacMillan, Organist. Mrs. MacMillan was recently appointed by the session of the First United Church to take over the duties of organist in the place of Mrs. John A. MacDonald who resigned in February last. Mrs. MacDonald held the position of organist from 1922 until the time of her resignation.

#### Ordered to Sydney.

The Louisbourg Shippers and Trimmers, who are employed by the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation Limited, at the Sydney Shipping Piers during the spring, summer and autumn months, were, today, notified to report for work immediately.

### **MAY 1938**

#### **Thursday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable wind, mostly northerly. Hail and rain squalls during the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 26. max. temperature 46.

#### S. S. ANGLO INDIAN

British Steamer "Anglo Indian" arrived at about 10:30 A.M. for part cargo of steel products and docked at the Freight Wharf (west side). She is now from St. John, N.B. her last port of call.

#### S. S. NOVASLI

Norwegian Steamer "Novasli" arrived at about 4 P.M. for bunker coal and docked on the west side of the coal pier.

#### Drift Ice

Harbor clear of ice except for a few clumpers. A considerable body of loose ice a short distance off shore.

### **MAY 1938**

#### **Friday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate northeast wind. Min. temperature [blank]. max. temperature [blank].

#### Drift Ice.

Southwest end of harbor and entrance full of ice. Heavy loose ice close in shore, interfering to some extent, with navigation.

#### S. S. MAID OF STIRLING

Steamer Maid of Stirling arrived at noon for a cargo of coal, and anchored in the northeast end of the harbour. She docked in the evening on the west side of the coal pier.

S. S. NOVASLI

Norwegian Steamer "Novasli" sailed at about 1 P.M.

S. S. SUPETAR

Yugoslavia Steamer "Supetar" arrived at about 6 P.M. for bunker coal and anchored in the stream.

S. S. ANGLO-INDIAN

British Steamer "Anglo-Indian" finished loading about 435 tons of steel products, in the late afternoon, and hauled over to the coal pier to take on board about 800 tons of bunker coal.

Schooner Dauntless

Newfoundland Schooner "Dauntless" loaded a cargo of about 150 tons in the afternoon.

**MAY 1938**

**Saturday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate northwest wind which shifted to southwest in the afternoon and increased to a fresh breeze. Min. temperature 25. max. temperature 54.

Drift Ice.

Drift ice in sight off the harbour mouth.

S. S. ANGLO-INDIAN

British Steamer "Anglo-Indian" sailed at about 11 A.M. enroute to Quebec and Montreal, where she will load cargo before proceeding to Vancouver, B.C. This is the second this ship has been here since the beginning of this year. On her first visit she arrived on the 7<sup>th</sup> of February and sailed on the 10<sup>th</sup>.

S. S. SUPETAR

Yugoslavia Steamer "Supetar" which arrived here yesterday evening, docked on the east side of the coal pier, shortly before noon, for the purpose of taking bunker coal.

S. S. MAID OF STIRLING

Steamer "Maid of Stirling" sailed in the afternoon for Liverpool, N.S. with a cargo of about 1200 tons of coal.

S. S. LADY LAURIER

Government Steamer "Lady Laurier", on buoy service, arrived at about 5 P.M. and docked at the Government Wharf.

S. S. LIVERPOOL ROVER

Steamer "Liverpool Rover", Capt. Williams, arrived at about 6 P.M. from St. John, N.B. and anchored in the northeast end of the harbour.

S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer "Fernfield" arrived at about 6:30 P.M. for bunker coal and docked on the west side of the coal pier.

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**MAY 1938**

**Sunday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable wind, mostly northeast. Showery during the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 26. max. temperature 48.

Drift Ice.

Drift ice in sight in sight [sic] a short distance off the coast. Harbour clear.

S. S. SUPETAR

Yugoslavia Steamer "Supetar" sailed in the morning.

S. S. LADY LAURIER

Government Steamer "Lady Laurier" sailed, after landing a number of buoys on the Government Wharf.

Church Services.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. Rev. D.A. MacMillan was the preacher, both morning and evening.

Visited Fletcher Townsend.

In the afternoon Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend. Fletcher is still confined to his home through illness, but seems to be improving.

Death of Carrie Baldwin.

The death occurred this morning at her home west Louisbourg of Miss Carrie Baldwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Baldwin. She is survived by her parents and a number of brothers and sisters.

**MAY 1938**

**Monday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northerly wind. Min. temperature 25. max. temperature 48.

Drift Ice.

Drift ice in sight off the coast in the morning but disappeared during the day, harbour clear of ice.

S. S. LIVERPOOL ROVER

Steamer "Liverpool Rover" which arrived here on last Saturday evening, docked on the east side of the coal pier.

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#### FIRE

At about 4 P.M. the fire whistle at the power house sounded an alarm for a fire on the roof of the shop and dwelling, owned by Mrs. E.M. Dickson of 104 Whitney Avenue, Sydney, N.S., and located on Main Street on the west side of the store of Lewis & Co. The firemen responded quickly with the hose reel, and a line of hose was laid from the hydrant, on the opposite side of the street, and in a few minutes the fire was "all out". Estimated value of building; about \$2,500.00, Insurance; \$1,750.00. Damage to east side of roof, about \$100.00. First floor occupied by Ernest Dowling as a bakery. Second floor occupied as dwelling by Mr. & Mrs. William Townsend.

#### Council Meeting.

At 7:30 P.M. I attended, and presided at, a meeting of the Town Council. Those present were: Councillors: G.B. Hiltz, Alex. MacDonald, and Clifton Townsend. Mayor, M.S. Huntington. Clerk: B.M. Spencer, Police Officer, Dan Johnston. Gordon Cameron, who addressed the council in regard to extending the electric light line on Lorway St. and Ben Hickman who addresses the council, regarding his assessment.

### **MAY 1938**

#### **Tuesday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy with light to moderate variable wind. Min. temperature 26. max. temperature 52.

#### New Schedule.

Beginning yesterday morning, the Michael Sullivan Bus Service is running on a new schedule, which calls for three trips a day between Louisbourg and Sydney. The new arrangement is as follows:

Leave Louisbourg at 8 A.M., 1 P.M. and 6:30 P.M..

Leave Sydney at 9 A.M., 4:30 P.M. and 11:30 P.M..

#### S. S. LADY LAURIER

Government Steamer "Lady Laurier" arrived in the evening on buoy service and docked at the Government Wharf.

### **MAY 1938**

#### **Wednesday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showery in the morning. Cloudy during the entire day with light southwest wind.

#### S. S. LADY LAURIER

Government Steamer "Lady Laurier" after taking on board buoys which where (sic) on the Government Wharf sailed for Sydney at about 9:30 A.M.

Choir Practice.

At 8:30 P.M. I attended choir practice in the First United church.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Thursday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear, with light to moderate southerly wind. Cloudy in the evening.

Min. temperature 30. max. temperature 54.

### **S. S. LADY LAURIER**

Government Steamer "Lady Laurier" arrived from Sydney at noon, and in the afternoon placed the buoys off Louisbourg.

### **Foreman Arrives.**

Mr. Frank Gould, foreman for the Fundy Construction Company, arrived today for the purpose of building a Federal Government building which is to contain the Post Office and Customs Office.

### **Work Resumed.**

Today, John N. MacDonald, Edward MacDonald and John MacKay resumed the work of shingling the roof of our dwelling, which had to be abandoned last [blank] owing to stormy and cold weather.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Friday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, heavy showers in the morning. Misty and foggy during the afternoon and evening. Light southeast to south west winds.

Min. temperature 32. max. temperature 44.

### **S. S. LADY LAURIER**

Government Steamer "Lady Laurier" Capt. Williams, sailed in the morning, but returned to port in the evening.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Saturday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy in the morning and evening. Clear and cool during the greater part of the day. Light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 29. max. temperature 48.

### **S. S. IRENE MARIA**

Danish Steamer "Irene Maria" arrived at about 6 am. After bunkering she sailed at about 4 P.M.

#### First Sod Turned.

At about 9:30 A.M. in the presence of quite a number of our citizens, I had the honor and pleasure of turning the first sod, in the work of constructing the foundation of the Federal Government building, which is to be erected on the corner of Main and Warren Streets. Four men: Albert Martell, Louis MacGillivray, John Troke and James Campbell, immediately began the excavation work while two carpenters: Freeman Mosher and Archie Munroe engaged in erecting a tool and store house on the rear of the lot. Guy B. Hiltz of this town is employed by the Federal Government, as inspector of the work of construction. This building is being erected for the purpose of housing the Post Office and Customs Office.

#### Death of Mrs. Alex Hardy.

At about 9 P.M. a telephone call from Mrs. Dan MacDonald, (Leah Hardy) Reserve Mines, informed us that her mother (Mrs. Alex Hardy) had passed away. Mrs. Hardy was Emeline's aunt, a sister to her mother and was 95 years of age. The funeral is to take place at Gabarus, Mrs. Hardy's former home, on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **MAY 1938**

#### **Sunday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate southeast wind, increasing at night. Rained moderately in the late afternoon, heavy rain during the night.

Min. temperature 26, max. temperature 48.

#### Church Services.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. D.A. MacMillan was the preacher.

#### Visited Fletcher.

At about 5 P.M. visited Fletcher who is quite ill at his home. For the last few days he seems to be getting worse and is now confined to his bed nearly all of the time.

### **MAY 1938**

#### **Monday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Heavy rain in the early morning and in the late afternoon and night. Cloudy and foggy during the day. Min. temperature 33. max. temperature 55.

#### Lobster Season Opens

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#### Funeral of Mrs. Hardy.

Emeline and Mrs. Bert Wilcox motored to Gabarus in the forenoon and attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Alex. Hardy (Margaret Bagnall) which took place at about 2 P.M. The remains



were brought from Reserve Mines to Gabarus by motor hearse. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Swetman, of Gabarus United Church, assisted by Rev. D.L Gordon of Reserve.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Tuesday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with light winds. Min. temperature 33. max. temperature 49.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Wednesday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and very chilly, clearing in the afternoon. Showers in the morning. Moderate to fresh northeast wind. Heavy frost at night. Min. temperature 23. max. temperature 43.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Thursday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cool during the day. Heavy frost in the early morning. Light northerly wind shifting to southwest and increasing to a moderate breeze. Min. temperature 22. max. temperature [blank].

#### **Work Progressing.**

The excavation work for the foundation of the Government building is progressing quite nicely. About eight or ten men are employed digging and shoveling.

The town authorities have engaged two trucks to haul away the surplus soil and clay and are using it on the streets of the town. Yesterday and today its [sic] is being dumped on the Havenside Road, just south of the Barrachois bridge in order to raise that section of the road above the tide waters of the harbour.

The motor trucks engaged in this work are one owned by Neil and Steve Murphy, driven by Tom. MacKinnon, and owned by Donald Beaver, and driven by the owner.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Friday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 24. max. temperature 61.

#### **S. S. INGER TOFT**

Danish Steamer "Inger Toft" arrived at 2:30 P.M. After bunkering she sailed at about 7:30 P.M.

#### **FIRE**

At about 1:30 P.M. the fire whistle sounded an alarm for a bush fire on the east side of Riverdale Street and about 100 yards south of the house owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch

Campbell and family. Fireman and other citizens with buckets responded quickly, and in a short time the blaze which had gained considerable headway, was under control. About one acre of land was burned over. No serious damage.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Saturday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Heavy rain in the forenoon. Cloudy and foggy in the afternoon, clearing at night. Moderate to fresh south to southwest winds. Min. temperature 34. max. temperature 42.

#### **S. S. FERNFIELD**

Steamer "Fernfield" arrived in the morning and took bunker coal.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Sunday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderate warm and mostly clear with light to moderate west to southwest winds. Min. temperature 29. max. temperature 57.

#### **S. S. AEQUITAS**

Italian Steamer, "Aequitas" arrived at about noon for bunker coal and docked on the east side of the coal pier.

#### **Church Services.**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church. Rev. D.A. MacMillan was in charge of both services.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Monday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 24. max. temperature 56.

#### **S. S. AEQUITAS**

Italian Steamer "Aequitas" sailed in the forenoon.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Tuesday 24**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with fog during the greater part of the day. Showery during the forenoon, rain beginning to fall at about 10:30 am. Light southwest wind. Min. temperature 28. max. temperature 55.

Sports Programme.

At 10:20 P.M. a series of running races took place on the street of Louisbourg, starting and finishing in front of the Crowdis Hotel.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Wednesday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy in the morning. Clearing in the forenoon. Clear and moderately warm in the afternoon. Light variable wind. Min. temperature 35. max. temperature 68.

Work Progressing.

The work of putting in the forms for the foundation of the new public building began today.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Thursday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 30. max. temperature 60.

S. S. DALVEEN

British Steamer "Dalveen" arrived at about 5 A.M. After bunkering she sailed during the forenoon.

Motored to Sydney.

At 6:45 P.M. I motored to Sydney with Mr. Wetmore salesman for R.H. Davis & Co. of Sydney, and returned by Sullivan's Bus, leaving Sydney at 11:30 P.M.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Friday 27**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Mostly cloudy and moderately warm with light variable wind. Min. temperature 38. max. temperature 63.

**S. S. DON**

Norweigan Steamer "Don" arrived in the afternoon, bunkered, and sailed in the evening.

Taken to Cape Breton Hospital

Today, Mrs. Rachael MacMillan, an aged resident of this town who has become insane was taken to the Cape Breton Hospital at Sydney River. She was accompanied to the institution by Police Officer D.M. Johnston, Provincial Constable Dan MacNeil and Mrs. Malcolm MacDonald.

## **MAY 1938**

### **Saturday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm during the day, cool at night. Moderate to fresh northeast wind. Min. temperature 36. max. temperature 62.

Young People's Banquet.

At 8 P.M. I was a guest at a banquet held by the Young People's Union of the First United Church, in Calvin Hall. Donald Wilson, President of the society, was Chairman and toastmaster. Quite a large number present.

**MAY 1938**

**Sunday 29**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cool with moderate northeast to east winds. Min. temperature 32. max. temperature 48.

Church Services.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. D.A. MacMillan was the preacher both morning and evening.

Visited Fletcher Townsend.

In the afternoon Emeline and I visited Fletcher, who appears to be much improved in health. He is now, and has been for the last ten days able to walk around out of doors when the weather is good.

**MAY 1938**

**Monday 30**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and moderately cool with moderate northeast wind, which shifted to southwest in the afternoon. Very cool at night.

Min. temperature 29. max. temperature 52.

**MAY 1938**

**Tuesday 31**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Frost in the early morning.

Min. temperature 26. max. temperature 58.

Repairing Chimney.

Spent the greater part of the day assisting Herb Jewell replace the top of the kitchen chimney.

Death of Harold MacIntosh.

The death of Harold MacIntosh took place at an early hour this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Williams Havenside. Mr. MacIntosh was about 23 years of age had been in ill health for a number of years.

Left for Annapolis Royal

Rev. E.B. Gabriel, who has been in charge of St. Bartholomews Anglican Congregation, this town, since Nov. 23 1932, left here today enroute to Annapolis Royal, to take charge of the Anglican Congregation of that town. Mr. Gabriel was accompanied by Mrs. Gabriel and three children; John, Helen and Ruth. Mr. Gabriel and family were very popular with the people of Louisbourg, of all denominations and their many friends regret their departure. Mr. Gabriel, is to be succeeded in the pastorate of the Church here by Rev. George Arnold of Sydney, N.S. Mr. Arnold who is about 25 years of age is unmarried and is a son of Rev. and Mrs. [blank] Arnold of Sydney.

#### Pleads Guilty

This evening, before Stipendiary Magistrate B.M. Spencer, [blank] pleaded guilty to a charge, under the Motor Vehicle Act, of allowing his son [blank] to drive his car without a permit and was fined \$10.00 and \$1.00 costs. The offence took place on Saturday, May 21, 1938.

### **JUNE 1938**

#### **Wednesday 1 Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 25. max. temperature 74.

#### Funeral

The body of the late Harold MacIntosh was taken to Glace Bay this afternoon by D.M. Johnston, undertaker. The burial is to take place at Glace Bay tomorrow.

#### Tractor and Road Machines

Today we had a tractor and road machine working on Main Street. This outfit belongs to the Nova Scotia Highway Board, and we pay for its services while it is employed on our streets.

#### Repairing Chimney

Had Herb Jewell repairing the top of the living room chimney.

### **JUNE 1938**

#### **Thursday 2 Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 28. max. temperature 67.

#### S. S. GULL POOL

British Steamer "Gull Pool" arrived at about 7 P.M. for bunker coal.

### **JUNE 1938**

#### **Friday 3 Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Foggy in the morning.

Min. temperature 38. max. temperature 67.

S. S. GULL POOL

British Steamer "Gull Pool" sailed at about 10 A.M.

S. S. ZONNEWYK

Dutch Steamer "Zonnewyk" arrived at about 1 P.M. for bunker coal.

S. S. SNELAND 1

Norweigan Steamer "Sneland 1" arrived at about 1:30 P.M. for bunker coal.

**JUNE 1938**

**Saturday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with moderate to fresh variable wind. Min. temperature 37. max. temperature 70.

S. S. ZONNEWYK

Dutch Steamer "Zonnewyk" sailed in the morning.

S. S. SNELAND 1

Norweigan Steamer "Sneland 1" sailed at about noon.

S. S. EAST WALES

British Steamer "East Wales" arrived at about 5:30 P.M. bunkered, and sailed at about 9 P.M.

Council Meeting.

At 7:30 P.M. I attended, and presided at a meeting of the Town Council. Those present were; Councillors; G.B. Hiltz, Jeremiah Smith, James F. Townsend and Alex. MacDonald. Town Clerk: B.M. Spencer, Police Officer, D.M. Johnston, Mayor, M.S. Huntington.

**JUNE 1938**

**Sunday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with moderate southwest wind. Foggy in the late afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 38. max. temperature 65.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where Rev. D.A. MacMillan was the preacher both morning and evening.

Visited Fletcher

In the afternoon Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

Begins Pastorate

Today, Rev. George Arnold held his first services as pastor of St. Bartholomews, Anglican, Congregation of this town. He has succeeded Rev. G.B. Gabriel who has taken charge of the Anglican Church at Annapolis Royal, N.S.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Monday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the early morning. Cloudy and foggy during the day. Showery in the afternoon and evening. Light to moderate southwest wind. Lightning in the evening. Rainfall about 1 inch. Min. temperature 40. max. temperature 59.

#### **S. S. FERNFIELD**

Steamer, "Fernfield" arrived in the morning and bunkered.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Tuesday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm in the forenoon, becoming cloudy and cooler in the afternoon. Light variable wind. Min. temperature 38. max. temperature 71.

#### **Contract Awarded.**

The contract for constructing the new highway diversion, from Catalone Corner to the east end of the Town of Louisbourg has been awarded by the Provincial Highway Board to Ralph and Arthur Parsons of Windsor, N.S.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Wednesday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 42. max. temperature 60.

#### **Concrete Mixer Arrives**

A concrete mixer arrived from Sydney today by Cameron's Motor Truck for to mix the concrete for the foundation of the New Federal Government building. Six wheelbarrows also arrived with the machine. The excavation work is about completed and the work of building the forms is also nearly to a finish. The work of pouring the concrete will likely begin in a few days.

#### **Choir Practice.**

At 8:30 P.M. I attended choir practice in the First United Church.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Thursday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Heavy rain in the early morning. Cleared during the forenoon. Moderate warm with light to moderate variable wind. Min. temperature 42. max. temperature 72. Rainfall about 1 inch.

S. S. SPURT

Norwegian Steamer "Spurt" arrived at about noon, bunkered in the afternoon and evening and sailed at about 9:30 P.M.

Planted Gladiola Bulbs

In the afternoon I planted Gladiola bulbs in the back yard garden.

**JUNE 1938**

**Friday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light variable wind. Min. temperature 41. max. temperature 69.

S. S. HAVBRIS

Norwegian Steamer "Havbris" arrived at about 3 P.M. After bunkering she sailed during the early part of the night.

Contractors Arrive

Ralph and Arthur Parsons, Contractors, of Windsor, N.S. who were awarded the contract by the Provincial Highway Board for the construction of the new highway diversion, arrived here this afternoon, by motor car. Three car loads of machinery, for road building, arrived by train in the evening. The new highway, which is about 4 ½ miles in length is to begin at Catalone Corner and to enter the east end of the Town of Louisbourg via the old Clarke's Road.

**JUNE 1938**

**Saturday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 39. max. temperature 71.

Machinery Unloaded

Ralph and Arthur Parsons, contractors, unloaded three car loads of road building machinery, including a steam shovel and two or three tractors, near the railway station today. They intend to begin operations on the new highway diversion early next week.

**JUNE 1938**

**Sunday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some heavy showers followed by fog. Fresh to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 46. max. temperature 57.

S. S. SAMNANGER



Norweigan Steamer, SAMNANGER, arrived in the morning for bunker coal and docked on the east side of the coal pier.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. D.A. MacMillan was the preacher, both morning and evening.

#### Visited Fletcher

In the afternoon Emeline and I visited Fletcher Townsend and spent about an hour with him. He is able to move around the house and on fine days to walk around outside.

### **JUNE 1938**

#### **Monday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with light variable wind. Light rain during the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 44. max. temperature 71.

#### S. S. SAMNANGER

Norweigan Steamer "Samnanger" after bunkering sailed in the morning.

#### S. S. GUNDA

Swedish Steamer "Gunda" arrived in the early morning, bunkered and sailed at about 10 A.M.

#### S. S. VENUS

Danish Steamer "Venus" arrived at about 7:30 A.M. and after bunkering , sailed at about 6 P.M.

### **JUNE 1938**

#### **Tuesday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh northeast to east winds. Min. temperature 40. max. temperature 60.

#### S. S. SONGDAL

Norweigan Steamer "Songdal" arrived at about 4:30 A.M. and after taking bunker coal, sailed at about 11 A.M.

#### S. S. HEROY

Norweigan Steamer "Heroy" arrived at 10:15 A.M. and sailed in the evening after bunkering.

#### FIRE.

At 11 P.M. the fire whistle blew an alarm for a fire in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Townsend, East Main St. A coat and a chair, on which the coat was hanging, were burned, no other damage. Fire was discovered by the neighbors after the family had retired. The firemen responded to the alarm but their services were not required as the flames had been extinguished before they arrived on the scene.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Wednesday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 35. max. temperature 65.

#### **S. S. WIRI**

Finnish Steamer "Wiri" arrived in the early morning. After taking on board bunker coal, she sailed at about 4 P.M.

#### **First Sod Turned.**

The first sod in the construction of the highway diversion from Catalone Corner to the east end of the Town of Louisbourg, was turned this morning and took place a short distance east of the Town's eastern boundary, near the home of Allan J. MacDonald. Ralph and Arthur Parsons of Windsor, N.S. are the contractors.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Thursday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm in the early part of the day, becoming cloudy shortly before noon. Foggy and cool during the afternoon and night. Min. temperature 33. max. temperature 64.

#### **S. S. BORGFRED**

Norwegian Steamer "Borgfred" arrived at 8 A.M. Sailed at about noon, after bunkering.

#### **Poured Concrete**

The work of mixing and pouring the concrete for the foundation of the New Federal Building began this morning. The mixing machine is owned by the Highway Board, and is operated by Bob Landry.

#### **Bricks and Tiles Arrive**

Coastal Motor Ship "REO" Capt. Walsh arrived today and docked at the Government Wharf with bricks and tiles for the new federal building which is being erected on the corner of Main and Warren Streets.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Friday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and very foggy with light to moderate southwest wind. Light showers in the afternoon. Min. temperature 47. max. temperature 65.

#### **S. S. PORSANGER**

Norwegian Steamer, "Porsanger" arrived at about 7 P.M. for bunker coal. Owing to thick fog she was unable to dock, so anchored for the night in the southwest end of the harbour.

### Race Committee Meeting.

At 8 P.M. I attended, and presided at a meeting of the Fishermen's Race Committee, in the Board of Trade room, in the Town hall. This meeting was called for the purpose of promoting the Annual Fishermen's boat races which, since 1932 have taken place on Louisbourg harbour, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July (weather permitting). At this meeting it was decided to hold the race as usual on July 1<sup>st</sup>. A. A. Martell, was reelected secretary and I was reelected chairman, on motion of the meeting. Offices we have held each year since the first race in 1932.

Those present were: A.W. Stacey, Charles Stacey, A.A. Martell, Bert Wilcox, Holland Fleet, Edgar Bate and M.S. Huntington. Meeting adjourned to meet, at the same place on Friday evening, June 24.

### VISITED NATIONAL PARK.

In the forenoon I visited Louisbourg National Park with Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Mawbray Jones and Mrs. (Colonel) C.H. L. Jones, all of Liverpool, N.S. Mr. Jones is District Lt. Governor of the Kiwanis Society and is to address the Kiwanis Club, at a luncheon gathering at noon today at Sydney. This party was brought to Louisbourg in a motor car by Clifford LeCouter of Sydney, N.S.

### **JUNE 1938**

#### **Saturday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and very foggy with light to moderate southwest wind and a few light showers. Cleared at about [blank] P.M. Min. temperature 46. max. temperature 58.

#### S. S. PORSANGER

Norweigan Steamer "Porsanger" which arrived in the harbour yesterday evening, docked at about 5 A.M. and after bunkering sailed at noon.

#### S. S. KURIKKA

Finnish Steamer "Kurikka" arrived at about 5:30 P.M. for bunker coal. After bunkering she sailed during the night.

#### S. S. BONDE

Norweigan Steamer "Bonde" arrived at 7 P.M. for bunker coal. After bunkering she sailed at about 10:30 P.M.

#### Steam Shovel Arrives.

A steam shovel arrived on the train this evening for Ralph and Arthur Parsons Contractors, who are at present engaged in building the new highway diversion from the east end of the Town of Louisbourg to Catalone Corner.

### **JUNE 1938**

#### **Sunday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with light southwest wind and a few light showers. Min. temperature 46. max. temperature 56.

#### Church Services.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. D.A. MacMillan was the preacher both morning and evening.

#### Visited Fletcher Townsend.

In the afternoon Emeline and I visited Fletcher whose health seems to be about the same as it was on our visit a week ago.

### **JUNE 1938**

#### **Monday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog in the morning. Partly clear for a while in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 43. max. temperature 66.

#### S. S. MARTIN CAROL

Danish Steamer "Martin Carol" arrived in the morning, and after bunkering sailed in the afternoon.

#### Motored to Sydney.

At 9 P.M. [sic] I motored to Sydney, with Cecil Stevens, arriving at about 10 A.M. for the purpose of attending a meeting of the Mayors of the various towns of Cape Breton County, Warden of the County and the Cape Breton Hospital Commission, in connection with the building of an addition to the present Cape Breton Hospital. Meeting convened at about 2 P.M. in the County Council Chamber. Report, was read, from Dr. P.S. Campbell, Deputy Minister of Health respecting the plans submitted by L.R. Fairns of Wolfville and A.J. MacCormack of Sydney. Committee by a unanimous vote decided to recommend to the Joint Expenditure Board, the adoption of the plans submitted by A.J. MacCormack.

Returned home with Cecil Stevens, leaving Sydney at about 5 P.M.

### **JUNE 1938**

#### **Tuesday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light northeast wind. Min. temperature 40. max. temperature 70.

#### Franchise Hearing.

At 11 A.M. I attended a hearing held in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall, before Mr. [blank] Roper Chairman of the Public Utilities Board, in respect to the Bus Franchise between Sydney and Louisbourg. The applicants, Michael Sullivan of Sydney, and A.W. Cameron and Cecil Stevens of Louisbourg were all present. Colin MacKenzie, Barrister, of Sydney represented Sullivan while Don. Finlayson, Barrister of Sydney appeared for Cameron and

Stevens who are making a joint application. Several witnesses were examined on oath respecting the relative merits of the applicants, I among the number. No decision was given.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Wednesday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog in the morning. Clear and moderate warm during the day with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature [blank], max. temperature.

#### **S. S. LEKA**

Norweigan Steamer "Leka" arrived at noon, after bunkering she sailed in the evening.

#### **Choir Practice**

At 8:30 P.M. I attended choir practice in the First United Church.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Thursday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear and moderately warm with moderate southwest wind. Some fog off the coast. Min. temperature 48. max. temperature 71.

#### **Meeting of Race Committee**

At 8 P.M. I attended, and presided at, a meeting of the Fishermen's Race Committee in the Board of Trade room in the Town hall. Those present were: A.A. Martell, A.W. Stacey, G.B. Hiltz, Holland Fleet, Edgar Bate, John A. MacDonald, Charles Stacey, Bert Wilcox and M.S. Huntington. Meeting adjourned to meet at the same place and hour on June 30, 1938.

#### **Work Resumed**

Work of pouring the concrete for the foundations of the new Federal building, which was suspended since last Thursday evening, June 16, was resumed today. The delay was caused by having to wait for instructions from the department at Ottawa respecting the quality of the gravel and sand being used, samples of which had been shipped to Ottawa on Saturday June 11. A message received yesterday by the Inspector, G.B. Hiltz, stated that the quality was satisfactory.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Friday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature [blank] max. temperature [blank].

#### **S. S. FIDELIO**

Norweigan Steamer "Fidelio" arrived at 1:15 P.M. After bunkering, she sailed in the evening.

#### **S. S. ORIA**

Norweigan Steamer "Oria" arrived at about 2 P.M.

### S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer "Fernfield" arrived at about 5:30 P.M. for bunker coal.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Saturday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy and warm, with light southwest wind. Foggy in the afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature 47. max. temperature 75.

### S. S. THEODOR

Swedish Steamer "Theodor" arrived at about 12:15 P.M. for bunker coal.

### Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M., I attended, and presided at, a meeting of the Town council. Those present were: Councillors: G.B. Hiltz, Alex C. MacDonald, Jeremiah Smith, Clifton Townsend, Police Officer: Dan Johnston, Clerk: B.M. Spencer and Mayor, M.S. Huntington. At this meeting the assessors; John N. MacDonald, D.A. Campbell and B.M. Spencer were reelected. Salaries \$25.00, \$25.00 and \$20.00 respectively.

### Federal Building

The work of pouring the concrete for the foundation of the Federal Building, corner Main and Warren Sts. was finished this afternoon.

### Presented Musket to Museum

Today, on behalf of my brother, Heber, I presented to the Louisbourg Museum, through Miss Catherine MacLennan, Curator, an old Musket and bayonet. This musket which was originally a flint lock weapon and later converted to a percussion lock, was owned by my late father. On his death it became the property of my brother, Heber, who decided to place it in the Museum. On the butt plate was carved the numerals 59 which is evidence that it at one time was used by the 59<sup>th</sup> Regt. The last troops to garrison the fortress of Louisbourg, was a detachment of the 59<sup>th</sup>, under Major Milward, which left Louisbourg during the summer of 1768.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Sunday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and cool with strong to light southwest wind, which shifted to northeast at 6 P.M.. Showery in the evening. Min. temperature 48. max. temperature 58.

### S. S. THEODOR

Swedish Steamer "Theodor" sailed in the early morning.

### Church Services.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., I attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. D.A. MacMillan was the preacher, both morning and evening.

Bricks and Tiles arrive.

Yesterday, the Coastal Motor Ship "REO" Capt. Walsh arrived and docked at the Government Wharf where she discharged another consignment of bricks and tiles for the New Federal building.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Monday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog and light drizzle of rain which lasted nearly all day. Rainfall about ¼ inch. Light southwest wind. Min. temperature 47. max. temperature 65.

#### **S. S. EDV. NISSEN**

Danish Steamer "Edv. Nissen" arrived at about 4:30 P.M. After bunkering she sailed at about 8:30 P.M.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Tuesday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with light drizzle of rain all day. Light southwest wind. Rainfall about ¼ inch. Min. temperature 46. max. temperature 59.

#### **Motored to Sydney**

Today, I motored to Sydney in A.W. Cameron's truck, (A.W. Cameron, Driver) for the purpose of attending a meeting of the Cape Breton County Joint Expenditure Board. Arrived at Sydney at about 9 A.M. At about 10 A.M. attended meeting of C.B. Joint Expenditure Board in Council Chamber in County building. Those present were as follows: Warden: R.A. MacKinnon, Councillor: Alex Ferguson, Municipality of County of Cape Breton, Mayor: G.B. Slaven, Aldermen Angus MacDonald, Archie Sullivan, Arthur MacLellan, [blank] MacIsaac, City of Sydney, Mayor: D.W. Morrison, Councillor: Cecil Cudhea, [blank] MacDonald, Glace Bay, Mayor: A.C. MacCormick, Councillor [blank] Cunliffe, Sydney Mines, Mayor: F.L. Kelly, Councillor: F.Y. Urguhart, North Sydney. Mayor: P.G. Muise, New Waterford, Mayor: M.S. Huntington. County Clerk: James MacNeil. The recommendation of the committee which met at Sydney on the 20<sup>th</sup> was adopted by the Board. Meeting adjourned at about noon to meet at 1:30 P.M. At the afternoon meeting, about 20 applications were considered for positions on the Joint Expenditure assessment commission, resulting in the election of J.W. Ratchford, North Sydney with 13 votes, Wilbert MacLeod, Glace Bay 11 votes and H.N. Chisholm, Sydney 9 votes. Meeting adjourned at 6 P.M. I motored home on Sullivan's Bus, leaving Sydney at 11:30 P.M.

#### **Death of W.E. MacAlpine.**

The death occurred this morning at his home 56 Nepean St, Sydney of William E. MacAlpine, aged 63 years. Mr. MacAlpine, a native of Louisbourg was employed in the office of the Dominion Coal Company Ltd. at Louisbourg and later at Sydney for 43 years. For 11 years he held the office of Mayor of Louisbourg (1909-1920). In 1924 Mr. MacAlpine and family moved to Sydney, where they have lived ever since. He is survived by his wife, four sons and two daughters. I called at the MacAlpine home in the evening.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Wednesday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with a few light showers. Light southwest wind. Min. temperature 46. max. temperature 63.

#### Visited National Park

In the forenoon I visited the Louisbourg National Park with Mr. and Mrs. Russel, son and daughter, of Needham Massachusetts and Mr. J.B. Ellis of the City Hall staff, Hamilton Ontario and his brotherinlaw [sic], also of Ontario. After visiting the museum and many points of interest in the Park we returned to town at about 1:30 P.M. This party was very much interested in the early history of Old Louisbourg.

#### Federal Building

First bricks were laid today in the construction of the walls of the new Federal building. Stone blocks, on each side of the main entrance, were also laid today. One brick layer employed.

## **JUNE 1938**

### **Thursday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Heavy rain in the early morning, with fresh north east wind. Cloudy during the forenoon. Clear and sunshiny in the afternoon and evening, wind southeast in the afternoon. Rainfall about 1 inch. Min. temperature 43. max. temperature 70.

#### Funeral

At 12 o'clock, noon, James Crowdis, Capt. W.W. Lewis and I motored to Sydney with A.A. Martell for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late William E. MacAlpine. After attending the service, conducted by Rev. C.K. Whalley at the house, 56 Nepean St., we joined the funeral procession which proceeded to Louisbourg, where service was held by Rev. George Arnold, assisted by Rev. C.K. Whalley. Interment took place in the Anglican Cemetery on Clarke's Road Louisbourg. The pall bearers were: A.A. Martell, Capt, W.W. Lewis, Arthur Hallett, David Long, D.G. MacAlpine and George Lane.

#### Meeting of Boat Race Committee

At 8 P.M. attended, and presided at, a meeting of the committee promoting the Fishermen's Annual Regatta, which is scheduled to take place tomorrow. Meeting was held in the Board of Trade room in the Town hall, with the following persons present: A.A. Martell (secretary) Bert Wilcox, Holland Fleet, Edgar Bate, A.W. Stacey, Charles Stacey and M.S. Huntington (Chairman). At this meeting I donated a Silver Cup to the Racing Committee, for annual competition in one of the events of the annual, Fishermen's race. The first person winning it three times, not necessarily consecutive, with the same boat, to become the owner.

## **JULY 1938**



**Friday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy with moderate southwest wind. Visibility good. Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 69.

**Fishermen's Annual Regatta**

Beginning at 1:20 P.M. the annual Fishing boat race was held, the starting point being off the head of the Government wharf.

**S. S. P. N. DAMM**

Danish Steamer, P.N. Damm arrived at about 8 P.M.

**JULY 1938****Saturday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy with light east to northeast winds. Mist during the night. Min. temperature 43. Max. temperature 66.

**S. S. BERTO**

Norweigan Steamer "Berto" arrived at about 10:30 A.M., bunkered, and sailed in the late afternoon.

**S. S. P. N. DAMM**

Danish Steamer "P.N. Damm" after bunkering sailed at noon.

**S. S. GRANLI**

Norweigan Steamer "Granli" arrived at about 10:30 P.M. for bunker coal, and docked on the east side of the coal pier.

**Federal Building.**

Work is progressing rapidly, today, on the new Federal building. Eight bricklayers are to work on the walls and several carpenters, putting up staging, laying floors and doing various other jobs. At the end of the day the wall on the east side of the building was about four feet high and on the front, or north side, about 3 feet. The door frames of the two rear doors were also placed in position today.

**Arrived From Valley Station.**

In the evening, Mrs. (Rev.) Howard Townsend and her two sons, Lawrence and Gerald, arrived by motor car, from their home at Valley Station Colchester Co. N.S. Mrs. Townsend is staying with us while the two boys are guest of E.A. Grant.

**JULY 1938****Sunday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and misty with occasional heavy showers. Light to moderate southeast wind.

Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 58.

#### Church Services.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., accompanied by Emeline and Mrs. (Rev.) Howard Townsend, I attended services in the First United Church, where in the absence of Rev. D.A. MacMillan, through illness, Rev. John MacKinnon of Sydney conducted the morning service, when the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed. At 7 P.M. instead of the regular evening service, a song service was held with Mr. A.W. Stacey (Elder) in charge.

#### Visited Fletcher.

In the afternoon, in company with Emeline and Mrs. (Rev.) Howard Townsend, visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend, where we remained for about two hours.

#### S. S. LLANDILO

British Steamer "Llandilo" arrived at about 7 A.M. for bunker coal and docked on the west side of the coal pier.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Monday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with showers and light to moderate variable wind, mostly southwest. Rainfall of yesterday and today about 3/4 inch. Min. temperature 49. Max. temperature 63.

#### S. S. GRANLI

After taking on board bunker coal the Norwegian Steamer "Granli" sailed in the early morning.

#### S. S. LLANDILO

British Steamer "Llandilo" sailed in the forenoon, after taking bunker coal.

#### Federal Building

Work was seriously retarded today on the Federal Building, owing to the bad condition of the weather. Four window frames were placed in position on the front, or north side, of the building, as well as the door frame of the main entrance. No bricks or tiles laid today.

#### Marriage

The marriage of Bertram Doyle of Margaree to Miss Margaret E. Murphy, daughter of John Murphy, of this town, took place at 9 A.M. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D.H. Doyle in Stella Maris Church, Louisbourg.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Tuesday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh south west wind. Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 62.

#### Funeral

At 10 A.M. I attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Charles Shaw, which took place from her late residence on Commercial Street. The service was held at the house by Rev. Joseph Cathcart, pastor of the Presbyterian Church. The remains were taken to Glace Bay in Lowdon's hearse (Sydney) where interment took place in Greenwood Cemetery. The pallbearers were: Louis Tutty, Alex. MacDonald, John R. DeFries, William Severance, James MacDonald, and Archie Munroe.

#### Cape Breton Tourist Association.

At 8 P.M., attended a meeting of the newly organized Cape Breton Tourist Association in the Council chamber of the Town hall, with Roland MacIntyre of Sydney presiding. Among those present were the following: Dr. Munroe, Walter Morley, Mr. Hackett, Barrister, John Barrington, North Sydney, Mr. Cuzner, Sydney Mines, Mr. Doucette, New Waterford, Mr. Myers, Glace Bay, J.H. Crowdis, William Lewis, D.M. Johnston, Alistar MacDonald, Holland Fleet, Neil Murphy, Rev. D.H. Doyle, Rev. Geo. Arnold, B.M. Spencer, Bert Wilcox, Archie MacDonald, M.S. Huntington, Louisbourg. After considerable discussion concerning the tourist business, meeting adjourned to meet at North Sydney on Wednesday, July 13.

#### Leave for Valley Station.

Mrs. (Rev.) H.D. Townsend and two sons, Laurie and Gerald, left for their home at Valley Station, Colchester Co. N.S. at 6:35 A.M. this morning by motor. Mrs. Townsend and sons were visiting us since last Saturday evening.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Wednesday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy at noon. Foggy at night. Moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 46. Max. temperature 62.

#### Federal Building.

The building of the chimney was begun today, inside measurement 12 x 12 inches. Seven window frames placed in position on the west side. 4 upper horizontal steel girders placed in position. 8 bricklayers at work today, and 4 or 5 carpenters. Laying of rough floor completed.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Thursday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy with light variable wind. Visibility good except for a short time in the morning. Min. temperature 49. Max. temperature 71.

#### S. S. KERET

Norwegian Steamer "Keret" arrived in the afternoon. After taking bunker coal she sailed during the early part of the night.

Visited Edward Holland

At 9 A.M. I motored out Sydney Road in Stevens Bus to the home of Edward Holland, for the purpose of examining an old army musket and several other relics that I thought might be suitable for placing in the Louisbourg Museum.

## **JULY 1938**

### **Friday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 73.

#### Federal Building.

Brick walls on the front and east side above the tops of the window frames. Two large stone blocks placed in position over the main entrance.

## **JULY 1938**

### **Saturday 9**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly clear with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 65.

## **JULY 1938**

### **Sunday 10**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly clear in the forenoon, but becoming cloudy and threatening at noon. Showers in the afternoon and evening with some fog. Min. temperature 50, max. temperature 67.

#### Church Services.

At 3 P.M. I attended service in the First United Church where Mr. G.D. MacLeod of Bridgeport United Church held a special service for Mariners Lodge A.F & A. M of Louisbourg. It being the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First Lodge of Free Masons in Canada. (At Annapolis Royal)

The following members of Mariners Lodge were present in regalia:

Geo. Lewis, James Crowdis, Ernest Matheson, A.A. Martell, John Tutty, James Nicholson, William W. Lewis Sr. Martin LeVatte, W.D. Levy, G.B. Hiltz, Guy Hiltz, Bert Wilcox, Ed. Levy, D.J. MacInnis, William MacInnis, A.W. Stacey, Alex Alimard, Charles Stacey, Louis H.

Cann, Arthur Townsend, Clarence Peters, John Savery. 22 in all. At 7 P.M. I again attended service in the First United Church, where Rev. J.A. MacLellan of Bras D'Or United Church was the preacher.

#### Motored to Gabarus.

Leaving here at about 12:30 P.M. Emeline motored to Gabarus with Mr. & Mrs. E.A. Grant, They returned at about 5 P.M.

## **JULY 1938**

### **Monday 11**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy in the morning, but becoming clear early in the day. Fresh southwest wind in the morning, shifting to west, northwest and later in the day to north northeast.

Min. temperature 46. Max. temperature 67.

#### Hon. Thomas A. Crerar Visits Louisbourg

At about 12:30 P.M. Hon. Thomas A. Crerar, Minister of Mines and Resources, arrived in town by motor car for the purpose of visiting the Louisbourg National and Historic Park. Mr. Crerar was accompanied by Mrs. Crerar and daughter, Dorothy. Other members of the party were: Mr. Donald MacLennan, M.P. for Cape Breton West, Richmond and Inverness. Mrs. MacLennan, Donald MacLennan Jr., Hon. Michael Dwyer, Minister of Mines for Nova Scotia. R.L. MacLellan, K.C. Sydney. Miss Catherine MacLennan, Petersfield, Sydney. Hon. Curator of the Louisbourg Museum.

Shortly after their arrival, I accompanied the party to the park where we spent about one hour viewing points of interest. Others from Louisbourg who accompanied the visitors to the park were: Robert A. Peters, Honorary Superintendent of the Park, A.A. Martell, Ex. M.L.A and George D. Lewis. Mr. Crerar and party left here for Sydney enroute to Prince [blank].

Arrived from Salmon River.

Clifford and Maria arrived on the train in the evening, for the purpose of visiting us for a few days.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Tuesday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate easterly wind. Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 69.

Fire Chiefs Convention.

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### **JULY 1938**

#### **Wednesday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, cool and showery. Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 65.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Thursday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly clear in the forenoon, cloudy with some fog in the afternoon and evening. Light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature [blank], max. temperature [blank].

S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer, "Fernfield" arrived, bunkered and sailed.

#### Left for Home

Clifford and Maria, left on the train at 8:15 A.M. enroute to their home at Salmon River. They intend to spend the day and night at Mira and going home by boat tomorrow.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Friday 15**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy in the early part of the day, followed by heavy showers before noon. Partly clear in the late afternoon. Moderate to fresh southwest wind.

#### Louisbourg to Salmon River.

Left Louisbourg at 8:15 A.M. by train, enroute to my old home at Salmon River. Arrived at Mira Gut at about 9 A.M. Left Mira Gut by boat, Capt. Joseph Nicoll, at about 10 A.M. and arrived at Clifford Huntington's at about 1 P.M. where Clifford and Maria, who accompanied me from Mira Gut, landed from the boat, in a dory at Clifford's shore. After having lunch, accompanied by Maria, I visited the home of Mrs. Cecil Hussey, (Francis Huntington). After our visit to Hussey's, I walked up to Heber's arriving at about 5 P.M. After supper, Heber and I motored to Clifford's for my suitcase, spent the night at Heber's.

#### S. S. POLARLAND

Norwegian Steamer "Polarland" arrived at Louisbourg, bunkered and sailed.

#### Marriage

The marriage of Walter E. Jewell Jr. to Miss Oretha Hunt, took place today at the Presbyterian Manse, where Rev. Joseph Cathcart performed the ceremony. Mr. & Mrs. Jewell will reside in Louisbourg.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Saturday 16**

Salmon River

Clear and warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Max. temperature about 80.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Sunday 17**

Salmon River

Clear and very warm with light to moderate westerly wind. Max. temperature about 84.

#### S. S. SEJRO

Danish Steamer "Sejro" arrived at Louisbourg for bunker coal.

#### S. S. HINDPOOL

British Steamer "Hindpool" arrived at Louisbourg for bunker coal.

### **JULY 1938**

## **Monday 18**

Salmon River

Cloudy in the morning but clearing early in the day. Cloudy in the evening with a heavy shower of rain and some thunder and lightning. Max. temperature 81.

Spent the forenoon and greater part of the afternoon around home. Cut down some shade trees that had outlived their usefulness.

### Visited Arthur

At about 4:30 P.M. I visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Huntington, where I stayed for about two hours, before returning.

### Fire at Scatari

At about 1 P.M., a fire took place in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Parson, Scatari Island, N.S. The house was totally destroyed, three children: Willie, aged 8, Joseph 6, and Susie 2 burned to death. The parents were also badly burned, Mrs. Parsons dying of her injuries, a few minutes after reaching the General Hospital at Glace Bay where Mr. and Mrs. Parsons were rushed by motor boat after the accident. Mr. Parsons is in the hospital in a serious

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### S. S. SEJRO          S. S. HINDPOOL

Danish Steamer "Sejro" and British Steamer "Hindpool" bunkered at Louisbourg and sailed.

### S. S. VAGA

Norwegian Steamer "Vaga" arrived at Louisbourg, bunkered and sailed.

## **JULY 1938**

### **Tuesday 19**

Salmon River

Rain during the forenoon. Clear and warm in the afternoon. At Louisbourg fog in the evening. Max. temperature (Louisbourg) 76.

### Salmon River to Louisbourg

Motored with Heber to Cliffords, from Cliffords to Sydney with Fred. Arrived at Sydney at 8:35 A.M. Sydney to Louisbourg by Mike Sullivan's Bus Service, arrived at about 10:30 A.M.

### First Swordfish.

The first Swordfish to be caught off Louisbourg this season was landed here this evening by Harry Trenholme of this town. There was also one caught off Mainadieu and brought here.

### Fire at Scatari

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## **JULY 1938**

**Wednesday 20**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Rained during the forenoon. Cloudy and foggy in the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 66.

**JULY 1938****Thursday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy in the forenoon with some fog. Clear and warm during the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 78.

**JULY 1938****Friday 22**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy all day. Showery during the forenoon. Light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 66.

**JULY 1938****Saturday 23**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy in the morning but clearing during the forenoon. Mostly clear and warm during the afternoon. Cloudy at night. Thick fog off the coast all day. Light to moderate southwest wind. Showers in the morning. Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 73.

Council Meeting.

At 7:30 P.M. I attended and presided at a meeting of the Town Council. Those present were: Councillors: G.B. Hiltz, Jeremiah Smith, D.J. MacInnis, Alex. C. MacDonald, Clerk: B.M. Spencer, Police Officer: D.M. Johnston. Mayor: M.S. Huntington.

At this meeting the following were elected as delegates to attend the annual Convention of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities; which meets at New Glasgow on August 23-24-25: Councillors: Alex C. MacDonald, and Clifton Townsend, Mayor: M.S. Huntington.

**JULY 1938****Sunday 24**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy during the morning and evening. Mostly clear during the greater part of the day. Moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 69.

Church Services.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Gordon MacLennan, D.D.

**JULY 1938**



**Monday 25**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy showers in the morning, clearing early in the forenoon. Foggy at night. Fog off the coast all day. Min. temperature 59. Max. temperature 75. Moderate to fresh southwest wind.

C.G. McGeer M.P. Visited Louisbourg.

Mr. C. G. (Gerry) McGeer, M.P. for Vancouver, B.C. who has been touring Nova Scotia, on my invitation visited Louisbourg this afternoon. Mr. McGeer was accompanied by Mrs. McGeer, daughter Patricia and son, Michael. Others in the party were: Mr. F.W. Gray, assistant General Manager of the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation, Sydney. Mr. W.H. Fitzmaurice, retired C.N.R. official and Mrs. Baker, Halifax, N.S. Mr. Fitzmaurice and Mrs. Baker motored back to Sydney shortly after their arrival. After meeting Mr. McGeer and party at the Dundonald Inn, on their arrival, I accompanied them to the Louisbourg National and Historic Park, where I gave a short talk on Louisbourgs early history, in the Museum, and took them on a visit to the Citadel and other points of interest. On returning to town at about 6 P.M. Mr. Gray and Chauffeur motored back to Sydney, while the McGeer family remained at the Dundonald Inn.

**JULY 1938****Tuesday 26**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Foggy and cloudy in the morning and evening. Clearing during the greater part of the day. Foggy off the coast all day. Moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 55. Max. temperature 71.

**JULY 1938****Wednesday 27**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy in the morning, clearing in the forenoon. Partly clear during the afternoon. Fog off the coast all day. Light to moderate southwest wind, shifting to northwest late in the evening. Min. temperature [blank]. Max. temperature [blank].

Visited Kennington Cove.

In the forenoon I visited Kennington Cove with C.G. McGeer M.P. and party consisting of Mrs. McGeer, son and daughter and Mr. Taylor, Chauffeur. Returned to town at about 11:30 A.M. The McGeer's left here at about 11:45 A.M. on their return trip, delighted with their visit to Louisbourg.

**JULY 1938****Thursday 28**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly clear with light to moderate northeast wind. Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 69.

Swordfish

About 75 swordfish were brought into this port today, some of them coming from Mainadieu and Little Lorraine.

#### Leaves for Home

Today, Miss Clara Gillis, our maid, who has been with us for more than a year left today for the purpose of visiting her parents at Codroy, Nfld. She intends to return in about a months time.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Friday 29**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with moderate southeast to south winds. Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 72.

#### Death of Mrs. John Johnson

The death occurred this morning, in the Cape Breton Hospital Sydney River of Mrs. John Johnson, widow of the late John Johnson. Mrs. Johnson who was about 65 years of age, was born at Sydney Road, but lived for upwards of 30 years in the Town of Louisbourg. She is survived by one son, Henry, who lives in Sydney, one daughter, Mrs. Gordon Troke and one step-son John Johnson, both of whom live at Louisbourg. She is also survived by three brothers: James, Michael, and Edward Holland.

#### New Highway

In the evening I walked over the new highway diversion, for a distance over a mile, beginning at the Towns eastern boundary. The work of construction is progressing nicely. At present the road is nearly completed as far as the six mile brook, where a bridge is to be constructed. A temporary bridge has been built to allow trucks to cross to the north side of the brook where for a distance of about five hundred yards the road machine is clearing the way for the steam shovel and other machinery.

### **JULY 1938**

#### **Saturday 30**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy, foggy with showers during the afternoon and evening. Moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 55. Max. temperature 64.

#### C. G. S. CARTIER

Canadian Government Survey ship, "Cartier" arrived in morning. The "Cartier" is commanded by Capt. Roach, and I understand she is to make Louisbourg her headquarters for the next two months while a survey of the coast, from Port Morien to Louisbourg is to be made.

#### Leaving Louisbourg.

Dr. R.P. Baird who has been practicing his profession in Louisbourg since the middle of last September, when he succeeded Dr. H.J. Townsend is leaving Louisbourg tomorrow. He intends taking a post-graduate course shortly but for the next month he will be stationed at Elmsdale N.S. Dr. Townsend, who left here last September and took a post-graduate course in London, Eng. is

succeeding Dr. Baird at Louisbourg and is to take over his work tomorrow. For the past eight or nine months Dr. Baird has been Health Officer for the Town of Louisbourg.

## **JULY 1938**

### **Sunday 31**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Warm and mostly clear with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature [blank]. Max. temperature [blank].

#### Funeral

At about 2:30 P.M. with Mr. & Mrs. E.A. Grant, I motored to Catalone Cemetery, where we attended the funeral of the late Mrs. John Johnson. The remains were brought from Sydney by hearse where services were held at the home of Harry Johnson, son of the deceased, and at the United Church, Whitney Pier. Rev. Sinclair, conducted the services at the house church and grave. We returned home at 4:10 P.M.

#### Church Service

At 7 P.M., Emeline and I attended service in the First United Church where Adjutant Parsons, of the Salvation Army of Glace Bay was the preacher. A musical programme, both vocal and instrumental, was rendered by the Salvation Army Band, under the direction of Bandmaster Fred Fernyhough. The Band also rendered an open air sacred concert, on the United Church grounds, in the afternoon. On our invitation Bandmaster; Fernyhough, and Bandsmen, Ray, Campbell, Smith and Metzler had supper with us. No service in the United church in the forenoon.

#### Michael Lerner Arrives

At about 4 P.M. Michael Lerner, New York Sportsman, and party arrived on board the three masted schooner, SACHEM, Capt. Myers, and docked on the west side of the Government Wharf. Mr. Lerner is here for the purpose of catching swordfish with rod and line off Louisbourg. Mrs. Lerner arrived here this forenoon by Bus from Sydney, having come there by train. In the summer of 1936 Mr. Lerner, and party, spent several weeks here and succeeded in landing 2 swordfish by the rod and line method.

#### Dr. Townsend Arrives

Dr. H. J. Townsend, who left here in Sept 1937, to take a post-graduate course in London, Eng. arrived here today to resume his practice.

## **AUGUST 1938**

### **Monday 1**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 55. Max. temperature 77.

#### Mr. Lerner Sails

Three masted schooner, "SACHEM" with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lerner and party on board sailed at 8:30 A.M. for the sword fishing grounds, prepared to catch swordfish with rod and line.

At a late hour tonight the "Sachem" had not returned but was reported by other fishermen as being off Scatari Island in the late afternoon.

#### Swordfish.

At 130 swordfish were land [sic] here today, the best day so far this season.

#### Rev. John Patterson D.D. Arrives

Rev. John Patterson D.D. of Drew University, Madison, New Jersey, arrived this evening by motor car. Mr. Patterson is to occupy the United Church Manse while here and supply for Rev. D.A. MacMillan. Mr. MacMillan was to have taken his holidays while Mr. Patterson was here, but is too ill, at present, to leave town. So today he and Mrs. MacMillan moved to the home of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Beaver, nearby, in order to let Mr. Patterson and family have the manse, as previously arranged. Mr. Patterson is accompanied by his wife, one daughter and two sons.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Tuesday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, misty and foggy with fresh to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 59. Max. temperature 66.

#### Mr. Lerner and Party Return

Shortly before noon the three masted schooner "Sachem" with the Lerner fishing party, returned from the fishing grounds, without having met with any success in the first venture off this port this season.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Wednesday 3**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm. Light to fresh winds mostly west northwest. Min. temperature 55. Max. temperature 79.

#### Sachem Sails

Three masted schooner Sachem with Michael Lerner and party on board, sailed at about 8 A.M. for the swordfishing grounds, but returned at about 3 P.M. without sighting any fish.

About 150 swordfish were landed here today.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Thursday 4**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with light variable winds. An ideal day. Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 76.

S. S. MARIE LEONHARDT

German Steamer "Marie Leonhardt" arrived here at about 7 A.M. After bunkering she sailed at about 2:30 P.M.

#### Motor Yacht DR. BRINKLEY

Yacht "Dr. Brinkly" owned by Dr. John R. Brinkly, of the U.S.A. arrived here from Liverpool N.S. at about 11:30 A.M. and anchored in the east end of the harbor. In yesterday's issue of the Halifax Chronicle this craft is described as follows: 172 feet long, 13 feet deep, 27 feet wide and carries a crew of 24. Dr. Brinkley is not on board, but is expected to arrive here this evening, where he intends trying his luck at catching swordfish with rod and line off Louisbourg.

#### Visited National Park.

At about 10 A.M. I accompanied a party consisting of Mrs. Michael Lerner of New York, and her brother, Mr. Samuels and brother-in-law Mr. Gray, on a visit to the Louisbourg National and Historic Park, where I showed them points of interest. Returned to town at about 11:45 A.M.

#### FIRE

At about 6 P.M. the fire alarm sounded for a fire which destroyed the house, at Havenside, owned and occupied by Paul Burke and family. Firemen responded promptly but were unable to save the building. Part of the furniture saved.

#### Swordfish

Michael Lerner on board the schooner Sachem sailed in the early morning and returned at about 6:20 P.M. Saw 10 swordfish, threw the bait to 5 none of which would take it.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Friday 5**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Mostly clear in the afternoon, with moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 59. Max. temperature 75.

#### Swordfish

Swordfish boats remained in port today owing to unfavorable weather. About 430 fish were landed here yesterday.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Saturday 6**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with very light variable wind. Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 82. A perfect day.

#### Mrs. Michael Lerner Lands a Swordfish.

Mrs. Michael Lerner, New York Sportswoman, today landed a 295 lb. Broadbill Swordfish with rod and line. The fish was hooked about 12 miles off Louisbourg, and after a fight lasting 2 hours and 50 minutes, gave up the struggle. The three masted schooner "Sachem" which left here in the early morning, developed engine trouble and as a result the Lerner party was transferred to Bert

Wilcox's boat which happened to come along at the right moment. The Broadbill took the hook at 2:55 P.M. and arrived at Lewis & Company's wharf shortly before 9 P.M. where I met and extended congratulations to Mrs. Lerner, Mr. Lerner and party. Mrs. Lerner is the first lady angler to catch a Broadbill Swordfish in Canadian waters. Michael Lerner who was the first man to catch a Broadbill in Canadian waters landed his first fish, at Louisbourg on Aug 3, 1936 weight 462 ½ lbs. On Aug 6, 1936 he brought in two more, weights; 535 and 601 lbs.

#### Swordfish

About 480 swordfish were landed here today by commercial fishermen.

#### S. S. LYNNGHAUG

Norweigan Steamer "Lynghaug" arrived here at about 5 P.M. After bunkering, she sailed during the night.

#### Visited New Highway

At about 4 P.M. with A. A. Martell, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Martell, I motored out to the new highway diversion, which is now under construction. It is now passable for motor traffic, as far as the six mile brook, but rough in spots.

#### Motor Yacht DR. BRINKLY

Motor Yacht "Dr. Brinkly" with Dr. Brinkly and party on board, sailed for the fishing grounds to angle for swordfish, but did not return to port.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Sunday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy in the forenoon. Partly clear, and warm during the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 56, Max. temperature 77.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 3 P.M., Emeline and I attended the Anniversary in Catalone United, and at 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church Louisbourg. Rev. John Patterson D.D. of Madison New Jersey, was the preacher at the three services. We motored to Catalone and back with Mr. & Mrs. Patterson, arriving back at about 5:30 P.M. Emeline and I had dinner with Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm MacDonald, Sydney Road.

#### S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer "Fernfield" arrived for bunker coal.

#### Motor Yacht DR. BRINKLEY

Motor Yacht "Dr. Brinkley" arrived from the fishing grounds in the afternoon without having caught any swordfish by the rod and line method.

Arrived from Salmon River.

In the afternoon a party consisting of Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Hussey, Harry Crawley Jr. and Elinor Huntington arrived for a short visit. After having supper with us they left for home at about 5:30 P.M., with the exception of Elinor who is remaining with us for a few days to visit.

## **AUGUST 1938**

### **Monday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate variable winds. An ideal day. Min. temperature [blank]. Max. temperature 77.

#### (LERNER LANDS A FISH) Sails for Fishing Grounds.

At an early hour this morning the Michael Lerner fishing party in two groups, sailed for the fishing grounds, Mr. Lerner and Tommy Gifford with John Poole and Mrs. Lerner and Larry Bugley with Bert Wilcox.

#### Mr. Lerner Lands a Fish.

At about 7:30 Mr. Lerner arrived with a swordfish which he hooked about 40 miles off Louisbourg, and landed it on board of John Poole's boat after playing the fish for 1 hour and three minutes. Weight of fish. 196 lbs. After Mr. Lerner's arrival I called on him on board the "Sachem" and congratulated him on his success.

#### Motor Yacht DR. BRINKEY

Motor Yacht "Dr. Brinkly" with Dr. Brinkley and party on board, including noted fishing guide, Capt. Herman Gray, sailed during the forenoon for Liverpool N. S. and vicinity in search of Tuna.

#### Swordfish

Very few swordfish landed here today.

#### S. S. CARTIER

Canadian Government Survey ship "Cartier" Capt. Roach which arrived last Saturday evening, to spend the weekend, sailed this morning to resume her work of surveying the coast east of Louisbourg,

## **AUGUST 1938**

### **Tuesday 9**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with light easterly wind. Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 72.

#### Federal Building

The furnace for the New Federal building was placed in position today. Hagen & Company of Halifax have the plumbing and heating contract. Mr. Hanrahan of Halifax and Joseph Ranson Sr. of this town are doing the work.

#### Museum Party Arrives

Party, from the New York Museum of Natural History arrived here today for the purpose of obtaining further knowledge regarding swordfish, which are now on the annual visit to the Cape Breton coast. Miss Francesca Lamont, Assistant Curator of the Museum is in charge of the party.

#### Road Machine

Today we had one of the Provincial Highway Department's, road machines at work scraping Main Street.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Wednesday 10**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with some showers. Partly clear for a short time in the afternoon. Light to moderate easterly wind. Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 64.

S. S. AARO

Danish Steamer "Aaro" arrived, bunkered and sailed.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Thursday 11**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy in the forenoon. Mostly clear in the afternoon. Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 72.

#### Visited National Park.

In the afternoon I visited the Louisbourg National Park with Rev. John Patterson D.D. of Madison New Jersey, Mrs. Patterson, daughter and two sons. Mr. Patterson is spending his vacation here and supplying the pulpit of the First United Church while here.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Friday 12**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and showery with moderate to fresh southeast wind. Min. temperature 55. Max. temperature 67.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Saturday 13**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with light to moderate southeast wind. Cool at night. Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 69.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Sunday 14**

Louisbourg, N. S.



Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. An ideal day.  
Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 74.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Patterson D.D. of Madison New Jersey was the preacher both morning and evening.

#### Lunch at Dundonald Inn.

On the invitation of Rev. and Mrs. John Patterson, Emeline and I had lunch with them at the Dundonald Inn at 1 P.M.

#### Motored to Park

In the afternoon Elinor Huntington, Emeline and I motored to the Louisbourg National Park with Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Grant. On returning from the Park we visited Fletcher Townsend and later motored out to the new highway diversion before returning home.

#### S. S. OVE TOFT

Danish Steamer "Ove Toft" arrived at about 9:30 P.M. for bunker coal.

#### Leaves for Shelburne

Mrs. Michael Lerner who arrived here with her husband on July 31, and since that time has been angling for swordfish, left today for Shelburne to fish for Tuna.

#### Left for New York

Miss Francesca LaMont, Assistant Curator, of the New York Museum of Natural History who has been here since August 9, in connection with study of swordfish, left today for New York.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Monday 15**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy in the morning and evening, partly clear during the day. Moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 70.

#### S. S. OVE TOFT

Danish Steamer "Ove Toft", after bunkering, sailed in the morning.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Tuesday 16**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly cloudy with fresh to strong southwest wind. Min. temperature 61. Max. temperature 72.

#### Federal Building

The firm of James Donohue Ltd, Roofers and Sheet Metal Workers of Halifax, N.S. began laying the roofing on the flat part of the roof of the Federal Building today.

#### Examination Returns

All the Grade 11 and 12 pupils of the Louisbourg High School who wrote the Provincial Examinations last June were successful. Grade 12; Ralph Lewis, Charles Crowdis, Marion Nicholson and Lyle Skinner. Grade 11: Viola Lynk, Beatrice Dickson, Ethel Tucker, Bert Hiltz, Ronald Cann, and Christine MacLean (Fourchu).

#### Work at Louisbourg Park

Reconstruction work at the Louisbourg National and Historic Park, begun today under the direction of Mr. N.A. Sparks, engineer, of Ottawa.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Wednesday 17**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Fog off the coast in the afternoon. Min. temperature 57. Max. temperature 74.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Thursday 18**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy. Light showers and mist in the morning. Heavy showers during the night. Very sultry during the day. Min. temperature [blank]. Max. temperature 73.

#### Federal Building

The Thompson Brothers who arrived yesterday from Halifax, with two assistants, began plastering the walls of the interior of the new Federal building this afternoon.

#### S. S. VAGA

Norweigan Steamer "Vaga" arrived in the morning. After bunkering she sailed shortly after noon.

#### Schooner Sachem.

The three masted schooner "Sachem" under charter to Michael Lerner, New York Sportsman, left for North Sydney today for the purpose of going on the slip in order to have a new propeller installed. The Sachem had the misfortune to lose the blades of her propeller early this week.

#### Presented Relics to Museum

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### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Friday 9**

Louisbourg N.S.

Heavy rain in the early morning. Partly clear during the day with thick fog over the harbour and coast. Light southwest wind. Very sultry. Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 78.

#### Motor Yacht

United States motor Yacht, "Esrom IV" arrived in the evening and docked on the east side of the Government wharf.

#### Federal Building

The tower of the New Federal Building was completed today and a copper ornament placed on the top. The exterior of the building will soon be finished.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Saturday 20**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with moderate to fresh west to northwest winds. Cool at night. Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 75.

#### S. S. CONSUL CORFITZON

Swedish Steamer "Consul Corfitzon" arrived at about 10 A.M. After bunkering she sailed in the afternoon.

#### Federal Building

The roof of the Federal Building, now in course of construction, was finished this afternoon and the staging taken down from the roof and walls, with the exception of two pieces in front of the main entrance. The exterior is now completed with the exception of putting in the windows and hanging the doors.

James Donahue Ltd. of Halifax N.S. had the contract for the copper and metal work also for roofing the flat part of the building.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Sunday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate north to northeast wind which shifted to southwest in the afternoon. An ideal day. Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 68.

#### S. S. SEKSTANT

Norwegian Steamer "Sekstant" arrived in the early morning for bunker coal and docked on the east side of the coal pier.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. Emeline and I attended services in the First United Church where Rev. John Patterson D.D. of Madison New Jersey was the preacher. At the close of the evening service, A.W. Stacey on behalf of the congregation presented to Mr. and Mrs. Patterson an address of appreciation for their services to the congregation during their holiday in Louisbourg. Also on behalf of the congregation two souvenirs, typical of Louisbourg were presented; a swordfish sword, nicely mounted to Mr. Patterson, and a photograph of the surf breaking on Lighthouse Point, to Mrs. Patterson.

Had Supper with Us

At 6 P.M. Rev. and Mrs. Patterson, their daughter, and two sons Arthur and Walter had supper with us. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson and family intend leaving here, by automobile, tomorrow morning enroute to their home at Madison New Jersey U.S.A.

#### Visited Fletcher

In the afternoon, Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend. After arriving at Fletcher's, he and Mrs. Townsend took us for an auto ride out the new highway diversion as far as the western end of Grand Lake.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Monday 22**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly clear and warm with light to moderate southwest wind.

#### Louisbourg to New Glasgow

At about 9:15 A.M. I left here in Alex Cameron's truck for Sydney, enroute to New Glasgow for the purpose of attending the 33<sup>rd</sup> Convention of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities which meets at that town tomorrow at 1.

At Sydney, I met Alex. R. MacDonald, Councillor for Bateston, C.B. (No. 24) who invited me to accompany him, in his car, to the scene of the Convention. Two others in the party were: Mr. MacDonald's niece, Miss Christine MacLean and Robert Orr, Councillor for District No. 12 (Port Morien) both of whom took turns in driving the car. We left Sydney at 11:40 A.M. Had lunch at St. Peters's, supper at Antigonish, and arrived at the Norfolk Hotel, New Glasgow, at about 7 P.M. where we all registered and procured rooms.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Tuesday 23**

New Glasgow, N.S.

Clear and very warm. Heavy showers at about 4 P.M., but clear immediately after.

#### Convention Opens

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### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Wednesday 24**

New Glasgow, N. S.

Mostly clear and warm during the forenoon. Cloudy and showery in the afternoon and evening. Heavy rain at night.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Thursday 25**

New Glasgow, N. S.

Cloudy and showery with some thunder.

### Federal Building

The lettering: "LOUISBOURG"

"POST OFFICE CUSTOMS"

was placed over the main entrance of the Federal building at Louisbourg today.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Friday 26**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy (mostly) and moderately warm.

### S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer "Fernfield" arrived bunkered and sailed.

### Arrived from New Glasgow

I arrived at Sydney by train, at about 7:30 A.M. enroute from the Convention at New Glasgow.

Motored to Louisbourg on Sullivan's Bus, arriving at about 10:30 A.M.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Saturday 27**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and moderately warm. Partly clear during the afternoon and evening. Light to moderate winds. Min. temperature 49. Max. temperature 72.

### Schooner SACHEM sails

Three masted schooner "Sachem" Capt. Prosser, which arrived here on July 31 with Michael Lerner and party, sailed this afternoon, for Boston or New York, with Mrs. Fahrenstock, the owner on board.

### Federal Building

[blank] MacKenzie, of Sydney with an assistant, today, began the work of glazing the sashes for the Federal building.

### Meeting of School Board

At 7:30 P.M. I attended a meeting of the School Board. Those present were: Commissioners G.B. Hiltz, Jeremiah Smith, D.A. Campbell and M.S. Huntington. Clerk: B.M. Spencer and attendance Officer: D.M. Johnston. At this meeting the resignation of Miss Mary Hiltz and Miss Margaret Campbell were accepted.

Applications of Miss Christina MacLeod of Sydney and Miss Helen Lynk of West Louisbourg were accepted. Miss MacLeod for Grades 7 and 8.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Sunday 28**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with some showers in the afternoon. Moderate to fresh southwest wind, shifting to northwest in the afternoon, and moderating weather clear in the late afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 68.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Norman MacQueen, of Newark New Jersey, U.S.A. was the preacher at the morning service, and Rev. L.B. Campbell of the First United Church, Sydney at the evening service.

#### United States Visitors

Professor Ellsworth Huntington, M.A.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Monday 29**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and moderately cool with moderate westerly wind. Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 66.

Left for Halifax (Federal Building).

Frank Gould, Foreman for the Fundy Construction Company, who has been here since May 12 last, in connection with the erection of the New Federal Building at Louisbourg, left for Halifax this evening. The exterior of the building is finished with the exception of putting in the windows. Mr. Petrie of Halifax, carpenter who has been working on the building for some time has been left in charge of the work.

Mr. Gould goes to Halifax for the purpose of erecting a school building for the City of Halifax, the Fundy Construction Company having been awarded the contract.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Tuesday 30**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear during the forenoon, but becoming cloudy shortly after noon. Light southwest wind. Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 72.

#### S. S. SCHURBEK

German Steamer "Schurbek" arrived in the forenoon. After bunkering she sailed at about 4 P.M.

### **AUGUST 1938**

#### **Wednesday 31**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with a few light showers. Clearing in the late afternoon. Light northeast wind. Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 71.

#### Federal Building

The Thompson Brothers of Halifax finished their contract of plastering the interior of the Federal Building today and left for home this afternoon. Windows on the north side of the building were placed in position today.

S. S. SEKSTANT

Norweigan Steamer "Sekstant" arrived at about 11 A.M. for bunker coal.

Miss "Louisbourg"

At a dance in Masonic hall in the evening, as Mayor of the town, I had the pleasure of crowning Edith MacInnis, "Miss Louisbourg". Miss MacInnis was successful in winning a contest sponsored by the branch of the Canadian Legion, North Sydney. Her opponent in the contest was Miss Rossela Cryer, of West Louisbourg.

The Queens from the various towns of Cape Breton are to assemble at North Sydney, in the evening of Sept 8<sup>th</sup>, the closing day of the Annual Exhibition, when one of the number shall be chosen as "Miss Cape Breton".

**SEPTEMBER 1938**

**Thursday 1**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly cloudy and moderately warm with moderate southwest wind, increasing to a strong breeze at night. Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 72.

S. S. MARIANNE

Norweigan Steamer "Marianne" arrived at about 6 P.M. for bunker coal.

S. S. SEKSTANT

Norweigan Steamer "Sekstant" sailed in the morning.

Death of Joseph Curry

The death of Joseph Curry took place at his home on Main Street this afternoon, after an illness of several weeks. He was about 84 years of age and is survived by his wife and several sons and daughters.

**SEPTEMBER 1938**

**Friday 2**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy rain in the early morning with a few light showers during the day. Strong southwest breeze in the early morning. Wind most northerly during the day. Cool at night. Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 66.

S. S. MARIANNE

Norweigan Steamer "Marianne" sailed in the morning.

S. S. KERET

Norweigan Steamer "Keret" arrived in the morning. After bunkering, she sailed at about 10:30 A.M.

S. S. MAID OF STIRLING

Steamer "Maid of Stirling" arrived in the evening and docked at the Freight Wharf.

**SEPTEMBER 1938**

**Saturday 3**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 55. Max. temperature 68.

Funeral

At 8:30 A.M. I attended the funeral of the late Joseph Curry. Service was held in Stella Maris Church at 9 A.M. by Rev D.H. Doyle. Interment took place in the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

S. S. VENUS

Danish Steamer "Venus" arrived, bunkered and sailed.

S.S. MAID OF STIRLING

Steamer "Maid of Stirling" sailed at about 10 A.M.

S. S. CARTIER

Survey ship "Cartier" Capt. James Roach, arrived in the evening and docked at the Freight Wharf. The "Cartier" is engaged in surveying the coast in the vicinity of Louisbourg and Louisbourg Harbour when it is too rough to work outside.

**SEPTEMBER 1938**

**Sunday 4**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear in the morning but becoming cloudy early in the day. Moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 66.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., I attended services in the First United Church, where Mr. Thomas Bagnall, student minister, of Glace Bay was the preacher at both services.

Left For Valley Station

At 6:50 am Mr. and Mrs. E. A .Grant and Emeline left for Valley Station Colchester Co. N.S. by automobile, for the purpose of visiting Mrs. (Rev.) H.D. Townsend and family.

Visited Fletcher

In the afternoon I visited Fletcher Townsend, and later went for a walk to Havenside, as far as the storm signall [sic] station, returning at about 5:30 P.M.

**SEPTEMBER 1938**



## **Monday 5**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and showery in the early morning, but clearing early in the day. Fresh to strong southwest wind, which moderated in the late afternoon. Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 69.

### **Death of James Kennedy**

The death of James Kennedy, took place at his home, corner of Main and Alexandra Sts. at about 4 A.M. today. Mr. Kennedy was born at Fort Louisbourg, where he lived until he moved into the Town of Louisbourg a few years ago. He was about 63 years of age and is survived by his wife.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

## **Tuesday 6**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh northerly wind. Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature about 60.

### **S. S. BETTA**

Norweigan Steamer "Betta" arrived, bunkered and sailed.

### **S. S. ODDVAR**

Finnish Steamer "Oddvar" arrived during the afternoon for bunker coal.

### **School Opening**

The public schools of the Town of Louisbourg opened today for the 1938-39 term.

The following are the staff:

Miss Mary Campbell Principal

Donald Wilson Vice Principal

Miss Christine MacLeod

Miss Blanche Cross

Miss Annie Pope

Miss Helen Lynk

### **Retired From Customs**

Mr. A.W. Stacey who for many years has been in charge of the customs office in this town has been retired on pension, he having reached the age limit of 65 as set by the Federal Government as the retiring age. Mr. Stacey was relieved today by one Mr. J.R. St. John who came here from another customs office to take charge. Mr. Stacey was employed in the Customs department, here, for about 22 years.

### **Maid Returns**

Miss Clara Gillis, our maid, who has been visiting her home at Codroy Nfld. returned today to resume her duties.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Wednesday 7**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with fresh to strong southwest winds. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 60.

#### **S. S. ODDVAR**

Finnish Steamer "Oddvar" sailed in the early morning.

#### **Federal Building**

The material for finishing the interior of the Federal Building consisting of flooring, wainscoating, doors, window and door trim, etc. arrived yesterday and was stored in the building. Mr. Petrie (carpenter) of Halifax is now alone on the job consequently the interior work is progressing slowly. The windows on the north and west sides have been placed in position.

### **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Thursday 8**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Rained all day, southwest wind in the early morning shifted to northeast at about 8:30 am. Fresh breeze all day. Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 53.

#### **Funeral**

At 8:45 A.M. I attended the funeral of the late James Kennedy, which took place from his late home, corner of Main and Alexandra Sts., to Stella Maris Church, where service was held by Rev. D.H. Doyle. Interment took place in the Old Catholic Cemetery at "Old Town".

The pallbearers were: Josiah Laybolt, Joseph MacDonald, Hugh Lynk, Clarence Cunningham, Richard Kelly and D.A. Campbell.

#### **S. S. VAGA**

Norweigan Steamer, "Vaga" arrived at about 6 P.M. and bunkered and sailed during the night.

### **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Friday 9**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy, very cool and showery. Rained almost continuously all the afternoon. Fresh to strong north-northeast wind. Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 54.

#### **Miss Cape Breton**

The crowning of Miss Cape Breton, which was postponed from last night owing to bad weather conditions, took place tonight at North Sydney. Miss Daisy MacKillop of Baddeck was the successful candidate. Queens from other towns and districts were as follows:

Edith MacInnis, Louisbourg, Violet Snow, Glace Bay, Alice MacLean, Dominion, Agnes MacLeod, Dominion No.6, Jeanette Young, Reserve Mines, Marjorie MacKay, New Waterford, Nellie French, Sydney, Frances Steele, North Sydney, Willa Thebault, Sydney Mines, Kaye MacKinnon, Municipality of the County of Cape Breton. Laura Stone, Queen of St. Peter's was unable to attend.

The contest by which the above queens were selected was sponsored by the branch of the Canadian Legion, North Sydney.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Saturday 10**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate northwest and north wind. Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 59.

#### Visited Kennington Cove

In the forenoon, I accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Crawford of Massachusetts on a motor trip to Kennington Cove, returning at about noon. In the afternoon I visited the same spot with Mr. and Mrs. Bradgon of Augusta Main [sic] U.S.A. Returned at about 3:30 P.M. These two parties were very much interested in the historic spots in and around the old city of Louisbourg.

#### Born

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Heber Huntington, Salmon River C.B. at the Salvation Army Maternity Hospital, Sydney, N.S. a daughter.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Sunday 11**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with light variable wind. Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 66.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United church where Rev. John MacKinnon (Retired) of Sydney was the preacher both morning and evening.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Monday 12**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with light northerly wind. An ideal day. Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 61.

#### Death of Mrs. Aker

The death occurred, this morning, at Sydney of Mrs. Richard Aker (Bridget MacCulloch) a former resident of Louisbourg. Mrs. Aker who was about 70 years of age had been living at Sydney for several years. Her husband and son, William, died many years ago.

#### Marriage

The marriage of Kenneth MacMillan of Coxheath N.S. to Miss Mary Hiltz of Louisbourg took place at 2 P.M. in St. Bartholomews Church. Rev. George Arnold, performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. MacMillan will reside at Coxheath.

S. S. SEKSTANT

Norweigan Steamer "Sekstant" arrived at about 8:30 P.M. for bunker coal.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 13**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Partly clear during the forenoon. Cloudy and threatening in the afternoon. Rain during the night. Light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 69.

#### **S. S. SEKSTANT**

Norweigan Steamer "Sekstant" sailed in the early morning.

#### **S. S. FERNFIELD**

Steamer "Fernfield" arrived and bunkered.

#### **Funeral**

The funeral of the late Mrs. Aker, who died at Sydney yesterday morning, took place at Catalone Cemetery this forenoon. Rev. A.A. Murray of Sydney, assisted by Rev. Joseph Cathcart of Louisbourg conducted the funeral service.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Wednesday 14**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Rain in the morning, cloudy throughout the day. Moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 64.

#### **S. S. FERNFIELD**

Steamer "Fernfield" sailed in the afternoon.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Thursday 15**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 67.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

### **Friday 16**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy with light southwest wind. Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 68.

#### **Death of Rev. D.A. MacMillan**

The death of Rev. Duncan A. MacMillan took place at the First United Church Manse, Strathcona St. at about 11 A.M. today after a long and painful illness.

## **SEPTEMBER 1938**

**Saturday 17**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and moderately warm with light north to northeast winds. Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 68.

S. S. KERET

Norweigan Steamer "Keret" arrived, bunkered and sailed.

**Council Meeting**

At 7:30 P.M. I attended and presided at a meeting of the Town Council. Those present were: Councillors: G.B. Hiltz, D.J. MacInnis and Alex C. MacDonald. Mayor: M.S. Huntington, Clerk: B.M. Spencer, Police Officer: D.M. Johnston.

S. S. CARTIER

Canadian Government Survey ship "Cartier" Capt. Roach arrived in the evening to spend the week end in port.

**SEPTEMBER 1938****Sunday 18**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with a few light showers and light variable winds. Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 65.

**Church Services.**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, I attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. D.L. Gordon, of Gordon United Church, Reserve Mines was the preacher, both morning and evening.

The evening service took the form of a memorial service for the Rev. D.A. MacMillan, late pastor of the First United Church, Louisbourg.

After the evening choir practice was held for the purpose of rehearsing the hymns and special number for the funeral service of the late Rev. D.A. MacMillan which takes place tomorrow.

After choir practice with other members of the choir, we visited the manse where a short service was held by Rev. D.L. Gordon.

**Visited Fletcher.**

At about 5 P.M., Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

**SEPTEMBER 1938****Monday 19**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and showery with light east to southeast winds. Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 68.

S. S. VAGA

Norweigan Steamer "Vaga" arrived, bunkered and sailed.

#### Funeral of Rev. D.A. MacMillan

The funeral of the late Rev. D.A. MacMillan took place in the afternoon. After a short service at the manse at 2 P.M., the remains were taken to the First United Church where the service was continued.

Rev. J.A. MacLellan, [blank]

### **SEPTEMBER 1938**

#### **Tuesday 20**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy during the forenoon, late afternoon and evening. Clear and warm for a while in the afternoon. Min. temperature 57. Max. temperature 70.

### **SEPTEMBER 1938**

#### **Wednesday 21**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and very foggy with light winds. Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 70.

#### Drove over the New Highway

Today, George Lewis accompanied by James Crowdis, by using the Catalone end of Roderick MacLean's road, drove over the new highway diversion from the east end of Louisbourg to Catalone. This is the nearest approach any car has made to going from Louisbourg to Catalone by the new route.

### **SEPTEMBER 1938**

#### **Thursday 22**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Partly clear for a short time in the afternoon. Min. temperature 57. Max. temperature 68.

#### Board of Trade

At 8 P.M. I attended a meeting of the Louisbourg Board of Trade. The following members were present: James H. Crowdis, (President) Geo. Lewis (Secretary) Sam. Levy, John Pool, A.A. Martell, Geo Wilcox, Alistair MacDonald, Holland Fleet, Bert Wilcox, L.H. Cann, D.M. Johnston, Neil Murphy, Roy Ingraham, Dr. H.J. Townsend, M.S. Huntington.

At this meeting, A.A. Martell and M.S. Huntington, were elected to represent the Louisbourg Board at the annual convention of the Maritime Board of Trade to be held at Sydney on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of October.

### **SEPTEMBER 1938**

#### **Friday 23**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy rain in the early morning. Cloudy and foggy during the forenoon. Clear and moderately in the afternoon. Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 66.

#### Federal Building

The first of the radiators of the heating system were installed yesterday. First coal fire made in the furnace today, at noon, and heat turned on in nine of the radiators.

#### Work Finished

Restoration work at the Louisbourg National and Historic Park which began on August 16 last was finished today for this season, the appropriation of about \$4000.00 being exhausted. Mr. N.A. Sparks, engineer in charge, left here today enroute to St. John N.B.

#### S. S. EMMANUEL

Danish Steamer "Emmanuel" arrived in the early part of the night for bunker coal. She sailed during the night after taking bunker.

### **SEPTEMBER 1938**

#### **Saturday 24**

##### **Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 49. Max. temperature 64.

### **SEPTEMBER 1938**

#### **Sunday 25**

##### **Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and cool with light to moderate northerly wind. Min. temperature 43. Max. temperature 60.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where Rev. [blank] Langille of the United Church, Marion Bridge, was the preacher in the morning and Rev. A.S. Adams of Epworth United Church, Glace Bay, in the evening.

#### Visited Fletcher

In the afternoon Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend and Mr. and Mrs. B.M. Spencer.

#### S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer "Fernfield" arrived in the morning for bunker coal.

### **SEPTEMBER 1938**

#### **Monday 26**

##### **Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cool and mostly clear with light to moderate northwest wind. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 60.

### S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer "Fernfield" sailed in the morning.

### SEPTEMBER 1938

#### Tuesday 27

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 60.

#### Federal Building

James Kehoe, employed by Arthur & Conn Electrical Contractors of Halifax arrived here today for the purpose of completing the installation of the lighting system of the new Federal building.

### SEPTEMBER 1938

#### Wednesday 28

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy showers with strong southwest wind in the early part of the day. Cleared at about noon. Clear and mild in the afternoon with light northwest wind. Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 60.

#### Visited Kennington Cove

In the afternoon, I accompanied Miss Clara Dennis, of Halifax and her mother, who are at present touring Cape Breton Island, for the purpose of gathering material for a book on Cape Breton. Miss Dennis is the author of two Nova Scotia books; "Down in Nova Scotia" published in 1933 and "More about Nova Scotia" published in 1937. After bringing me back to town, they left immediately for Gabarus via the shore road.

### S. S. VAGA

Norwegian Steamer "Vaga" arrived at about 10 P.M. for bunker coal. After bunkering she sailed during the night.

### SEPTEMBER 1938

#### Thursday 29

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 60.

### SEPTEMBER 1938

#### Friday 30

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear in the early part of the day, but becoming cloudy shortly before noon. Light to fresh south to southeast winds, increasing during the night. Heavy rain during the night, accompanied by a moderate gale. Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 59.



## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Saturday 1**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy rain accompanied by a moderate gale of southeast to southwest wind, in the early morning. Showery during the forenoon. Partly clear in the afternoon and evening. Wind shifted to northwest at about noon and moderated. Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 61.

Rainfall of last night and today 3 inches.

#### **Federal Building**

James Kehoe, an employee of the firm of Arthur and Conn, of Halifax, N.S. finished installing the lighting fixtures in the new Federal Building today.

A connection was made to the town electric light line in the late afternoon for the purpose of making a test. The current was turned on and everything worked satisfactorily.

#### **S. S. CARTIER**

The Government Survey ship "Cartier" Capt. James Roach is in port to spend the week end. She has been engaged in survey [sic] the coast near Louisbourg, and for a number of days recently has been surveying in Louisbourg Harbour. The Cartier sailed from here on last Thursday morning, but returned on Friday evening owing to the threatening storm.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Sunday 2**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Partly cloudy and cool with light to moderate north west to north wind. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 55.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. Emeline and I attended service in the First United Church. Mr. Norman MacLeod, (Layman) of Sydney was the preacher at the morning service and Rev. D.L. Gordon of the United Church, Reserve Mines at the evening service.

#### **Visited Fletcher Townsend**

In the afternoon Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend. Fletcher is not so well today, as we usually find him on our weekly visits. He is suffering considerable pain and does not seem to be in his usual cheerful mood.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Monday 3**

**Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and cool with moderate northeast wind. Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 52.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 4**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cool and partly clear with light to moderate northeast wind. Light showers shortly after nightfall. Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 56.

#### S. S. SEKSTANT

Norwegian Steamer "Sekstant" arrived in the early morning. After bunkering, she sailed at about 9:30 A.M.

#### First Car over New Highway

Today George Lewis accompanied by Earl Lewis and James Crowdis, (all of Louisbourg) drove his car over the New Highway diversion, from the east end of the Town of Louisbourg, to Catalone. This is said to be the first car, other than a truck, to pass over the new road all the way through. In a short time the road will be completed and open to the public for traffic.

### **OCTOBER 1938**

#### **Wednesday 5**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Rain in the early morning. Cloudy and cool during the forenoon. Clear and warmer in the afternoon, cool at night. Moderate to light northeast wind. Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 61.

#### Federal Building

Beginning last Monday two additional carpenters, (from Halifax) have been at work on the interior finish, making three in all. Yesterday the front doors were hung, and the windows completed with the exception of those in the basement.

Today a concrete culvert was constructed across the street drain, to provide a drive-way to the rear of the building. The floor has been laid in what is to be the customs office and storeroom.

### **OCTOBER 1938**

#### **Thursday 6**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and very cool with moderate to fresh north northeast wind. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 51.

### **OCTOBER 1938**

#### **Friday 7**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy in the early part of the day. Clear and very cool during the afternoon and evening. Moderate northeast wind. Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 48.

#### S. S. CARTIER SAILS

Government Survey Ship "Cartier" Capt. James Roach, which has been engaged in surveying the coast in the vicinity of Louisbourg, including Louisbourg Harbour, since July 30 last, sailed this afternoon, enroute to Charlottetown P.E.I. where she makes her headquarters.

### Federal Building

Two large panes of glass were placed in the two doors of the Main entrance to the Federal building today.

## OCTOBER 1938

### Saturday 8

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate variable winds. Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 52.

### S. S. MARIANNE

Norweigan Steamer "Marianne" arrived in the early morning. After bunkering she sailed at about 1:30 P.M.

### S. S. GRAZIELLA

Norweigan Steamer "Graziella" arrived at about 8 A.M., and sailed at about 7 P.M. after taking on board, bunker coal.

## OCTOBER 1938

### Sunday 9

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool. Showers during the afternoon and evening. Moderate to fresh northeast wind. Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 49.

### Motored to Salmon River.

Emeline and I motored to Salmon River in the forenoon with Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Grant. Arrived at Clifford Huntington at about 11:15 A.M. After having dinner at Cliffords, accompanied by Mrs. Clifford Huntington, we made a short visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hussey. We then motored up to Heber's arriving at about 1:30 P.M. where we stayed until about 3:30. After leaving Hebers we motored back to Clifford's where we had supper before leaving for home at about 5:15 P.M. Arrived home at 6:15 P.M.

### Church Services

At 7 P.M. Emeline and I attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. MacIntosh MacLeod of Sydney was the preacher. Mr. MacLeod also held service in the First United at 11 A.M.

### International Schooner Race

United States Fishing Schooner "Gertrude L. Thebaud" Capt. Ben Pine, defeated the Nova Scotia fishing schooner, "Bluenose" Capt. Angus Walters, in the first of the series, for the championship and the International Fishermen's Trophy. The race took place off Boston Mass., over a 36 mile triangular course. The "Thebaud's" time was 4 hours, 59 minutes and 50 seconds with the "Bluenose" 2 minutes and 50 seconds behind. The next race of the series (best three out of five) is to be sailed off Gloucester Mass., on next Tuesday.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Monday 10** Thanksgiving Day

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with fresh northwest winds and a few light showers. Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 52.

#### Thanksgiving Day

Today was observed through the Dominion of Canada as a holiday, it being set aside by the Dominion Government as a day of thanksgiving.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 11**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool in the forenoon. Cleared shortly before noon. Bright and sun shining in the afternoon. Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 52.

#### Motored to Sydney

Motored to Sydney with Alonzo A. Martell for the purpose of attending the 40<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the Maritimes Board of Trade. Arrived at Sydney shortly after 9 A.M. Attended the first session of the Board of Trade at 10 A.M. in St. George's Church hall, with about 40 delegates present, and Lt. Col. John A. MacDonald, of Sydney presiding. At 1 P.M. attended the Board of Trade luncheon at the Isle Royale Hotel. I motored to Louisbourg in the evening in Sullivan's Bus.

#### International Schooner Race

The second in the series of races between the United States fishing schooner, "Gertrude L. Thebaud" and the Canadian fishing schooner "Bluenose" which was to have taken place off Gloucester Mass., today was called off shortly after the start, owing to insufficient winds. It is said that the Canadian Schooner was considerably in the lead when the racing committee decided to postpone the race until more favorable weather conditions.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Wednesday 12**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and moderately warm with light winds. An ideal day. Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 58.

#### Motored to Sydney

Motored to Sydney with Alonzo A. Martell in the morning. Left Louisbourg at about 8:40 A.M. Arrived at Sydney at about 9:20. Attended the closing session of the Maritime Board of Trade in St. George's Church hall at about 10 A.M. Near the close of the session Mr. R.E. Mutch of Charlottetown P.E.I. was elected president.

At 1 P.M. attended the luncheon of the Maritime Board, at the Isle Royale hotel. Leo Dolan of the Dominion Travel Bureau was the guest speaker.

At 3:20 P.M. Mr. Martell and I motored to the National Park at Louisbourg where we escorted a party of about 15 of the visiting delegates, around the ruins of the old city and through the museum, where I gave a short talk on Louisbourg's early history. The visitors departed for Sydney at about 6 P.M., when Mr. Martell and I returned home.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Thursday 13**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with light southwest wind. A perfect day. Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 62.

#### **S. S. SEKSTANT**

Norwegian Steamer "Sekstant" arrived at about 9:30 P.M. After bunkering she sailed during the night.

#### **International Schooner Race**

Today of Gloucester Mass., the Canadian fishing schooner, "Bluenose" defeated the United States fishing schooner "Gertrude L. Thebaud" in the second of the series for the International Fishermen's Trophy. The "Bluenose" led the Thebaud, by about 12 minutes over a 40 mile course.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Friday 14**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with light southwest wind. A perfect day. Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 67.

#### **Federal Building**

The carpenters are about through with the interior of the new Federal building. The two carpenters who have been here since, the 3<sup>rd</sup> left on last Wednesday, leaving Mr. Petrie alone to finish up the odds and ends that remain. The flagstaff was placed in position on its concrete pedestal near the northeast corner of the building, this afternoon.

I hoisted a Union Jack to the top of the new staff immediately after its erection, where it flew until sunset. The painters who having been working at intervals for several weeks are here today, but have not yet finished their job.

An advertisement appeared in today's issue of the Halifax Chronicle calling for tenders for the construction and installation of the interior fittings and furniture. Tenders to be received up to November 2, 1938.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Saturday 15**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly cloudy with some fog. Warm with light southwest wind. Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 62.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Sunday 16**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with light winds, southwest in the morning but shifting to northeast at about 11 A.M. A perfect day. Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 65.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. Emeline and I attended service where Rev. D.M. Sinclair of the Trinity United Church Whitney Pier, Sydney was the preacher. Mr. Sinclair was assisted in the service by Mr. Charles Steele (Layman) of Sydney. There was no service in the United Church in the evening.

#### Visited Fletcher

In the afternoon Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend. Later in the afternoon Emerson Grant accompanied by his wife and mother-in-law, took Emeline and I for a motor ride through New Boston, returning via Mira Ferry. We arrived home at about 5 P.M.

#### S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer "Fernfield" arrived in the morning for bunker coal.

#### Meeting of Official Board

Immediately after the close of the 11 A.M. service a meeting of the official board of the United Church was held in the church for the purpose of considering the questions of getting a man to take charge of the congregation until such time as a permanent pastor could be procured. A.W. Stacey, John N. MacDonald and D.J. MacInnis were appointed as a committee to deal with the matter.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Monday 17**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and showery with some fog. Moderate southwest wind shifting to northerly and increasing. Chilly at night. Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 54.

#### S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer "Fernfield" bunkered in the morning.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 18**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cool and mostly clear with moderate to fresh north to northwest winds. Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 47.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

**Wednesday 19**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Light showers in the evening. Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 51.

**Visited School**

At 2 P.M. accompanied by A.A. Martell, I visited the schools, where we gave short addresses to the pupils on the subject of Fire Prevention.

**OCTOBER 1938****Thursday 20**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy, mild and foggy with a few light showers. Light southwest wind. Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 55.

**OCTOBER 1938****Friday 21**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with light northwest wind. Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 46.

**Frost**

Frost in the early morning, slightly damaged some of the dahlias in my garden. Several of them do not appear to have been injured. In other places around town the dahlias and other tender plants were killed. Last night's frost was the first of the season to cause any damage to my garden.

**Church Services**

At 11 A.M. I attended service in the Presbyterian Church, where Rev. Joseph Cathcart, the regular pastor was the preacher. At 3 P.M., Emeline and I attended service in the First United Church. Mr. Colin Nickerson, Ministerial Student, of Leitches Creek, C.B. was the preacher. He was accompanied by his father Rev. J.S. Nickerson, pastor of the Leitches Creek United Church, who assisted in the service. At 7 P.M. accompanied by Emeline, I attended service in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, where the service was conducted by Rev. George Arnold, the regular pastor. There were no services in the United Church in the morning or at night.

**Visited Fletcher**

After service in the afternoon Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

**International Schooner Race**

Off Gloucester Mass., today in the third of the series of 3 out 5 races, the Nova Scotia schooner "Bluenose" sailed by Capt. Angus Walters, defeated the United States schooner "Gertrude L. Thebaud" by about 6 minutes over a 36 mile course. Result to date: "Bluenose" 2 "Thebaud" 1.

**OCTOBER 1938**

**Monday 24**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Moderate to strong southwest wind. Storm threatening. Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 53.

**Frost**

Frost in the morning, but not sufficiently heavy to kill the dahlias. While some are considerably damaged others are apparently none the worse for being exposed to two night of frost.

**International Schooner Race**

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**OCTOBER 1938****Tuesday 25**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy gale accompanied by rain in the early morning. Gale at its height at about 9 A.M. Moderated shortly before noon. Wind southeast, shifting to south and southwest and in the afternoon to northwest. Partly clear in the afternoon. Heaviest gale so far during this year. No serious damage reported. Several old buildings and a number of fences blown down. Very heavy sea running on the coast. Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 54.

**Wedding**

The marriage of Thomas Buckley, of West Louisbourg, to Miss Margaret Campbell of Louisbourg, took place at 5 A.M. this morning in Stella Maris Church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father D.H. Doyle. Mr. and Mrs. Buckley will reside at West Louisbourg.

**OCTOBER 1938****Wednesday 26**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 46.

**International Schooner Race**

Off Boston Mass., today in the fifth of the series of best two out of three races to decide the championship of the North Atlantic, the Nova Scotia schooner "Bluenose" Capt. Angus Walters, was successful in defeating the United States fishing schooner "Gertrude L. Thebaud" Capt. Moulton over a 35 mile course, by a margin of 2 minutes and forty seconds.

Today's races, the last of the series makes three for the "Bluenose" and two for the "Thebaud".

**OCTOBER 1938****Thursday 27**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly clear and mild with light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 54.



## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Friday 28**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mild and mostly cloudy with light to variable winds. Foggy at night. Min. temperature [blank]  
Max. temperature [blank].

#### Planted Tulips

Planted tulips in the front garden this afternoon.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Saturday 29**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly cloudy and comparatively mild with light to moderate winds. A few sprinkles of rain in the evening. Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 47.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Sunday 30**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy, misty and chilly with moderate to fresh north east wind. Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 46.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. in company with Emeline, I attended service in the Presbyterian Church where Rev. Joseph Cathcart was the preacher. At 3 P.M., we attended service in the First United Church. At this service Rev. D.M. Sinclair, pastor of Trinity United Church was in charge of the service. At 7 P.M. we attended service in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Rev. George Arnold the regular pastor was the preacher.

#### Meeting of Official Board

Immediately after the close of the service in the afternoon, a meeting of the Official Board of the United Church, was held in the church with Rev. D.M. Sinclair, presiding. This meeting was called for the purpose of considering the matter of getting a pastor to take charge of this congregation. After a brief discussion it was decided by an unanimous vote to accept the services of Mr. Colin Nickerson, Student Minister, son of Rev. J.S. Nickerson, of the United Church at Leitches Creek. C.B.

#### S. S. EVVIVA

Norweigan Steamer "Evviva" arrived in the morning for bunker coal.

## **OCTOBER 1938**

### **Monday 31**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy, misty and drizzly with moderate easterly wind. Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 40.

#### Motored to Sydney

Left Louisbourg at 8 A.M. via Sullivan's Bus Service enroute to Sydney for the purpose of attending a special session of the Cape Breton County Joint Expenditure Board, called for the purpose of considering tenders and dealing with other matters in connection with the erection of an addition to the Cape Breton Hospital. Meeting of Board was called to order at 10:30 A.M. in the Council chamber in the County building, with Warden R.A. MacKinnon presiding. Those present were: Warden R.A. MacKinnon, Mayor: George Slaven, Sydney, Mayor: F. L. Kelly, North Sydney, Councillor: L.Y. Urguhart, North Sydney, Mayor: A.C. MacCormick, and Councillor Cunliffe, Sydney Mines, Mayor: Muise, New Waterford, Mayor: D.W. Morrison and Councillor [blank] Glace Bay, Mayor: M.S. Huntington, Louisbourg, Councillors; Alex. Ferguson, Mira Gut and Councillor: Lewis, Point Edward.

Owing to the lateness of the season and no arrangements having been made for financing the project, it was decided by a unanimous vote to not take any further action in regard to the matter of building, earlier than April of 1939.

Several sealed tenders for the construction of the new addition, were returned to their owners, without being opened.

### **NOVEMBER 1938**

#### **Tuesday 1**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy rain in the morning. Cloudy and cool during the day with moderate northeast wind. Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 40.

### **NOVEMBER 1938**

#### **Wednesday 2**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and very cool with light to moderate northerly wind. Heavy showers in the early morning occasional showers during the day. Rain mixed with snow during the night. First sign of snow this season. Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 41.

### **NOVEMBER 1938**

#### **Thursday 3**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Very cool and partly clear with moderate to fresh north to northwest winds. Ground and roofs of buildings covered with a light coat of snow in the morning which disappeared during the forenoon. Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 34.

### **NOVEMBER 1938**

#### **Friday 4**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild with light southwest wind. Partly clear for a short time in the afternoon.  
Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 48.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Saturday 5**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with light west to southwest wind. A perfect day. Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 58.

#### Motored to National Park

At about 10:30 A.M. Fletcher Townsend drove me in his motor to the Louisbourg National Park left me there and returned for me at about 2 P.M. and brought me home. While at the park, I took photographs of the Museum, both inside and out, as well as a number of other places of interest within the park limits.

#### S. S. SEKSTANT

Norweigan Steamer "Sekstant" arrived at about 5 P.M. After bunkering she sailed during the night.

#### Death of Charles Baker

The death of Charles Baker took place at his home on Main Street at about 5 P.M. He had been in poor health for about two months but his condition was not considered serious. At about 10 A.M. he had a stroke, and did not regain consciousness, passing away at about 5 P.M.. Mr. Baker who was about 58 years of age is survived by his wife and four sons; James on board the steamer Watuka, Albert at Glace, Philip and Ralph at Louisbourg.

#### Marriage

The marriage took place at 7:30 P.M., at the home of the bride, of Dan Wilcox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wilcox, to Miss Jennie Mosher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Mosher, all of Louisbourg. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Joseph Cathcart.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Sunday 6**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate northwest wind. A perfect day followed a perfect moonlight night. Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 64.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. Emeline and I attended service in the Presbyterian Church where Rev. Joseph Cathcart was the preacher. At 3 P.M. we attended service in the First United Church where service was conducted by Rev. William Swetman of the United Church at Gabarus. At 7 P.M. in the United Church we attended the annual Thanks Offering Service which was conducted by Mrs. A.W. Stacey. At this service I sang a solo. Emeline and Christine MacDonald sang a duet.

After the church service we visited the home of the late Charles Baker, where a short service was held by Rev. Joseph Cathcart.

S. S. CAPERBY

British Steamer "Caperby" arrived at about 12:30 P.M. for bunker coal.

S. S. BAUTA

Norweigan Steamer "Bauta" arrived for bunker coal at about 8:45 P.M.

**NOVEMBER 1938**

**Monday 7**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and mild with light southwest wind. Partly cloudy in the late afternoon. Some fog at night. An ideal day. Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 56.

S. S. CAPERBY

British Steamer "Caperby" Capt. Norman Spouse, sailed in the early morning after bunkering.

S. S. BAUTA

Norweigan Steamer "Bauta" after bunkering, sailed at about noon.

Eclipse of Moon

A total eclipse of the moon took place in the evening, beginning at 5:45. Owing to the prevalence of fog it was not visible while the moon was totally covered.

Federal Building

The federal building, which is to contain the Post and Customs Offices, is completed as far as the exterior is concerned. The storm windows have been placed in position, and the entire brick work scrubbed with acid and washed with a hose. The plumbers and heaters finished their contract on last Monday. The painters have also finished with the exception of a few hours work.

**NOVEMBER 1938**

**Tuesday 8**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild with considerable fog. Light southwest wind. Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 55.

Funeral

At 1:15 P.M. I attended the funeral of the late Charles Baker, which took place from his late home on Main Street. After a brief service at the house the remains were taken to the Presbyterian Church where the service was continued. Interment took place in the United Church Cemetery (Former Methodist) on Clarke's Road. Services at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. Joseph Cathcart. The Orange and True Blue lodges attended in a body and read their rituals at the grave side.

**NOVEMBER 1938**

**Wednesday 9**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Showery and mild during the first half of the day. Partly clear during the afternoon and evening. Light to moderate southwest wind shifting to northwest in the afternoon and increasing. Cool at night. Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 52.

**NOVEMBER 1938****Thursday 10**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and moderately cool, becoming cloudy and colder in the afternoon and evening. Fresh northwest wind becoming strong in the afternoon. Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature about 46.

**NOVEMBER 1938****Friday 11**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate northwest wind. Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 42.

**General Holiday**

A number of business places closed for the holiday, as well as schools, bank and public offices, Post Office and telephone office on holiday hours. Had my shop open for business during the greater part of the day.

**Harvested Dahlias and Gladioli**

Harvested gladioli bulbs and finished harvesting dahlia bulbs in the afternoon.

**S. S. FIDELIO**

Norwegian Steamer "Fidelio" arrived at about 9 P.M. for bunker coal.

**NOVEMBER 1938****Saturday 12**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool during the early part of the day, but becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Moderate to fresh winds, southwest shifting to northwest and increasing. Heavy frost in the morning. Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 46.

**S. S. FIDELIO**

Norwegian Steamer "Fidelio" after bunkering sailed at about 10:30 A.M.

**Death of Donald A. Ferguson**

The death of Donald Archie Ferguson, took place at an early hour this morning at his home on Riverdale St. Mr. Ferguson who had been an invalid for about 9 years was about 65 years of age and is survived by his wife.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Sunday 13**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with light winds in the forenoon. Cloudy with fresh southwest wind during the afternoon and evening. Light rain began to fall at about 8 P.M. Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 41.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where Mr. Colin Nickerson was the preacher, both morning and evening.

Mr. Colin Nickerson, who has been engaged by the First United Church as pastor until the end of the Conference year, June 30, 1939, began his pastorate today. After the close of the evening, Emeline and I with other members of the choir and congregation, visited the home of the late Donald A. Ferguson, where a short service was held by Mr. Nickerson.

#### Begins Pastorate

Mr. Colin Nickerson, Student-Minister, began his pastorate of the First United Church, Louisbourg today. Mr. Nickerson, who is about 19 years of age, is a son of Rev. J.S. Nickerson, pastor of the United Church at Leitches Creek, N.S.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Monday 14**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy rain and strong southwest wind in the early morning. Cleared during the forenoon. Clear and mild during the afternoon with light west to northwest wind. Cloudy in the evening. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 52.

#### Funeral

At about 1 P.M. accompanied by A.A. Martell in his motor car, I attended the funeral of the late Donald A. Ferguson. Service at the house, Riverdale St, in United Church, Catalone and at the grave were conducted by Mr. Colin Nickerson, student Minister United Church, Louisbourg, assisted by Rev. Mr. Doig of the Presbyterian Church at Albert Bridge.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 15**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear during the early part of the day, becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light snow squalls during the day. Moderate to fresh northwest wind. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 36.

#### S. S. Mauritz

Danish Steamer "Mauritz" arrived at about 10 P.M. for bunker coal.

#### Arrived from Salmon River

Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Huntington arrived on the evening train and will visit us for a few days.

### Body Found

Police Officer D.M. Johnston of this town received word this afternoon from Halifax, that the body of Ellis Stevens, reported missing since October 30 last, was found floating in Halifax Harbour, on the Dartmouth side near the Air Base. Mr. Stevens, who was about 47 years of age, is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters. He is also survived by his father, Gordon Stevens, Sr. of this town.

## NOVEMBER 1938

### Wednesday 16

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate west to northwest wind. Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 36.

### S. S. MAURITZ

Danish Steamer "Mauritz" sailed.

### S. S. SEKSTANT

Norwegian Steamer "Sekstant" arrived at about 1 A.M. for bunker coal. After taking her coal on board, she sailed at about 10:30 A.M.

### Choir Practice

At about 8 A.M. I attended choir practice in the First United Church.

## NOVEMBER 1938

### Thursday 17

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and sun shining during the forenoon, with light winds. Cloudy and threatening in the late afternoon and evening with moderate to fresh southwest winds. Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 36.

## NOVEMBER 1938

### Friday 18

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mild and mostly cloudy with light variable wind. Some rain in the early morning. Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 52.

## NOVEMBER 1938

### Saturday 19

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mild, cloudy, misty and showery with fresh to light southwest wind. Heavy showers during the night. Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 52.

No Meeting

At 7:30 P.M. I went to the Town Hall for the purpose of attending a council meeting, but there not being a sufficient number present to form a quorum, the meeting was called off.  
Councillors present: D. J. MacInnis and G.B. Hiltz.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Sunday 20**

#### **Louisbourg, N. S.**

Heavy rain in the early morning. Cloudy and cool throughout the day with moderate northeast wind. Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 38.

#### Church Service

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended service in the First United Church, where Mr. Colin Nickerson, Student Minister was the preacher at both services. In the morning, I was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington and in the evening by Emeline.

#### Visited Fletcher

In the afternoon Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Monday 21**

#### Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool during the early parts of the day. Cloudy in the afternoon. Light west to northwest winds. Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 38.

#### S. S. FERNFIELD

Steamer "Fernfield" arrived bunkered and sailed.

#### Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M. I attended and presided at a meeting of the Town Council.  
Those present were: Councillors: D.J. MacInnis, G.B. Hiltz, Alex. C. MacDonald and Jeremiah Smith. Clerk: B.M. Spencer, Police Officer, D.M. Johnston, Mayor: M.S. Huntington.  
Spectators: Howard MacPhail, Kiley MacDonald, Charles Dickson, Frank O'Keefe, Gordon Cameron.

#### Left for Home

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington of Salmon River, who have been visiting us since last Tuesday evening, left on the train at 8:15 A.M. enroute for home.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 22**

#### Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear during the early part of the day, cut cloudy and threatening in the afternoon and evening.  
Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 41.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**



**Wednesday 23**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and comparatively mild with light to moderate winds. Mostly north to northeast. Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 52.

**Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. I attended choir practice in the First United Church.

**NOVEMBER 1938****Thursday 24**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and chilly. Light drizzle of snow beginning at about 9 A.M. followed by sleet and rain during the afternoon and night. Moderate northeast to east winds. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 31.

**Mr. Petrie Returns**

Mr. Petrie, Carpenter with the Fernday Construction Company of Halifax, N.S. returned to Louisbourg tonight after an absence of a few days at Halifax. Mr. Petrie who remained here after the Federal building was finished, motored to Halifax on last Saturday. He will likely stay here until the building is taken over by the Federal Government.

**NOVEMBER 1938****Friday 25**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy downpour of rain lasting all day. Moderate to fresh northeast wind followed by heavy southwest gale at night. Rainfall about 2 inches. Cold at night. Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature [blank].

**NOVEMBER 1938****Saturday 26**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cold and mostly cloudy with light to moderate northwest wind. Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 26.

**NOVEMBER 1938****Sunday 27**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cold. Snow began to fall at about 11 am, continued during the afternoon and was followed by rain at about 6:30 P.M. Snowfall about 6 inches. Min. temperature 19. Max. temperature 35. First real snow storm of the season.

**Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., I attended services in the First United Church, where Mr. Colin Nickerson, Student Minister was the preacher. Emeline was not out to church in the morning but accompanied me in the evening.

Visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend

In the afternoon, Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Monday 28**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy gale in the early morning. Mostly clear with fresh to moderate northwest wind during the day. Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 42.

#### Streets Bare

Streets almost entirely bare of snow, as a result of last night's rain and thaw. Patches of snow on the fields. No sleighing.

#### S. S. ARANMORE

Government Steamer "Aranmore" arrived in the afternoon and anchored in the west end of the harbour.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 29**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cold and clear, becoming cloudy in the evening. Light snow during the early part of the night followed by heavy rain. Heavy northwest wind in the morning which moderated before daylight. Moderate northwest wind during the day, shifting to southerly in the evening. Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 33.

#### Motored to Sydney

Motored to Sydney on business. Left Louisbourg at 9 A.M. in Cecil Steven's bus. Made a number of business calls during the day. Had lunch at Vidal Hotel. Left for home at 4:30 P.M. on Sullivan's bus, arrived at Louisbourg at about 5:30 P.M.

## **NOVEMBER 1938**

### **Wednesday 30**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild, with southwest wind.

#### Motored to Salmon River

In the afternoon I motored with Emerson Grant to Salmon River for the purpose of visiting Heber and family for a day or two.

Arrived at Clifford's at about 3:15 P.M. After remaining there a few minutes went up to Heber's, arriving at about 4 P.M. Found the folks all well.

## S. S. SEKSTANT

Norweigan Steamer "Sekstant" arrived for bunker coal in the afternoon.

### DECEMBER 1938

#### Thursday 1

Salmon River

A very peculiar day as far as weather was concerned. We had in turn, clouds, sunshine, showers, snow squalls and frost. Variable winds, from very light to strong.

Spent the day around my old home. Dug Heber's dahlia bulbs.

### DECEMBER 1938

#### Friday 2

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cold with moderate to fresh northwest wind. Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature about 28.

#### Arrived from Salmon River

At about 7 A.M. motored with Heber from his home, to Clifford's. Motored from Clifford's with Fred, to Sydney. Motored from Sydney to Louisbourg, on Sullivan's 9 A.M. bus. Arrived at Louisbourg at about 10:15 A.M. Came over the new highway diversion from Catalone to Louisbourg.

#### Contractor Leaves for Home

Ralph Parsons, of the firm of Ralph and Arthur Parsons of Windsor N.S. left for home by automobile this evening, he was accompanied by his brother Ezra. This firm had the contract for building the highway diversion, from the east end of the Town of Louisbourg to Catalone corner. The job has been completed and the road is now open to the public. The first sod was turned, in the construction of the highway on June 15, 1938.

### DECEMBER 1938

#### Saturday 3

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and moderately cold with light west to northwest winds. An ideal day. Min. temperature 13. Max. temperature 29.

#### Marriage

The marriage of Gerald Mosher, of this town to Miss [blank] Smith of [blank] Antigonish County N.S. took place in the evening, in the Presbyterian Church. Ceremony performed by Rev. Joseph Cathcart.

#### Grader Returned to Sydney

The Road Grader which the Town of Louisbourg had on hire from the Provincial Highway Department was returned to Sydney today. Neil Murphy towed it to Sydney with his truck.

## N. A. Sparks Arrives

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For notes regarding construction of Highway, Louisbourg to Catalone, 1938, see: June 7, 10, 11, 15, 18, July 29, Aug 6, Sept 21, Oct 4, Dec 2.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Sunday 4**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Showers in the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 40.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. Emeline and I attended services in the First United Church. The morning service was conducted by Rev. D.M. Sinclair of Trinity United Church, Sydney when the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed. The evening service was in charge of Mr. Colin Nickerson, Ministerial Student of First United Church, Louisbourg. Mr. Sinclair and Mr. Nickerson exchanged pulpits in the morning.

#### Visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend

In the afternoon, Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Monday 5**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and mild with light variable winds. An ideal day. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 42.

#### S. S. COLONY TRADER

Newfoundland Steamer "Colony Trader" arrived in the forenoon for bunker coal. After bunkering she sailed for Newark New Jersey.

#### Meeting of School Board

At 7:30 P.M. I attended and presided at a meeting of the school board. Those present were Commissioners: G.B. Hiltz, Clarence Peters, D.A. Campbell and M.S. Huntington. Clerk: B.M. Spencer, Attendance Officer: D. M. Johnston. Mrs. William Phalen, George Phalen, and Donald Phalen, Teacher's: Miss May Campbell (Principal) and Miss Christine MacLeod. At this meeting Donald Phalen was before the Board on a charge of insubordination and annoying his teacher (Miss MacLeod). He admitted his guilt, and after considering his case the Board decided to give him another chance provided he promised to do better in future and apologized for his past conduct.

#### Death of John Kennedy

The death of John Kennedy, took place at his home West Louisbourg, at an early hour this morning. Mr. Kennedy who was about 75 years of age, was some years ago Postmaster of the Town of Louisbourg. He is survived by his wife and several sons and daughters.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 6**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy, mild and foggy. Misty with light showers during the forenoon. Light southwest wind increasing to a moderate gale in the early part of the night. Showers at night. Heavy rain in the early morning. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 47.

#### Surveying Town Boundaries

Today, Colin Dickson, C.E. of Catalone, N. S. began surveying the Boundaries of the Town of Louisbourg. Beginning at the Bridge at Riverdale, known as Plunkett's Bridge, and running easterly to establish the norther boundary. His assistants are, D.M. Johnston, Dan Morrison, Frank Hart and Roy Ingraham.

#### Terrible Disaster at Sydney Mines

By the breaking of the cable attached to the riding rakes in Princess Colliery, at Sydney Mines, this morning, about 15 men were instantly killed and upwards of 75 injured.

Later: The following are the names of those who were killed, or died of their injuries within a few days of the accident: Jack Taylor, Councillor: William MacDonald, Councillor: Donald MacPhee, Carmen LeFalli, John Rollins, Malcolm MacPhee, Richard Morrison, Joseph Morrison, Edward Dawe, R. Dickson, George Brown, Dan Brown, Murdoch MacGregor, Joseph Major, William B. MacDonald, William Tuffman, William Wilkie, James Aspinall, Thomas Campbell, John Campbell and Melvin MacLeod. (As published in Sydney Post-Record)

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Wednesday 7**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and mild. Heavy gale in the early morning which after moderating continued all day. Wind southwest to west. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 44.

#### Funeral

The funeral of the late John Kennedy (West Louisbourg) took place at 9 A.M. today. Service was held in Stella Maris Church by Rev. D.H. Doyle D.D. Interment took place in the Roman Catholic Cemetery. Funeral was in charge of D.M. Johnston (undertaker).

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Thursday 8**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear with light southwest to west winds. An ideal day. Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 38.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Friday 9**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with rain which continued moderately all day and late into the night. Sleet in the forenoon. Wind southeast to east. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 34.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Saturday 10**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild with occasional showers. Light east to northeast winds, shifting to southwest during the night and clearing. Min. temperature 33. Max. temperature 41.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Sunday 11**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Partly clear with northwest gale in the early parts of the day. Wind moderated in the afternoon. Calm at night. Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 38.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. I attended services in the First United Church where Mr. Colin Nickerson (student) was the preacher, both morning and evening.

#### **Visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend**

At about 3 P.M. Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

#### **S. S. SEKSTANT**

Norweigan Steamer "Sekstant" arrived at about 10:30 P.M. for bunker coal.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Monday 12**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild. Light northwest wind shifting to southwest in the afternoon. Rain began to fall at about 4 P.M. and continued during the night. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 37.

#### **S. S. SEKSTANT**

Norweigan Steamer "Sekstant" after bunkering, sailed in the forenoon.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 13**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Rain in the early morning. Cloudy and chilly during the day with moderate to strong northwest to north winds and occasional showers and late in the afternoon snow squalls. Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 35.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Wednesday 14**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly clear until the afternoon, when it became cloudy with a few light showers of rain. Moderate to strong southwest wind. Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 35.

#### Choir Practice

At 8:30 I attended choir practice in the First United Church.

#### Visited Surveyors

In the afternoon I visited the surveying party which is at present survey [sic] the Town boundaries. They are today running the line from the first brook on the Big Lorraine highway, due south towards the shore. The party today consists of Colin Dickson, C.E., D.M. Johnston, Roy Ingraham, William King, Frank Hart and James Baker.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Thursday 15**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mostly cloudy, mild in the morning, but becoming cold and blustery during the day. Moderate westerly wind increasing to a moderate gale in the late afternoon and continuing during the night. Snow squalls in the evening. Min. temperature 6. Max. temperature 37.

#### Visited Surveyors

This afternoon, I again visited the surveying party engaged at present in surveying the boundaries of the Town of Louisbourg. They are now nearing the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, on the eastern side of the town, having run due south from the Lorraine highway, where the first brook crosses the Big Lorraine road. They will likely reach the shore early tomorrow.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Friday 16**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cold and partly clear with fresh west to northwest winds. Min. temperature 10. Max. temperature 24.

#### Motored To Sydney

Leaving Louisbourg at about 9:15 A.M. I motored to Sydney with Cecil Stevens, for the purpose of visiting the Registry Office in order to get the true course of the eastern line of the Kehoe property which is the western boundary of the Town of Louisbourg. At the Registry office with the assistance of the Register, John R. Gillis I found the original grant which was given to Catherine Kehoe, widow of the late Matthew Kehoe, and her three children, [blank] John and George, in 1865. The course given in this grant is; North 14 degrees east, beginning at the shore of Louisbourg harbour.

S. S. CHRISTIAN KROHG

Norweigan Steamer "Christian Krohg" arrived in the morning, bunkered, and sailed in the afternoon.

**DECEMBER 1938**

**Saturday 17**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and moderately cold with light to moderate variable winds, mostly southwest. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 8, Max. temperature 30.

**DECEMBER 1938**

**Sunday 18**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with rain during the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 29. Max. temperature 36.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. Emeline and I attended services in the First United Church. Mr. Colin Nickerson (student) was the preacher at both services.

**DECEMBER 1938**

**Monday 19**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild with light to moderate north to northeast winds. Rain at night. Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 33.

S. S. HAUKFJELL

Norweigan Steamer "Haukfjell" arrived at about 5 P.M. After bunkering, she sailed during the night.

**DECEMBER 1938**

**Tuesday 20**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and chilly. A light drizzle of snow beginning at about 10 A.M. continued during the afternoon and evening. Fresh to strong east to northeast winds. Snowfall about 5 inches. Min. temperature [blank]. Max. temperature about 31.

Surveying Western Town Boundary

Today, Colin Dickson C.E. and party begun surveying the western boundary of the Town of Louisbourg. I went up to the starting point, high water mark on the north shore of the harbour, and gave them instructions regarding the course to be followed. The line from the starting point on the shore follows the fence which separates the Roman Catholic Church property from property owned and occupied by John Kehoe, to the highway leading from the Town of



Louisbourg to Gabarus, thence easterly along the south side of said highway a distance of 28 feet, thence north 14 degrees east to Phalen's Brooks. Those assisting Mr. Dickson, today were; D.M. Johnston, Roy Ingraham, James Baker, David Tutty and Frank Hart.

#### Death of Edward A. Holland

The death of Edward A. Holland, a lifelong resident of Sydney Road took place at about 7 P.M. after an illness of several months. Mr. Holland who was about 61 years of age, is survived by two brothers.

### **DECEMBER 1938**

#### **Wednesday 21**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and comparatively mild with light snow squalls and moderate to fresh north to northeast winds. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 30.

#### Death of Michael MacKenzie

The death of Michael MacKenzie, well known conductor of the Sydney and Louisbourg Railway took place at Glace Bay at about 10:30 A.M. today. Mr. MacKenzie was about 64 years of age and in point of service was probably the oldest conductor on the S. & L. Railway, having been employed for upwards of 42 years with the railway company. He took the train out of Louisbourg this morning, and appeared in his usual health. He passed away shortly after arriving at Glace Bay station. His remains were brought to his home at Louisbourg on the evening train. Mr. MacKenzie has lived at Louisbourg for upwards of 42 years. He is survived by his wife, and three daughters.

### **DECEMBER 1938**

#### **Thursday 22**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and chilly with moderate to fresh north to northeast. Light snow squalls. Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 28.

#### Funeral

At about 1 P.M. I attended the funeral of the late Edward A. Holland at his home at Sydney Road. Services at the house and grave were conducted by Mr. Colin Nickerson, Student Minister of First United Church, Louisbourg. Interment took place in Catalone Cemetery. I motored to the funeral with Neil Murphy and party and after the service at the house motored back to town with George Lewis and party.

#### School Concert

At 7:30 P.M. I attended, and presided at, a concert held in the Masonic hall under the auspices of the Louisbourg Public Schools, Miss May Campbell Principal. The hall was crowded with an audience that enjoyed a very nice programme rendered by the pupils of the various departments. After the programme, a distribution of presents from a Christmas tree, in the hall, took place and was greatly appreciated by the younger members of the audience.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Friday 23**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and chilly with fresh to moderate northerly wind. Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 28.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Saturday 24**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and moderately cold in the morning. Partly in the afternoon with a few light snow squalls. Light northwest wind. Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 25.

#### **S. S. SNELAND I**

Norweigan Steamer "Sneland I" arrived in the morning. After bunkering she sailed at about 2:30 P.M.

#### **S. S. LILJEVALCH**

Swedish Steamer "Liljevalch" arrived at about 2 P.M. for bunker coal. After bunkering she sailed in the evening.

#### **Funeral**

At 8:45 A.M. I attended the funeral of the late Michael MacKenzie which took place from his late residence, East Main Street, to Stella Maris Church where Rev. D.H. Doyle P.P. conducted the funeral service. Interment took place in the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

A special train arrived at about 8:30 A.M. with members of the Railway Brotherhoods and Company officials, including J.R. MacIsaac, Traffic Manager and D.W. MacDonald, Superintendent. The Brotherhood members marched in a body ahead of the hearse from the house to the church.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Sunday 25**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with light northeast wind. Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 27.

#### **Wintry Weather**

Ground covered by about 6 inches of snow. Good sleighing and wheeling on the streets and highways. Forest trees laden with a heavy coat of snow, giving all out-of-doors a very wintry appearance.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. Emeline and I attended services in the First United Church. Mr. Colin Nickerson was the preacher both morning and evening. Special music for Christmas was rendered by the choir at both services. Sang solo, entitled "No Room in the Inn" at the evening service.

Visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend

In the afternoon, Emeline and I visited at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Monday 26**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Bright sunshine in the early part of the day. Partly cloudy during the afternoon and evening. Light northerly wind. An ideal day. Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 29.

#### Family Gathering

Today, we had our usual Christmas gathering with the usual persons present with the exception of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend who were absent owing to the illness of Mr. Townsend. Those present at dinner were as follows; Mr. & Mrs. Emerson Grant, Mrs. J. N. Spencer, Mrs. G.W. Townsend, M.S. & Mrs. Huntington, Clara Gillis (Maid) and Jack Johnson. All of the above were present at supper except Mrs. Spencer.

#### Christmas Tree

The annual Sunday School Concert and Christmas Tree of the First United Church were held in Calvin hall at 7 P.M. A good programme and large attendance was not present.

#### Open for Business

Had shop open for business from about 10 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. and from 4 to 5:30 P.M. for the purpose of accommodating newspaper customers.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Tuesday 27**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear in the morning but becoming cloudy before noon. Light northerly wind shifting to southerly and increasing to strong breeze in the evening and a gale during the night. Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 33.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Wednesday 28**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy rain and gale of wind in the early morning. Wind moderated at about 7 A.M. stopped raining at about 8:30 A.M. with the exception of a few light showers. Wind southeast to southwest shifting to west and northwest in the afternoon followed by a few light snow squalls. Cold at night. Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 36.

#### Choir Practice

At 8:30 P.M. I attended choir practice in the First United Church.

## **DECEMBER 1938**

### **Thursday 29**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cold and partly clear with a few light snow squalls. Moderate to light northwest wind. Min. temperature 6. Max. temperature 21.

#### **Council Meeting**

At 7:30 P.M. I attended, and presided at, a meeting of the Town Council. Those present were: Councillors: G.B. Hiltz, D.J. MacInnis and James F.D. Townsend, Clerk: B. M. Spencer, Police Officer: D.M. Johnston, Mayor: M.S. Huntington. At this meeting the Electric Light Committee, reported that the contract given to Gordon Cameron, during the past summer had been completed. This contract was for the extension of the light line on Lorway Street as far as Maclean's Lane, so-called. A bill from Mr. Cameron for the amount of the contract, \$125.00 was passed by the council at tonight's meeting.

Tonight, I was elected by the council to represent the Town of Louisbourg, on the Cape Breton County Joint Expenditure Board which is to meet at Sydney, about the 20<sup>th</sup> of next month. This is the 12<sup>th</sup> successive time I have had a similar appointment.

### **DECEMBER 1938**

#### **Friday 30**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and comparatively mild, soft west snow during the afternoon followed by rain at about 4 P.M. which continued for about one hour. Moderate to strong southerly wind, southwest at night. Min. temperature 7. Max. temperature 33.

#### **S. S. O.A. BRODIN**

Swedish Steamer "O.A. Brodin" arrived at about 1:30 A.M.; after bunkering she sailed at noon.

#### **Death of Mrs. John Green**

The death of Mrs. John Green (Margaret Wilcox) took place at her home, Grand Bank Newfoundland, today, after a long illness. Mrs. Green was the daughter of Fred Wilcox, and the late Mrs. Wilcox of Louisbourg.

### **DECEMBER 1938**

#### **Saturday 31**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cold with light west to northwest winds. Min. temperature 1. Max. temperature 22.

#### **Streets Slippery**

Streets and highways very slippery and dangerous to traffic.

#### **Board of Stewards**

At 7:30 P.M., I attended a meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church, in the church. Those present were: John N. MacDonald, D.J. MacInnis, William MacAulay and M.S. Huntington.

As 5 members of this board are required to form a quorum, we could not legally (sic) transact any business. We, however, decided to have the annual congregation meeting announced for Monday January 23, 1939.

## MEMORANDA

### Louisbourg 1938

List of residents and former residents of the Town of Louisbourg, N. S. known to have died either at Louisbourg or elsewhere during 1938.

Name	Date of Death	Place of Death
Mrs. George H. Crowdis,	February 6,	Louisbourg, N.S.
Samuel MacPherson,	“ 18,	“ “
Miss Sadie C. Maclean,	March 9,	Keene, New Hampshire
Miss Mary MacRury	“ 20	Louisbourg, N.S.
Mrs. Hugh A. MacIntyre,	“ 21	“ “
Duncan Troke	April 6,	City Hospital, Sydney, N.S.
Mrs. Ronald MacPhee,	“ 14	Louisbourg, N.S.
Mrs. Neil MacVicar,	“ 24	“ “
Harold MacIntosh,	May 31	“ “
William E. MacAlpine	June 28	Sydney, N.S.
Mrs. Charles Shaw	July 2	“ “
Mrs. John Johnson,	“ 29,	Cape Breton Hospital, Sydney, N.S.
Joseph Curry,	Sept. 1,	Louisbourg, N.S.
James Kennedy,	“ 5	“ “
Mrs. Richard Aker	“ 12	Sydney, N.S.
Rev. D.A. MacMillan,	“ 16	Louisbourg, N.S.
Charles Baker	Nov. 5	“ “
Donald Archie Ferguson	“ 12	“ “
Ellis Stevens (Body found)	Nov. 15	Halifax “
Michael Mackenzie,	Dec. 21,	Glace Bay “
Mrs. John Green,	“ 30	Grand Bank, Newfoundland