#### **TRANSCRIPT**

#### **HUNTINGTON DIARIES 1947**

### **JANUARY 1947**

## Wednesday 1

New Year's Day

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate northwest wind. Min. temperature 6. Max. temperature 24

Streets Bare

Streets, highways and fields mostly bare of snow.

### **JANUARY 1947**

# Thursday 2

Louisbourg N.S.

Partly clear in the morning but becoming cloudy early in the day. Snow began to fall at about 11 A.M. and continued until a late hour at night. Snowfall about 4 inches Min. temperature 6/ Max. temperature 30.

## **JANUARY 1947**

## Friday 3

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with light northwest to north winds. Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 32.

### **JANUARY 1947**

## Saturday 4

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cold with light northwest wind. Min. temperature 10. Max. temperature 20.

Good Sleighing

Good sleighing and wheeling on streets and highways throughout this district.

## **Board Meeting**

At 8 P.M. a meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church held at the home of Edison Skinner, with the Chairman, Edison Skinner presiding. 11 persons present.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

**Sunday 5**Louisbourg N.S.

Clear in the morning but becoming cloudy before noon. Moderately cold with light to moderate westerly winds. Min. temperature 6. Max. temperature 29.

## **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A, B.D. was the preacher.

Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 12

#### **JANUARY 1947**

## Monday 6

Louisbourg N.S.

Cold and mostly cloudy with light to moderate northwest to north winds. Snow squalls in the forenoon. Snowfall about ½ inch. Min. temperature 8. Max. temperature 28.

# Week of Prayer

The first of the series of Week of Prayer services scheduled for this week was held in the Presbyterian Church at 7:30 P. M. Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. pastor of the First United Church was the preacher.

(was not present)

### **JANUARY 1947**

### **Tuesday 7**

Louisbourg N.S.

Mostly cloudy with light to moderate northwest wind shifting to southwest in the late afternoon Min. temperature 6. Max. temperature 32

### Week of Prayer

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline attended the second of the series of Week of Prayer services which are being held this week.

The service this evening was held in the First United Church and was in charge of Rev. E. E. Ashley B.A., B.D. who was assisted by Rev. George C. Rowe, Pastor of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church and Rev. Guergis, Pastor of the Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisbourg Presbyterian Churches. At this Rev. Mr. Guergis was the preacher.

Fairly large congregation present , the church being about two thirds full.

Choir attendance 12.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

#### Wednesday 8

Louisbourg N.S.

Light rain in the early morning followed by light snow squalls. Mostly cloudy during the day with light northwest wind which increased to gale force in the evening with heavy snow squalls which continued during the night.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 35.

# Week of prayer

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline attended the third of the series of Week of Prayer Services, which this evening was held in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. Rev George C. Rowe, Pastor of the Anglican Church was in charge of the service and delivered the address. He was assisted in the service by Rev. E.E. Ashley, Pastor of the First United Church.

### **JANUARY 1947**

## **Thursday 9**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cold and mostly clear with fresh northwest wind which moderated during the day, Min. temperature zero, max. temperature 16.

## Week of Prayer

The fourth of the series of Week of Prayer services was held in the Presbyterian Church at 7:30 P.M. Service in charge of Rev. Guergis, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church who was assisted by Rev. E. E. Ashley, Pastor of the United Church and Rev. George C. Rowe of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. Mr. Guergis delivered the address. Was not present.

### **JANUARY 1947**

### Friday 10

Louisbourg N.S.

Cold and mostly clear with fresh to moderate northwest wind and a few light snow squalls. Min. temperature 4 below zero. Max. temperature 10.

### Week of Prayer

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the fifth and last, of the series of "Week of Prayer" services which have been held alternately between the Presbyterian, Anglican and the First United Churches beginning on last Monday evening. The service this evening was held in the United Church with Rev. Elmer E. Ashley in charge, who was assisted by Mr. Gordon Cameron, elder of the Presbyterian Church and Rev. George C. Rowe of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. Rev George C. Rowe was the preacher at tonights services. Church filled to about half capacity. Choir attendance 12.

### **JANUARY 1947**

# Saturday 11

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cold with fresh northwest wind which shifted to southwest in the late afternoon. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening. Snow began to fall at about 9 P.M. Temperature rose rapidly in the early part of the night.

Min. temperature 3 below zero. Max. temperature 28.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

# **Sunday 12**

Louisbourg N.S.

Light snow followed by light rain in the early morning. Mild and mostly clear during the day with light to moderate northwest wind, becoming fresh at night. Snowfall of last night about 2 inches.

Min. temperature 10. Max. temperature 36.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A, B.D. was the preacher

The communion of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the morning service to a large congregation.

Choir attendance: 14 at each service.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

## Monday 13

Louisbourg N.S.

Cold and remarkably clear with fresh northwest wind which moderated in the evening. Min. temperature 1. Max. temperature 12.

### S.S. DANIEL WILLIARD

United States Steamer (Liberty ships) Daniel Williard, enroute from Norwich, Norway to Baltimore, U.S. A. arrived here in the evening for oil bunker.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

### **Tuesday 14**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light variable winds. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature 3 below zero. Max. temperature 20.

#### Mr. Gorman Arrives

Mr. Gorman of L.C. Gorman Ltd Contractors and Builders, Halifax, N.S. arrived here today. This firm has been the contract for building a wharf at this port for the Louisbourg Development Company preliminary to the erection of a large Fish Processing Plant which has been under consideration for some time.

I understand the contract calls for an expenditure of \$250.000.

#### JANUARY 1947

### Wednesday 15

Cloudy and cold in the morning, but becoming mild early in the day. Light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 2. Max. temperature 32.

#### Choir Practice

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church

#### **JANUARY 1947**

## **Thursday 16**

Louisbourg N.S.

Light rain in the early morning. Cloudy and mild during the day with light variable winds mostly northerly.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 40.

## Annual Meeting Board of Trade

At 6:30 P.M. annual meeting Banquet of the Louisbourg Board of Trade, held at the "Cozy Tea Room" (Hector MacInnis proprietor) with President Bert L. Wilcox presiding. About 50 persons present. Elections of officers as follows:

President Dr. Marson, Vice-President Duncan MacKay, Secretary: Gordon Cameron (reelected) Treasurer: Arthur M. Townsend was (re-elected) Guest speaker at tonights meeting was Johnston Chew of Glace Bay, N. S.

### S.S. ROCKWOOD PARK

Canadian Steamer "Rockwood Park" arrived at about 10 P.M. for a cargo of coal.

### **JANUARY 1947**

## Friday 17

Louisbourg N.S.

Snowfall of about 2 inches in the early morning.

Clear and mild during the day with light to moderate northwest wind, fresh at times.

Min. temperature 14. Max. temperature 34.

#### S.S. CRUZIER

Dominion Coal Company's Tug "Cruzier" Captain Cabbhom arrived here shortly after noon, to take up her duties here for the remainder of the winter months.

### S.S. DANIEL WILLIARD

United States Steamer "Daniel Williard" which arrived here on the 13<sup>th</sup> of this month, and while here, took on board oil bunker, sailed this morning.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

### Saturday 18

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild, becoming cold at night.

Light showers of rain followed by snow squalls in the afternoon. Moderate fresh to strong southwest wind, shifting to west and northwest.

Min. temperature 7. Max. temperature 35.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

### Sunday 19

Clear and cold with light to moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 1 below zero. Max. temperature 10.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Small congregation at both services. Choir attendance: A.M. 9 P. M. 8.

### S.S. ROCKWOOD PARK

Canadian Steamer "Rockwood Park" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal. First cargo of coal to be shipped from Louisbourg this season.

### **JANUARY 1947**

## Monday 20

Louisbourg N.S.

Cold in the morning, becoming mild during the day. Mostly cloudy. Light winds shifting to southwest and increasing to fresh in the evening.

Snow began to fall at about 9:30 P.M. Snowfall about 2 inches.

Min. temperature 3. Max. temperature 26.

## Death of Captain MacPhail

Captain Alexander MacPhail, who for many years had his home at Louisbourg, died today at the City Hospital, Sydney after an illness of several weeks.

Captain Macphail who was 82 years of age came to Louisbourg with his wife about 45 years ago and they have made Louisbourg their home ever since that time. For many years he sailed many ships in the coal trade as an employee of the Dominion Coal Company Ltd. After his retirement a number of years ago, he had lived continuously at Louisbourg, until his recent illness. He was a native of Pictou, N.S.

### **JANUARY 1947**

### **Tuesday 21**

Louisbourg N.S.

Heavy rain in the early morning accompanied by a southeast gale. Wind shifted to southwest before dawn and moderated. Rainfall about ¾ inch. Mild and foggy during the day. Wind shifted to west and northwest in the early part of the night increasing to strong.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 40.

## **Annual Meeting**

At [blank] PM., in company with Emeline, attended the annual meeting of the First United Church congregation held in the church with Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B. A.B.D. presiding.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

## Wednesday 22

Louisbourg N.S.

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#### **JANUARY 1947**

## **Thursday 23**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cold with light snow squalls in the forenoon. Snowfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature 5. Max. temperature 34.

## Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Men's Brotherhood of the First United Church, which was held in Calvin hall with the Vice-President, William Hilchie presiding.

12 members present. At this meeting I gave a talk on my last summer's trip to the Pacific Coast.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

## Friday 24

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cold in the morning, becoming cloudy and mild in the afternoon.

Snow began to fall at about 4 P.M. and continued snowing until about 7:30 P.M.

Snowfall about 2 inches.

Light northwest wind shifting to southwest and increasing to fresh.

Min. temperature 4 below zero. Max. temperature. 32

#### S.S. ROCKWOOD PARK

Canadian Steamer "Rockwood Park" arrived in the evening for a cargo of coal.

### **JANUARY 1947**

# Saturday 25

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and mild with light southwest wind. Light showers beginning at about 9:30 P.M. Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 35.

## **JANUARY 1947**

### Sunday 26

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light variable winds. Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 36.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher.

Choir attendance: A.M. 10 P.M. 12.

#### S.S. ROCKWOOD PARK

Canadian Steamer "Rockwood Park" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

### S.S. LISCOMB PARK - S.S. KELOWNA PARK

Canadian Seamers "Liscomb Park" and "Kelowna Park" arrived in the morning and afternoon respectively for cargos of coal.

#### S.S. LADY LAURIER

Canadian Government Steamer "Lady Laurier" arrived in the afternoon.

### **JANUARY 1947**

# Monday 27

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and misty. Light drizzle of rain during the night. Light to moderate easterly winds.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 32.

### **JANUARY 1947**

### **Tuesday 28**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with some fog. Light drizzle of rain in the early morning with heavy rain in the forenoon which continued until nightfall. Cleared during the night. Rainfall about 1 inch. Light variable winds, northerly in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 40.

#### Nomination Day

This being nomination day for civic officials who are elected by popular vote the following persons filed nomination papers with the Town Clerk: Lauchlin MacIntyre, Charles Bagnell and Charles Stacey. Owing to the fact that only 3 persons filed papers where only three vacancies exist there will be no contest on Election Day, February 4. MacIntyre and Bagnell have already served in the town council while Stacey is a new man in the field. No elections for mayors this year throughout the province of N.S.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

### Wednesday 29

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light variable winds. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 32.

#### **JANUARY 1947**

## **Thursday 30**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light variable winds.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 32.

#### Funeral

At 2 P.M. attended funeral of the late Mrs. Donald J. MacLellan. Services at the house, First United Church and grave were conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley, Pastor of the United Church, Louisbourg.

### **JANUARY 1947**

## Friday 31

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild with dense fog. Light drizzle of mist and rain in the morning freezing as it fell, showery in the forenoon. Light southwest wind shifting to westerly in the afternoon and increasing to fresh in the evening. Rainfall about ¼ inch.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 44.

#### S.S. KELOWNA PARK

Canadian Steamer "Kelowna Park" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

### S.S. CARDENIA

British Steamer "Cardenia" arrived in the morning for a part cargo of steel products.

### Board of Stewards

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart with Edison Skinner presiding. Eleven persons present.

### Temperatures, Snowfall, Rainfall for January

The temperature fell to or below zero on 6 occasions.

Min. temperature: 4 below on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Max. temperature: 44 on the 31st.

Snowfall: 10 ½ inches. Rainfall: 2 inches.

### Miners Strike

About 13.000 Nova Scotia coal miners went out on strike today. All the coal miners in the province tied up.

### February 1947

## Saturday 1

Louisbourg N.S.

Mild and mostly clear with light to moderate west to northwest winds. An ideal winter day. Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature about 40.

Streets, highways and fields bare with the exception of a few patches of ice.

#### Death of Alex Bowes

Alexander Bowes died today in the Nova Scotia Hospital Dartmouth, N.S. Mr. Bowes who was 72 years of age was a native of Scotland. For a number of years he was a resident of Louisbourg where he was employed as Roundhouse foreman for the Sydney and Louisbourg Railway. After leaving Louisbourg he went to Glace Bay where he had a similar position with the S. & L. Railway until his retirement several years ago. When in Louisbourg, he was a tenant of mine in the house which is now my home.

He is survived by two sons: Robert and Thomas one living at Sydney the other at Glace Bay. One daughter Dollie who is married and lives at Glace Bay.

## February 1947

# Sunday 2

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild with light northwest wind.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 24. An ideal day.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M.. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher.

Choir attendance: A.M., 11 P.M., 14.

## Drowning Accident at Grand Mira

At about 7:30 this evening a 1940 Ford Coach containing Rev. Father Angus Bryden, Daniel Francis Gillis age 29, Mrs. Agnes Gillis 66, Miss Catherine Gillis 76 and Ronald Donald Gillis 13, all of Grand Mira south plunged through the ice on Mira River and went to the bottom. All were drowned with the exception of Father Bryden who managed to escape through an open window, as the car was sinking.

The car which was owned by Father Bryden and driven by Daniel Francis Gillis was enroute to Grand Mira north at the time of the accident.

Mrs. Agnes Gillis and Miss Catherine Gillis were sisters while Ronald Donald Gillis was a nephew of the two women and Daniel Francis Gillis was a son of Mrs. Agnes Gillis.

### February 1947

### Monday 3

Louisbourg N.S.

Light snow squalls in the early morning.

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

Min. temperature 10. Max. temperature 24.

## February 1947

## **Tuesday 4**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cooperatively mild with light northwest wind.

Min. temperature 10. Max. temperature 33.

#### S.S. GARDENIA

British Steamer "Gardenia" sailed in the evening with a part cargo of steel products (about 1800 tons). First shipment of steel from Louisbourg this season.

#### TOWN ELECTIONS

The town Elections as far as Louisbourg is concerned resulted in no contests, all the candidates, three in number being elected by acclamation.

Those returned at todays election as follows:

Charles Bagnall, Lauchlin MacIntyre and Charles Stacey. The two first named were reelected while Stacey is a new man in civic politics.

The personnel of the Town Council as it now stands is as follows:

Mayor: Guy B. Hiltz, Councillors: Edison Skinner, Edward Levy, Earl Lewis, Charles Bagnall, Lauchlin MacIntyre and Charles Stacey.

## February 1947

#### Wednesday 5

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light showers in the forenoon. Heavy rain in the late afternoon and evening. Light to moderate south and southwest winds, shifting to east and increasing to gale force during the early part of the night.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 36.

#### S.S. KELOWNA PARK

Canadian Steamer "Kelowna Park" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

# S.S. LISCOMB PARK

Canadian Steamer "Liscomb Park" arrived in the evening for a cargo of coal.

#### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. accompanied by Emeline, went to the United Church for the purpose of holding choir practice but, owing to the storm, there were so few of the members present, decided to call it off.

February 1947

Thursday 6

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain in the early morning with heavy easterly gale. Wind shifted to southwest and moderated to light before daybreak. Cloudy and mild during the day, clearing in the early part of the night. Light northwest wind and light frost at night. Rainfall ¾ inch.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 36.

### S.S. ROCKWOOD

Steamer "Rockwood Park" Capt. Stewart arrived in the evening for a cargo of coal.

# Death of Peter W. Buckley

The death of Peter W. Buckley took place today at his home on Clarkes Road, near the first Railway crossing east of the town boundary. Mr. Buckley, who was 92 years of age is survived by his wife.

## Storm Damage

As a result of last nights gale the roof of my shop was damaged. A strip of roofing about 12 feet long and 18 inches wide as well as some of the finish on the east side of the building was ripped off by the force of the wind. I spent almost the entire day making repairs which I completed shortly before night.

# **Brotherhood Banquet**

At 6:30 P.M. attended the third Annual Banquet of the Brotherhood of the First United Church held in Calvin hall. About 60 men present. The catering was done by the ladies of the MacMillan club. Guest speaker was Rev. G.C. Rowe, Pastor of S. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. Others who gave short addresses were: A.W. Stacey, Wm. Hilchey, Rev. E.E. Ashley, D.J. Matheson, B.M. Spencer, J.H. Skinner and M.S. Huntington.

Officers elected: Edison Skinner (Chairman) Wm. Hilchey (Vice chairman) Harold Wilson (Treasurer) William Stewart, Secretary.

## February 1947

#### Friday 7

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy, snow began to fall at about 11 A.M.. and continued until nightfall then followed by light drizzle of rain during the night. Snowfall at least 4 inches. For about two weeks previous to todays snow the ground was almost entirely bare.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 32.

Light southwest wind shifting to east and increasing to fresh at night.

#### S.S. LISCOMB PARK

Steamer "Liscomb Park" Capt. Pope sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

# To Sydney By Bus

Went to Sydney on the 1 P.M. bus for the purpose of meeting Mr. Fudge, who represents Angelo Canadian Mercantile Co. Ltd, of Montreal , Continental Distributing Co Ltd Montreal and William Smith & Sons, Toronto. Met Mr. Fudge at his sample room and gave him an order for merchandise. After making three more business calls left for home on the 4:30 P.M.. bus.

## February 1947

## Saturday 8

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and misty with light drizzle of rain at times which froze as it fell. Light to fresh easterly wind increasing during the night.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 32.

Ground covered by about 5 inches of snow on which is a light crust.

#### S.S. ROCKWOOD PARK

Steamer "Rockwood Park" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

### S.S. KELOWNA PARK

Steamer "Kelowna Park" arrived in the afternoon from Halifax for a cargo of coal.

## February 1947

# Sunday 9

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain in the early morning. Clear and mild during the day becoming colder at night. Easterly wind of the early morning shifted to southwest and later to west and increasing with occasional light snow squalls.

Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 34.

### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher.

Choir attendance A.M. 11 P.M. 15.

We had two new members in the choir today: Miss MacVicar and Miss Fleet. Miss MacVicar was present in the morning and both Miss MacVicar and Miss Fleet at the evening service. This is the first services they have attended as members of the choir, since they were recently invited.

#### Visited by a Robin

Both yesterday and today our back yard was visited by a robin. About the middle of last month I saw a robin on two or three different occasions in our yard. I have no doubt that the bird I saw in January is the same one that was here yesterday and today. On both his visits I placed some fox berries on the bottom of a barrel in the yard, which he soon discovered and ate them with apparent relish.

#### S.S. GARDENIA

British Steamer "Gardenia" arrived in the afternoon for bunker coal.

### February 1947

## Monday 10

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and comparatively mild with light to moderate southwest to west winds and occasional snow squalls. Snowfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 32.

#### S.S. GARDENIA

British Steamer "Gardenia" after bunkering sailed in the afternoon.

#### S.S. MEIGLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Meigle" enroute from Halifax to Newfoundland arrived in the late afternoon for bunker coal.

## February 1947

## **Tuesday 11**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and moderately cold with moderate to fresh west and northwest winds.

Snow squalls in the early morning and in the evening. Snowfall about 1 inches.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 29.

## S.S. KELOWNA PARK

Steamer "Kelowna Park" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

#### S.S. ROCKWOOD PARK

Steamer "Rockwood Park" arrived for a cargo of coal.

## February 1947

### Wednesday 12

Louisbourg N.S.

Cold and mostly clear with light to moderate northwest wind and a few light snow squalls in the evening and the early morning.

Min. temperature 10. Max. temperature 20.

### S.S. ROCKWOOD

Steamer "Rockwood Park" sailed in the afternoon with a cargo of coal.

### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church .

### February 1947

### **Thursday 13**

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately cold and mostly clear with fresh northwest wind. Light snow squalls in the early morning. Min. temperature 14. Max. temperature 24.

### S.S. LISCOMB PARK

Steamer "Liscomb Park" Capt. Pope arrived for a cargo of coal.

## February 1947

## Friday 14

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild with light northwest wind. Snow and ice melting in the bright sunshine. Min. temperature 14. Max. temperature 35. An ideal day.

### S.S. LISCOMB PARK

Steamer "Liscomb Park" finished loading, and sailed with a cargo of coal.

## Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M. was present at a meeting of the Town Council. Those present were Mayor: G.B. Hiltz, Councillors: Charles Bagnall, Lauchlin MacIntyre, Edison Skinner, Edward Levy and Charles Stacey. Town Clerk: D.F. Nicholson. Councillors: Charles Bagnall, Lauchlin MacIntyre and Charles Stacey sworn into office by Mayor Hiltz.

Charles Stacey is a new member of the council and this is the first meeting he has attended, in the capacity of a councillor. Bagnall and MacIntyre having served several years in the Council, were reelected to office on the 4<sup>th</sup> of this month.

The Council as it now stands is composed of Mayor G.B. Hiltz, Councillors: Edison Skinner (Deputy Mayor) Charles Bagnall, Edward Levy, Lauchlin MacIntyre, Earl Lewis and Charles Stacey.

## February 1947

# Saturday 15

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear in the morning but becoming cloudy early in the day. Mild with light northwest wind shifting to southwest. Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 33.

### S.S. RANDOM

Newfoundland Steamer "Random" arrived in the afternoon and anchored in the stream.

## February 1947

### Sunday 16

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light easterly winds and some fog along the coast. A few speckles of rain in the evening. Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 38.

#### S.S. KELOWNA PARK

Steamer "Kelowna Park" arrived in the forenoon for a cargo of coal and anchored in the stream.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M.. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Choir attendance A.M.. 12 P.M.. 15.

At the United Church Brotherhood Banquet held on the 6<sup>th</sup> of this month it was decided that today the 16<sup>th</sup> should be set aside as Brotherhood Sunday when all the men of the congregation should make a special effort to be present at at least one of the services. For that purpose an invitation was sent out to each man of the congregation. As a result there were rather more men present at both services than usual; about 30 in the morning and upwards of fifty in the evening.

## February 1947

## Monday 17

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with freezing mist in the morning followed by drizzle of rain freezing as it fell and continuing all day. Fresh northeast wind increasing and reaching gale force in the afternoon. Very disagreeable and slippery.

Min. temperature 29. Max. temperature 33.

# February 1947

## **Tuesday 118**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with moderate northeast wind. Heavy rain in the early morning. Light drizzle with a few showers during the day

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 34.

Drift ice on the coast and in the southwest end of the harbor.

### Board of Stewards

At 8 P.M. attended a special meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church, held at the home of William Hilchey. Those present were: Edison Skinner (Chairman), Oscar Harris (Secretary), John H. Skinner, Rod MacLeod, Charles Bagnall, William Hilchey, William Stewart, Edward Levy and M.S. Huntington. At this meeting it was decided to increase the insurance on the Church and Manse by \$2000.00 on each which shall make the insurance at the Church \$8000.00 and on the Manse \$5000.00.

## February 1947

# Wednesday 19

Louisbourg N.S.

Mild and mostly cloudy with light northwest wind, increasing to fresh at night.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 38.

#### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted Choir practice in the First United Church.

### S.S. SAUREL

Canadian Government Ice Breaker, Saurel, Capt. arrived in the evening.

## February 1947

## **Thursday 20**

Louisbourg N.S.

Mostly clear and moderately cold with fresh to moderate northwest wind.

Min.temperature 5. Max. temperature 28.

# Motored to Sydney

Went to Sydney on the morning bus. Arrived at Sydney at about 8:45 A.M. Called to see Innis MacLeod regarding the settling of the Mrs. Eliza Townsend Estate of which I am administrator, the settlement of which is scheduled to take place on next Tuesday, February 25. Had lunch at the Isle Royale Hotel. Made several business calls during the day. Called to see R.A. Peters, who since returning from the City Hospital, where he was a patient for about four months, is now staying with his brother's son, 199 Union Street. Found Mr. Peters much improved in health and looking real well. He is now able to go out for a walk when weather permits.

Returned home on the bus leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M.

### United Church Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the First United Church Brotherhood held in Calvins hall, with Chairman Edison Skinner presiding. 16 persons present.

# S.S. SAUREL

Canadian Government Steamer "Saurel" sailed in the morning.

#### S.S. KYLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Kyle" arrived here early in the afternoon with passengers, mails and freight from Newfoundland. First trip here this season.

## February 1947

# Friday 21

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with light northwest wind in the morning, which shifted to easterly, increasing to fresh in the evening. Snow began to fall at about 6 P.M. and continued for several hours, then followed by hail. Snowfall about 4 inches. Drift ice on the coast. Min. temperature 7. Max. temperature 28.

## S.S. RANDOM S.S. KELOWNA PARK

Steamers "Random" and "Kelowna Park" which arrived here on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> respectively for cargos of coal sailed for Norfolk, Virginia, U.S.A. today. These boats were unable to get coal at this port owing to the strike of the Nova Scotia miners which began at midnight on last Saturday.

These two ships have gone to Norfolk for coal.

#### S.S. KYLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Kyle" sailed shortly before noon, with freight, passengers and mails for Port-au-Basque, Nfld. The stevedoring at this port was carried out by local men for the first time. Previously when the Nfld passenger and freight boats came here the regular stevedores from North Sydney came here by either train or taxi for the purpose of unloading and loading cargo and mails.

# Worlds Day of Prayer

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the World's Day of Prayer Service which was held in the First United Church, under the auspices of the Womens Missionary Society. Mrs. William Hilchey President of the W.M.S. was in charge of the service. Others taking part were: Mrs. Alex C. Mac Donald

## February 1947

# Saturday 22

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and mild with light easterly wind. Light rain in the early morning, freezing as it fell. As a result all out of doors covered with a coating of ice which mostly thawed during the day. Streets covered with about 4 inches of snow and hail, and very slushy.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature. 36.

Harbor full of drift ice

### Snow Plough

Snow plough of the Highway Department came through from Sydney and returned during the early part of the night.

#### February 1947

## Sunday 23

Louisbourg N.S.

Mild and mostly clear with light westerly winds.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 36.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A. B.D. was the preacher. Sang solo at evening service "Come Ye Disconsolate".

Girl Guides and Brownies attended in a body at 11 A.M. Sunday school staff installed at evening services and prizes and certificates distributed to boys and girls for highest attendance at church services etc. for the year 1946.

#### S.S. KYLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Kyle" arrived in the afternoon with passengers, mails and freight from Nfld.

### S.S. ARTHUR CROSS

Steamer "Arthur Cross" arrived in the afternoon with part cargo of Brick and other material (about 2.000 tons) for the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation.

#### Drift Ice

Harbor blocked with drift ice, making it difficult for ships to reach the docks.

## February 1947

## Monday 24

Louisbourg N.S.

Partly clear during the early part of the day. Snow began to fall at about 1:30 P.M. and continued until about 6 P.M. Moderate to fresh southeast wind, shifting to westerly during the night. Snowfall about 4 inches.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 34.

#### S.S. KYLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Kyle" sailed with passengers, mails and freight for Nfld.

### S.S. NORTHERN RANGER

Newfoundland Steamer "Northern Ranger" arrived shortly after noon ,with a cargo of herring to be discharged at this port.

### February 1947

## **Tuesday 25**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear with light variable winds. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature 10. Max. temperature 34.

## Went to Sydney

Went to Sydney on the morning bus, for the purpose of closing the estate of the late Mrs. Eliza Townsend of which I am the administrator. Arrived at Sydney at about 9 A.M. Met Mr. Innis MacLeod, Barrister at his office at 9:30 A.M. and with him completed arrangements for going before the Register of Probate, J.J. Smith at 2:30 P.M. Had lunch at Isle Royale hotel at noon. In company with Mr. MacLeod at 2:30 P. M., went to the office of the Register where the closing of the estate was completed.

Provincial Legislature Opened

The Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia opened its annual session at Halifax today, under the Premiership of Angus L. Mac Donald. Chief Justice Sir Joseph Chisholm officiated at the opening in the place of Lt. Governor H.E. Kendall who was absent owing to illness.

## February 1947

## Wednsday 26

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear in the morning, but becoming cloudy early in the day. Light to moderate westerly winds. Light snow squalls. Mild.

Min. temperature 14. Max. temperature 34.

## Prayer Meeting Choir Practice

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended prayer service in the First United Church, which was followed by choir practice. Rev. E.E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was in charge of the service. Prayer meetings, on Wednesday evenings, are to be continued during the Lenten season according to announcement.

#### Death of G.A. Siteman

The death of George Arthur Siteman, occurred this morning at his home on Wolfe Street. Mr. Siteman was a native of Sheet Harbor, Halifax County, N.S. but has been living at Louisbourg for many years. He was 88 years of age and is survived by his wife and one son, Oswald who lives in the United States. Another son, Wallace died a number of years ago.

## February 1947

## Thursday 27

Louisbourg N.S.

Mild and mostly clear with light westerly wind.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 35. An ideal day.

### February 1947

## Friday 28

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild becoming cloudy at noon with light variable winds. Light snow squalls in the evening. Harbor full of loose drift ice.

#### S.S. ARTHUR CROSS

Canadian Steamer "Arthur Cross" which arrived here on last Sunday, with part cargo of brick and other products for the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation, finished discharging and sailed in the afternoon.

### S.S. NORTHERN RANGER

Newfoundland Steamer "Northern Ranger" which arrived here on last Monday with a cargo of herring from Newfoundland, discharged her cargo during this week and sailed late this afternoon.

## TEMPERATURES AND SNOWFALL FOR FEBRUARY

Throughout this month the weather has been unusually mild for this season of the year. No zero temperatures.

Min. temperature 5 above zero, on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Max temperataure 40 on the 1<sup>st</sup>.

Snowfall: 14 inches.

No complete record of rainfall. Would estimate it at not more than 2 inches.

### **MARCH 1947**

## Saturday 1

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild with light winds mostly northwest.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 35. An ideal day.

#### Funeral

At 1:45 P.M., attended the funeral of the late George Arthur Siteman, which took place from his late residence on Wolfe Street. Service at the house, St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church and grave were conducted by Rev. Rowe, Pastor of St. Bartholomew's Church. Burial took place in the Anglican Cemetery on Clarke's Road. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston Funeral Director.

## Town Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M., attended a meeting of the Town Council held in the Town Office with Mayor G.B. Hiltz presiding. Those present were: Mayor Hiltz, Councillors: Charles Bagnall, Edison Skinner, Edward Levy, Earl Lewis, Lauchlin MacIntyre and Charles Stacey. Town Clerk: D.F. Nicholson, Police Chief: D.M. Johnston, Town Solicitor, E. Mackay Forbes. Others present were: Sam Levy, Clifton Townsend and Troke.

## **MARCH 1947**

### Sunday 2

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light winds mostly northeast.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 36.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A. B. D., was the preacher.

Choir attendance 14 at each service.

### S.S. SAUREL

Canadian Government Icebreaker Saurel. arrived in the morning.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## Monday 3

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with fresh to strong east to southeast winds. Snow began to fall at 1 P.M.. and continued until about 6 P.M. then followed by mist and light drizzle of rain and part snow. Snowfall about 6 inches.

Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 24.

#### S.S. BURGEO

Newfoundland Steamer "Burgeo" arrived in the morning with passengers and mails. The Burgeo with load cargo of freight at this before returning to Newfoundland.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## **Tuesday 4**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild with moderate southeast wind, which shifted to westerly in the late afternoon, clearing at night.

Min. temperature 31.Max. Temperature 37.

Streets very slushy, wheel tracks bare of snow on the street in the afternoon. Harbor full of drift ice.

#### S.S. BURGEO

Newfoundland Steamer "Burgeo" sailed in the afternoon for Newfoundland in the afternoon with a cargo of freight.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## Wednesday 5

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild with light winds, mostly southwest.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 35. Snow melting during the day, light frost at night. Middle of the streets bare. Harbor full of light drift ice.

#### S.S. SAUREL

Canadian Government Icebreaker "Saurel" sailed.

# Prayer Meeting Choir Practice

At 7:30 P.M. . in company with Emeline, attended prayer service in the First United Church led by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley. Prayer service followed by choir practice which was well attended .

### **MARCH 1947**

### **Thursday 6**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild with light to moderate winds mostly northerly becoming fresh during the night. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 32.

Drift ice nearly all moved of (sic) the harbor during the day owing to the northerly winds.

# Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the United Church Brotherhood, held in Calvin Hall with Edison Skinner presiding. A feature of this meeting was a debate."Resolved that old age pensions, of \$50.00 per month should be paid to all persons over the age of 65 years regardless of the means test."

For the affirmative: Rev. E.E. Ashley, William Stewart and Duncan Mackay. For the negatives: William Hilchey, B.M. Spencer and M.S.. Huntington. no decision given. About 20 persons present.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## Friday 7

Louisbourg N.S.

Snow flurries in the early morning, with a snowfall of about 2 inches. Cloudy and mild during the day with light drizzle of rain during the afternoon and evening. Light north wind shifting to northeast increasing to fresh and strong in the early part of the night.

Harbor and coast clear of ice.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 36.

### **MARCH 1947**

## Saturday 8

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild with fresh, moderate to light northeast wind. Snow thawing rapidly all day.

Light frost at night. Weather very springlike.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 38.

Harbor and coast clear of drift ice.

## **MARCH 1947**

# Sunday9

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with fresh to moderate east- northeast wind.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 34.

Western portion of the harbor filled with drift ice during the day.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M.. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher.

Fairly large congregations both morning and evening.

Choir attendances: A.M. 15 P.M. 13.

#### **MARCH 1947**

### Monday 10

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear becoming cloudy in the evening with moderate northeast wind.

 $Min.\ temperature\ 26.\ Max.\ temperature\ 36.\ We stern\ part\ of\ the\ harbor\ full\ of\ drift\ ice\ .$ 

Snow squalls in the early part of the night.

### **MARCH 1947**

## **Tuesday 11**

Louisbourg N.S.

Mostly cloudy with light to moderate east to southeast winds.

Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 36.

#### S.S. KYLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Kyle" arrived in the morning with passengers, mails and freight from Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

#### W.M.S. Social

In the evening in company with Emeline attended Women's Missionary Society Social (United Church) held in Calvin hall.

### **MARCH 1947**

## Wednesday 12

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool. Bright sunshine all day with light variable winds.

Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 32. An ideal day.

## S.S. KYLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Kyle" sailed at about 11:15 A.M. for Port-au-Basque, Nfld with passengers, mails and freight.

### S.S. SAUREL

Canadian Government Icebreaker "Saurel" arrived in the afternoon.

Prayer Service Choir practice

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended prayer service in the First United Church which was conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. Also choir practice at the close of the prayer service. Started practice on the Easter music this evening.

### **MARCH 1947**

### **Thursday 13**

Louisbourg N.S.

Remarkably clear with light to moderate winds mostly southwest. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 14. Max. temperature 38.

## S.S. KYLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Kyle" arrived at 10 P.M. with passengers, mails and freight from Portau-Basque, Nfld.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## Friday 14

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light to moderate southwest winds. Rain began to fall at about 4 P.M. which was followed by snow at about 4:30 which lasted for about two hours. Rain followed at about 7:30 and continued during the night. Snowfall about 2 inches.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 46.

#### S.S. KYLE

Newfoundland Steamer "Kyle" sailed at about 5 P.M. for Port-au-Basque with passengers, mails and freight.

#### **MARCH 1947**

# Saturday 15

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and mild with a few showers of rain in the forenoon which were followed by light snow squalls in the afternoon. Rainfall of last night and today about ½ inch.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 40.

## Meeting of Town Council

At 7:30 P.M. attended a meeting of the Town Council.

Those present were: Mayor G.B. Hiltz, Councillors: Charles Bagnall, Edison Skinner, Edward Levy, Earl Lewis, Lauchlin MacIntyre and Charles Stacey. Town Clerk: D.F Nicholson, Chief of Police: D.M Johnston. Among others present were Dr. Manson, Alistor Mac Donald, William Stewart, Harold MacQueen and Gordon Cameron.

#### **MARCH 1947**

#### Sunday 16

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with some fog and a few light snow squalls followed by light rain in the afternoon.

Light southwest winds shifting to northerly in the evening and clearing.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 34.

### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A, B.D. was the preacher.

Choir attendance: 13 at each service.

#### **MARCH 1947**

# Monday 17

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and threatening with light variable winds. Snow squalls during the night.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 34.

# **Highway Closed**

Beginning at midnight last night the highways through the province were closed to all heavy traffic. As a result of this closing order, the heavy bus running between this town and the city of Sydney has been taken off the road. The heavy bus has been replaced by a seven passenger car which is inadequate to take care of traffic between these two points.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## **Tuesday 18**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable winds. Ground covered by about 1 inch of snow in the morning as a result of last nights snow squalls. Snow melted during the day but was followed by thick snow squalls in the evening. Clearing during the night.

Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 35.

#### **MARCH 1947**

#### Wednesday 19

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate westerly winds. About one inch of snow on the ground as a result of last nights snow squalls. Snow disappeared during the day.

Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 36.

## Prayer Service Choir Practice

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended prayer service in the First United Church, which was led by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley.

At the close of the prayer service, attended and conducted choir practice.

#### **MARCH 1947**

### Thursday 20

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear with bright sunshine all day with light northwest wind which shifted to westerly in the late afternoon. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 38.

## Meeting of Rehabilitation Committee

At 2:30 P.M. attended a meeting of the Louisbourg Rehabilitation Committee held in the Town office with Chairman Charles Dickson presiding. Those present were: Charles Dickson (Chairman) D.F Nicholson (Secretary) Rev Father D.H. Doyle (Treasurer) Charles Bagnall, Alistar MacDonald and M.S. Huntington. All officers reelected for the ensuring year.

# Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended regular meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church held in Calvin hall with Chairman Edison Skinner presiding.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## Friday 21

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear in the morning but mostly cloudy during the rest of the day, with some fog in the afternoon.

Light variable winds, northerly at night increasing to moderate.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 39.

# Meeting of Board of Stewards

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church held at the home of Edison Skinner. Those present were: Edison Skinner (Chairman) Oscar Harris (Secretary) William Stewart, Edward Levy, Charles Bagnall, D.J MacIntyre, John H. Skinner, William Hilchey and M.S. Huntington.

#### **MARCH 1947**

### Saturday 22

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with fresh to strong northeast wind. Snow began to fall at about 9:30 A.M. and continued until late in the afternoon. A very disagreeable day. Snowfall about 5 inches. Snow drifting furiously all day and late into the night.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 31.

#### S.S. RANDOM

Newfoundland Steamer "Random" arrived in the afternoon.

### **MARCH 1947**

# Sunday 23

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with the sun shining through occasionally during the afternoon. Gale of yesterday and last night continued throughout the day, the wind having shifted to north. Light snow squalls in the forenoon. Wind moderated to some extent in the late afternoon. Min. temperature 27.Max. Temperature 31.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Congregations small at both services owing to unfavorable weather conditions.

Choir attendance: A.M. 6, P.M. 9.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## Monday 24

Louisbourg N.S.

Bright sunshine all day, with fresh northerly winds, which moderated in the evening.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 43.

Snow melting fast. Sreets mostly bare in the evening.

#### S.S. BURGEO

Newfoundland Steamer "Burgeo" with passengers and mails from Newfoundland arrived in the evening.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## **Tuesday 25**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild becoming cloudy in the evening with light mist shortly after rainfall.

Light southwest wind shifting to easterly in the afternoon and southeast at night.

Min. temperature 24.Max. temperature [blank].

#### First Robin

Saw a robin this afternoon. First of the season. I do not know if his is a new-comer or if he is one that visited us in January and February of this year.

### Removed to Sydney

Mrs. Alex MacPhail our next door neighbour who has been a resident of this town for upwards of 40 years moved to Sydney today where she will live with her son John. Her husband Captain Alex MacPhail predeceased her on January 20 of this year. The MacPhail house is now vacant and I understand is for sale.

#### **MARCH 1947**

#### Wednesday 26

Louisbourg N.S.

Heavy showers in the early morning. Mild and mostly clear during the day. Light frost at night. Light southwest wind.

Min. temperature 30. Max temperature 40.

Prayer Service Choir Practice

At 7:30 P.M. In company with Emeline, attended Prayer service in the First United Church, led by Rev E. E. Ashley.

Attended and conducted choir practice at the close of the evening service.

#### Death of Neil MacInnis

The death of Neil MacInnis occurred today at his home, 44 Central Street, Sydney, N.S. Mr MacInnis who was 62 years of age, for the past several years operated a tailoring business, in rooms over the Royal Bank of Canada, Louisbourg, representing the House of Stone, Toronto. He is survived by his second wife and one daughter, Mrs Harold Skinner, Sydney. He is also survived by one sister and three brothers.

### **MARCH 1947**

## **Thursday 27**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh westerly wind moderating in the evening.

Min. temperature 13.Max temperature 33.

Eastern end of the harbor and docks packed with drift ice.

#### S S. BURGEO

Newfoundland Steamer, "Burgeo" which finished loading freight for Newfoundland last night was unable to get away from the dock this morning owing to ice conditions. The Icebreaker, "Saurel" arrived in the afternoon and made a path through the ice to the dock, after which the "Burgeo" sailed.

### Tea and Sale

At about 5 P.M. In company with Emeline and Jane, attended supper and Fancy Sale in Calvin hall, sponsored by the MacMillan Club of the First United Church.

### Fishermens Regatta

At 8 A.M. attended and presided at a meeting held in the Navy League building held for the purpose of organizing and making arrangements for a Fishermen's Regatta, to be held on the first of the coming July. At this meeting: Mayor G.B. Hiltz was elected Chairman (in his absence) Alistar MacDonald, Secretary and William Stewart, Treasurer.

## **MARCH 1947**

# Friday 28

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light to moderate west to southwest winds shifting to westerly in the evening. Snow began to fall at about 7 P.M. and continued during the night.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 35.

### Went to Glace Bay

Emeline and Evelyn went to Glace Bay in the morning by train returning in the evening.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## Saturday 29

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with moderate to fresh northwest wind which moderated in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 9. Max. temperature 28.

Snowfall of last night about 6 inches.

# Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M. attended Council meeting held in the Town office with Mayor G.B. Hiltz presiding. Councillors present were: Edison Skinner, Edward Levy, Earl Lewis, Charles Bagnall and Charles Stacey. Town Clerk: D.F. Nicholson. Chief of Police: D.M. Johnson.

### Death of Mrs. Publicover

The death of Mrs. Harry Publicover occurred this morning at her home on Pepperell Street after a brief illness. Her husband predeceased her in October 1945. She was 60 years of age and is survived by a sister, Mrs. Langille who has been living with her for the past several years.

#### **MARCH 1947**

## Sunday 30

Louisbourg N.S.

Cold in the early morning, becoming mild with light variable winds. Snow squalls which began in the morning continued all day and into the night.

Snowfall about 5 inches.

Min. temperature 10. Max. temperature 38.

## **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A, B.D. was the preacher.

Medium size congregations at both services.

This being Palm Sunday, we had a special Palm Sunday anthem at each service.

Choir attendance: 14 at each service.

#### **MARCH 1947**

#### Monday 31

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear with light to moderate west and northwest winds.

Bright sunshine all day. Snow melting.

Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 39.

Funeral

At 9 P.M. attended funeral of the late Mrs. Harry Publicover which took place from her late residence on Pepperell Street. Service at the house and grave were conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director. Burial took place in the United Church cemetery.

#### Church Service

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended Holy Week Service in the First United Church conducted by Rev. E.E. Ashley.

Choir attendance 10. Sang solo entitled "The Christ of the cross".

## TEMPERATURES, SNOWFALL FOR MARCH

Weather unusually mild. Min. temperature for the month: 9 above zero on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

Max. temperature 46 on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Snowfall: 28 inches. No estimate of rainfall.

## **APRIL 1947**

## **Tuesday 1**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate north west wind. Bright sunshine all day . Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 35.

#### S.S. RANDOM

Newfoundland Steamer "Random" which arrived here on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of last month, finished loading about 80 cars of freight, sailed in the afternoon for Nfld.

#### Grackles Have Arrived

This morning I saw and heard a Grackle. They usually arrive about this time each season.

#### **Church Services**

At 7:30 accompanied by Emeline, attended Holy week service in First United Church conducted by Rev. E.E. Ashley. A fairly large congregation in attendance. Choir members present 12.

## **APRIL 1947**

### Wednesday 2

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with light to moderate southwest wind which shifted to northeast in the evening. Light drizzle of rain for a short time in the forenoon. Partly clear at times in the afternoon. Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 42.

#### Visited Athletic Field

At about 2:30 P.M. in the afternoon with Mayor G.B. Hiltz and Councillors: Edison Skinner and Charles Bagnall, Alister MacDonald and Dr. Manson.

## Church Service Choir Practice

AT 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the third of the series of Holy Week services held in the First United Church. Service was conducted by Rev. E.E. Ashley. Attendance good for a week night service. Church members present: 14.

After the close of the service, attended and conducted choir practice.

## First Song Sparrow

Saw a Song Sparrow in our backyard this afternoon. First I have seen this season.

### **APRIL 1947**

# Thursday 3

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate north northwest wind.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 34.

# Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8:30 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the United Church Brotherhood held in Calvin hall with Edison Skinner presiding. About 18 persons present.

John Skinner and M.S. Huntington were the caterers for the evening.

### Church Service

At 7:30 P.M. attended the fourth of the series of Holy Week services in the First United Church. A fairly good attendance of the congregation .

Choir attendance: 11.

#### **APRIL 1947**

# Friday 4

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh north northwest wind.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 34.

## **Church Service**

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline attended service in the First United Church which was conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. This was the fifth and last of the series of Holy Week services. Attendance good.

15 members in the choir.

At 4 P.M. a children's service was held in the church conducted by Mr. Ashley.

#### **APRIL 1947**

### Saturday 5

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light variable winds in the forenoon, southwest in the afternoon.

An ideal day.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 38.

#### **Board of Stewards**

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church held in Calvin hall with the chairman Edison Skinner presiding.

### **APRIL 1947**

## Sunday 6

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy. Rain began to fall at about 8:30 A.M. and continued moderately nearly all day. Light to moderate southwest wind. Rainfall about ½ inch.

Min. temperature [blank] Max. temperature about 38.

**Church Services** 

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher.

The communion of the Lord's Supper was administrated at the morning service, to the largest number of communicants for many years. The congregations were large at both morning and evening services despite unfavorable weather conditions. Special Easter music at both services. Choir attendance: A.M. 14, P.M. 16.

The following persons joined the church at the morning service: Transferred from other churches: Mr. & Mrs. William Hilchie, Mrs. Edward Levy, Mrs. George Stacey, Mrs. Gordon MacLeod, Mrs. John DeFries and Mrs. John MacRury. On profession of faith: Edison Skinner Jr, Gordon Cann, Ruth Bagnall, William Covey and Mrs. Arthur Dominey.

#### **APRIL 1947**

#### Monday 7

Louisbourg N.S.

Showers in the morning. Cloudy becoming partly clear at times. Light to moderate southwest wind shifting to westerly.

Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 48.

### S.S. SAUREL

Canadian Government Icebreaker "Saurel" arrived in the evening.

### First Fox Sparrow

Saw a fox sparrow in our backyard this afternoon. First of the season.

#### **APRIL 1947**

#### **Tuesday 8**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with moderate northwest- northeast and north winds. Light snow squall at 1 P.M.

Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 45.

## Death of Alex Ferguson

The death of Mrs. Alex Ferguson. occurred this morning. at the home of her son, Angus on Spencer Street after an illness of several months. Mrs. Ferguson. who was 85 years of age. is survived by one son. Angus with whom she lived and three daughters, Effie at Halifax, Mrs. B Young (Elizabeth) Halifax, Mrs. M. Smith (Irene) Vancouver B.C.

#### **APRIL 1947**

## Wednesday 9

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and very chilly with moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 35.

### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

### **APRIL 1947**

# **Thursday 10**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool becoming milder in the afternoon. Light variable wind, mostly northeast. Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 41.

#### Funeral

At 2 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Alex Ferguson which took place from the home of her son on Spencer Street. Services at the house, United Church and grave were conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley. Burial took place Willow Grove Cemetery on Clarkes Road. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

#### **APRIL 1947**

### Friday 11

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate southwest wind and a few light showers in the afternoon. Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 40.

#### **Brotherhood Social**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended congregational Social held in Calvin hall under the auspices of the Brotherhood of the First United Church. At this Social an address and presentation was made to Mr. and Mrs. John N. MacDonald, in appreciation of their services to the United Church, as Treasurer and Secretary respectively, positions which they held continuously since the union of the Methodist and Presbyterian church of Louisbourg in 1928. Prior to the union, they held similar positions with Calvin Presbyterian Church. Between the two churches they have served a total of 36 years. I wrote the presentation address today and read it at the social this evening when the presentation was made by Edison Skinner, Chairman of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church. Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald were presented with a radio. Mrs. MacDonald was not present.

There were about 100 persons present at the social.

Rev. E.E. Ashley acted as Chairman.

### **APRIL 1947**

## Saturday 12

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate variable winds. Showers in the afternoon and evening. Min. temperature 30.Max. Temperature 42.

#### **APRIL 1947**

## Sunday 13

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with light drizzle of rain at times in the forenoon and light drizzle of snow during the afternoon and evening. Light northwest wind.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 32.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher.

Choir attendance: A.M. 12, P.M. 12.

### **APRIL 1947**

#### Monday 14

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and very chilly with light to moderate easterly wind shifting to southwest in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 32.

### S.S. SAUREL

Government Icebreaker "Saurel" sailed in the morning.

#### **APRIL 1947**

### **Tuesday 15**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with some rain in the forenoon. Partly clearing in the afternoon. Winds variable. Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 37.

#### **APRIL 1947**

## Wednesday 16

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 38.

#### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

#### **APRIL 1947**

# **Thursday 17**

Louisbourg N.S.

Snow storm in the early morning, followed by hail and mist, freezing as it fell, at about 8 A.M. Moderate easterly wind shifting to southwest and in the evening to northwest. Snowfall about 7 inches. Snow thawing in the afternoon and streets very slushy.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 38.

#### **APRIL 1947**

## Friday 18

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate variable winds, mostly southwest in the afternoon.

#### **APRIL 1947**

# Saturday 19

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with fresh northwest wind .

Min. temperature 26.Max. temperature 47.

### **APRIL 1947**

## Sunday 20

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with fresh to moderate westerly winds.

Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 39.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Congregations small at both services. Choir attendance: A.M 11, P.M. 16.

Death of Mrs. Clarence Corrington

The death of Mrs. Clarence Corrington, widow of the late Thomas Corrington, occurred this morning at her home at West Louisbourg. Mrs. Corrington who was about 63 years of age had been ill for some time.

#### **Ends Pastorate**

Rev. George C. Rowe [Blank]

## **APRIL 1947**

# Monday 21

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cold but clearing shortly before noon. Fresh northwest wind continuing all day. Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 40.

# Fishermen's Regatta

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Fishermen's Regatta committee held in the Navy League hut with the Chairman, Mayor G.B. Hiltz presiding.

Those present were: Mayor G.B. Hiltz, A.W. Stacey, William Stewart, Sherman O'Hara, Alex Wilcox, George Wilcox, Sam Levy, Wilfred covey, Hugh Lynk.

# Wedding

At 2 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the marriage of Ellis Raymond Cheserine, of Eureka, N.S. to Miss Sarah Deering, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Deering of this town, which took place in the First United Church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley, Pastor of the United Church. The choir was present at the marriage and sang "O perfect Love" during the signing of the register.

Emeline and Evelyn my (sister-in-law) attended the reception at the Deering home at 4 P.M.

#### **APRIL 1947**

## **Tuesday 22**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 41.

## Funeral

The funeral of the late Mrs. Clarence Corrington took place this morning from her late home at West Louisbourg to Stella Maris Roman Catholic Church. Services at the church and grave were conducted by Rev. Father D.H. Doyle. Burial in R.C Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston. Funeral Director, Louisbourg, N.S.

#### **APRIL 1947**

# Wednesday 23

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 41.

#### Choir Practice

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

# Death of Joseph Huntington

The death of Joseph Huntington occurred today at the City Hospital, Sydney, N.S. after a brief illness. He was the oldest son of the late Herbert Huntington and was born at Huntington, Mira 63 years ago. For about 30 years he was an employee of the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation Ltd. as a locomotive engineer. He is survived by his wife, two sons Herbert at Sydney, Hector in the Canadian Army, in Ontario, three daughters: Annie at home, Mrs. John MacLeod (Phemie), Mrs. Joseph Joli (Violet) both of Sydney. Two brothers: Addison, Worcester, Massachusetts, John in British Columbia, two sisters: Mrs. Duncan MacKenzie, Mira Gut (Ruth) Mrs. Arnold Murchison (Katie) Sydney.

Mr. Huntington's home was at 349 Townsend Street, Sydney, N.S.

#### Grass Fire

At about 10:45 A.M. the fire alarm sounded for a Grass fire at Havenside on the east side of the street near Alex Aliniard's. The firemen responded quickly and the fire was extinguished with (sic) any serious damage being done. This is the first time that the new 5 horse power siren was used for a fire. This siren was installed last November near the jail and fire station.

#### **APRIL 1947**

## **Thursday 24**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with fresh to strong southwest winds and a few light rain squalls.

Min. temperature 29. Max. temperature 45.

#### **APRIL 1947**

## Friday 25

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh northwest wind moderating in the evening.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 46.

## **APRIL 1947**

# Saturday 26

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light to moderate winds, variable in the forenoon, easterly in the afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 38.

Funeral

Went to Sydney on the morning bus for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late Joseph Huntington. After arriving at Sydney visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hedley Hopkins, 101 Rockdale Avenue and at about 11 A.M. the home of the late Joseph Huntington, 349 Townsend Street. Here I met Addison Huntington, a brother of the late Joseph, whom I had not seen for upwards of 45 years. He is now living at Worcester, Massachusetts and came back to the old home to attend the funeral of his brother.

Had dinner at "Isle Royale" hotel at noon. At 2:30 P.M. attended funeral of the late Joseph Huntington. The funeral service was held at the house and was conducted by Rev. Frank MacLean of St. Andrews United Church assisted by Rev. C.M. Munn of the Baptist Church, Rev. D.M. Sinclair of Trinity United Church and Rev. Alexander A. Murray of West Minister Presbyterian Church. Burial took place in Hardwood Hill cemetery. Among those out-of-town attending the funeral were: Clifford, Fred, George, Harry and Elinor Huntington, Mrs. Cecil Hussy, Mrs. Harvey Hussy and F.A. Huntington.

# **Council Meeting**

At 7:30 P.M.. attended a regular meeting of the Town Council. Those present were: Mayor G.B. Hiltz, Councillors: Edison Skinner, Charles Bagnall, Earl Lewis and Lachlin MacIntyre, Police Officers D.M. Johnston (Chief) and Charles Peck, Town Clerk: D.F Nicholson, Town Solicitor E. MacKay Forbes Barrister, Glace Bay.

# **APRIL 1947**

# Sunday 27

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear in the morning becoming cloudy at noon. Chilly with light to fresh southwest wind increasing during the night.

Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 43.

# **Church Services**

At 11 AM. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A, B.D. was the preacher.

Small congregations at both services.

Choir attendance: A.M., 12, P.M., 11.

# **Daylight Time**

In common with the City of Sydney and many towns throughout this province, Louisbourg went daylight saving time at the hour of 12 o'clock last night.

# **Begins Pastorate**

Rev. J.T. Turner who has succeeded Rev. George C. Rowe in the pastorate of St Bartholomew's Anglican Church held his first service since accepting the call to this church today.

## **APRIL 1947**

# Monday 28

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain in the early morning accompanied by strong southwest wind, which shifted to westerly after dawn and moderated. Cleared early in the forenoon, wind increasing to strong in the afternoon and moderating in the evening. Rainfall about ½ inch.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 40.

# Restrictions Lifted

Weight restrictions for traffic on the highway throughout the province which have been in force for the past number of weeks were lifted today by the Highway Department.

## **APRIL 1947**

# **Tuesday 29**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with fresh variable winds. Snow squalls in the early afternoon. Later clearing. Snowfall about 2 inches.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 42.

#### **APRIL 1947**

# Wednesday 30

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool. Snow squalls in the morning and forenoon, followed by light rain in the afternoon which continued until late at night. Snowfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 42.

# TEMPERATURES, SNOWFALL, RAINFALL FOR APRIL

Lowest temperatures for the month 12 on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

Max. temperature: 48 on the 7<sup>th</sup>.

Snowfall: 10 inches. Rainfall about 1 inch.

## **MAY 1947**

## Thursday 1

Louisbourg N.S.

Chilly and very disagreeable, moderate to light northeast. Rainfall from early morning until late at night.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 42.

## Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, held in Calvin hall with the President, Edison Skinner in the chair. 15 persons present as follows: Edison Skinner, John H. Skinner, Roderick MacLeod, B.M. Spencer, Wellington Spencer, William Hiltchie, D.J. MacIntyre, William Stewart, Harold Wilson, Wilson Levy, John MacDonald, John Bagnall, Charles Bagnall, Rev. Elmer E. Ashley and M.S. Huntington.

#### **MAY 1947**

# Friday 2

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain of yesterday and last night continued until a late hour this afternoon. Light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 32.Max. temperature 45.

#### **FIRE**

At about 4 P.M. the fire siren sounded for a fire at the home of Fred Hunt on Main Street. Firemen responded with equipment, but on reaching the scene of the fire it was not necessary to use it. The fire was confined to a mattress in a bed upstairs, which was thrown out of doors before any serious damage had been done.

# **Boxing**

Police Officer, Charles Peck of this town at Halifax tonight, won a decision over Alvin Upshaw, of Halifax in a six round bout.

Peck weighed 152 lbs and Upshaw 155.

## **MAY 1947**

# Saturday 3

Louisbourg N.S.

Showery, foggy and misty in the morning and most of the forenoon. Cloudy, foggy and mild during the afternoon and evening. Light winds.

Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 49.

Rainfall: Wednesday until today inclusive; 4 1/4 inches.

#### **MAY 1947**

## Sunday 4

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with thick fog and light southwest wind. Mild.

Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 52.

## **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Medium size congregations at both services.

Choir attendance: A.M. 12 P.M. 13.

#### **MAY 1947**

## Monday 5

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy. Foggy and mild, with light southwest wind.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 54.

## **MAY 1947**

#### **Tuesday 6**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and mild with moderate southwest wind. A few heavy showers in the afternoon. Rainfall about ¼ inch.

Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 54.

#### Death of Dan Wilson

The death of Dan Wilson, a life-long resident of Kennington Cove occurred this morning at his home after a brief illness. He was in the 82<sup>nd</sup> year of his age.

#### **MAY 1947**

# Wednesday 7

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy in the morning, becoming clear during the forenoon. Light to variable southwest wind. Springlike in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 57.

# Sails for Sydney

Dominion Coal Company's Tug "CRUIZER" Capt. Cullman, sailed for Sydney at about 9 A.M.

#### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

#### **MAY 1947**

## **Thursday 8**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and foggy. Heavy showers in the afternoon with thunder and a few flashes of lighting. Partly clearing in the evening.

Light southwest wind shifting to westerly at night and increasing. Rainfall about ½ inch. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 50.

#### Funeral

The funeral of the late Dan Wilson, took place from his late home at Kennington Cove this afternoon. The services at the home and grave were conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley, Pastor of the First United Church, Louisbourg. Burial took place in the cemetery at Catalone. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director of Louisbourg.

#### **MAY 1947**

# Friday 9

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh to strong westerly wind.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 46.

#### **MAY 1947**

# Saturday 10

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate variable winds.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 51.

#### **MAY 1947**

# Sunday 11

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate westerly winds.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 59.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M.. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A, B.D. was the preacher except at the evening service, when the service was in charge of the Women's Missionary Society, and was conducted by Mrs. E.E. Ashley assisted by Mrs. WM. Hilchey, Mrs. A.W. Stacey ad Mrs. Rory Martell closing with Benediction by Rev. E.E. Ashley.

At the morning service a junior choir composed of the children of the Sunday school about thirty in number led the service of song. They acquitted themselves in a splendid manner. This, for the most of them was the first time that they ever acted in this capacity, including my little niece, Jane Huntington. Mrs. D.A MacMillan acted as organist for the junior choir. Comparatively large congregations were present at both services. At the evening service the attendance of the regular choir was 14.

# **MAY 1947**

# Monday 12

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 47.

Eastern end of the harbor caught over with ice in the morning. Very cool for so late in the season.

# **MAY 1947**

## **Tuesday 13**

Clear with light to moderate southwest to west winds, shifting at noon to easterly. Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 65.

## **MAY 1947**

# Wednesday 14

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with snow squalls in the morning. Clearing in the forenoon. Fresh to strong northwest wind. Very chilly.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 40.

Snow disappeared early in the day.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

# Dredging Resumed [Blank]

## **MAY 1947**

# **Thursday 15**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate northwest wind, which shifted to southeast shortly after noon. Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 53.

## **MAY 1947**

# Friday 16

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 51.

Lobster Fishing Season Opens [Blank]

#### **MAY 1947**

## Saturday 17

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 58.

Showers in the morning, clearing early.

## **MAY 1947**

# **Sunday 18**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with moderate northwest wind, which shifted to easterly shortly after noon.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 66.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. And 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Medium sized congregations at each service.

Choir attendance: A.M. 11 P.M. 14.

## **MAY 1947**

# Monday 19

Louisbourg N.S.

Showers in the morning, clearing in the afternoon. Light variable winds.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 59.

## **MAY 1947**

## **Tuesday 20**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate southwest wind. Light showers during the afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 44.

# "Path Across the Hills"

At 8:15 P.M. Evelyn, Emeline and I attended a play in Calvin hall, entitled "Path across the Hills". This play was sponsored by the Men's Brotherhood of the First United Church, and directed by Mrs. Roy Martell. Those in the cast were: William Hilchey, Miss Elsie Bagnall, Miss Mary MacLean, Mrs. Charles Stacey, Duncan MacKay, Louis Coughlan, Miss Christine Bagnall, Oscar Harris and John A. MacLeod. The hall was packed to the door. Amount realized \$100.50.

## **MAY 1947**

# Wednesday 21

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh to strong northwest wind which moderated in the afternoon and shifted to southwest.

Min. temperature 34.Max. temperature 58.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended, and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

#### **MAY 1947**

# **Thursday 22**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate southwest wind. A few light showers and some fog in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 54.

# **Brotherhood Meeting**

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, held in Calvin hall with the President Edison Skinner presiding. 16 persons present. This is the last meeting for this season. The next season is to open on or about the middle of October next.

#### **MAY 1947**

# Friday 23

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm, becoming cloudy in the afternoon, with light rain at night. Light variable winds.

Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 64.

#### **MAY 1947**

# Saturday 24

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with some fog. Partly clear for a while in the afternoon. Cloudy with fog in the evening. Light to moderate easterly winds shifting to southwest in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 56.

#### Planted Dahlias

Planted 10 dahlia bulbs in the afternoon, first this season.

# **MAY 1947**

# Sunday 25

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm becoming cool in the afternoon. Light winds easterly in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 64.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Small congregation in the morning, medium in the evening.

Choir attendance: 11 at each service.

#### **MAY 1947**

# Monday 26

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with light to moderate easterly to southerly winds. Light showers in the forenoon followed by heavy rain during the afternoon. Rainfall at least ½ inch. Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 46.

# General Holiday

Today was kept as a general holiday in the Town of Louisbourg, as well as in a number of towns in the Province, including the cities of Halifax and Sydney. This holiday was observed in the place of the 24<sup>th</sup> which is a Dominion statutory holiday, and this year fell on Saturday.

#### **MAY 1947**

# **Tuesday 27**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and moderately warm with light southwest wind. Mist and light showers during the early part of the night.

Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 57.

# Visits Louisbourg

Mr. H.L. Bishop O.B.E, R.N. (Retired) England's Navy League, accompanied by H.J. Gillard Dominion Secretary of the Navy League of Canada, visited Louisbourg in the afternoon, arriving at about 4:15. They were accompanied from Sydney by John M. MacLeod, Secretary of the Sydney branch of the Navy League and his wife and daughter. After they had spent about an hour at the Louisbourg Navy League hostel, I accompanied the party and some of the Louisbourg citizens on a visit to the Louisbourg National and Historic, where I gave a short talk on the Louisbourg of the past and led them on a visit to the Citadel and a few other points of interest.

On arriving back to the hostel at about 6 P.M. about thirty of us sat down to lunch consisting of Lobsters, Rolls, coffee and pie. After lunch an address in connection with the Navy League and Sea Cadets was given by Mr. Bishop, who is a Commander in the British Navy. Short addresses were also given by Mr. Gillard, Mr. MacLeod and Wilfred Covey, President of the Louisbourg Branch of the Navy League . Mayor G.B. Hiltz presided at the luncheon. Emeline accompanied me to the hostel and was with me at lunch. The party left for Sydney at about 8 P.M.

# **MAY 1947**

#### Wednesday 28

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately warm and mostly clear with light winds, mostly southerly. Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 61.

**Choir Practice** 

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church .

#### **MAY 1947**

# Thursday 29

Louisbourg N.S.

Showers in the morning. Cloudy and cool, clearing shortly before noon. Bright sunshine during the afternoon. Light to moderate variable winds.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 57.

# Went to Sydney

In company with Emeline, went to Sydney on the 7:30 A.M. bus. Spent the most of the day shopping. Had dinner at the Isle Royale Hotel. Returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M.

#### **MAY 1947**

## Friday 30

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate southerly wind. Light showers in the evening. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 52.

# Concert, Trail Rangers & Explorers

At 8 P.M., Emeline, Evelyn and I attended a concert in Calvin hall, held under the auspices of Trail Rangers and Explorers, two children's organizations of the First United Church. Jane Huntington, aged 8, my niece, took part as a member of the Explorers. In addition to taking part in the dialogues she sang a solo entitled "Playmates" which was very well received by the audience. This was Jane's first appearance in a play, and the first time she sang in public. The hall was crowded with interested listeners.

# **MAY 1947**

# Saturday 31

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain in the early morning. Cloudy in the forenoon clearing shortly after noon. Light variable winds, mostly northeast.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 54.

# Meeting of Town Council

At 7:30 P.M. (as a spectator) attended a regular meeting of the Town Council, held in the Town Office, with Mayor G.B. Hiltz presiding. Others present were: Councillors: Edison Skinner, Edward Levy, Earl Lewis, Charles Bagnall, Lauchlin MacIntyre and Charles Stacey. Town Clerk: D.F. Nicholson, Chief of Police: D.M. Johnston, Town Solicitor: E. Mac Kay Forbes. A delegation from the local Branch of the Canadian legion, consisting of Charles Dickson, D.J. MacIntyre.

# TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL FOR MAY

Min. temperature: for this month 22 on the 12<sup>th.</sup>

Max. temperature: 66 on the 18<sup>th.</sup>

Rainfall: 5 1/2 inches.

## **JUNE 1947**

# Sunday 1

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate southwest becoming fresh in the late afternoon.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 56.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. And 7 P. M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A, B.D. was the preacher. Medium size congregations at both services.

Choir attendance 10 at each service.

## Death of Alden Murchison

The death of Alden Murchison, of 218 Park Street, Sydney took place in the City Hospital, this afternoon after a long illness. Mr. Murchison who was in the 22<sup>nd</sup> year of his age is survived by his mother, Mrs. Arnold Murchison (the former Miss Katie Huntington) and three sisters. The sisters are Edith and Katherine, at home, Mrs. Stewart Oland, Coxeath. Another sister, Mrs. Grant MacCharles predeceased him nine years ago. He was a member of St. Andrews United Church. Funeral is to take place on Tuesday afternoon, June 3, from his late residence on Park Street. Interment in Hardwood Hill Cemetery.

## **JUNE 1947**

# Monday 2

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with light southwest winds.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 58.

#### Planted Gladioli

Planted gladioli bulbs in the garden today.

#### Death of Jeremiah Smith

The death of Jeremiah Smith occurred at the General Hospital, today of Jeremiah Smith after a long illness. He was the son of the late Jeremiah and Mrs. Smith of Louisbourg.

#### **JUNE 1947**

## **Tuesday 3**

Cloudy with light showers in the morning and evening and some fog during the day. Light northeast wind.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 52.

## **JUNE 1947**

# Wednesday 4

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain in the morning. Cloudy and chilly with fresh to strong northerly wind moderating to some extent in the evening. Partly clearing in the afternoon.

Rainfall: ½ inch. Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 47.

# **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

#### **JUNE 1947**

# Thursday 5

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light northwest wind, shifting to southwest at about 11 A.M. and increasing to moderate .

Min. temperature 33. Max. temperature 58.

#### Funeral

At 2:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the funeral of the late Jeremiah Smith which took place from the residence of his mother on Kent Street. The services at the house and grave were conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D., Pastor of the First United Church. Hymns sang at the service: "We have heard a joyful sound", "Sleep on Beloved Sleep" and "Some Time We'll Understand'.

Pallbearers: George O'Neil and Robert Barnes, Sydney, Charles Bagnall, D.J. Kennedy, Clifton Townsend and Freeman Mac Kenzie, Louisbourg.

Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

Burial in United Church Cemetery on Clarkes Road.

#### **JUNE 1947**

## Friday 6

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with showers and some fog.

Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 51.

#### **JUNE 1947**

## Saturday 7

Cloudy and cool in the early part of the day. Clearing shortly before noon. Moderate to fresh north north east wind.

Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 51.

## **JUNE 1947**

# **Sunday 8**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light northeast wind which shifted to southwest in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 31.Max. temperature 57.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. And 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Church about half full at each service. Choir attendance A.M. 13 .P.M. 12.

#### **JUNE 1947**

# Monday 9

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy, early in the forenoon. Light to moderate easterly and southerly winds increasing at night.

Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 56.

# Public Holiday

Today is a Statutory Holiday throughout the Dominion of Canada in celebration of the anniversary of the birth of King George the Sixth. In Louisbourg, Schools, Town Office and Bank were closed as well as the larger stores.

Had shop open for business all day in order to accommodate my newspaper customers.

#### **JUNE 1947**

## **Tuesday 10**

Louisbourg N.S.

Heavy rain in the early morning followed by mist and some fog during the entire day. Min. temperature 38.Max. Temperature 45.

Rainfall of last night 2 1/4 inches. An exceptionally heavy downpour for such a short time.

## W. M. S. Meeting

Women's Missionary Society of the First United Church, of which Mrs.Wm Hilchey, is President met in session at our home this evening.

# **JUNE 1947**

# Wednesday 11

Cloudy, misty and cool with light to moderate northeast wind. Cleared shortly before noon. Wind shifted to southwest in the afternoon. A very pleasant afternoon as far as weather was concerned.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 56.

#### **JUNE 1947**

# **Thursday 12**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear becoming cloudy and threatening in the afternoon. Cool with light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 57.

#### **JUNE 1947**

# Friday 13

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to fresh northwest wind which moderated to calm at night.

Min. temperature 46. Max. temperature 65.

A very lovely spring day

#### **JUNE 1947**

# Saturday 14

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately warm and remarkably clear with light variable winds, shifting nearly all around the compass, becoming cloudy in the evening. A perfect day.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 75.

#### **JUNE 1947**

## Sunday 15

Louisbourg N.S.

Rained moderately until late in the afternoon. Moderate southeast wind shifting to north-northeast in the evening and moderating to calm. Rainfall about ½ inch.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 54.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. in company with Emeline, attended service in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church where the service was conducted by Rev. Turner.

At 7 P.M. we attended service in the Presbyterian Church where Rev. Guergis was the preacher.

No service in the First United Church today as the Pastor, Rev. Elmer E. Ashley is at Sackville, N.B. attending the conference of the United Church.

#### **JUNE 1947**

## Monday 16

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain in the morning with some fog. Clearing shortly before noon. Light southwest wind shifting to northeast in the evening. Rainfall about ¼ inch.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 64.

#### **JUNE 1947**

# **Tuesday 17**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light northerly wind.

Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 62.

# Went to Sydney

Went to Sydney on the 7:30 A.M. bus. At Sydney met Thomas Pattiello, with whom I had an appointment for the purpose of purchasing Christmas goods. Had lunch with Mr. Pattiello at the Isle Royale hotel. Made a number of business calls during the afternoon. Returned home on the bus leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M..

# **JUNE 1947**

# Wednesday 18

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light variable winds. Southwest in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 32.Max. Temperature 60.

# Domestic Science and Art Exhibition [Blank]

# **JUNE 1947**

# **Thursday 19**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with some fog. Cleared partly in the forenoon but became cloudy and foggy again in the afternoon. Light variable winds.

Min. temperature 32.Max. Temperature 59.

## Visited National Park

In the afternoon visited the Louisbourg National Park, with Dr. and Mrs. D.L. Cooper of Halifax and Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis of Louisbourg. At the park we visited the museum Citadel and other places of historic interest. For the benefit of Dr. and Mrs. Cooper's first visit to the park and museum, I gave a short talk on the early history of the old French stronghold. We returned at about 3:30 P.M.

# Headstone Erected

Within the last two weeks a headstone and tablet have been erected to the memory of the Duc de Anville. At his grave in front of the site of the High Altar in the King's Chapel, which was located in the Chateau St. Louis. At the King's Bastian or Citadel Louisbourg.

## **JUNE 1947**

# Friday 20

Louisbourg N.S. [Blank]

# **JUNE 1947**

# Saturday 21

Louisbourg N.S. [Blank]

# **JUNE 1947**

# Sunday 22

Louisbourg N.S. [Blank]

# **JUNE 1947**

# Monday 23

Louisbourg N.S. [Blank]

# **JUNE 1947**

# **Tuesday 24**

Louisbourg N.S. [Blank]

## **JUNE 1947**

# Wednesday 25

Louisbourg N.S. [Blank]

## **JUNE 1947**

# Thursday 26

Louisbourg N.S. [Blank]

#### **JUNE 1947**

# Friday 27

Salmon River

Clear and moderately warm with light winds, mostly easterly. Max. temperature about 77.

# Salmon River to Louisbourg

Left Clifford's at about 7:50 A.M. and went out to the highway with the intention of going to Sydney on the milk truck which makes daily trips and is driven by Ronald MacKinnon. While waiting for the milk truck, Arthur Crawley came along with his truck, enroute to Sydney and kindly offered me a drive which I accepted. We arrived at Sydney shortly before 9 A.M. where I had an appointment with Mr. F. Fudge who represents the Angelo-Canadian Mercantile Co, Continental Distribution Co and William Smith & Sons Ltd. Met Mr. Fudge at his sample room shortly after 9 A.M. and placed orders with him for the firms he represents. Had lunch as the guest of Mr. Fudge at noon in the "Isle Royale" hotel.

Made several business calls during the afternoon and left for Louisbourg on the "Highland Lines" bus at 4:30 P.M. Arrived home shortly before 6 P.M.

#### **JUNE 1947**

# Saturday 28

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light variable winds, mostly easterly. Cloudy in the evening with some fog.

Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 69.

# Meeting of Town Council

At 7:30 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the Town Council. Those present were: Mayor G.B. Hiltz, Councillors: Edison Skinner, Edward Levy, Earl Lewis, Charles Bagnall, Lauchlin MacIntyre and Charles Stacey. Town Clerk D.F. Nicholson, Town Solicitor: E.. Mac Kay Forbes, Chief of Police: D.M. Johnston.

#### **JUNE 1947**

## Sunday 29

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with some fog. Clearing in the evening but becoming foggy early in the night. A very light shower of rain during the afternoon. Light variable winds.

Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 70.

# **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Congregations comparatively small at both services.

Choir attendance: A.M. 12 P.M. 13.

#### Service at Catalone

At 3 P.M. in company with Emeline and other members of the First United Church Choir attended service in the United Church at Catalone, which was conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley assisted by Rev. Geurgis of the Presbyterian congregations of Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisbourg. At this service the Presbyterian congregation of Catalone united with the Catalone United Congregation, having held their afternoon service an hour earlier than usual in order to give the congregation an opportunity of attending the united service.

At this service the commission of the Lord's Supper was dispensed. Members of the Louisbourg choir attending as follows: D.F. Nicholson, Alex Nicholson, Mrs. Angus MacDonald, Mrs. D.J MacIntyre, Miss Elsie Bagnall, Mrs. M.S. Huntington, Mrs. Charles Bagnall (organist), Miss Christine Bagnall and M.S. Huntington (Director).

# Death of Alex MacDonald Sr. [Blank]

## **JUNE 1947**

# Monday 30

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Some fog along the coast line.

Min. temperature 49 .Max. temperature 74.

## Meeting of Racing Committee

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Fishermen's Racing Committee, held in the Navy League hostel for the purpose of finishing the arrangement for the Fishermen's Race which is to take place tomorrow on Louisbourg Harbor, weather permitting. Those present were: Mayor G.B. Hiltz (Chairman) Alister Mac Donald (Secretary) Hugh Lynk, Charles Bagnall, A.W. Stacey and M.S.. Huntington.

#### TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL FOR JUNE

Min. temperature for this month 29 on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Max. temperature: 75 on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Rainfall: 3 1/4 inches.

### **JULY 1947**

## **Tuesday 1**

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately warm and partly clear with moderate southwest wind. Thick fog along the coast and in the morning and late afternoon enveloping the harbor.

Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 70.

Fishermen's Boat Races

In the afternoon beginning at 1:30, a Fishermen's Regatta was held on the harbor, with the starting point off the Government Wharf.

## **JULY 1947**

# Wednesday 2

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and very foggy with moderate southwest wind. Light shower of rain followed by mist in the morning.

Min. temperature 52.Max. temperature 62.

#### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline , attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

#### **JULY 1947**

# Thursday 3

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with mist and showers during the forenoon. Light to moderate southwest winds. Fog cleared at noon. Skys partly clear with the sun shining occasionally. Rainfall. Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 70.

## Associated Board of Trade

At about 12:30 P.M. Johnston Chew, President of the Associated Board of Trade of Cape Breton arrived here by auto, accompanied by C. Gordon Cockshutt, President of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce. Don L Morrell, Executive Secretary of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce and W.J. Phillip, Ex-President of the Gault Ontario Board of Trade.

## **JULY 1947**

# Friday 4

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately warm and partly clear with light southwest wind.

Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 68.

## **Preparatory Service**

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the Quarterly Preparatory Service in the First United Church, where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. 25 persons present including 6 in the choir.

#### **JULY 1947**

## Saturday 5

Cloudy and foggy, becoming partly clear for a while in the afternoon. Fresh southeast wind in the morning shifting to southwest and moderating.

Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 68.

#### **JULY 1947**

# Sunday 6

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately warm and partly clear with moderate southwest wind. Fog both morning and evening.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 65.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. At the morning service the communion of the Lord's Supper was dispensed. Fairly good congregations at both services. Choir attendance: A.M. 11, P.M. 14.

#### **JULY 1947**

# Monday 7

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with fresh to light southwest wind.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 68.

#### Pouring Concrete

The L.C. Gorman Ltd. which has the contract for the construction of a wharf for the proposed fish plant on the harbor front began pouring concrete this afternoon The most of the material required for the construction of the wharf which is to be of concrete has been assembled and is ready for immediate use.

# **JULY 1947**

# **Tuesday 8**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy, foggy. Misty with light drizzle and a few light showers. Partly clear for a short time in the early afternoon. Rainfall about 1/8 inch.

Min. temperature 51. Max. temperature 72.

#### **Funeral**

At 2:30 P..M. Emeline and I attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Bleecher Townsend, which took place from the funeral parlor of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director to the Anglican Cemetery on Clarkes Road.

The commit (sic) service in the cemetery was conducted by Rev. Turner, Pastor of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. The late Mrs. Bleecher Townsend died at Pelham, New York

in 1942. Her body was brought here for reenterment alongside the graves of her husband and daughter.

# **JULY 1947**

# Wednesday 9

Louisbourg N.S.

Warm and partly clear with light northeast, southeast and southwest winds. Considerable fog along the waterfront.

Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 73.

### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended choir practice in the First United Church. Eight choir members present.

## **JULY 1947**

# **Thursday 10**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and very warm with light to moderate winds varying from northwest to southwest and back to northwest in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 55. Max. temperature 85.

# Went to Glace Bay

Evelyn and daughter, Jane went to Glace Bay by train in the morning for the purpose of having Jane entering the General Hospital where she is to have tonsils and adenoids removed.

#### **JULY 1947**

#### Friday 11

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with some fog. Partly clear for a short time in the afternoon. Foggy at night. Light to moderate southeast to southwest winds.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 70.

# Went to Sydney

Emeline went to Sydney on the 7:30 A.M. Bus returning in the evening.

#### **JULY 1947**

## Saturday 12

Louisbourg N.S.

Warm and mostly clear. Light to moderate winds varying from northwest to southwest and back to northwest at about 4 P.M. when the temperature rose to 82.

Min. temperature 57. Max. temperature 82.

# Returned from Glace Bay

Evelyn, my sister-in-law, and daughter Jane, returned from Glace Bay on the train this evening. Jane underwent an operation in the General Hospital yesterday for the removal of tonsils and adenoids.

#### **JULY 1947**

# **Sunday 13**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and warm. becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Moderate to fresh west and northwest winds. Moderating shortly after noon.

Showers beginning at about 4 P.M. continued during the evening and early part of the night, with some thunder and lighting. Rainfall ¼ inch.

Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 82.

## **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. 3 P.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher.

Congregations small at both the morning and evening services. The 3 P.M. service was a special service held for the Orange Association and kindred societies which paraded to the church headed by the Donkin C.B. Band of 25 pieces. The Band played three numbers in the church during the service. The church at this service was crowded to the doors.

Choir attendance: 11 A.M. 11, 3 P.M. 13, 7 P.M. 12.

# **JULY 1947**

# Monday 14

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately warm and partly clear with light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 74.

# **JULY 1947**

# **Tuesday 15**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with some fog in the morning but clearing early in the forenoon. Light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 74.

# Sunday School Picnic

The Sunday school picnic of the First United Church was held today at Mira Gut. The picnickers went to Mira on the train at 8:15 standard time and returned in the evening on the train due here at 4:15 standard time.

Liberal Wins Halifax by Election [Blank]

## First Block Launched

The first block (concrete) of the new wharf being built for the proposed fish plant, was launched this evening.

## **JULY 1947**

# Wednesday 16

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Some fog in the morning/Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 8.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. Seven members present.

# Death of Mrs. Horatio Tanner [Blank]

## **JULY 1947**

# **Thursday 17**

Louisbourg N.S.

Foggy in the morning and evening, clear and warm with moderate southwest wind during the day.

Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 75.

#### **JULY 1947**

## Friday 18

Louisbourg N.S.

Foggy in the morning, but clearing in the forenoon and again becoming foggy and misty in the middle of the afternoon and continued during the night.

Min. temperature 57. Max. temperature 78.

## **JULY 1947**

## Saturday 19

Louisbourg N.S.

Foggy and warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Fog lifted a short time at noon but shut in again during the afternoon. A thick fog bank along the coast all day.

Min. temperature 62. Max. temperature 76.

## H.M.S. Padstow Bay Arrives

H.M.S. "Padstow Bay" arrived here on a goodwill visit at 5 P.M. She was due here at 10 A.M. but was delayed owing to fog on the coast. The "Padstow Bay" is a frigate and carries a crew of about 175 and is commanded by Commander Forbes R.N.

#### **JULY 1947**

# Sunday 20

Louisbourg N.S.

Foggy during the morning and evening. Partly clear during the greater part of the day, but a heavy fog bank along the coast. Light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 75.

#### **Funeral**

At 1 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Dan MacLeod which took place from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Smith, Elwood Street. Services at the house, Presbyterian Church and grave were conducted by Rev. K. Geurgis. Burial took place in Catalone Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

## Visited National Park

In the afternoon visited the Louisbourg National and Historic Park with Commander Forbes of H.M.S. Padstow Bay and some of the other officers of the ship.

Mayor G.B. Hiltz and several of the Town Councillors were also members of the party that went to the park.

## **JULY 1947**

# Monday 21

Louisbourg N.S.

Warm and mostly cloudy with some fog. Light variable winds mostly easterly. A light shower of rain at about 1 P.M.

Min. temperature 60. Max. temperature 72.

# Had Lunch on Board H.M.S. PADSTOW BAY

At 1 P.M., with Mayor G.B. Hiltz, Dr. Marson and Councillor Earl Lewis, had lunch on board H.M.S. Frigate, "PADSTOW BAY" as guests of Commander Forbes R.N.

# First Swordfish

The first swordfish to be caught off Louisbourg this season was landed here today, when boats brought in two fish.

# Marriage

The marriage of Albert Bussey Jr. to Miss Eileen Wilcox, both of this town, took place in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church at 2 P.M. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Turner. After the ceremony a reception was held in the parish hall which was followed by a dance.

# **JULY 1947**

### **Tuesday 22**

Foggy in the morning and evening, but clear and warm during the rest of the day. A heavy bank of fog hung along the coast all day. Light to moderate southwest to west-southwest winds. Min. temperature 61. Max. temperature 78.

## S.S. PUGWASH SAILED

Tug, "Pugwash", Capt. Chapman, which has been here since last fall tending on the Dredge P.W.D. 115 sailed today. Her place has been taken by the Tug Canso.

#### JULY 1947

# Wednesday 23

Louisbourg N.S.

Foggy and warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Sun shining through the fog occasionally.

Min. temperature 62. Max. temperature 80.

#### H.M.S. PADSTOW BAY

H.M.S. Frigate, "Padstow Bay", which arrived here on last Saturday evening sailed at 2 P.M. enroute to [Blank].

#### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

# **JULY 1947**

# Thursday 24

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and foggy all day with moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature 63. Max. temperature 76.

# On Vacation

Mrs. Heber Huntington, my sister- in- law and clerk accompanied by his daughter Jane, left this afternoon for Marion Bridge and Salmon River where she intends to spend two weeks of holidays. At Marion Bridge she will be the guest of her mother and at Salmon River the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington.

## **JULY 1947**

# Friday 25

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind. First day in a long time the fog was absent.

Min. temperature 53. Max. temperature 75.

#### JULY 1947

# Saturday 26

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and warm, northwest wind in the early part of the day, which shifted to southwest in the forenoon.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 78.

## **JULY 1947**

# Sunday 27

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind which moderated during the day. Light northeast wind at night.

Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 78.

# **Anniversary Services**

At 11 A.M., 3 P.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended anniversary service of the First United Church. Services in charge of Rev. E.E. Ashley the regular pastor, with Rev. Norman MacQueen of Somerville, Massachusetts as the special preacher at each service.

All services fairly well attended.

Choir attendance: A.M. 12, 3 P.M. 14, 7 P.M. 14.

#### **JULY 1947**

# Monday 28

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and warm during the greater part of the day with fresh southwest wind, moderating in the evening. Cloudy with some fog in the morning.

Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 77.

#### **JULY 1947**

# **Tuesday 29**

Louisbourg N.S.

Warm and mostly cloudy with light to moderate southwest wind. Foggy at night with a few very light showers.

Min. temperature 63. Max. temperature 79.

## **JULY 1947**

# Wednesday 30

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and warm with light southwest wind and some fog. A few very light showers during the day. Rainfall about 1/32 of an inch.

Min. temperature 63. Max. temperature 75.

**Choir Practice** 

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

#### **JULY 1947**

# Thursday 31

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and foggy in the morning and evening.

Partly clear with sun shining through occasionally during the noon hours. Moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature 60. Max. temperature 75.

# TEMPERATURES RAINFALL FOR JULY

Min. temperature during the month 50 occurring on the  $1^{st}$   $4^{th}$  and  $5^{th.}$  Max. temperature 85 on the  $10^{th.}$ 

Warmest and foggiest July for many years.

Scarcely a day during the entire month that there was not a bank of fog along the coast.

## **AUGUST 1947**

## Friday 1

Louisbourg N.S.

Foggy in the morning, but clearing early in the forenoon. Partly hazy during the day with fresh southwest wind. Warm.

Min. temperature 62. Max. temperature 78.

Wind moderated to calm in the evening.

#### Dredge Finishes Dredging Job

Government Dredge P.W.D. 115 finished dredging the site of the wharf which is now being constructed in connection with the proposed Fish Plant.

#### **AUGUST 1947**

#### Saturday 2

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy during the forenoon, but clearing at noon Warm with very light southwest wind. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 76.

## Funeral

At 2 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Hanmore L. Florence Townsend, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bleecher W. Townsend of this town. The funeral was held from the funeral parlor of D.M Johnston to the Anglican Church St. Bartholomew's where the service was conducted by Rev. J.T. Turner. The pall bearers were: George Lewis, Mayor G.B. Hiltz, Raymond Martell, G Hiltz Jr., W.L. Skinner and M. S. Huntington.

The remains arrived at Sydney on the C.N.R. Morning train from Newport, Hants County, and were brought to Louisbourg in D.M. Johnston's hearse. Burial took place in the Anglican cemetery on Clarkes Road.

#### **AUGUST 1947**

# **Sunday 3**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and warm with light northwest wind, which shifted to southwest in the forenoon. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 74.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher.

Small congregations at both services.

Choir attendance: 11 A.M. 10, 7 P.M. 11.

#### **AUGUST 1947**

# Monday 4

Louisbourg N.S.

Warm and mostly clear with light southwest wind shifting to south in the late afternoon. Calm at night.

Min. temperature 51. Max. temperature 76.

# Marriage

The marriage of Tom Wong to Miss Bennett, took place this morning at the United Church Manse. Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Wong will reside at Louisbourg, where Mr Wong has recently engaged in the business of running a restaurant.

#### **AUGUST 1947**

# **Tuesday 5**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate west to southwest winds. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 55 .Max. temperature 79.

## Sails for Sydney

Tug "Canso" with two scows in tow sailed for Sydney in the afternoon. These scows were here since last September with the P.W.D. Dredge no. 115, which was engaged in dredging on the site of the proposed Fish Plant.

### **AUGUST 1947**

# Wednesday 6

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and very warm with moderate westerly wind.

Min. temperature 60. Max. temperature 85.

#### Fire

At about 1 P.M, the fire alarm sounded for a fire on the roof of a dwelling on the corner of Main and Spencer Streets, owned by myself and occupied by John C. Johnson and Mrs. William Kelly and family. The fire was extinguished by a few buckets of water before the firemen and hose reel arrived. The damage was not great, an area of about two feet square having been burned through the shingles.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

#### **AUGUST 1947**

# Thursday 7

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and very warm with light to fresh west and southwest winds.

Min. temperature 60. Max. temperature 83.

Fire at Catalone [Blank]

# Dredge Sails for Sydney

Government Dredge P.W.D. 115 which has been here since September 1946, sailed today for Sydney. Part of the time this drudge was here, she was engaged in dredging the site of the wharf which is now under construction for the proposed Fish Plant.

## **Evelyn Huntington Returns from Vacation**

My clerk, Evelyn Huntington accompanied by her daughter, Jane returned from her vacation at Marion Bridge and Salmon River during the night.

Shooting at Catalone [Blank]

## **AUGUST 1947**

# Friday 8

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and very warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature 6.1 Max. temperature 78.

Fire at Catalone

A forest fire which started near the highway northwest of MacVicars Hill, Catalone at about 1 P.M. raged all the afternoon, destroying the home of John MacIntyre and endangering several others. A call for help from William MacVicar, MaV icars Hill, who is Fire Ranger for that district, was responded to by the Louisbourg Fire Brigade, and a large number of volunteers from the swordfishing fleet in the harbor who did good work in protecting the houses of the people in the vicinity of the blaze. At a late hour the fire was continuing on its course towards Mira Gut.

During the evening and part of the night, the light and power was cut off from our town owing to line having been damaged by the Catalone fire. The power and light was restored at about 11 A.M.

# Fire Reached Mira Gut [Blank]

#### **AUGUST 1947**

# Saturday 9

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and warm. A short heavy shower at noon was followed by occasional light showers during the afternoon and evening. Rainfall slightly less than ¼ inch. Light southwest wind shifting to northeast in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 60. Max. temperature 73.

# Rain a Blessing

The rain of today, though small in quantity was a great blessing as it was a great help in checking the forest fires that have been raging for days on the Island of Cape Breton. as well as on part of the Mainland.

## Death of Melville MacGillivary

The death of Melville Mac Gillivary occurred at his home at Sydney today. Mr. Mac Gillivary was born at Gabarus but for a number of years a resident of Louisbourg, where he was in the employ of the Sydney and Louisbourg Railway. Later he removed to Sydney and continuing in the service of the Railway. He was a veteran of the First World War and is survived by his wife, the former Miss Margaret Stacey of this town.

## **AUGUST 1947**

# Sunday 10

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 73.

# **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John Mac Donald of Knox United Church, Glace Bay was the preacher. Mr. MacDonald supplied today in the absence of Rev. E.E. Ashley who is away on his vacation.

#### **AUGUST 1947**

# Monday 11

Louisbourg N.S.

Mostly clear and moderately warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 78.

## **AUGUST 1947**

# **Tuesday 12**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy in the early part of the day. clearing at noon.

Very warm. Light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 62. Max. temperature 87. Warmest day this season.

#### **AUGUST 1947**

# Wednesday 13

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and very hot with light to moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 63. Max. temperature 94.

Warmest day I ever experienced at Louisbourg.

## **AUGUST 1947**

## **Thursday 14**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and warm with light northeast wind in the morning. which shifted early in the day to southwest, increasing to moderate.

Min. temperature 63. Max. temperature 77.

# **AUGUST 1947**

# Friday 15

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh southwest wind. Frost in the morning. First frost to injure tender plants in the

## **AUGUST 1947**

## Saturday 16

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate southeast wind. Partly clear for several hours during the day. Light mist for a short time in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 43. Max. temperature 60.

# Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M. as a spectator, attended a regular meeting of the Town Council, held in the Town Office, with Mayor G.B. Hiltz, presiding.

Councillors present: Charles Bagnall, Lauchlin Mac Intyre, Earl Lewis, Edison Skinner and Charles Stacey. Others present were: D.F. Nicholson, Town Clerk and D.M. Johnston, Chief of Police.

## **AUGUST 1947**

Sunday 17 [Blank pages to September 15]

#### SEPTEMBER 1947

## Monday 15

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with a few light showers in the forenoon, which were followed by almost continuous light rain during the afternoon and evening, also showers during the night. Light to moderate variable winds and some fog. Rainfall ¾ inch.

Min. temperature 63. Max. temperature 71.

# Drought Broken

The drought that has existed during the summer months.

#### **SEPTEMBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 16**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy in the morning, but clearing before noon. Clear and warm in the afternoon, becoming cloudy at night with some fog.

Min. temperature 65. Max. temperature 77.

A few showers of rain beginning at 10 P.M.

Rainfall 1/8 inch.

Drought Broken [Blank]

### **SEPTEMBER 1947**

## Wednesday 17

Louisbourg N.S.

Mostly clear and moderately warm with moderate to fresh winds.

Min. temperature 50.Max. temperature 69.

**Choir Practice** 

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

#### **SEPTEMBER 1947**

# **Thursday 18**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately cool with moderate to fresh northwest wind, which moderated in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 65.

# Arranging for Blind Drive

Mr. James who is in charge of the Sydney Branch of the Canadian Institute for the Blind came from Sydney by car with Dr. F. O'Neil in the afternoon. He came here for the purpose of arranging for the annual drive to raise funds for the Blind Institution. While in town he had supper with us before leaving for his home at Sydney, by Bus.

## **SEPTEMBER 1947**

# Friday 19

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain beginning in the morning and continuing until about noon. Partly clear during the late afternoon and evening. Rainfall 5/8 inch. Chilly with moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 50.

## Went to Sydney

Went to Sydney by bus in the morning. Met Mr. Fudge at the Isle Royale sample room on my arrival at Sydney and gave him an order. At 1 P.M. had lunch with Mr. Fudge at the Isle Royale hotel. Left for home on the 4:30 P.M. Bus.

#### **SEPTEMBER 1947**

## Saturday 20

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with occasional showers. Moderate to fresh northerly winds. Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 51.

## **SEPTEMBER 1947**

# Sunday 21

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate winds. Mostly southwest.

Min. temperature 43.Max. temperature 61.

## **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E Ashley B.A, B.D. was the preacher. Medium sized congregations at both services.

Choir attendance A.M. 11, P.M. 10.

#### **SEPTEMBER 1947**

# Monday 22

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with fresh south to southwest winds. Partly clearing in the late forenoon. Cloudy during the greater part of the afternoon. Light showers beginning at about 10:15 P.M. Wind increasing. Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 66.

# **SEPTEMBER 1947**

# **Tuesday 23**

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain in the morning accompanied by moderate southwest gale. Cloud at about 10 A.M. with wind moderating and shifting to west and northwest, increasing to strong in the early afternoon. Min. temperature 41.Max. temperature 65. Rainfall: 3/8 inches.

#### **SEPTEMBER 1947**

# Wednesday 24

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh southwest wind. Frost in the morning. First frost to injure tender garden plants this season. Pumpkins and cucumbers killed. First ice formed in a coal hod in the backyard.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 55.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline attended choir practice in the First United Church. Eleven persons present.

# **SEPTEMBER 1947**

# **Thursday 25**

Louisbourg N.S.

Continuous light rain and mist until a late hour at night. Moderate southwest wind shifting to south and later to southeast and increasing to strong.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 58.

Rainfall ¾ inch.

# **SEPTEMBER 1947**

## Friday 26

Cloudy and cool with fresh northeast to north winds. Partly clear for a period during the noon hours.

Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 58.

#### SEPTEMBER 1947

## Saturday 27

Louisbourg N.S.

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### SEPTEMBER 1947

# Sunday 28

Louisbourg N.S.

Stormy. Rain squalls at intervals during the entire day with strong northerly winds, at times reaching gale force. Rain squalls with part snow in the forenoon. Sun shining through the clouds occasionally for short periods. Very disagreeable.

Rainfall ¼ inch.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 51.

### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church. The annual Sunday Rally Day service was held at 11 A.M, and was led by Edward Levy, Superintendent of the Sunday school.

At 7 P.M. the annual Thank Offering Service of the Women's Missionary Society was held and was conducted by Mrs. William Hilchey, President of the Society. The speaker was Rev. Dr J.C.. MacDonald, Missionary to Trinidad, who is at present visiting at his former home, Sydney, N.S. Congregations were comparatively small at both services owing to the inclemency of the weather.

Choir attendance: A.M. 8 P.M. 11.

Rev. E.E. Ashley, the regular Pastor was absent from the pulpit today, being out of town.

#### SEPTEMBER 1947

## Monday 29

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light west to southwest wind. An ideal autumn day.

Frost in the morning, but not sufficiently heavy to injure the dahlias and other tender plants in the garden.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 52.

### **SEPTEMBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 30**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light southwest wind, becoming cloudy during the afternoon.

Rain began to fall at 6:30 P.M. and continued during the night. Light frost in the early morning. Min. temperature 32. max. temperature 60.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## Wednesday 1

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy, becoming party during the noon hours. Light to moderate northwest to west winds. Heavy rain of last night ceased at about 6:30 A.M. Rainfall of last night 2 inches. Heaviest rain since June 10, 1947.

Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 59.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

## **OCTOBER 1947**

## **Thursday 3**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh northwest wind.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 50.

Frost during the night.

# **OCTOBER 1947**

## Friday 3

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear during the forenoon, mostly cloudy in the afternoon and evening. Clear during the night. Frost in the morning.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 52.

## Preparatory Service

At 7:30 P.M. attended quarterly Preparatory service in the First United Church, which was conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## Saturday 4

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light variable winds. A prefect autumn day. Frost in the morning. Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 53.

### Frost

Frost of last night slightly damaged the dahlias in the garden. First frost to cause any injury this season.

# **Constructing Drain**

During my spare moments, as a member of the Parks Committee, I have been superintending the construction of a drain at the Athlete Field. Fred Kelly and Lauchlin MacKinnon are employed in the work of digging the drain, which began on Thursday of this week.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

# **Sunday 5**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. A very delightful day. Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 64.

### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A. B.D. was the preacher. The communion of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the morning. Comparatively small attendance at both of the services. Choir attendance A.M. 6 P.M. 11.

#### OCTOBER 1947

## Monday 6

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate west and southwest winds. Cloudy with some fog in the evening. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 48.Max. temperature 70.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 7**

Clear and warm with light southwest wind. A delightful autumn day.

Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 73.

### Funeral at Gabarus

In company with Emeline, attended the funeral of the late James Bagnal, at Gabarus. We engaged Charles Stacey to drive us to Gabarus. A.W. Stacey was also a passenger. Left here at about 12:30 P.M. and arrived at Gabarus one hour later.

The funeral took place with a brief service at the house at 2:30 P.M. followed by service in the United Church at 3 P.M. The service was conducted at the house, church and grave by Rev. J.N.. MacLean. On the invitation of the choir leader, A.W. Stacey and I occupied seats in the choir. After the service, Emeline and I visited the home of Mrs. Christine MacKillop, where we had supper before leaving for home at about 5:45 P.M. The Stacey's had supper at the home of A.W. Stacey's aunt. We arrived home at about 6:50 P.M.

## **OCTOBER 1947**

## Wednesday 8

Cloudy and foggy in the early part of the day. Cleared in the late forenoon. Clear and warm during the afternoon. Light rain began to fall at about 9:45 P.M.

Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 67.

### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

# Thursday 9

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy in the morning but clearing early in the day. Light rain in the early morning. Cool with moderate to fresh north and northeast winds. Rainfall about ¼ inch.

Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 56.

# Arrived From Sydney

The Tug "Canso" arrived in the early part of the night from two scows in tow, preparatory to dredging around the Dominion coal company's docks. The Dredge P.W.D. No. 15 is expected to arrive in a day or two from Sydney, where she has been for the past two months engaged in dredging around the Steel and Coal Company's dock.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## Friday 10

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northwest wind. Partly cloudy in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 56.

### Arrived for Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington of Salmon River, arrived on the evening bus from Sydney, for the purpose of making a visit to us over the weekend.

### Death of Mrs. Roderick MacIntyre

Mrs. Roderick MacIntyre was found dead in her home on Commercial Street, by her husband at about 11:45 A.M. today. Mr. MacIntyre, who is engaged in fishing out of this port left home enroute to the fishing grounds at about 4 A.M. At that time Mrs. MacIntyre appeared to be in her usual health, which for the past year has not been good.

#### OCTOBER 1947

## Saturday 11

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with light variable winds. Mostly northwest. Light shower of rain at 1 P.M.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 56.

## Arrived from Sydney

Public works Department Dredge No. 15 arrived last night from Sydney for the purpose of dredging the Coal Company's docks at this port.

#### OCTOBER 1947

## Sunday 12

Louisbourg N.S. Thanksgiving Day

Clear and cool with light southwest wind. An ideal autumn day.

Min. temperature 36 Max. temperature 58.

## **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, Clifford and Maria, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Choir attendance A.M. [Blank] and P.M. 10.

#### Funeral

At 1:30 P.M. in company with Emeline and Maria, attended the funeral for the late Mrs. Roddie MacIntyre held in Presbyterian Church. Services in the church and at the grave were conducted by Rev. Guergis, Pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisourg. Burial took place in [Blank] Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director of this town.

## **OCTOBER 1947**

### Monday 13

Louisbourg N.S. Thanksgiving Day

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind, increasing to fresh in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 58.

## **OCTOBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 14**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and mild in the morning, becoming cloudy early in the forenoon. Heavy showers of rain from about 10 A.M. until noon. Cleared shortly after noon and continued mostly clear during the remainder of the day. Fresh southwest wind shifting to northwest at noon and moderated in the evening. Rainfall about ¼ inch.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 60.

### Left for Home

Clifford and Maria who have been our guests since last Friday evening left for home by taxi at about 12:45 P.M. I engaged Harold MacQueen with his taxi to drive them home.

Emeline and Lila accompanied them.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## Wednesday 15

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear with moderate northeast to north winds, which became light and variable in the afternoon. An ideal autumn day.

Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 56.

# Meeting of Racing Committee

At 7 P.M. attended a meeting of the Fishermen's Regatta Committee. Meeting held for the purpose of passing for payment, a few outstanding bills contracted previous to the Regatta held on Louisbourg harbor on July 1, 1947. Meeting held in the Navy League Hostel with the following persons present: G.B. Hiltz (Mayor) Chairman, M..S. Huntington, Vice-Chairman Alister Mac Donald, Secretary William Stewart, Treasurer A.W. Stacey and Sherman O'Hara.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. 9 persons present. Held a very short session owing the chilly condition of the church.

## **OCTOBER 1947**

# **Thursday 16**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light southwest wind. A perfect autumn day.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 63.

#### OCTOBER 1947

## Friday 17

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with moderate to fresh westerly wind. Cloudy during the night. Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 68.

## Death of Malcolm MacLeod

The death of Malcolm MacLeod of this town occurred at the General Hospital, Glace Bay at about 10 A..M. today.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## Saturday 18

Louisbourg N.S,

Light rainfall amounting to about ¼ in the early morning. Cloudy and mild during the day with light winds mostly easterly.

Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 53.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## Sunday 19

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with light southwest wind. Misty and foggy during the afternoon and night. Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 57.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Congregation small in the morning, medium in the evening.

Choir attendance: A.M. 12 P.M. 13.

Immediately after the close of the evening service, Emeline and I visited the home of the late Malcolm MacLeod. The funeral of the late Malcolm Mac Leod, is to be held on tomorrow afternoon, with service in the First United Church at 2 P.M.

#### Death of Mrs. Frank Moore

The death of Mrs. Frank Moore of Westmount, Sydney occurred in the City Hospital, Sydney today after an illness of about one year. Mrs. Moore, who before her marriage was Miss Lelia Weatherbe.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## Monday 20

Louisbourg N.S.

Light rain in the early morning, followed by a few light showers in the forenoon. Clear and warm in the afternoon, cool at night.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 68.

## Funeral

At 1:30 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Malcolm MacLeod, which took place from his late residence, Strathcona Street to the First United Church and from thence to [Blank] on Clarke's Road. Service at the house was conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley, at the church by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley, assisted by Rev. MacMillan of the United Church, New Waterford and Rev. Turner of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church of this town. About 40 members of the Canadian Legion, of which the late Mr. MacLeod was a member attended in a body and escorted the remains to [blank]

### **OCTOBER 1947**

# **Tuesday 21**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with sun shining through occasionally in the forenoon. A few light showers during the early part of the day. Clear and cool in the afternoon with showers in the evening. Wind southwest in the morning shifting to northwest and increasing to fresh.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 54.

## Ditch Finished

Fred Kelly, Lauchlin Mac Kinnon and, during the last few days, Teddie Mac Innis, whom I have been superintending in the construction of a ditch for the purpose of draining at the Athlete Field, finished the evacuation work this afternoon.

## **OCTOBER 1947**

# Wednesday 22

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with a few rain squalls in the forenoon. Fresh to strong northwest wind which moderated in the evening.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 49.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. Only five persons present.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## **Thursday 23**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with fresh to strong southwest wind, increasing during the night. Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 56.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

# Friday 24

Louisbourg N.S.

Chilly and mostly cloudy, with fresh to strong northwest wind, sometimes reaching gale force. A few light snow and hail squalls, but not sufficient to be noticeable on the ground. Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 50.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## Saturday 25

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and partly cloudy with moderate to fresh westerly winds.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 50.

### Heavy Frost

Frost of last night totally destroyed the dahlias and other tender plants in the garden. While the plants were slightly injured by previous frosts, this was the first killing frost this season.

## **OCTOBER 1947**

# Sunday 26

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light westerly winds.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 50.

### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher. Choir attendance 12 at each service.

# Congregational Meeting

Immediately after the close of the evening service in the First United Church, a meeting of the congregations was held. Meeting called for the purpose of dealing with resignation of Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. who intends leaving here shortly to take up the pastorate of a United Church at St. Catherine's, Ontario.

## **OCTOBER 1947**

# Monday 27

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy, clearing at night. Light west and northwest winds.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 52.

#### OCTOBER 1947

# **Tuesday 28**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately cool with light west and southwest winds.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 59.

A perfect autumn day.

Death of John Kehoe [Blank]

## **OCTOBER 1947**

## Wednesday 29

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light northwest wind. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 53.

**Choir Practice** 

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. 8 persons present.

## **OCTOBER 1947**

## **Thursday 30**

Cool and mostly clear with moderate north and northeast winds.

Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 46.

### **OCTOBER 1947**

## Friday 31

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with moderate to fresh northeast wind.

Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 43.

Death of John N. MacDonald [Blank]

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Saturday 1

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and cloudy with the sun shining through occasionally. Moderate to fresh northeast wind moderating in the late afternoon.

Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 46.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Sunday 2

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light westerly winds.

Min. temperature 29. Max. temperature 48. An ideal day.

## **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A., B.D. was the preacher.

Comparatively small congregations at both services.

Church attendance: A.M. 11, P.M. 12.

At the close of the evening service, attended a meeting of the Session and Board of Stewards held for the purpose of arranging for a presentation to be made to Rev. Elmer E. Ashley, who is ending the pastorate of this church on next Sunday.

At about 8:30 P.M. in company with Emeline visited the home of the late John. N. MacDonald who [blank] A brief service was held by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley.

The funeral of the late Mr. Mac Donald is to be held tomorrow at 2 P.M.

#### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Monday 3

Clear and cool with light northwest wind.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 48.

#### **Funeral**

At 2 P.M. attended the funeral of the late John N. MacDonald which took place from his late residence to the First United Church. Services at the house, church and graveside were conducted by Rev. Elmer E. Ashley B.A. B.D. Burial took place in Catalone Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director of this town, and was very largely attended.

# Sugar Rationing Lifted

It was announced over the radio this morning, as well as in the newspapers of today that the rationing of sugar was no longer in effect. Sugar rationings in Canada began in August 1942.

# **NOVEMBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 4**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northwest wind. An ideal autumn day.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 51.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Wednesday 5

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light northeast wind.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 50.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

### Death of Mrs. Ashley, Sr.

Rev. Elmer E. Ashley, Pastor of the First United Church, received word today that his mother had died at her home at Alberton, Prince Edward Island. Mr. Ashley was to have left here on next Monday, for the purpose of taking up his new charge, Westminster United Church, St. Catherine's, Ontario. According to an announcement made at the service last Sunday, he was to terminate his pastorate of the First United Church on next Sunday November the 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Thursday 6

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with light to moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 46.

Leaves for Alberton, P.E.I.

Rev. Elmer E. Ashley. B.A. B.D. .Pastor of the First United Church, this town, left for his former home at Alberton, Prince Edward Island, for the purpose of attending his mother's funeral, which is to take place on Saturday next. Mr. Ashley intended preaching his farewell sermon on next Sunday, Nov 9, but owing to his being called away on account of his mother's death, he will not return but shall on his way to his new charge at St. Catherine's, Ontario. Mrs. Ashley and daughter, Mary Jane, intend leaving here on next Monday Nov. 10, and shall join Mr. Ashley at Sackville, N.B. next Tuesday on this return from his former home at Alberton. Mr. Ashley was in charge of the First United Church congregation at Louisbourg for slightly more than three years, having been inducted in to the pastorate on Nov. 3, 1947.

#### **NOVEMBER 1947**

# Friday 7

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and clear with moderate to fresh northeast wind.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 41.

## **NOVEMBER 1947**

# Saturday 8

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and remarkably clear with light to moderate east to southeast winds.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 44.

## **NOVEMBER 1947**

# Sunday 9

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with moderate to fresh southeast wind.

Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 43.

## **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. At 11 A.M., the service was conducted by Miss M. Mac Bride. In the evening the service was in charge of Mr. A.W.. Stacey, Elder of this congregation. Miss A. Adams gave an illustrated lecture during the service. Congregation small in the morning, but fairly large in the evening. Choir attendance 11 A.M. 6, 7 P.M. 8.

Miss Mac Bride and Miss Adams whom I understand are secretaries of the Religious Education Council arrived here last evening from Sydney for the purpose of conducting, or assisting at today's services.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

### Monday 10

Rain and drizzle lasting from early morning until late at night. Chilly with moderate to fresh northeast wind. Rainfall ¼ inch.

Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 43.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 11**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy, with light mist at times and a few sprinkles of rain. Moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 40.

## Canadian Legion Parade

At 10:57 P.M. a Remembrance Day service was held in the First United Church, which was attended by the Louisbourg Branch of the Canadian Legion. About thirty five veterans were present. The service was conducted and the sermon delivered by Rev. J. T. Turner, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, in the absence of a United Church Minister. After "Last Post" was sounded by Bugler Wilfred Troke, two minutes silence was observed in honor of those who gave their lives in the two world wars. Church fairly well filled by veterans and others. Choir attendance: 14. Was present in company with Emeline.

## **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Wednesday 12

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate northeast to east winds. A few showers of rain in the early morning and mist at times during the day.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 42.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. 9 persons present.

## Mayflowers in Bloom

Today Neil Murphy showed me a mayflower vine on which were two blooms. This is the first time that I ever saw a mayflower in bloom at this season of the year. Mr. Murphy found these blooms in his pasture field.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## **Thursday 13**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate northeast wind and occasional light mist.

Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 42.

## **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Friday 14

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh northeast wind.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 42.

# Visited Sydney

In company with Emeline, went to Sydney on the 7:30 A.M. run of the "Highland Lines Limited" bus for the purpose of doing some shopping. Arrived at Sydney at 9 A.M. Made a number of business calls during the forenoon. Purchased a Frigidaire Coldwell Refrigerator from C.P. Moore Ltd. Price \$401.00

Had lunch at "Isle Royale" hotel. Visited Mrs. E.D. Mac Killop, who is now a patient at the City Hospital in the afternoon. Left for home on the 4:30 P.M. trip of Highland Lines Ltd. Bus arriving at about 6:10 P.M.

Highway very rough, and difficult to keep up to schedule owing to a lot of reconstruction work.

## **NOVEMBER 1947**

# Saturday 15

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with fresh to strong northeast wind. Occasional light mist. Rain and drizzle during the night.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 42.

### S.S. SANDLAND

Newfoundland Steamer "Sandland" enroute from Halifax, N.S. to Newfoundland arrived for shelter in the afternoon.

## Rev. and Mrs. John Hockin Arrive

Rev. and Mrs. John Hockin, (Retired) of Truro, N.S. arrived at about 10:30 A.M. Mr. Hockin has been engaged to supply the congregation of the First United Church, of this town, until such time as a permanent minister can be obtained.

Mr. and Mrs. Hockin had dinner with us, before they went to the United Church Manse, where they are to make their home while stationed on this circuit.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Sunday 16

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light northeast to north winds. Almost perfectly calm. Light mist at times, showers in the evening.

Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 48.

## **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. Rev. John Hockin, (Retired) of Truro, N.S. was the preacher at both of these services. Mr.

Hockin has been engaged as a supply for this church, for indefinite period, or until we obtain the services of a permanent pastor.

Mr. Hockin served here as a supply, during the summer of 1944.

Choir attendance A.M. 11, P.M. 14.

# Sing Song

At the close of the evening service, attended and conducted a sacred "Sing Song" in the Navy League Hostel.

## **NOVEMBER 1947**

# Monday 17

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool, showers during the forenoon, followed by light rain and drizzle during the afternoon. Showers during the night.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 44.

Light variable wind in the forenoon. Moderate northeast wind during the afternoon and evening.

### S.S. SANDLAND

Newfoundland Steamer "Sandland" which arrived here on last Saturday, for shelter from the high wind, sailed this morning.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 18**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with fresh to strong north and northeast winds. Light showers and mist at times during the forenoon.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 43.

#### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Wednesday 19

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate north northeast wind and occasional light showers.

### Arrived from Salmon River

Fred Huntington arrived shortly before noon with our winter supply of farm produce, 10 bushels of potatoes and 5 bushels of turnips. He left for home at 3 P.M. by motor truck. I accompanied him on my annual Autumn visit, which usually lasts about one week. We arrived at Clifford's at about 5 P.M. having made three calls enroute.

# **NOVEMBER 1947**

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### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Wednesday 26

Salmon River, N.S.

Moderately cool and mostly clear with light westerly winds. An ideal November day. Max. temperature about 50.

# Salmon River to Louisbourg

Left Clifford's at about 8:20 A.M. and went out to the highway with the intention of taking passage on the truck owned and driven by Ronald MacKinnon, who serves the milk route, Salmon River to Sydney.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

## **Thursday 27**

Louisbourg N.S.

Light rain in the morning. Cloud during the forenoon. Cool with light to moderate winds southwest to west.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 44.

## **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Friday 28

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light winds. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature 19. Max. temperature 36.

# Frigidaire Arrives

Frigidaire Refrigerator which we ordered about two weeks ago has arrived. It came by train and Donald Beaver delivered it at our home at noon today. The price was 401.00 less 15 % discount and was purchased from C.P. Moore Ltd, Sydney.

## **NOVEMBER 1947**

## Saturday 29

Louisbourg N.S.

Rain in the early morning, clearing during the forenoon, becoming colder. Moderate southwest wind shifting to northwest and becoming fresh.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 44.

### **NOVEMBER 1947**

### Sunday 30

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Light variable winds, easterly at night. Snow began to fall at about 7 P.M. and continued during the night.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 33.

### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. John Hockin was the preacher. Medium sized congregations at both services. Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 16.

Solo "My Task" sang by Mrs. Frank Townsend in the evening.

### **Bulldozer Arrives**

Bulldozer owned by John Mulvihill of Sydney, arrived in the afternoon for the purpose of working on the Athletic Field. Operations are expected to begin on Monday next, December the 1<sup>st.</sup>

## **DECEMBER 1947**

# Monday 1

Louisbourg N.S.

Snow storm in the early morning. Cloudy in the forenoon, but clearing later in the day. Mostly clear during the afternoon and evening.

Light to moderate north to northwest wind. Snowfall of last night and this morning 7 inches.

First snow storm of the season. Ground covered with soft damp snow to a depth of 7 inches.

Enough snow for good sleighing.

Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 33.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 2**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy in the afternoon.

Light northwest wind in the forenoon, becoming variable later in the day.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 35.

### **Bulldozer Begins Work**

Bulldozer, operated by Mr. Dan Mulvihill of Sydney begins work on the Athletic field, clearing the field of stumps and stones. I spent the day directing the work.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

### Wednesday 3

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light northwest wind, shifting to southwest at night and increasing to strong during the night.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 36.

#### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. accompanied by Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church.

Began rehearsing the Christmas music tonight. 12 persons present.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

# **Thursday 4**

Louisbourg N.S.

Light rain in the morning, mostly cloudy during the day with light snow squalls in the afternoon, increasing in volume at night. Light northwest wind, increasing to moderate in the afternoon and to strong at night.

Rainfall: about ¼ inch.

Min. temperature 19. Max. temperature 40.

## Finished Job

The Bulldozer, driven by Dan Mulvihill of Sydney, which has been operating on the Athletic Field, under my direction, since Tuesday morning, December 2, finished the job at 3 P.M. today. Total time charged: 36 hours, including 12 hours for the trip from Sydney and return. Rate per hour \$8.00. After finishing the work at the Athletic field the bulldozer proceeded to the Town dump, on Old Sydney Road where some work was carried out under the direction of D.M. Johnston, Chief of Police.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

### Friday 5

Louisbourg N.S.

Partly clear and moderately cold with fresh northwest wind. Snow squalls at intervals all day. Wind moderated in the evening. Snowfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 28.

### Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the United Church Brotherhood held in Calvin hall with Vice President, William Hilchey presiding, the President: Edison Skinner being absent. The guest speaker was Rev. John Hockin, Supply Pastor of the First United Church. Members present 15 as follows:

William Hilchey, William Stewart, Rev. John Hockin, John Skinner, Charles Bagnall, John MacDonald, Harold Wilson, A.W Stacey, Arthur N. Townsend, Rod MacLeod, Alex MacKinnon, Edward Levy, Dan MacLeod and M.S. Huntington. The last named being caterer for the evening.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

## Saturday 6

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with light variable winds. Light snow squalls in the late afternoon.

Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 29.

# Meeting of School Board, Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M. attended a special meeting of the School Board which was followed, immediately by a special meeting of the Town Council. Both of these meetings were called for the purpose of dealing with the matter of getting a new furnace for the school building, the old furnace after being in use for 31 years is considered no longer serviceable. Those present were: Mayor G.B. Hiltz, who presided at both meetings, School Commissioners: Charles Bagnall, Frank O'Keefe and William Lewis, Councillors: Charles Bagnall, Earl Lewis and Edward Levy. At this meeting it was decided to purchase a new furnace and have it installed during the Christmas holidays.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

# Sunday 7

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately cold and mostly cloudy with fresh northwest wind, moderating in the afternoon. Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 26.

### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. John Hockin was the preacher. Small congregations at each of these services. Choir attendance A.M. 11, P.M. 16.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

## Monday 8

Louisbourg N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with light west and north west winds.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 33.

## Sydney and Return

In company with Emeline went to Sydney on the "Highland Lines' bus leaving here at 7:45 A.M. (Charles Spencer Driver) Spent the day shopping and making other business calls. Had lunch at "Isle Royale" hotel at noon. Left Sydney for home on the bus leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M. Arrived home at 5:55 P.M. Highway frozen and rough. Partly covered by ice and light snow.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

### **Tuesday 9**

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy with light variable winds, mostly northerly. Light snow continued falling all day. Snowfall about 3 inches.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 29.

#### **DECEMBER 1947**

# Wednesday 10

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh northwest wind becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Light drizzle in the evening

Min. temperature 28, Max. temperature 36.

### **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. Eleven persons present. Dr. W.J.N. MacMillan, is leader of the Conservative opposition.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

## **Thursday 11**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northwest wind, becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 34.

### Prince Edward Island Provincial Election

The Provincial Elections held today in P.E.I. resulted as follows: Liberals: 24 Conservatives 6,C.C.F. none. The Government led by Premier J. Walter Jones, was returned by a large majority. Dr. W.J.N Mac Millan is leader of the Conservative opposition.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

### Friday 12

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light west and northwest winds.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 30.

#### **DECEMBER 1947**

# Saturday 13

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light, moderate to fresh westerly wind.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 26.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

## **Sunday 14**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with moderate westerly wind. Cloudy in the evening. Light snow squalls during the night.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 24.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. John Hockin (Supply) was the preacher. Small congregation in the morning, medium at night.

Choir attendance A.M. 11, P.M. 14.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

# Monday 15

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately cold and mostly cloudy with moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 29.

Light snow squalls in the early morning.

Snowfall about 1 inch.

# Frigidaire Installed

The Frigidaire Refrigerator which arrived on the 28<sup>th</sup> of last month was installed in our home today. A man sent by the firm of C.P. Moore Ltd. of Sydney where we purchased the machine did the installing.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 16**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately cold in the morning, but becoming cloudy early in the day. Snow began to fall at about 4 P.M. turning to rain at about 6:30, and continuing during the night. Light northwest wind shifting to southerly during the day and increasing steadily until it reached gale force early in the night. Snowfall about 2 inches.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 37.

Rainfall during the night about ¼ inch.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

## Wednesday 17

Louisbourg N.S.

Mild, with light snow squalls in the forenoon. Partly clear during the day. Moderate fresh to strong northwest wind.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 40.

## **Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. Eleven persons present.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

## **Thursday 18**

Clear and moderately cold in the morning, but becoming cloudy early in the forenoon. Snow began to fall shortly before noon. Continued snowing until 1 P.M. Cloudy and mild during the afternoon followed by rain for about one hour in the evening. Snow began to fall at about 8:15 P.M. and continued during the night. Light northwest shifting to southerly, and increasing to moderate in the evening. Snowfall 5 inches.

Min. temperature 14. Max. temperature 35.

# **DECEMBER 1947**

# Friday 19

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy, and moderately, with moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 11. Max. temperature 31.

Sufficient snow for sleighing on the streets and highways.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

# Saturday 20

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light northwest wind. Bright sunshine at day. Clear during the night.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 28.

A perfect winter day, followed by a perfect night.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

# Sunday 21

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and bright in the morning, but becoming cloudy in the forenoon. Very light, variable winds. Light snow began to fall at about 6:30 P.M.

Min. temperature 19. Max. temperature 30.

### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. John Hockin, (Supply) was the preacher. Congregation at both services considerably larger than usual. Christmas music at both services.

Choir attendance: A.M. 11, P.M. 14.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

## Monday 22

Louisbourg N.S.

Cloudy in the morning, clearing in the afternoon. Very light northerly with a few light snow squalls in the forenoon. A very lovely winter day.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 32.

#### Christmas Tree

In the afternoon, cut and brought home a Christmas tree for the annual Christmas celebration.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

# **Tuesday 23**

Louisbourg N.S.

Clear and bright, moderately cold, with very light northwest wind. A perfect winter day. Min. temperature 12.Max. temperature 28.

#### **DECEMBER 1947**

## Wednesday 24

Louisbourg N.S.

Big snow storm

Cloudy. Snow began to fall at about 9 A.M. Ceased snowing shortly before noon, but began again at about 2 P.M. and continued throughout the afternoon and during the night. Fresh southeast wind shifting to east in the afternoon and increasing to moderate gale force inn the early part of the night. Snowfall from my own observations and what I have learned from others about 15 inches.

Min.temperature 12. Max. temperature 32.

# **Bus Service Interrupted**

Highland Lines Bus Service between Louisbourg and Sydney failed to make the 6:30 P.M. trip from Louisbourg. Two buses arrived from Sydney at about 7 P.M. one and a half hours late. On the return trip they got as far as Catalone but had to return to Louisbourg owing to the bad condition of the highway.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

# **Thursday 25**

Louisbourg N.S.

Sun shining through on two or three occasions, but mostly cloudy, with fresh northerly wind which moderated in the late afternoon to almost calm. The day was followed by a very lovely moonlight night. Light drizzle of snow during the forenoon. Snowfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 33.

## Traffic Tieup

No train in or out of Louisbourg today, and no bus service either way, owing to yesterday's heavy snowfall. No automobiles in operation on the streets of Louisbourg or on the highway leading out of town. A number of autos and trucks stalled on the streets in various parts of the town as well as on the highways leading into town.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

## Friday 26

Mostly cloudy, with sun shining through at intervals in the first half of the day. Cloudy in the evening.

Very light northerly wind.

Min. temperature 13. Max. temperature 29.

## No Bus Service

There was no bus service today between Louisbourg and Sydney owing to the snow blockade.

### Train Service Resumed

Sydney and Louisbourg Train service, between here and Glace Bay, left here late in the forenoon, after the arrival of the S and L snow plough arrived and cleared the track.

## **DECEMBER 1947**

# Saturday 27

Louisbourg N.S.

Snow storm

Cloudy and threatening with moderate southwest wind, increasing to fresh and shifting to east at night.

Snow began to fall at about 6 P.M. and continued during the night. A very disagreeable night. Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 31.

# **Snow Plough Arrives**

Provincial highway snow plough which left Sydney at 10 A.M. yesterday for Louisbourg, arrived here at 1 A.M. During the day it ploughed, Main, Aberdeen, Lorway, Warren Streets and a short section of Commercial Street as well as the highway to the Louisbourg National Park. It started on the return trip at about 3:30 P.M.

#### **Bus Service Resumed**

Two buses of Highland Lines Ltd which have been marooned here since last Wednesday evening left for Sydney shortly after 8 A.M.

Regular was running off schedule all day. Bus from Sydney arrived here at noon, more than one hour late and left here to return at about 1:30 P.M., 30 minutes late. The evening bus from Sydney arrived here at 7 P.M., 1 ½ hour late. On the return trip she left here for Sydney shortly after 8 P.M. in the height of the storm.

## **Attended Council Meeting**

At 7:30 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the Town Council, held in the Town Office with Mayor G.B. Hiltz presiding. Those present besides the Mayor were Councillors: Charles Bagnall, Earl Lewis, Lauchlin Mac Intyre, Charles Stacey and Edward Levy. Chief of Police D.M. Johnston and Town Clerk D.F. Nicholson were also present.

# **DECEMBER 1947**

## Sunday 28

Louisbourg N.S.

Snow storm of last night was followed by light rain in the early morning. Light mist at intervals during the day and light snow squalls in the evening. Very light easterly wind, shifting to westerly in the evening. Considerable fog during the day. Snowfall of last night about 6 inches. Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 36.

### No Bus Service

Highland Lines Ltd Bus service, between Sydney and Louisbourg, did not operate today owing to the snow storm of last night.

### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. Small congregations at both services, owing to unfavorable weather conditions. Choir attendance: A.M. 8, P.M. 11.

## Death of Rev. J. D. Townsend

The death occurred at an early hour this morning in the Payzant Memorial Hospital, Windsor, N.S. of Rev. J. Dermott Townsend, Rector of the Anglican Church at Newport and Walton, N.S. He had been suffering from a heart ailment for a short time before his death. Rev. Mr. Townsend, who was about 64 years of age was born at Louisbourg, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bleecher W. Townsend.

After spending his boyhood days at Louisbourg, he studied for the Anglican Ministry, graduating from Kings College, and was ordained Deacon in 1911 and Priest in 1912. His mother, father and two sisters predeceased him.

He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Clare Moore of Truro, N.S. who many years ago was a member of the teaching staff of Louisbourg school. His remains will be taken to Truro for burial.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

# Monday 29

Louisbourg N.S.

Moderately cold and mostly cloudy with light northwest wind. Light drizzle of snow in the morning, late afternoon and night. Snowfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 32.

### **Bus Service Interrupted**

The first Sydney and Louisbourg Bus to reach here since Saturday evening, arrived here at about 6:30 P.M. nearly one hour behind schedule. Morning and noon runs were cancelled.

## **Snow Plough Arrives**

Provincial Highway snow plough from Sydney arrived and passed through town at about 10:30 P.M.

# **DECEMBER 1947**

## **Tuesday 30**

Louisbourg N.S.

Mostly cloudy with fresh to strong northwest wind. Light snow squalls in the morning and at intervals during the day. Blustery in the afternoon with drifting snow. Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 32.

## **Snow Plough Returns**

Provincial Highway Snow Plough which arrived here from Sydney last night passed through town at about 6 A.M. on the return trip.

#### **Bus Service**

Bus service between here and Sydney made its regular number of trips, three each way, but was running slightly behind schedule.

# Opens Old Road

A Bulldozer opened to traffic the Old Sydney Road, Catalone to Louisbourg, this afternoon. She passed through town, going easterly at about 6:30 P.M.

### **DECEMBER 1947**

# Wednesday 31

Louisbourg N.S.

Mostly cloudy and comparatively mild with light to moderate northwest wind. Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 35.

# End of 1947

Today brings to a close one of the most remarkable years in my memory, as far as weather conditions are concerned. Among other outstanding features, the past summer and autumn were the driest I ever experienced. In commenting on the weather of the past year, I do not think I can do any better than to quote from a comment appearing in the Halifax Chronicle of today; as well as in other newspapers which is as follows:

"The year started out with one of the mildest winters on record. The bureau described the climate in Eastern Canada as a "British Type", but noted, at that time, Briton's were shivering in Siberian conditions. Spring came late to the Maritimes, and low temperatures were recorded until late in June and by that time it was officially summer. Unofficially spring did not come to the Maritimes at all. Summer was very warm, however, and the hot weather lasted until autumn, to make October most decidedly an unusual month for warmth. A steady flow of moist air from the tropics moved over the area all through July, to make it one of the foggiest months in the Bureau's annals". In addition to receiving bureau recognition as a warm month, October snared an even greater laurel by being the driest month, in some areas in 74 years. Forest fires swept Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and reached a climax in October. The Cape Breton Highlands National Park emerged from the season charred and blackened and forest lands were cleaned out in Antigonish County and along the southern Nova Scotia shore, as well as in many parts of New Brunswick" "November was a fairly uneventful month with temperatures dropping to their usual levels. But the last 10 days of December had the bureau all agog. Three feet of snow was deposited in the Halifax region, and set a record for all Decembers in the books.

Householders in Halifax are still digging out from under, though only occasional snow flurries remain on the docket for the rest of the year".

Snowfall at Louisbourg for December, 41 inches.

Rainfall at Louisbourg, June 11 to Sept 14, inclusive not more than 2 1/4 inches.

Summer drought partly broken on Sept 15 with a rainfall of 3/4 inch.