

**JANUARY 1948****Thursday 1****New Year's Day**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with very light variable winds, mostly northwest. Light snow squalls beginning at noon and continuing for the greater part of the afternoon.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 34.

**General Holiday**

New Year's Day, a general holiday throughout the Dominion. No places of business open in town. Post office closed all day.

We entered on the new year with the whole province buried in snow. More snow than we have had for many years at so early a date. The total snow fall for Louisbourg, in the month of December, just past, was 41 inches.

**Death of Dan. MacLeod**

The death of Dan. MacLeod, a former resident of Louisbourg occurred this morning, at the Cape Breton Hospital, Sydney River. Mr. MacLeod, who was about 79 years of age was for many years a resident of Louisbourg. He had been an inmate of the Cape Breton Hospital for about six months. Mrs. Howard MacPhail, formerly of Louisbourg, now of Sydney, is a daughter of the deceased.

**JANUARY 1948****Friday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the morning, but becoming cloudy early in the day. Very light northwest wind in the morning, becoming variable. Light easterly wind in the afternoon, increasing to moderate and fresh to strong early in the night.

Min. temperature 25. Max. 35.

**Meeting of Brotherhood**

At 8 P.M., attended a regular meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, held in Calvin Hall with the President, Edison Skinner, in the chair. Others present were: William Stewart, Secretary, William Hilchey, Vice-President, Harold Wilson, Treasurer, Alex. MacKinnon, Duncan MacKay, Oscar Harris, Charles Bagnall, Rod. MacLeod, Arthur M. Townsend, Rev. John Hockin, supply pastor of the First United Church, Rev. John O'Brien, United Church, Sydney Mines, John MacDonald, Wilson Levy and M.S. Huntington. Short addresses were given by Mr. Hockin and Mr. O'Brien. At this meeting it was decided , on motion, to hold a banquet, as usual, at our Annual meeting which is to take place same time next month. A committee was appointed to set the date and make all necessary arrangements.

**Snow Plough**

Caterpillar snow plough, owned and operated by Ed. Willis of Marion Bridge was engaged during part of the day in clearing some of the town streets of snow. In the forenoon the Havenside road was ploughed through to the Lighthouse.

**JANUARY 1948****Saturday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Easterly wind reaching gale force in the early morning. Wind moderated to some extent in the forenoon, but continued to blow a strong breeze during the rest of the day and late into the night. Cloudy and mild all day.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 35.

#### Board of Stewarts

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Board of Stewarts of the First United Church, held at the home of Edison Skinner, with Edison Skinner presiding. Those present were: Rev. John Hockin, supply pastor of the First United, William Hilchey, Charles Bagnall, Edison Skinner, John Skinner, Oscar Harris, William Stewart and M.S. Huntington.

#### Ploughing Snow

Caterpillar snow plough which was at work yesterday clearing some of the town streets, continued the work today.

### JANUARY 1948

#### Sunday 4

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear and comparatively mild with moderate to fresh north-northeast wind.

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. John Hockin (supply pastor) was the preacher.

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

#### Funeral

At 1:30 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Dan. MacLeod, which took place from the home of his brother-in-law, Duncan MacDonald, Ellwood Street.

Services at the house, Presbyterian Church and grave were conducted by Rev. K. Georgis, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisbourg. Burial took place at Catalone Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

### JANUARY 1948

#### Monday 5

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light north-northeast wind. A perfect winter day.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 32.

### JANUARY 1948

#### Tuesday 6

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 32.

#### Week of Prayer

Week of Prayer began this evening, with the service being held in the First United Church at 7:30. The service was in charge of Rev. John Hockin (supply pastor of the First United) while Rev. J.T. Turner, pastor of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church was the speaker.

A fairly large congregation present, for a week day service. Choir attendance: 12. Emeline and I were present.

The services for the rest of the week are to be as follows: St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church on tomorrow evening. The Presbyterian Church on Thursday evening, and in the First United Church on Friday evening.

After the close of the service this evening, the Ladies Aid of the First United Church, met at our house, for the regular meeting of that organization.

## **JANUARY 1948**

### **Wednesday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate easterly wind and a few very light snow squalls. Wind increasing at night.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 34.

#### **Week of Prayer**

The second of the series of "Week of Prayer" services, was held in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church at 7:30 P.M. Service was in charge of the pastor Rev. J.T. Turner, while the preacher for the evening was Rev. K. Georgis, pastor of the Presbyterian Churches at Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisbourg. Quite a large congregation present. Emeline and I attended.

## **JANUARY 1948**

### **Thursday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light snow squalls in the early morning, followed by light rain, drizzle of wet snow beginning at 7 A.M. continued until about 3 P.P. Rainfall about 1/8 inch. Snowfall about 3 inches. Moderate to fresh northeast wind.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 34.

#### **Week of Prayer**

The third in the series of "Week of Prayer" services, was held in the Presbyterian Church at 7:30 P.M. Service was in charge of Rev. K. Georgis, pastor of the Presbyterian congregations at Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisbourg, assisted by Rev. J.T. Turner, of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, and Rev. John Hockin, pastor of the First United Church. Mr. Hockin was the preacher at this service. Service well attended.

Emeline and Evelyn attended this service, while I was not present.

## **JANUARY 1948**

### **Friday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with light to moderate southerly winds, increasing to fresh during the early part of the night. Light snow began to fall at about 6 P.M. and continuing during the night.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 33.

#### **Week of Prayer**

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the fourth and last of the "Week of Prayer" services which was held in the First United Church. Service in charge of Rev. John Hockin. The speaker was Rev. K. Georgis, pastor of the Presbyterian Churches at Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisbourg. Service well attended. Choir attendance: 15.

#### Choir Practice and Annual Meeting

Immediately after the evening service we held out choir practice, and at the conclusion of the practice, the Annual Meeting of the choir, with Edison Skinner, the Chairman presiding. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year; Chairman: Edison Skinner, Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Charles Bagnell, Organist: Mrs. Charles Bagnell, Director: M.S. Huntington. All re-elected. Mrs. M.S. Huntington was elected choir representative on the official Board of the Church, in the place of Mrs. William Phalen, who has removed from Louisbourg and is now in Ontario.

#### **JANUARY 1948**

##### **Saturday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with a few light snow squalls during the day. Snowfall of about 2 inches of last night was followed by light showers of rain in the morning. Fresh westerly winds moderating in the evening.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 34.

#### **JANUARY 1948**

##### **Sunday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold and mostly clear with moderate northwest wind. Light snow squalls at intervals during the day.

Min. temperature 13. Max. temperature 24. Snowfall about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

#### 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 pastor, was the preacher. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the 11 A.M. service. A fairly large attendance at both services.

Choir attendance 11 A.M., 11, 7 P.M., 15.

Shortly after 2 P.M. the following members of the First United choir accompanied Rev. Mr. Hockin to Catalone, for the purpose of assisting him at the service scheduled to be held at 2:30 P.M. in the Catalone United Church. Mrs. Charles Bagnall (organist), Miss Elsie Bagnall, Dan. F. Nicholson, Edison Skinner, Mrs. D.J. MacIntyre, M.S. and Mrs. Huntington. Attendance was small: only five members of the Catalone congregation being present. D.F. Nicholson and [blank] Bussey took the choir and Mr. Hockin to Catalone in their cars. We arrived home at 4:10 P.M.

#### **JANUARY 1948**

##### **Monday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light northwest wind, shifting to southwest at night and increasing to fresh.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 30.

**JANUARY 1948****Tuesday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light rain in the morning, followed by a fall of wet snow which continued, moderately until after nightfall. Snow followed by rain at about 9:30 P.M. Snowfall about 3 inches. Moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 35.

## S.S. LADY LAURIER

Canadian government steamer Lady Laurier arrived in the afternoon.

**JANUARY 1948****Wednesday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rained all day, with moderate, fresh to strong, southwest wind. Snow melting fast and streets very slippery.

Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 45.

**JANUARY 1948****Thursday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Heavy rain in the early morning, until about 6 o'clock, then followed by light snow squalls until about 7 A.M. Cloudy during the day, with snow squalls in the late afternoon and evening. Light to moderate northwest wind. Snowfall about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 45.

## Heavy Rainfall

Total rainfall since Tuesday morning, last, until 6 A.M. today:  $4 \frac{1}{4}$  inches.

Much of the snow which has covered the whole province, has disappeared as a result of the big thaw, which I believe was general all over the Province of Nova Scotia. But there is still plenty left for all purposes for which snow is used. On Main Street, in this town, there is a few small patches of bare ground showing, where some of the snow had previously been removed.

**JANUARY 1948****Friday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold and partly clear with light northerly wind shifting to southwest in the early part of the night.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 21.

## Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M., attended a regular meeting of the First United Church Brotherhood, held in Calvin Hall with the President, Edison Skinner, in the chair. Others present were: William Stewart, Secretary, Edison Skinner, President, Harold Wilson, Treasurer, John Skinner, Charles Bagnall, D.F. Nicholson, Rev. John Hockin, William Hilchey, Edward Levy, Wilson Levy, Arthur Townsend, Rod. MacNeil, and M.S. Huntington. Guests present: Mayor G.B. Hiltz, and Councilor Lauchlin MacIntyre. The speaker for the evening was William Stewart who gave a very interesting and

instructive talk on the financial affairs of the town of Louisbourg, quoting from the auditors report for the year 1946.

S.S. FOUNDATION FRANKLIN

Ocean going tug "Foundation Franklin" arrived in the evening and docked at the Government wharf.

S.S. LADY LAURIER

Government steamer "Lady Laurier" which has been here since Tuesday afternoon, sailed for Halifax. The Laurier has been engaged in picking up buoys along the coast and has a full load on board.

**JANUARY 1948**

**Saturday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh southerly winds.  
Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 30.

**JANUARY 1948**

**Sunday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Rain began to fall, moderately, at about 3 P.M. and continued during the night.  
Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 40.

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 pastor) was the preacher. Small congregation at both services. Choir attendance: 11 A.M. 10, 7 P.M. 10.

**JANUARY 1948**

**Monday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain of last night ceased in the early morning, and was followed by lower temperature and snow squalls. Fresh, moderate to light northwest wind. Rainfall of yesterday afternoon and last night: 7/8 inch. Snow fall of this morning about ½ inch.  
Min. temperature 8. Max. temperature 40.

**JANUARY 1948**

**Tuesday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold with variable cloudiness, and moderate to fresh west and southwest winds. Some snow squalls at intervals during the day. Snowfall about 2 inches.  
Min. temperature 9. Max. temperature 26.

Joint Expenditure Board Meets

The Cape Breton County Joint Expenditure Board, met for its annual convention, at Sydney today. Representatives from the City of Sydney, Municipality of the County of Cape Breton, and

the towns of North Sydney, Sydney Mines, New Waterford, Dominion, Glace Bay, and Louisbourg were present. This convention usually sits for four days.

**JANUARY 1948**

**Wednesday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and clear in the morning and forenoon, becoming cloudy shortly after noon. Light west to southwest winds, shifting to south and southeast in the evening and early part of the night increasing to fresh and strong. Snow began to fall at about 7 P.M. and continued during the night.

Min. temperature 5. Max. temperature 29.

**Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended, and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. Very few present owing to the snow storm, seven in all.

**Horse Races**

Horse Races, the first of the season were held this afternoon on Grand Lake in the presence of a large crowd of spectators. Horse owned by Alex. Burke was the winner in the faster class: and horse owned by Teddie MacInnis in the slower class.

**JANUARY 1948**

**Thursday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow storm of last night was followed by rain and southwest gale in the early morning. Cleared raining and wind moderate before dawn. Cloudy and mild with moderate southwest wind during the day. Thawing all day. Snow that fell last night has all disappeared. Snowfall of last night; about 5 inches. Rainfall about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 42.

**Streets Bare**

Streets on which the snow ploughs were used are now bare as well as the highway leading out of town, as a result of the mild weather during the last few days.

**JANUARY 1948**

**Friday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Comparatively mild and mostly clear, becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Fresh westerly winds increasing to strong in the early part of the night. Snow began to fall at about 6:30 P.M. and continued until a late hour at night. Snow drifting as it fell. Very blustery. Snowfall about 2 inches.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 32.

**Congregational Meeting**

At 7:30 P.P., in company with Emeline, attended the annual congregational meeting of the First United Church, which was held in the church hall (Calvin Hall) with Rev. John Hockin (Supply Pastor) presiding. For the purpose of taking minutes of the meeting, I was elected secretary. Reports were received from the various organizations of the congregation, and were adopted,

on motion of the meeting. William Stewart and William Hilchie were re-elected, Treasurer and Secretary, respectively, and M.S. Huntington, Assistant Secretary.

Re-elected to the Board of Stewards were the following: Rod. J. MacLeod, John H. Skinner, Edward Levy, and D.J. MacIntyre. Ushers re-elected: Duncan A. MacKay, John R. DeFries, John E. MacDonald, Oscar Harris and Charles Bagnall Sr. Wilson Levy was added to the list of ushers to fill the vacancy caused by the absence of Charles Bagnall Jr. Auditors elected: Harold Wilson (re-elected) and Oscar Harris. The session, at present consists of the following persons: A.W. Stacey, clerk, A.C. Beaton, J.A. MacInnis, Edison Skinner, (representative to the Presbytery) Arthur M. Townsend, D.J. Nicholson and Oscar Harris.

Immediately after the close of the meeting, the ladies of the congregation served a light lunch, which was greatly enjoyed by all present.

About 40 persons attended this meeting.

## **JANUARY 1948**

### **Saturday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with fresh to strong northwest wind, which moderated to light in the late afternoon.

Min. temperature 7 A.M. 4 above zero. Max. temperature in the early morning 22.

Temperature stood at 10 above zero nearly all day, dropping to 8 during the first half of the night. Coldest day of the season, so far.

### **S.S. FOUNDATION FRANKLIN**

Tug "Foundation Franklin", which has been stationed here since the 16<sup>th</sup> of this month, sailed this afternoon to the assistance of a ship reported in distress, somewhere off the coast.

### **Highway Tax Abolished**

It was announced today over the radio and in the press, that the Highway tax amounting to 1/10 of 1 per cent of their assessments, in all the cities and towns in the Province of Nova Scotia, had been abolished. Louisbourg's share of the highway tax was \$254.00, since it had been frozen several years ago.

### **S.S. FOUNDATION FRANKLIN**

The ship to which the Foundation Franklin, went to the assistance of was the Norwegian steamer AROSA, 5000 tons, with engine trouble. She is said to be about 500 miles off the coast. Later: January 28: today's press reports stated that a line had been put on board the Arosa today; and she was being towed to Boston Mass. for repairs. She is said to be about 800 miles from Boston.

## **JANUARY 1948**

### **Sunday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately cold with light north to northeast winds. Snow began to fall at 9:45 A.M. and continued moderately until the late afternoon. Snowfall about 3 inches.

Min. temperature 7. Max. temperature about 22. Clear and moonlight during the night, with temperature falling.

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 pastor) was the preacher. Small congregation in the morning; considerably larger at night.

Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 13.

## JANUARY 1948

### Monday 26

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light northwest wind. Cloudy for a while in the morning.

Min. temperature 3. Max. temperature 23.

#### Last Slab Poured

The last concrete slab for the top of the Fish Plant wharf was poured this afternoon. This completes the top of the wharf as far as the concrete is concerned.

The top of the wharf is made up of 45 concrete slabs, each one 20x25 feet; 3 slabs in width and 15 in length; making the wharf 300 feet long and 60 feet wide.

#### Annual Ice Harvest

Lewis & Company, began storing the annual ice supply for the swordfish business, today. The ice is being hauled by motor truck, from Grand Lake, on the Sydney and Louisbourg highway.

## JANUARY 1948

### Tuesday 27

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light northwest wind.

Min. temperature 3. Max. temperature 15.

#### Concrete Mixer Dismantled

The concrete mixer, which had been set up by the T.C. Garman construction company for the purpose of mixing concrete for the Fish Plant wharf, was being dismantled today; the concrete work having been furnished as far as the wharf is concerned.

#### Nomination Day

This is nomination day throughout the Province of Nova Scotia, for candidates for mayors and councilors, in all the towns in the Province, with the exception of the town of Glace Bay.

Nominations filed with the Town Clerk at Louisbourg, were as follows:

For mayor: G.B. Hiltz, re-offering. No opposition.

For councilors: Edison Skinner, Earl Lewis, Edward Levy, and Duncan MacKay. The first three are re-offering. MacKay is a new candidate. There being four candidates to fill three vacancies, we are assured of a contest on election day, which is next Tuesday, February the third.

## JANUARY 1948

### Wednesday 28

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light to moderate northwest wind. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature 2. Max. temperature 17.

#### Choir Practice

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

**JANUARY 1948**

**Thursday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light northwest wind. An ideal winter day. Min. temperature 3. Max. temperature 18.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government icebreaker "Saurel" arrived from Halifax, at 1 P.M., and docked at the government wharf.

Panchito Reported Lost

Today's radio broadcasts and the press, reported that the Panamanian steamer "Panchito" had been lost off the French coast of Brittany. An explosion is said to have been the cause of the ship's loss. 18 of the crew are missing while 12 are said to have been picked up.

The Panchito, was a frequent visitor to Louisbourg during war years, while she was engaged in carrying coal from this port. She was of 4018 tons and built at New York in 1910.

**JANUARY 1948**

**Friday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow storm in the early morning. Partly clear and comparatively mild during the forenoon with light to moderate southwest wind. Wind shifted to northwest at 1 P.M. and in the evening to north. After shifting to northwest the wind increased to fresh and later in the night to moderate gale force. Snowed and drifted all the afternoon and late into the night. Very blustery.

Min. temperature 5. Max. temperature 32.

Snowfall; at least 6 inches.

S.S. Saurel

Canadian government steamer (Icebreaker) "Saurel" sailed in the morning, for Sydney.

Gandhi Assassinated

It was announced over the radio and in the press today that Mahandas K. Gandhi Hindu Indian leader had been shot and killed at New Delhi, India. He was 78 years of age. The assassin, a civilian Hindu, was arrested after the shooting.

**JANUARY 1948**

**Saturday 31**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with snow flurries and fresh north wind in the morning. Clearing shortly before noon, wind shifting to northwest and becoming colder.

Min. temperature 14. Max. temperature 26.

Snow Plough

Provincial Highway snow plough arrived in the afternoon, and cleared Main Street, before returning.

### Piano and Voice Lessons

Arthur Smith of Glace Bay began class today teaching piano and voice lessons to classes in this town. His studio is in the Grade one class room in the town school. Jane Huntington, my niece aged 9, is one of his pupils in both piano and voice. She began piano lessons in March 1946 under Mrs. Ernest Bains. After Mrs. Bains gave up her class near the end of June 1946, Mrs. Fred MacInnis of Sydney took over Mrs. Bains class in the Autumn of 1946, and continued until about the end of June 1947. Mr. Smith intends holding classes on Friday evenings, and all day Saturday of each week.

LATER: Mr. Smith did not return for classes on Feb 6 and 7 as arranged. I understand he does not intend to resume his classes here.

### TEMPERATURES, SNOWFALL, RAINFALL FOR THE MONTH

Temperatures for the month; Min. 2 above zero on Jan. 28. Max temperature Jan 14, 45.

Weather comfortably mild for this season of the year.

Snowfall 27 inches. Rainfall; 5  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches.

## FEBRUARY 1948

### Sunday 1

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold and partly clear with moderate to light northerly winds.

Min. temperature 7. Max. temperature 22.

### 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 pastor) was the preacher.

Choir attendance A.M. 9. P.M. 11.

## FEBRUARY 1948

### Monday 2

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold and mostly clear with moderate to fresh westerly winds.

Min. temperature 3. Max. temperature 27.

### S.S. Louisbourg

Steamer Louisbourg, Capt. Williams, arrived shortly before noon, for the purpose of loading a cargo of coal. This is the first ship to arrive here for a coal cargo, this season. She began loading at about 4 P.M.

### S.S. Cruizer

Coal Company's tug "Cruizer", Capt. Cabbin, arrived here from Sydney, at about 4 P.M. for the purpose of taking up her duties at this port, for the winter season.

### Death of Abram W. Grant

Received a telegram this evening from Emerson Grant, Tucson Arizona U.S.A. stating that his father had died today. Mr. Grant who was about 81 years was a native of Gabarus, where he lived until about 18 years ago when he went to Tucson, to live with his son Howard.

His wife the former Miss Theresa Townsend of Louisbourg, predeceased him many years ago.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Tuesday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mild with southwest wind in the early part of the day. Wind shifted to northwest early in the afternoon and increasing to strong and becoming cold as night approached. Mostly clear but a few light snow squalls in the morning.

Min. temperature (P.M.) 2. Max. temperature 33.

#### Town Elections

Town election day throughout the Province of Nova Scotia. Result in Louisbourg as follows: Mayor G.B. Hiltz returned for a second term by acclamation. For Councilors: four candidates for the vacancies: Earl Lewis 180, Duncan MacKay; 180, Edison Skinner 123, Edward Levy, 107. Of the three returning candidates, Lewis and Skinner were re-elected.

MacKay is a new man in the field of civil politics. The Council shall now consist of the following: Mayor G.B. Hiltz, Councilors: Charles Bagnall, Lauchlin MacIntyre, Charles Stacey, Earl Lewis, Edison Skinner and Duncan MacKay.

Mayors elected in some of the other Nova Scotia towns as follows: North Sydney: Mayor A. Charles Thompson re-elected by a majority of 393 over Stanley Cleary. New Waterford: Mayor P.G. Muise, returned by a majority of 552 over James P. MacNeil. Dominion: F.J. Stephenson elected by a majority of 182 over Mayor Joseph MacDonald. Sydney Mines: Owen Hartigan acclimation. Kentville: Mayor: Mrs. Gladys Porter returned by a majority of 294 over Ex-Councilor R.D.L. Bligh. Yarmouth: Eric H. Spinney 1213 majority over Mrs. Alice Hatfield (Ex-Councilor). Westville: J.A. MacGregor, acclimation. Amherst: N.S. Sanford, acclimation, Canso, Cecil Boyd, acclimation, Antigonish: Nicholas Landy: 231 over Fonce MacIntyre. Paresboro: A.L. Smith, acclimation, Dartmouth: A.C. Pettipas, 96 majority.

#### S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" arrived during [blank].

**Wednesday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and very cold with light-northwest wind.

Min. temperature A.M. 9 below zero. Min. temperature P.M. 10 below zero.

Max. temperature 4 below zero.

#### Choir Practice

At 8 P.M. attended, and conducted, choir practice in the First United Church. 6 members of choir present.

#### Death of Mrs. Siteman

The death of Mrs. George Arthur Siteman occurred this evening at her home on Wolfe Street. She took a heart attack and passed away in a few minutes. She was a resident of the town of Louisbourg for many years. She was about 70 years of age. Her husband predeceased her several years ago.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Thursday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light northwest wind.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 12 below zero. Max. temperature 14 above.

Lowest temperature reading for several years.

**S.S. SAINT MALO**

Steamer "Saint Malo", formerly Liscomb Park, Capt. Ben Pope arrived in the afternoon for a cargo of coal.

**S.S. Louisbourg**

Steamer "Louisbourg" sailed in the afternoon with a cargo of coal for St. John N.B.

**S.S. SAUREL**

Canadian government steamer (Icebreaker) sailed in the morning.

**United Church Brotherhood**

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, held in Calvin Hall, with President Edison Skinner presiding. 12 persons present.

**Death of Nicholas M. Brown**

The death of Nicholas Mitton Brown, from a heart attack, at Sydney, this afternoon. Mr. Brown who was about 64 years of age was born at St. John's Newfoundland, but came to Sydney about 45 years ago. For a number of years he was night editor of the Sydney Post and in later years secretary of the Tourist Bureau at Sydney. At the time of his death he was in the employ of the Unemployment Service Commission. His wife the former Miss Louise Dillon of Louisbourg, predeceased him about 6 years ago.

**FEBRUARY 1948****Friday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light west and northwest winds.

Min. temperature 3 below zero (A.M.). Max. temperature 20.

**Motored to Sydney**

Went to Sydney on the 7:45 A.M. run of "Highland Lines" Bus service and returned on the 4:30 P.M. run of the same bus. While in Sydney made a number of business calls, including the keeping of an appointment with Mr. Fudge, representing the Anglo-Canadian Mercantile Co. Ltd. of Montreal, with whom I placed an order for goods. Had lunch at the "Isle Royale" hotel, as the guest of Mr. Fudge.

The highway between here and Sydney is in excellent condition for motor traffic.

**S.S. SAUREL**

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" (icebreaker) which sailed yesterday morning, returned this evening.

**S.S. SAINT MALO**

Steamer "Saint Malo", Capt. Ben Pope, sailed in the afternoon for Halifax with a cargo of coal.

**FEBRUARY 1948****Saturday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with moderate to light northwest wind.

Min. temperature 1 above zero (A.M.). Max. temperature 20.

## S.S. ROCKWOOD PARK

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

## Visited Mr. Spencer

In the afternoon visited Bucher Spencer who on last Thursday, returned from the City Hospital, Sydney, where he recently underwent an operation. He is feeling fine and expects to be out and around shortly.

## S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" sailed in the morning.

**FEBRUARY 1948****Sunday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately cold in the morning, but becoming mild early in the day. Snow began to fall at about 9:30 A.M. and continued snowing moderately all day, and the early part of the night. Snowfall about 4 inches.

Min. temperature 3 above zero. 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 pastor) was the preacher. Comparatively small congregations at both services.

Choir attendance: A.M. 8. P.M. 12.

## Funeral

At 3:45 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Mrs. George A. Siteman, which took place from her late home on Wolfe Street to St. Bartholomew's Church (Anglican). Services at the church and grave were conducted by Rev. J.L. Turner, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church. Burial took place in the Anglican Cemetery on Clarke's Road.

Pallbearers: Mayor G.B. Hiltz, Teddie MacInnis, Thomas Bates, George MacMullen, Donald O'Toole, and M.S. Huntington.

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

## Visited at our house

Mrs. John Close of Glace Bay, who is spending the weekend here. Spent the evening with us of church service.

**FEBRUARY 1948****Monday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with strong northwest wind, which moderated in the evening, to light. Very blustery during the greater part of the day.

Min. temperature 7 A.M. 3 above zero, P.M. 7 below. Max. temperature, early A.M., 28.

Snow of yesterday, drifted in to breaks by today's high wind.

**S.S. ROCKWOOD PARK**

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

**SNOW PLOUGH**

Provincial highway snow plough passed through town in the afternoon, both coming and going, and in so doing cleared the snow from Main Street.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Tuesday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Remarkably clear and very cold with light to moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 17 below zero, P.M. 7 below.

Max. temperature for the day, which was the coldest for many years, 3 above of [blank].

**S.S. SAINT MALO**

Steamer "Saint Malo", Capt. Ben Pope, arrived in the afternoon for a cargo of coal.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Wednesday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light northwest wind which shifted to west and increased to moderate.

Min. temperature 9 below zero (A.M.). Max. temperature 18.

**S.S. LA PETITE HERMINE**

Steamer "La Petite Hermine" (formerly Kelowna Park). Arrived in the afternoon for a cargo of coal.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Thursday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowed moderately until shortly before noon, with light southwest wind. Cleared shortly after noon, wind shifting to northwest and increasing to fresh.

Snowfall about 2 inches.

Min. temperature (P.M.) 10. Max. temperature 35.

**S.S. ST. MALO**

Steamer "St. Malo", Capt. Ben Pope, sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

**S.S. LA GRANDE HERMINE**

Steamer "La Grande Hermine" arrived in the early part of the night for a cargo of coal. This ship was formerly the "Rockwood Park".

**FEBRUARY 1948****Friday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cool with light to moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 3. Max. temperature 16.

## S.S. KELTIC

Newfoundland steamer "Keltic" arrived in the morning for a cargo of coal.

## S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" arrived in the morning.

## S.S. GRENADIER

Ocean-going tug, "Grenadier" arrived in the evening.

**FEBRUARY 1948****Saturday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow storm in the early morning which was followed by rain at about 8:30 A.M. Rain continued, except for short periods, all day and late into the night. Fresh south wind shifting to southwest early in the day.

Snowfall: at least 4 inches. Rainfall 1  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch.

Min. temperature 16 (A.M.). Max. temperature 43.

## S.S. LA GRANDE HERMINE

Steamer "La Grande Hermine" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

## Bus Service Interrupted

No 4:30 P.M. or 11:30 P.M. bus from Sydney today owing to the slippery condition of the highway.

**FEBRUARY 1948****Sunday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with strong northwest wind, at times reaching gale force; particularly during the early part of the night. Snow squalls during the evening and night. Very unpleasant, both day and night.

Min. temperature (4 P.M.) 4 below zero.

Streets very slippery and dangerous to both pedestrians and motorists.

## 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 pastor) was the preacher. Small congregations at both services: about 40 in number.

Choir attendance: A.M. 9 P.M. 10.

## S.S. INVERNESS COUNTY

Steamer "Inverness County" arrived at 2 P.M. for a cargo of coal, and docked on east side of the coal pier.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Monday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Northwest gale of last night moderated in the early morning. Clear and cold during the entire day, with moderate to fresh northwest wind.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 4 below zero. Max. temperature 11.

S.S. LA PETITE HERMINE

Steamer "La Petite Hermine", Capt. Guy, arrived in the forenoon and docked on the west side of the coal pier, and began loading a cargo of coal.

S.S. Louisbourg

Steamer "Louisbourg" arrived in the forenoon for a cargo of coal, and anchored in the stream.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Tuesday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold in the early morning, but becoming mild early in the day. Cloudy with fresh to strong southwest wind. A fall of about 1 inch of snow during the forenoon which was: followed by light rain beginning at about 1 P.M. and continuing until late at night. Rainfall: 5/8 inch.

Streets and highways very slippery.

Min. temperature (early A.M.) 3. Max. temperature 35.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Wednesday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and mild with light to moderate northwest wind, which increased to fresh in the early part of the night and later in the night to gale force, accompanied by snow squalls. Light snow in the evening. Snowfall; about 2 inches.

Min. temperature (P.M.) 22. Max. temperature 37.

S.S. KELTIC

Steamer "Keltic" sailed at about 8 A.M. with a cargo of coal.

S.S. LA PATITE HERMINE

Steamer "La Petite Hermine" sailed last night or early this morning with a cargo of coal. This steamer, the former KELOWNA PARK is in command of Capt. Guy.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurell", Capt. Pool, arrived at about 1 P.M.

Old Anchor

The "Saurel" while here a few days ago, raised an old anchor from the bottom of Louisbourg harbour, while in the act of hoisting her own anchor.

### S.S. LA GRANDEHERMINE

Steamer La Grande Hermine arrived in the evening for a cargo of coal and anchored in the stream.

#### Old Anchor

In the afternoon I visited the C.G.S. "Saurel" and took measurements of the old anchor that was raised a few days ago from the bottom of Louisbourg harbour. Dimensions as follows: Length of shank: 17 ft. 5 inches. Length of arms from point to point 14 ft. Width of flakes: 32 inches, width of ring 32 inches.

### FEBRUARY 1948

Thursday 19

Louisbourg, N.S.

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

Min. temperature 7 (A.M.). Max. temperature 23.

### S.S. LA GRANDE HERMINE

Steamer "La Grande Hermine" which arrived here yesterday evening, sailed for North Sydney in the morning rather than wait for several days for a coal cargo, which she intended loading at this port.

### S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel", Capt. Pool, sailed for North Sydney at about noon today.

#### Brotherhood Banquet

At 6:30 P.M. attended the annual meeting and banquet of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, which was held in Calvin Hall with the President, Edison Skinner presiding. About fifty sat down to the tables. Rev. J.T. Turner, pastor of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, was the guest speaker. His subject was the Chaplain service in the Canadian Army during the second world war, in which he served. The supper was served by the ladies of the MacMillan Club of the First United Church. Toast to the ladies was proposed by Rev. John Hockin, (supply pastor) of the First United Church, and responded to by Mrs. D.J. MacIntyre. M.S. Huntington on behalf of the Brotherhood extended thanks to Rev. Mr. Turner for his address. Other speakers were: Mayor G.B. Hiltz and Rev. K. Georges, who were guests of the Brotherhood. A.W. Stacey and Edward Levy also gave short addresses.

The banquet was a success and apparently greatly enjoyed by all who were present.

#### Death of David Townsend

David Townsend was found dead in home this evening by Alex. Bryan and Claude O'Hara. He was at work yesterday but was not seen around today. Bryan and O'Hara went to investigate and found him dead in bed where he evidently died in his sleep. He lived alone. Mr. Townsend, who was about 60 years of age, is survived one brother, Cleveland, and one sister, Mrs. Hunter (Ida) both living in Sydney.

### FEBRUARY 1948

Friday 20

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light southwest wind. Light intermittent showers continuing all day and the early part of the night. Rainfall: about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 36.

S.S. SAINT MALO

Steamer "Saint Malo" arrived in the morning for a cargo of coal, and anchored in the stream.

S.S. WABANA

Steamer "Wabana" arrived at noon with part cargo of brick to be discharged at this port. She docked on the east side of the freight wharf and began discharging cargo in the evening.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Saturday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light to moderate variable winds. Mostly northeast.

Min. temperature 12. Max. temperature 34.

S.S. LOUISBOURG

Steamer Louisbourg sailed in the early morning with a cargo of coal.

S.S. SAINT MALO

Steamer "Saint Malo", Capt. Ben. Pope, docked and began loading a cargo of coal.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" arrived and docked at the government wharf.

S.S. LA PETITE HERMINE

Steamer "La Grande Hermine" arrived for a cargo of coal, and anchored in the stream.

Funeral

At 3 P.M. attended the funeral of the late David Townsend which took place from Johnston's Funeral Parlor, to St. Bartholomew's Church. Services at the church and grave were conducted by Rev. J.T. Turner, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. Burial took place in the Anglican cemetery on Clarke's Road.

Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director of this town.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Sunday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately cold with moderate to fresh northeast wind. Light snow squalls in the late afternoon.

Snow began to fall at about 7:30 P.M. and continued during the night.

Min. temperature 10. Max. temperature 22.

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. John Hockin, (supply pastor) was the preacher.

Choir attendance: A.M. 9. P.M. 14.

Male quartette composed of Edison Skinner, Arthur MacQueen, Alex. and D.F. Nicholson, rendered a selection at the evening service.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Monday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow squalls and drifting snow lasting all day, and late into the night. Strong northeast and north winds at times reaching gale force. A very disagreeable day.

Snowfall of last night and today, at least 5 inches.

Clear and moonlight during the night with wind continuing strong.

Min. temperature (P.M.) 7. Max. temperature 20.

Congregational Meeting

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended a meeting of the congregation of the First United Church, with Rev. Frank MacLean, interim moderator of this congregation presiding. After a short devotional period conducted by Rev. John Hockin (supply pastor), M.S. Huntington was on motion elected secretary of the meeting who at the beginning of the meeting read the minutes of a special meeting of the congregation held on October 26, 1947, when a committee consisting of William Stewart, Arthur M. Townsend and Edison Skinner were appointed for the purpose of obtaining a minister to succeed Rev. E.E. Ashley, and to procure a supply pastor to take charge of the congregation until such time as a permanent minister could be obtained.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Tuesday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold, and remarkably clear, with strong north wind which moderated to light in the evening.

Min. temperature (A.M. and P.M.) 5. Max. temperature 17.

S.S. SAINT MALO

Steamer "Saint Malo" sailed in the early morning, with a cargo of coal.

S.S. LA GRAND HERMINE

Steamer "La Grand Hermine" is in port for the purpose of loading a cargo of coal.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Wednesday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy. Snow began to fall at about 11:30 A.M. Snow continued to fall, moderately during the remainder of the day and late into the night. Snowfall about 5 inches. Fresh to strong southwest wind.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 1 below zero. Max. temperature 29.

S.S. WABANA

Steamer "Wabana" which arrived here on the 20<sup>th</sup> with about 900 tons of brick on board, has finished discharging, and today began loading a cargo of coal.

S.S. INVERNESS COUNTY

Steamer "Inverness County" which arrived here on the 15<sup>th</sup> for a cargo of coke, finished loading last night. She has on board about 6000 tons.

S.S. KELTIC

Newfoundland steamer "Keltic" arrived for a cargo of coal.

Choir Practice

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

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Thursday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light to moderate west and northwest winds.

Min. temperature (P.M.) 10. Max. temperature 30.

S.S. INVERNESS COUNTY

Steamer "Inverness County" sailed in the morning for [blank] with a cargo of coke; about 6000 tons.

S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland, passenger, mail and freight steamer, "Cabot Strait" arrived at about 10 P.M. from Port-au-Basque, Newfoundland. This boat usually runs between North Sydney and Port-au-Basque, but had to come here this trip owing to drift ice off the port of North Sydney. This is the first trip of this new boat to this port and the first Newfoundland passenger and mail boat to come here this season. The Cabot Strait went into commission in August 1947.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Friday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with moderate north and northeast winds.

Min. temperature 7. Max. temperature 24.

S.S. WABANA

Steamer "Wabana" sailed in the morning for St. John, New Brunswick, with a cargo of about 9000 tons of coal.

S.S. SAINT MALO

Steamer "Saint Malo" arrived in the forenoon for a cargo of coal, and anchored in the stream.

Board of Stewards

At 8 P.M., attended the annual meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church, which was held at the home of Edison Skinner Chairman of the board. Those present were: Edison Skinner, Oscar Harris, (secretary), Charles Bagnall, John H. Skinner, William Hilchie, Edward Levy and M.S. Huntington. Edison Skinner and Oscar Harris were re-elected as Chairman and Secretary, respectively, for the ensuing year.

**FEBRUARY 1948**

**Saturday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate winds varying from north to northeast.  
Min. temperature 1. Max. temperature 18.

**S.S. CABOT STRAIT**

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" sailed at about 6 A.M. with passengers, mails and freight, for Port-au-Basque, Newfoundland.

**S.S. LA GRANDE HERMINE**

Steamer "La Grande Hermine", Capt. Stewart, sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

**S.S. SAUREL**

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" arrived in the early morning.

**FEBRUARY 1948****Sunday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and partly clear with moderate to fresh northeast and north-northeast winds. Very chilly.  
Min. temperature (A.M.) 2 below zero. Max. temperature 13. Light snow squalls during the night.

**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 pastor) was the preacher.

Small congregations at both services.

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

**S.S. CABOT STRAIT**

Newfoundland steamer, "Cabot Strait" arrived at about 6 P.M., with passengers, mails and freight from Port-au-Basque Nfld.

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> trip of this boat to Louisbourg, this season.

**S.S. SAUREL**

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" sailed.

Temperatures, Snowfall, Rainfall for this month. On ten days the temperature dropped below the zero mark. The lowest temperature was on the 10<sup>th</sup> when the reading was 17 below. The lowest for many years. Weather generally cold throughout the month.

Snowfall: 19 inches.

Rainfall: 3 1/8 inches.

Max. temperature on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 43 degrees.

**Death of Samuel Fiander**

The death of Samuel Fiander, a former resident of Louisbourg occurred at the General Hospital, New Waterford N.S. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Abram Fiander formerly of Lousiburg. He was 71 years of age and is survived by his wife and one step-son, Matt. Dickson. He is also

survived by three brothers: Charles, Louisbourg, Murray, Boston Mass. and Thomas at Glace Bay, N.S.

**MARCH 1948**

**Monday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold, and remarkably clear with northerly gale. Very chilly wind moderated in the evening.  
Min. temperature (A.M. and P.M.) 2 below zero. Max. temperature 12.

S.S. SAINT MALO

Steamer "Saint Malo" sailed with a cargo of coal.

S.S. PETITE HERMINE

Steamer "La Petite Hermine" arrived for a cargo of coal.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" arrived last night, and sailed this afternoon.

S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" sailed in the evening with passengers, mails and freight for Port-au-Basque Nfld.

**MARCH 1948**

**Tuesday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with moderate northerly wind which shifted to southwest in the early afternoon, becoming variable.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 6 below zero. Max. temperature 24.

S.S. GRENADIER

Tug "Grenadier" which has been here since February 13, sailed in the forenoon to the assistance of a steamer in distress.

S.S. LA GRANDE HERMINE

Steamer "La Grande Hermine" arrived in the evening for a cargo of coal.

**MARCH 1948**

**Wednesday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately cold with moderate to fresh winds, varying from northeast to southeast and back again to snowing moderately until late in the afternoon. Cleared during the early part of the night.

Snowfall about 3 inches.

Min. temperature 2. Max. temperature 22.

S.S. LA PETITE HERMINE

Steamer "La Petite Hermine" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

S.S. LIVERPOOL PACKET

Steamer "Liverpool Packet" arrived last night or early this morning for a cargo of coal.

Choir Practice

At 8 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. 10 members present.

Death of Mrs. Wentworth Spencer

The death of Mrs. Wentworth Spencer occurred today at her home on Blackett Glace Bay. She was about 75 years of age and is survived by her husband one son and three daughters. The son Gordon, Blackett Street Glace Bay. The daughters: (Myrtle) Mrs. Roy Sheppard, Louisbourg, (Hazel) Mrs. Fred Brewer, Glace Bay, (Florence) Mrs. Frank Brewer, Brookland Street Glace Bay.

**MARCH 1948**

**Thursday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light to moderate north to northeast wind.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 3. Max. temperature 23.

S.S. LA GRANDE HERMINE

Steamer "La Grande Hermine" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

S.S. RANDOM

Newfoundland steamer "Random" arrived shortly before noon for the purpose of loading a general cargo at this port.

**MARCH 1948**

**Friday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and mostly clear, becoming hazy in the afternoon. Strong northerly wind. At times reaching gale force. Light snow squalls in the late afternoon and evening, which provided snow for drifting. Very unpleasant for any one whose work compelled him to be out in the open.

Min. temperature (A.M. and P.M.) 2 above zero. Max. temperature 17.

S.S. LIVERPOOL PACKET

Steamer "Liverpool Packet" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" arrived last night with passengers, mails and freight from Port-au-Basque Nfld.

S.S. GRENADEIER

Tug "Grenadier" which sailed to the assistance of the British freighter "Stuart Prince", last Tuesday, arrived back in port this evening, without having contacted the distressed ship. Before the Grenadier reached her, she had made temporary repairs and sailed into Argentia Newfoundland, under her own power.

S.S. SAUREL

Government steamer "Saurel", Capt. Poole, arrived here this evening, after being away from this port since last Monday.

Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. went to Calvin Hall for the purpose of attending a meeting of the First United Church Brotherhood. As there were very few present, owing to bad weather conditions, we dismissed without calling the meeting to order. About 10 persons present.

**MARCH 1948**

**Saturday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold, and remarkably clear, with fresh to strong northerly wind, moderating to light in the evening.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 5 below zero. Max. temperature 14.

S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" sailed at about 6:30 A.M. for Port-au-Basque Newfoundland, with passengers, mails and freight.

S.S. GRENADIER

Ocean-going tug "Grenadier" sailed in the morning to the assistance of a steamer reported to be in distress about 200 miles east of Halifax. The ship in distress was the Honduran steamer "EVERAGA"

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" (Icebreaker) sailed in the morning.

**MARCH 1948**

**Sunday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold and remarkably clear with moderate to light northwest wind. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 5. 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 (supply pastor) was the preacher. Small attending in the morning, reasonably large in the evening.

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

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel", Capt. Poole, arrived from sea.

S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland passenger and mail steamer, "Cabot Strait" arrived in the evening from Port-au-Basque Nfld.

Taken in Tow

Radio broadcast reported that the tug "Grenadier" which left here yesterday morning, had taken in tow the Honduran steamer "EVERAGA", about 150 miles east of Halifax and was heading for that port.

**MARCH 1948**

**Monday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow storm. Snow began to fall at about 6 A.M. and continued all day and late into the night. Moderate to fresh northeast wind increasing to strong in the early afternoon. Snow drifting and forming heavy banks. A most disagreeable day. Snowfall, 7 inches. Min. temperature 6. Max. temperature 20.

**GRENADIER REACHES HALIFAX**

According to press reports of this date, the tug "Grenadier" which left here on last Saturday arrived at Halifax last night with the Honduran steamer "Everagra" in tow. The "Everagra" is said to have been picked up by the Grenadier about 150 miles east of Halifax.

**Water Main Frozen**

The water main on Warren Street, north of Main Street, was frozen today thus depriving the residents of this street, of their regular water supply. Efforts are being made by the Louisbourg Water Company to thaw out the pipe by electricity using current supplied by the Nova Scotia Power Commission. It is about 25 years since there was a similar occurrence on this street.

**MARCH 1948**

**Tuesday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light to moderate northwest wind. An ideal winter day. Min. temperature 5. Max. temperature 26.

**S.S. CABOT STRAIT**

Newfoundland steamer, "Cabot Strait", sailed during the night, with passengers, mails and freight, for Port-au-Basque Nfld.

**MARCH 1948**

**Wednesday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear, but becoming cloudy in the early afternoon. Light winds mostly southwest. Min. temperature (A.M.) 5. Max. temperature 34.

**S.S. BACCALIEU**

Newfoundland steamer "Baccalieu" arrived in the morning with passengers and freight from Newfoundland.

**S.S. KELTIC**

Newfoundland steamer "Keltic" sailed in the afternoon

Church Services Choir Practice

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John Hockin, gave an address on the life of Christ, illustrated Lantern slides. At the close of the service, attended, and conducted choir practice.

## MARCH 1948

### Thursday 11

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light variable winds, northeast in the evening and increasing. Snow began to fall at about 10 P.M.

Min. temperature 17. Max. temperature 38.

#### S.S. BACCALIEU

Newfoundland steamer "Baccalieu" sailed in the morning with passengers and freight for Nfld.

#### S.S. RANDOM

Newfoundland steamer "Random" sailed in the late afternoon with a full general cargo for Newfoundland.

#### S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" arrived at about 6 P.M. with passengers, mails and freight, from Port-au-Basque Nfld.

#### Board of Trade Banquet

At 7 P.M. attended the annual Board of Trade Banquet and business meeting held in Tour Wong's restaurant. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President John MacDonald, Vice-President Neil Murphy, secretary: Gordon Cameron (re-elected). Treasurer: Arthur M. Townsend (re-elected).

#### Water Service Resumed

The water service on Warren Street, which has been out of commission since last Monday as a result of a frozen main, began functioning at about 9:30 tonight. Since Monday the water company has been at work trying to thaw the ice out of the pipe by electric current. They were successful tonight, to the great relief of the residents in that part of the town.

## MARCH 1948

### Friday 12

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light drizzle of snow which began last night lasted until about 10 A.M. Cleared at about noon. Clear sky during the afternoon and evening. Fresh to strong northeast wind shifting to north early in the afternoon. Snowfall of last night and today, about 3 inches.

Min. temperature (P.M.) 4. Max. temperature 19.

#### S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" sailed during the night, with passengers, mails and freight for Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

Death of Neil P. MacPherson

The death of Neil P. MacPherson occurred today at his home, Whitney Pier, Sydney, following a general illness. He was 81 years of age and is survived by 3 sons and 1 daughter and 1 adopted daughter. The sons are Williard in Chicago, Emerson of the Sydney Police Force, Edward at Westmount, C.B. The daughter, Loretta, in Sydney, the adopted daughter in Vancouver. Mr. MacPherson was for forty years employed by the Dominion Coal Company. For a number of years, foreman shipper at the International Pier, Sydney as well as at Louisbourg during the winter months. He retired in 1939. He was a native of Marion Bridge, C.B.

#### Death of Mrs. Hugh P. MacIntyre

The death occurred at Glace Bay, of Mrs. Hugh P. MacIntyre, after a long illness. She lived at Louisbourg for a number of years. After the death of her husband she removed to Glace Bay.

#### Home with Chicken Pox

Jane Huntington, my niece, had to remain home from school today, owing to having an attack of chicken pox. She is now in Grade Four, and this is the first day she was absent from school since she started in Grade One.

### MARCH 1948

Saturday 13

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold, becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Moderate northerly wind, light and variable in the later part of the day.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 4 below zero. Max. temperature 20.

#### S.S. GRENADIER

Tug "Grenadier" which sailed from here on the 6<sup>th</sup>, returned this afternoon.

#### Music Classes

Mrs. Ernest Bains has opened music classes here, beginning last evening. She is no stranger in this town as she taught classes here for several years, ending in June 1946. She has classes in both piano and voice. My niece, Jane Huntington, is one of her pupils in both piano, and voice. She was also one of Mrs. Bains pupils, when she taught here in 1946.

#### Fish Plant Wharf Completed

The wharf for the proposed fish plant which has been in course of construction since early last spring, I understand was completed today.

### MARCH 1948

Sunday 14

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate northwest and west winds. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature 1 below zero. Max. temperature 21.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John G. Hockins (supply pastor) was the preacher. Emeline accompanied me in the evening, but was not out in the morning.

Choir attendance: A.M. 13, P.M. 15.

Leaves Louisbourg

Archibald J. MacDonald, engineer, who represented the government, during the construction of the wharf at Louisbourg, for the proposed fish plant, left here today: the wharf having been completed. Mr. MacDonald was a resident of this town for about one year.

**MARCH 1948**

**Monday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and comparatively mild, becoming cloudy in the early afternoon. Moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature 9. Max. temperature 32.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" sailed this morning, for North Sydney, I understand, for the purpose of breaking the ice barrier at the entrance of the harbour. The Saurel is now in command of Capt. Chouinard, who has returned to duty after being absent on sick leave.

S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" arrived at 10:30 P.M., with passengers, mails and freight from Port-au-Basques Nfld.; after trying to force her way through the ice to North Sydney.

**MARCH 1948**

**Tuesday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with rain that began in the early morning and lasted all day, with the exception of short periods. Moderate to strong southwest winds sometimes, reaching gale force during the night. Rainfall: 1 inch.

Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 38.

Streets very slippery with snow melting rapidly.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel", Capt. Chouinard, arrived this morning from off North Sydney where she failed to break the heavy ice barrier at the entrance to the harbour.

**MARCH 1948**

**Wednesday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, mild and showery with moderate to fresh southwest wind which shifted to north and northeast in the late afternoon. Colder and partly clear in the evening. A few light snow squalls. Rainfall: about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 43.

Church Services Choir Practice

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John Hockin, gave an illustrated lecture on the life of Christ.

About 50 persons present.

At the close of the service, attended, and conducted, choir practice. 9 persons present.

S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" sailed in the morning with passengers, mails and freight for Port-au-Basque, Nfld.

**MARCH 1948**

**Thursday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and comparatively mild with moderate northwest wind, becoming light and variable. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 28.

S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" from Port-au-Basque, at 4:30 P.M., with passengers, mails, and freight, from Port-au-Basque Nfld.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" Capt. Chouinard, sailed in the morning, but returned to port at about 5 P.M.

Resumed School Attendance

Jane Huntington, my niece, who has been absent from school since last Friday owing to an attack of chicken pox, resumed school today: after an absence of 4 days.

Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, held in Calvin Hall with William Hilchie, Vice-President, presiding.

Those present were: W.M. Hilchey, Oscar Harris, W.M. Deering, B.M. Spencer, Rev. John G. Hockin, William Levy, Charles Stacey, Alex. MacKinnon, Arthur M. Townsend, Edward Levy, John H. Skinner, Rod. MacLeod, D.J. MacIntyre, and M.S. Huntington.

At this meeting I gave a talk entitled "Scraps of History" which appeared to be greatly enjoyed by those present.

Death of James Nelson Larner

The death of James Nelson Tanner, occurred at about 2 P.M. at the home of his niece, Miss Ellen Parsons, Wolfe Street. Mr. Tanner, who was in his 86<sup>th</sup> year, was a native of Lunenburg County, but came to Louisbourg, with his parents, when very young. He spent the rest of his life in this town.

**MARCH 1948**

**Friday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, during the first half of the day, becoming cloudy at noon. Light to moderate northeast wind, shifting to southerly, during the forenoon.

Min. temperature 14. Max. temperature 31.

S.S. PETITE HERMINE

Steamer "La Petite Hermine" arrived in the forenoon and docked on the east side of the freight wharf.

S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer "Cabot Strait" sailed during the night for Port-au-Basque Nfld. with passengers, mails and freight.

Leaves Louisbourg

Mr. John Evans, engineer with the L.C. Gorman Company Ltd. during the construction of the Fish Plant Wharf, at Louisbourg, left here today accompanied by his wife and son. Mr. Evans had been here since February 1947.

**MARCH 1948**

**Saturday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light fall of snow in the morning, followed rain at about 7:30 A.M. Intermittent showers during the day. Partly clear in the evening and night. Snowfall about 1 inch. Rainfall: about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch. Fresh southerly wind increasing to a gale during the forenoon. Wind moderated in the afternoon and shifted to northwest in the evening.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 38.

Drift Ice

Harbour full of drift ice which came in during the day. First drift ice to enter the harbour this season.

Funeral

At 1 P.M. attended the funeral of the late James Nelson Tanner. Took place at 2 P.M. from the Funeral Parlor of D.M. Johnston. Services at the funeral room, St. Bartholomew's Church and the grave were conducted by Rev. J.T. Turner.

Burial in the Anglican cemetery on Clarke's Road. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, funeral director of this town.

**MARCH 1948**

**Sunday 21**

**Palm Sunday**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear, mild and springlike with moderate to fresh northwest wind, which moderated in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 44.

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 pastor) was the preacher.

Medium size congregation.

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

CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer: "Cabot Strait" arrived in the evening with passengers, mails and freight, from Port-au-Basque Nfld.

#### Harbour Clear of Ice

Fresh northwest wind of this morning cleared harbour of drift ice, as well as along the coast.

### **MARCH 1948**

#### **Monday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the early morning. Cloudy and mild during the forenoon. Snow began to fall at about 1 P.M. and continued until about 6 P.M. Cleared during the early part of the night. Light northeast increasing to moderate, shifting to north at night and increasing to strong.

Min. temperature 20 (P.M.) Max. temperature 38.

Rainfall about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch. Snowfall: about 4 inches.

#### Went to Sydney

Accompanied by Emeline, went to Sydney in the morning in one of the Highland Lines Ltd. motor cars. We spent part of the day shopping while at Sydney and returned by the same method of conveyance, leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M. Arrived home at 6:10 P.M. about 40 minutes late owing to the bad conditions of the road. At Sydney had lunch at the "Isle Royale" hotel.

#### Highways Closed to Heavy Traffic

Beginning today the highway between Louisbourg and Sydney, has been closed to heavy traffic for an indefinite period. This means that no heavy vehicles, including the bus of the Highland Lines shall be allowed to use the highway until the road settles after the frost comes out of the ground.

#### S.S. GALMORGAN SEAM

United States steamer "Galmorgan Seam" arrived in the morning for a cargo of coal.

#### S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel", sailed for North Sydney.

#### S.S. FOUNDATION FRANKLIN

Oceangoing tug "Foundation Franklin" arrived and docked at the government wharf.

### **MARCH 1948**

#### **Tuesday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northwest wind. Wind becoming light and variable in the afternoon.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 14. Max. temperature 31.

#### S.S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland steamer: "Cabot Strait", Capt. Gullage, sailed in the early morning for Port-Au-Basque Nfld. with passengers, mails and freight.

#### S.S. RANDOM

Newfoundland steamer "Random" arrived shortly before noon.

#### Ice Barrier Broken

The ice barrier at the entrance to Sydney harbour, which has been blocking the mouth of the harbour for the last month was broken today by the Canadian government Icebreaker, "Saurel", Capt. Chouinard, which sailed from here yesterday.

The Newfoundland steamer "Burgeo" which has been held in the ice at the port of North Sydney for about four weeks was released as well as the Sealer, Inverleigh.

### **MARCH 1948**

#### **Wednesday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear during the first half of the day, becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Fresh southwest wind becoming light in the evening.

Showers of rain during the early part of the night, beginning at about 6:30.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 15. Max. temperature 40.

#### Church Services Choir Practice

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended an illustrated lecture of the Life of Christ, given by Rev. John G. Hockin, in the First United Church. About 50 presents present.

Immediately after the church service, attended, and conducted choir practice.

### **MARCH 1948**

#### **Thursday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with fresh to strong north winds increasing to gale force in the forenoon.

Moderated to some extent in the evening. Very chilly.

Min. temperature (P.M.) 12. Max. temperature (early A.M.) 35.

#### S.S. GALMORGAN SEAM

United States steamer "Galmorgan Seam" sailed with a cargo of coal, about 10,000 tons, in the morning.

#### Dr. Saunders Visits Louisbourg

Dr. Saunders of Halifax, formerly of Prince Edward Island, arrived here yesterday. He came here for the purpose of looking over the situation with a view of opening a medical practice in this town. He spent this forenoon in company with Mayor Hiltz, around town visiting some of the citizens, in order to get information regarding the prospects of a successful practice, should he decide to locate here. I understand he was favorably impressed with the situation, and intends to open a practice here early in July, next. He left to return at about noon; going to Sydney where he intended to return to Halifax by plane.

#### Death of William H. King

The death of William Henry King, occurred at about 8 P.M. in the City Hospital at Sydney after an illness of several months. He was a native of Newfoundland, but has been a resident of Louisbourg for many years.

### **MARCH 1948**

**Friday 26**  
**Good Friday**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with fresh to strong northwest wind, which moderated to light in the evening.  
Min. temperature (A.M.) 11. Max. temperature 29.

S.S. EDISON MARINER

United States steamer, "Edison Mariner", arrived in the evening for a cargo of coal.

Crew of the Sealer TEAZER safe

It was announced this morning over the radio, that the crew of the Sealing vessel "Teazer", Capt. Joseph Berry, were safe on St. Paul's Island after their vessel had been crushed in the ice off St. Paul's Island, last night. The government icebreaker "Saurel", Capt. Chouinard has gone to the rescue.

The sealing vessel "Monica Watters" with a crew of 17, was also crushed. The crew are making their way to St. Paul's, and are expected to be picked up by the "Saurel".

Church Services

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended a combined Good Friday and Preparatory Service, in the First United Church, led and conducted by Rev. John G. Hockin, (supply pastor). About fifty persons present.  
Choir attendance: 13.

**MARCH 1948**  
**Saturday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowed in the morning until about 10 A.M. Rain followed immediately after the snow ceased, and continued intermittently all day, and late into the night.

Snowfall about 2 inches.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 38.

Sealers Rescued

21 members of the crew of the sealing vessel "Teazer", Capt. Joseph Barry, as well as 17 members of the sealing vessel "Monica Watters" arrived at North Sydney today on board the Canadian government icebreaker, "Saurel", Capt. Chouinard. The vessels were both crushed in the ice off St. Paul's Island, on last Thursday night. The crews of both vessels made their way over the ice to St. Paul's Island where they were picked up by the Saurel. The vessels and cargos of seal skins were a total loss. All the members of the crews were saved. The Monica Watters, was commanded by Capt. Fred Hounsell.

S.S. RANDOM

Newfoundland steamer "Random" sailed in the evening, with a general cargo, which she loaded, at this port. She is enroute to Newfoundland.

Death of John MacIsaac

The death of John MacIsaac, a native, and lifelong resident of New Boston, C.B. occurred today. He was 77 years of age.

**MARCH 1948****Sunday 28****Easter Sunday**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Drizzle of rain in the early morning, freezing as it fell, making all out of doors covered with glitter.

Cloudy with some fog, becoming partly clear for a short time in the afternoon. Moderate southwest and westerly winds, shifting to northwest in the late afternoon. Rainfall of yesterday, and last night: about 1 ¼ inches.

Min. temperature (P.M.) 22. Max. temperature 43.

**Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John G. Hockin, (supply pastor) was the preacher. Communion of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the morning service. The following persons joined the church at the morning service and took their first communion: William Stewart, Alex. MacKinnon, Rod. J. MacLeod and Gervin MacLean.

Comparatively large congregations at both services. Music appropriate for Easter at the services, both morning and evening.

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

**Funeral**

At 1:30 P.M., attended the funeral of the late William H. King, which took place from his late home on Lorway Street, to the First United Church. Services at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. Joseph G. Hockin. Burial took place in the United Church cemetery on Clarke's Road.

Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director, of this town.

**MARCH 1948****Monday 29****Easter Monday**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with northeast wind.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 33.

**S.S. BACCALIEU**

Newfoundland steamer "Baccalieu" arrived in the morning, with mails.

**First Robins**

The first spring birds reported to have arrived are Robins. Wilfred Covey, Lighthouse keeper, informed me today, that he had seen about twenty robins, yesterday, in the vicinity of the Lighthouse house and fog alarm.

**MARCH 1948****Tuesday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 11. Max. temperature 33.

Mr. Ferguson Leaves

Mr. [blank] Ferguson, bookkeeper, Timekeeper and Paymaster, with the T.C. Gorman Company Ltd. during the construction of Fish Plant Wharf at Louisbourg, left here today. Mr. Ferguson had been here since February 1947, and was the last of the T.C. Gorman Company staff to leave. Mr. [blank] Riley was foreman of the construction work, which was completed on the 13<sup>th</sup> of this month.

I understand that Mr. Ferguson has gone to North Sydney for the purpose of taking up similar duties with the Gorman Company in that town.

**MARCH 1948**

**Wednesday 31**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light southwest wind and some fog.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 27. Max. temperature 40.

S.S. BACCALIEU

Newfoundland steamer "Baccaieu" sailed at about noon for Nfld. with passengers, mails and freight.

French Trawler

French Trawler "PATRIE" arrived for bunker coal and docked at the government wharf.

Jiggs Supper

At 5:30 P.M. accompanied by Emeline and my niece Jane, went by taxi to Stella Maris Hall and partook of a "Jiggs" supper, served by the men of Stella Maris congregation.

Total rainfall for March: about 3 inches. Snowfall about 20 inches.

**APRIL 1948**

**Thursday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mild and mostly cloudy with light southwest wind.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 45.

S.S. EVGENIA CHANDRIS

Greek steamer, "Evgenia Chandris" arrived for a cargo of coal, and anchored in the stream.

S.S. FREDERIC A. EILERS

Italian steamer, Frederic A. Eilers, arrived for a cargo of coal, and anchored in the stream.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government icebreaker "Saurel", Capt. Chouinard, arrived at about 8:30 P.M. from Halifax N.S.

Supper and Sale

At about 5:30 P.M. in company with Emeline and my niece Jane Huntington and her playmate, Betty MacMullen, attended supper and sale held in Calvin Hall, under the auspices of the MacMillan Club of the First United Church.

### Visited Glace Bay

My clerk, Evelyn Huntington and her daughter, Jane, visited Glace Bay today, leaving on the morning train and returning in the evening.

#### **APRIL 1948**

##### **Friday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild. Rain began to fall at about 10 A.M. and continued until late at night. Light to moderate southwest wind, increasing to strong in the late afternoon, and evening, but moderated in the early part of the night.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 32. Max. temperature 40.

### Old Anchor Landed

Today, the Canadian Government Steamer "Saurel", Capt. Chouinard, landed the old anchor that was raised from the bottom of Louisbourg harbour by the "Saurel" in last February, and referred to in this diary on February 18.

### Grackles Have Arrived

Saw a flock of Bronze Grackles in my backyard, this afternoon. First of these spring visitors I saw this season.

#### **APRIL 1948**

##### **Saturday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the early morning, and a few light showers in the early forenoon. Mild and mostly clear during the remainder of the day. Wind southwest in the early morning, shifting to west and northwest.

Min. temperature (P.M.) 26. Max. temperature 43.

### S.S. EDISON MARINER

United States steamer "Edison Mariner" sailed in the morning for the Argentine, South America, with a cargo of about 10,000 tons of coal.

### Police Court

Clifton Carson, Prince Edward Island, a member of the crew of the Canadian Government Steamer, "Saurel" was in court this morning, before Stipendiary Magistrate, B.M. Spencer, charged with being drunk, disorderly, resisting arrest and breaking a window in the First United Church. He pleaded guilty and his fines and costs including making good the damage to the church window, amounted to about \$38.00.

A shipmate of Carson, also from Prince Edward Island, George MacLeod, charged with illegal possession of liquor, in the same court, was fined \$15.00 and costs.

#### **APRIL 1948**

##### **Sunday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and mostly cloudy with fresh to strong northwest wind, which moderated in the evening.

Min. temperature 19. Max. temperature 32.

### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John G. Hockin, (supply pastor) was the preacher. At 11 A.M. the preacher was Rev. John G. Hockin (supply pastor). At 7 P.M. was held a thank offering by the Women's Missionary Society of the First United Church with Mrs. A.W. Stacey as leader. Others taking part were: Mrs. William Hilchey, Mrs. John Hockin, Mrs. D.A. MacMillan, Mrs. M.S. Huntington, Mrs. Couglan and Mrs. Enoch Townsend as well as A.W. Stacey who led in prayer. Special music by the choir. Solo by John H. Skinner.

Small congregation in the morning, medium large at night.

Choir attendance: 11 A.M. 9. 7 P.M. 15.

Rev. John G. Hockin, not being in good health, was not present at the evening service.

### APRIL 1948

#### Monday 5

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light variable winds.

Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 39.

#### S.S. TEMERAIRE

French trawler "Temeraire" arrived in the morning, for bunker coal and supplies.

### APRIL 1948

#### Tuesday 6

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear but becoming cloudy before noon. Some fog in the late afternoon and evening. Light to moderate winds, mostly southwest. Showers in the evening and early part of the night.

Min. temperature 26 (A.M.). Max. temperature 40.

#### S.S. MICHAEL L. EMBIRICO

Greek steamer Michael L. Embirico arrived in the afternoon for a cargo of coal, and anchored in the stream. I understand she is going on charter with the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation for the season.

#### Song Sparrows Fox Sparrows

Heard song sparrows today. First of the season I also saw quite a number of Fox sparrows, and heard them singing. The Fox sparrows usually arrive here about this time every year on their northward migration. They usually remain with us about three weeks before continuing their journey to their nesting grounds.

### APRIL 1948

#### Wednesday 7

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature 22 (P.M.). Max. temperature 45.

#### Choir Practice

At 7:30 P.M. held a rehearsal for the men's choir that is to lead the service of song in the First United Church, on next Sunday evening.

The male chorus that is to lead the service of song on next Sunday evening, is sponsored by the Brotherhood of the First United Church. Next Sunday is to be known as Brotherhood Sunday.

Those present at tonight's rehearsal were as follows: D.F. Nicholson, Alex. Nicholson, Vernon MacIntyre, Charles MacIntyre, Dan. J. MacLeod, Clifton Townsend, William Hilchey, John H. Skinner, Edison Skinner, Charles Bagnall, Dr. Charles Bagnall Jr.

At the close of the Brotherhood rehearsal, we held the regular midweek practice for the regular choir.

#### **APRIL 1948**

##### **Thursday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light to moderate easterly wind shifting to southerly during the afternoon. Moderate rain began to fall at about 6 P.M.

Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 37.

##### Trawler Sails

French trawler "Lemeraire" which arrived here on the 5<sup>th</sup>, sailed this evening.

##### Docked at Freight Wharf

Greek steamer, "Michael L. Embiricio" docked at the freight wharf this evening, for the purpose of having some work done preparatory to her entering in the coal trade with the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation. Chappell's Limited of Sydney, has the contract for the necessary work.

#### **APRIL 1948**

##### **Thursday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the early morning. Partly clear for a short time in the early forenoon. Showers in the evening.

Rainfall of last night; about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.

Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 48.

##### Trawler Sails

French trawler "Patric" which arrived here on March 31, sailed today.

##### S.S. EVGENIA CHANDRIS

Greek Steamer "Evgenia Chandris" sailed in the morning for the Argentine, South America with a cargo of about 10,000 tons of coal.

#### **APRIL 1948**

##### **Friday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with fresh to strong north west wind which moderated at night. Light snow squalls during the night.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 39.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian Government Steamer "Saurel", Capt. Chouniard, sailed.

Council Meeting

At 7:30 P.M., attended a special meeting of the Town Council held for the purpose, among other things

**APRIL 1948**

**Saturday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light northeast wind. Light trace of snow on the ground in the morning, which disappeared early in the day.

Min. temperature 21. Max. temperature 37.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Clarke MacDonald, B.A., B.D., of West Bay, C.B. N.S. was the preacher.

Medium size congregation in the morning with large attendance in the evening. Choir attendance at 11 A.M. 12.

The service of song, in the evening was led by the United Church Brotherhood. Male choir of 19 voices:

The choir consisted of the following persons:

B.M. Spencer, Charles Bagnall, Sr., Dan. J. MacLeod, Charles MacIntyre, Vernon MacIntyre, D.J. MacIntyre, Edward Levy, William Hilchey, A.W. Stacey, John H. Skinner, Edison Skinner, Alex. Nicholson, D.F. Nicholson, Clifton Townsend, John MacRury, Edward MacVicar, Hugh Beaver, Wilson Levy and M.S. Huntington (Director) with Mr. Charles Bagnall, the regular organist, at the organ.

Rev. Clarke MacDonald B.A., B.D. of West, who was the preacher of today's services, I understand is a native of Pictou County, N.S. while wife, who accompanied him to Louisbourg, comes from Prince Edward Island.

**APRIL 1948**

**Monday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly, with moderate to fresh south-southwest wind. Mist, light snow squalls and drizzle during the afternoon. Showers at night.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 36.

Drift Ice

Harbour filling with drift ice.

Officers Strike Settled

Guardian Merchant Marine Officers Strike which began on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March, last is reported to have been settled, except on the Pacific Coast. This strike, which was brought about by the deck, engineer and radio officers of Canadian Merchant ships greatly interfered with the shipping of coal from this port. The last Canadian ship to sail from here with a cargo of coal, was the Liverpool Packet on the 5<sup>th</sup> of March last.

All coal laden ships taking coal from this port since March 5<sup>th</sup> were foreign boats.

**APRIL 1948**

**Tuesday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northeast to north winds.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 47.

S.S. ITALSOLE

Italian steamer "Italsole" arrived in the afternoon for a cargo of coal and anchored in the stream.

C.G.S. Saurel

Canadian government steamer, "Saurel", Capt. Chouiniard, arrived in the afternoon.

Drift Ice

Harbour full of drift ice in the morning, but the northerly wind dispersed it during the day with the exception of a small quantity in the southwest end.

**APRIL 1948**

**Wednesday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light variable winds mostly southeast.

Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 45.

S.S. PANKAKOSKI

Finnish steamer "Pankakoski" arrived in the forenoon and anchored in the eastern end of the harbour.

S.S. MIDDLESEX

United States steamer "Middlesex" arrived in the afternoon and anchored off Slattery's Head.

Choir Practice

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

Drift Ice

Drift ice in sight off the coast and a small amount of loose ice in the harbour.

**APRIL 1948**

**Thursday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow began to fall at about 8 A.M. Snow followed by hail and drizzle of rain at noon which continued until after nightfall. Moderate to fresh southerly wind. Snowfall at least 3 inches. Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 33.

Drift Ice

Harbour full of drift ice.

#### Towed To Dock

A schooner from Newfoundland stuck in the ice inside the entrance of the harbour, in the morning, was towed to the dock by the tug Cruizer.

#### S.S. FREDERIC A. EILERS

Italian steamer "Frederick A. Eilers" moved away from the coal pier in the morning and discharged in the southwest end of the harbour, to wait for favorable sailing conditions. While in port this boat loaded a cargo of coal.

#### Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the First United Church Brotherhood, held in Calvin Hall with President Edison Skinner in the choir. At this meeting I gave a sketch of the life of Joseph Frederick Wallet DesBarres, first Lt. Governor of Cape Breton Island, when it became a separate province in 1784. I also read extracts from the October 1842 issue of the Sydney newspaper "The Spirit of the Times". Those present were: William Stewart, (secretary), William Hilchey, John H. Skinner, Arthur M. Townsend, Rod. J. MacLeod, Chas. Bagnall, Rev. John Hockin, B.A., John MacDonald, D.J. MacIntyre, Wm. Suppity, Edison Skinner, (President), Edward Levy, Wilson Levy and M.S. Huntington.

#### APRIL 1948

**Friday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate northeast to east winds.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 40.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice that filled the harbour yesterday drifted out to sea leaving the waterfront clear.

#### S.S. Frederick A. Eiles

Italian steamer "Frederick A. Eiles" sailed for Argentina, in the morning with a cargo of coal.

#### S.S. MICHAEL L. EMBIRICO

Greek steamer, Michael L. Embirico, sailed at noon for St. John, N.B. with a cargo of coal.

#### S.S. S.S. KELTIC

Newfoundland steamer "Keltic" arrived in the forenoon, sailed for North Sydney in the early morning, but had to return in the evening, owing to ice conditions.

#### S.S. MIDDLESEX

United States steamer "Middlesex" which arrived here on the 14<sup>th</sup> docked this afternoon and began loading a cargo of coal.

#### S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" arrived in the early part of the night.

#### APRIL 1948

**Saturday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain began to fall at 8:30 A.M. and continued moderately until late in the evening. Heavy showers for a while in the afternoon. Moderate to fresh southwest wind shifting to northwest early in the night.

Rainfall:  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch.

Min. temperature: 27. Max. temperature: 38.

#### S.S. GENERAL RIVERA

URUGUAYAN steamer "General Rivera" arrived in the forenoon and anchored in the stream. As far as I am aware, this is the first ship from Uruguay, to come to this port. I understand she is here for a cargo of coal.

#### Drift Ice

No drift ice on this coast, but a small quantity in the east end of the harbour and around the docks.

**APRIL 1948**

**Sunday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light northerly winds.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 34.

#### Drift Ice

No ice in sight off the coast, but a small quantity around the docks and the east end of the harbour.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John G. Hockin, (supply pastor) was the preacher. Comparatively small congregation at both services.

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

#### S.S. FOUNDATION FRANKLIN

Oceangoing tug "Foundation Franklin" which spent part of the winter at this port sailed, this morning.

**APRIL 1948**

**Monday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate southwest wind. Cloudy in the evening.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 40.

#### S.S. MIDDLESEX

United States steamer "Middlesex" sailed at 8:30 P.M. for the U.S.A. with a cargo of coal.

#### S.S. PANKAKOSKI

Finnish steamer "Pankakoski" docked in the early part of the night for the purpose of loading a cargo of coal.

**APRIL 1948**

**Tuesday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate southwest wind. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening. Light drizzle of rain beginning in the early part of the night. Min. temperature 29. Max. temperature 45.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saurel", Capt. Chouinard, sailed in the morning, but returned in the late afternoon.

Arrived at Sydney

Three steamers are reported to have arrived at Sydney today for the purpose of loading cargos of coal. They are said to be the "Arthur Cross" "Louisbourg" and "La Grande Hermine".

No Drift Ice

No drift ice in sight off the coast and no ice in the harbour, except a small quantity in the extreme east end. Docks free of ice.

S.S. ITALSOLE

Italian steamer "Italsole" finished loading a cargo of coal, left the coal pier and anchored in the stream, shortly before midnight.

Uruguayan steamer "General Rivera" docked in the place on the east side of the pier.

**APRIL 1948**

**Wednesday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showers in the morning. Cloudy and cool all day. Wind southwest. Shifting to northeast early in the day, and in the afternoon to north. Rainfall of last night about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch. Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 37.

Choir Practice

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

Demolishing R.C.A.F. Station

Mr. [blank] Dr. Coste, of Harbour-au-Bouche Antigonish County N.S. who has purchased the buildings, at the Air Station on Old Sydney Road, from the War Assets Corporation, is now to work dismantling the buildings on this property and salvaging the material. A considerable amount of the material is being purchased by local customers.

**APRIL 1948**

**Thursday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light east to northeast winds. Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 38.

S.S. ITALSOLE

Italian steamer "Italsole" sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

Board of Stewards

At 8 P.M. attended a special meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church, held in Calvin Hall, with Edison Skinner, (chairman) presiding.

At this meeting it was decided to purchase 1500 feet of hardwood flooring for Calvin Hall, as well as some flooring joists. It is the instruction to buy this material, second hand, from a man who is at present demolishing the buildings at the Air Station, on the Old Sydney Road. The price for the flooring, is I understand is \$125.00 for thousand feet, which is not much more than half the price of new hardwood flooring. William Steward was authorized to purchase the material required.

**APRIL 1948**

**Friday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light westerly wind which shifted to northeast early in the day and increasing to moderate.

Min. temperature 20. Max. temperature 43.

S.S. SAUREL

Canadian government steamer "Saural" Captain Chouinard, sailed in the morning.

S.S. PANKAKOSKI

Finnish steamer "Pankakoski", sailed at 8:30 A.M. with a cargo of coal.

**APRIL 1948**

**Saturday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light drizzle of snow in the evening. Light to moderate winds, mostly southwest.

Min. temperature 16. Max. temperature 40.

S.S. CRUIZER

Tug "Cruizer," Capt. [blank] which has been here since February 2<sup>nd</sup>, sailed this morning for Sydney, to take up her duties at that port for the spring, summer and autumn season. The "Cruizer" is owned, and is in the service, of the British Empire Steel and Coal Corporation Ltd. The tug "Grenadier" which was based here during the winter months, sailed earlier in the week.

Daylight Saving

Louisbourg, in common with the City of Sydney, and many of the towns in this province is scheduled to go on Daylight Savings Time, at Twelve o'clock tonight.

Legislature Prorogued

The Nova Scotia Legislature, which has been in session for the last several weeks, under the Premiership of the Hon. Angus L. MacDonald, came to a close today.

**APRIL 1948**

**Sunday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with light drizzle of snow which lasted all day and late into the night. Fresh to strong northeast wind. Snowfall: estimated at about 2 inches. A very disagreeable day. Min. temperature 26. 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. John Hockin, B.A. (supply pastor) was the preacher. Small congregations at both services. Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 14.

Daylight Saving Time

Daylight saving time, came into force at 12 o'clock last night, in this town, in common with many other towns in the province of Nova Scotia. I understand that the new time is to continue until midnight on the night of September 25<sup>th</sup> 1948.

S.S. MICHAEL L. EMBIRICO S.S. PALM LEAF

Steamers "Michael L. Embirico" and "Palmleaf" arrived here today and anchored in the stream.

**APRIL 1948**

**Monday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow began falling in the early morning and continued all day, except short intervals. Strong northeast wind lasting until late into the night. Snowfall about [blank] inches. A very disagreeable day. Snowfall about 4 inches.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 37.

S.S. MICHAEL L. EMBIRICO

Greek steamer "Michael L. Embiricio", which arrived here yesterday evening, sailed for Sydney, but returned in the evening, owing to unfavorable ice conditions.

Motor Ship Norden

Danish motor ship "Norden" enroute to Montreal arrived here to await favorable weather and ice conditions before proceeding to her destination.

**APRIL 1948**

**Tuesday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow squalls and drizzle of snow from early morning until late at night. Fresh to strong east and northeast wind. Snowfall about 3 inches.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 34.

S.S. LIVERPOOL PACKET

Steamer "Liverpool Packet" arrived in the morning, and anchored in the east end of the harbour.

Steamer Palmleaf

Steamer Palmleaf, which arrived here Sunday, loaded a cargo of coal, and anchored in the stream.

S.S. North Coaster

Canadian steamer "North Coaster" arrived in the afternoon and docked on the west side of the coal pier. She is enroute to Montreal and is likely to load a cargo of coal at this port.

**APRIL 1948**

**Wednesday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow squalls and drizzle during the early part of the day. Cloudy with considerable fog. Light to moderate easterly wind, which shifted to southwest in the early afternoon. Snowfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 44.

S.S. North Coaster

Steamer "North Coaster" landed a cargo of coal, and in the evening hauled away from the coal pier and anchored in the stream.

S.S. MICHAEL L. EMBIRICO

Greek steamer, "Michael L. Embirico" which arrived here last Sunday, docked on the west side of the coal pier, for the purpose of loading a cargo of coal.

Visited Rev. and Mrs. Hockin

Greek steamer, "Michael L. Embirico" which arrived here last Sunday, docked in the west side of the coal pier, for the purpose of loading a cargo of coal.

At 8 P.M., attended, and conducted, choir practice in the First United Church. Immediately after practice, we returned to the manse, where we remained until about 11 o'clock before returning home. Spent a very pleasant evening.

S.S. Palmleaf

Steamer "Palmleaf" sailed in the evening with a cargo of coal.

**APRIL 1948**

**Thursday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with light drizzle at times and some snow squalls. Moderate to fresh east and northeast winds.

S.S. General Rivera

Norwegian steamer General, Rivera, sailed for Argentine, South America, with a cargo of coal.

S.S. Norden

Danish steamer "Norden" which arrived here on last Monday, enroute to Montreal, sailed today.

Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church held in Calvin Hall with Edison Skinner in the chair. Those present were: Duncan MacKay, R.J. MacLeod, William Hilchey, Edward Levy, William Stewart, Arthur M. Townsend, Charles Bagnall, Wilson Levy, James Suffity, Edison Skinner, Rev. John Hockin and M.S. Huntington. Tonight I continued my talk, entitled "scraps of history" (by request).

**APRIL 1948**

**Friday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and comparatively mild with light winds, which varied all around the compass. Cloudy in the late afternoon and some fog at night.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 47.

FRENCH FRIGATE ARRIVES

French Frigate "L' Aventure" arrived in the forenoon and docked on the east side of the government wharf.

L' Aventure is in command of Captain M.G. Saunois.

**MAY 1948**

**Saturday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with considerable fog, and some showers of rain. Light variable winds, mostly southwest increasing to moderate at night. Rainfall about 1/8 inch.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 40.

S.S. Liverpool Packet

Steamer "Liverpool Packet" sailed in the morning, with a cargo of coal.

S.S. Michael L. Embirico"

Greek steamer "Michael L. Embirico" sailed with a cargo of coal.

S.S. Palmleaf

Steamer "Palmleaf" arrived for a cargo of coal and docked on the west side of the coal pier.

**MAY 1948**

**Sunday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with light to moderate northwest and west winds. Rain began to fall at about 8 P.M.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 46.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John G. Hockin, B.A. was the preacher. Medium size congregation at both services. Choir attendance: 12 in the morning, 14 at 7 P.M.

**MAY 1948**

**Friday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with light to moderate northwest and north winds.  
Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 49.

S.S. Saint Malo  
Canadian steamer "Saint Malo" arrived here this afternoon.

French Trawler "Pinguin"  
French trawler "Pinguin" arrived shortly after noon for bunker coal.

S.S. La Petite Hermine  
Canadian "La Petite Hermine" which has been here since March 19, last undergoing repairs, hauled over to the coal pier this afternoon, and began loading a cargo of coal.

French Frigate L' Aventure  
French Frigate "L' Aventure" which arrived here on last Friday, sailed this evening.

S.S. "Palmleaf"  
Canadian steamer "Palmleaf" sailed in the afternoon with a cargo of coal.

Highways Open for Heavy Traffic  
Beginning today.

## MAY 1948

### Tuesday 4

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with moderate variable winds, mostly northerly.  
Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 49.

S.S. PANKAKOSKI"  
Finnish steamer "Pankakoski" arrived at about 1 P.M. and anchored, later docking on the east side of the coal pier where she began loading a cargo of coal. She intended going to Sydney for coal, but owing to unfavorable ice conditions at the latter port, she came to Louisbourg.

### Funeral

At 1:30 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Nelson Bagnall which took place from the home of his half-brother, Thomas Bagnall, Havenside, to St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. Services at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. J.T. Turner, Pastor of St. Bartholomew's Church.

## MAY 1948

### Wednesday 5

Louisbourg, N.S.

Bright sunshine all day, with light to moderate variable winds, mostly northerly and easterly.  
Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 51.

S.S. La Petite Hermine  
Canadian steamer La Petite Hermine, Capt. Guy, which has been undergoing repairs here, for about six weeks, sailed shortly afternoon with a cargo of coal.

### Drift Ice

Drift Ice in sight off the harbour all day. In the afternoon it came in on the shore, and at nightfall some of it was coming into the harbour.

### Choir Practice

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

**MAY 1948**

**Thursday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with light variable winds.

Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 46.

### Drift Ice

Harbour full of loose drift ice and a wide strip of loose ice along the coast.

### Trawler Pinguin

French trawler "Pinguin" which arrived here on the 3<sup>rd</sup> for bunker coal and supplies sailed in the evening for the fishing grounds.

### S.S. Palmleaf

Canadian steamer "Palmleaf" arrived in the evening for a cargo of coal.

### First Ship to Dock at New Wharf

Small motor vessel "Sarah Morton" docked at the New Fish Plant Wharf this afternoon. This vessel owned by P.J. Cadigan Ltd. Glace Bay, N.S. and commanded by Capt. B. Squires, was the first vessel to dock at the new wharf which was recently completed by the J.G. Gorman Co. Ltd. The Sarah Morton discharged a cargo of herring, from Bay-of-Islands Nfld.

**MAY 1948**

**Friday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with some fog and light drizzle of rain in the evening. Light easterly winds.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 46.

### S.S. SAINT MALO S.S. PANKAKOSKI

Canadian steamer "St. Malo", Capt. Ben. Pope, and Finnish Steamer "Pankakoski", sailed in the morning with cargos of coal.

### Fox Sparrows Have Gone

Fox sparrows that first made their appearance, this season, on April 6<sup>th</sup>, have all disappeared. They usually remain here from three weeks to a month, while on their way north to their nesting ground. At times, this spring, there were about 50 of these sparrows in the backyard. I fed them rolled oats, which they ate with a relish.

**MAY 1948**

**Saturday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with thick fog and misty at times, in the early part of the day. Heavy showers of rain in the evening and night. Light east and southwest winds.

Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 46.

Rainfall slightly less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

Harbour full of drift ice

**MAY 1948****Sunday 9****Mother's Day**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate westerly winds.

Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 48.

Sailing from this Port

Canadian steamer, "Palmleaf", and Newfoundland Motor Vessels, "Henry Stone" and "Placanta" sailed in the morning, making their way out through the ice. The "Palmleaf" had a cargo of coal.

Drift Ice

Harbour full of drift ice and a narrow strip along the coast.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. [blank] MacDonald of the United Church at Montrose Prince Edward Island, was the preacher. Fairly large congregations at both services. Choir attendance: A.M. 14, P.M. 17. Mr. MacDonald, also preached at Catalone, in the afternoon. Music suitable for Mother's Day at all the services.

**MAY 1948****Monday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog. Light showers in the early part of the day. Rain in the late afternoon and evening. Rainfall: about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch. Cloud during the night.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 41.

Light southwest wind, shifting to northwest at night.

Some loose drift ice in the harbour.

**MAY 1948****Tuesday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with light variable winds. An ideal day. Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature [blank].

A small quantity of loose drift ice in the harbour.

Trawler Cap Fagnet

French trawler "Cap Fagnet" arrived in the forenoon, bunkered in the afternoon and sailed at about 8 P.M.

S.S. Bayside

Canadian steamer "Bayside" which has been here for upwards of two weeks, finished loading a cargo of about 10,000 tons of coal, sailed at about 8 P.M. for Montreal.

**MAY 1948**

**Wednesday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the morning, but becoming cloudy early in the day. Rain during the afternoon and evening. Light winds, mostly southwest. Rainfall about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 47.

Choir Practice

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

**MAY 1948**

**Thursday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with light to moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 29. Max. temperature 53.

**MAY 1948**

**Friday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear until about noon, then becoming cloudy. Light southerly wind. Rain began to fall at about 10 P.M.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 57.

C.G.S. "Saurel"

Canadian government steamer "Saurel" Captain Chouinard, arrived in the forenoon; loaded two buoys, that were on the Government wharf, and sailed at about 1:30 P.M.

**MAY 1948**

**Saturday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Heavy rain in the early morning. Light drizzle and mist at times during the day. Moderate to fresh east wind, shifting to northeast during the night.

Min. temperature 33. Max. temperature 41. Rainfall: about 1 inch.

**MAY 1948**

**Sunday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and very cool with fresh to strong northerly winds.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 43.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John G. Hockin, B.A., was the preacher. Small congregations at both services.  
Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 12.

**MAY 1948**

**Monday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and very cool, with light to moderate winds.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 44.

Heavy frost in the morning.

Went to Sydney

At 8 A.M., in company with Emeline, went to Sydney, on "Highlands Lines" Bus Service.

Returning left Sydney at 4:30 P.M., arriving home at about 5:50 P.M. Made a number of business calls during the day at Sydney, including the purchase of an Electrolax sweeper, and cleaner from Electrolax (Canada) Ltd., 363 Charlotte Street. Sydney, E.A. Curtis Agent. The price paid for the outfit including fittings was \$110.00. We had lunch at the Isle Royale Hotel at noon.

Lobster Fishing

The lobster fishing season on this part of the Cape Breton coast opened, today.

**MAY 1948**

**Tuesday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with fresh to strong southerly winds. Light rain followed by heavy showers, in the evening and night.

Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 50.

**MAY 1948**

**Wednesday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showers in the early morning. Cloudy with dense fog during the entire day. Rainfall of last night about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 50.

Choir Practice

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

**MAY 1948**

**Thursday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog. Moderate to fresh east to moderate winds, shifting to north at north at night.

Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 47.

Drizzle of rain, followed by heavy showers in the evening and night.

Death of Archibald MacDonald

The death of Archibald A. MacDonald, occurred this afternoon, at the Glace Bay General Hospital, where he had been a patient for the last two months.

Death of Mrs. Mary MacIsaac

The death of Mrs. Mary MacIsaac, a former resident of Louisbourg, occurred last night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. P.J. Connolly, Sydney River. She was about 79 years of age and is survived by three daughters and one son. The daughters are: Mrs. P.J. Connolly, Margaret, on the Glace Bay teaching staff, Isabel and the son, Blaine, at Sydney River. Mrs. MacIsaac, was on at least three occasions, a resident of this town. Her husband, who was a blacksmith by trade, predeceased her many years ago.

**MAY 1948**

**Friday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with very light winds.

Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 48. Showers in the early morning. Rainfall of yesterday and early this morning about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

**MAY 1948**

**Saturday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy, with very light winds, mostly southerly.

Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 52.

Death of Col. J.L. Ralston

Col. J.L. Ralston, a former member of the Federal Cabinet, died at his home in Montreal today.

**MAY 1948**

**Sunday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with heavy fog and very southerly winds. Light misty during the greater part of the day.

Min. temperature 36, Max. temperature 42

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls, of the United Church at Bass River, N.S., was the preacher. Small attendance in the morning, but a fairly large congregation in the evening.

The Girl Guides and Brownies, paraded to the 11 A.M. service.

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

Funeral

At 2 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Archie A. MacDonald, which took place from his late home at Havenside to the First United Church.

**MAY 1948**

**Monday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with considerable fog, and very light variable winds, mostly southerly. Fog lifted and sun shawn [sic] through for a while during the afternoon, but became cloudy and foggy again in the late afternoon.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 52.

**Dominion Statutory Holiday**

Bank, schools, most places of business and public offices closed for the holiday with the exception of the post office, which was on holiday hours. Had shop open for business all day, in order to cater to my newspaper customers.

**Started Gardening**

Began gardening today. Planted 6 dahlia bulbs, first of the season, which is very backwards.

**MAY 1948**

**Tuesday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and cool with very light variable winds, mostly southerly. Light showers, mist and drizzle in the evening and night.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 49.

**MAY 1948**

**Wednesday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with heavy showers, in the early morning and drizzle and mist at times during the day. Light southerly winds. Rainfall of last night and early today; about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 56.

**Choir Practice**

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

**MAY 1948**

**Thursday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with considerable fog. Partly clear for a while in the afternoon, but again becoming cloudy and foggy as night approached.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 56.

Light southerly winds.

**Social Evening**

At 8 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended a "Social Evening" in Calvin Hall, held under the auspices of the First United Church Brotherhood.

About 30 persons present.

**U.J. Harrington**

U.J. Harrington of the Department of Municipal Affairs of the Province of Nova Scotia, visited Louisbourg this afternoon, and met with the Town Council in the council chamber, in the

evening. He called to see me in the late afternoon, and had supper with us, before attending his meeting with the council.

**MAY 1948**

**Friday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy, but partly clearing during the forenoon. Mostly clear with sun shining through for a considerable time, but again becoming cloudy and foggy in the late afternoon and evening. Light to moderate southerly winds.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 60.

**MAY 1948**

**Saturday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy, clearing partly for a short time in the forenoon. Showers in the late afternoon and night. Light southerly winds.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 59.

**Death of Finlay MacDonald**

The death of Finlay MacDonald K.C. Solicitor for the City of Sydney, occurred at about 6:30 A.M. at his home 241 Esplanade, Sydney N.S. Mr. MacDonald, who was 82 years of age, graduated from Dalhousie University in 1899, practiced law at Sydney for many years, held the position of solicitor for the City of Sydney from 1907 until the time of his death, and from 1925 until 1935 represented the constituency of Cape Breton South in the Federal Parliament. He passed away at an early hour this morning, following an illness of about one year.

**MAY 1948**

**Sunday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with heavy rain and some thunder and lightning in the morning. Rain continued until about noon. Cleared shortly after noon. Mostly clear and moderately warm until the evening, when it again became cloudy with some fog. Rainfall of yesterday evening, last night and this forenoon; at least  $1 \frac{3}{4}$  inches.

Min. temperature 46. Max. temperature 63.

**Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John G. Hockin, B.A., (supply pastor) was the preacher. Small attendance in the morning, about 30 present. Fairly large congregation in the evening.

Choir attendance: A.M. 8, P.M. 12.

**MAY 1948**

**Monday 31**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with light drizzle of rain and intermittent heavy showers all day and late into the night. Light variable winds and some fog. Rainfall;  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 54.

**JUNE 1948**

**Tuesday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with light drizzle of rain which lasted all day, and late into the night.

Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 59.

Planted 11 dahlia bulbs in the afternoon.

**JUNE 1948**

**Wednesday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with drizzle of rain and showers, until after noon. Partly clearing in the early afternoon, with sun shining through for a short time. Cloudy in the evening. Light variable winds. Northerly in the late afternoon and evening.

Rainfall of yesterday last night and today: 1 inch.

**Choir Practice**

At 8 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended, and conducted, choir practice in the First United Church. 7 persons present.

**JUNE 1948**

**Thursday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog at times during the day. Mist during the night. Light variable winds mostly southerly.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 59.

**Congregational Meeting**

At 8 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended a special meeting of the congregation of the First United Church, held in the church, with Rev. A. Frank MacLean of Sydney, presiding. Meeting called for the purpose of extending a call to a minister to take charge of the First United congregation.

**JUNE 1948**

**Friday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with light winds, mostly southwest. Partly clear for a short time in the afternoon.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 64.

**Recital**

At 8 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended recital in Calvin Hall, directed by Mrs. Ernest Baines, music teacher of Sydney. All of Mrs. Baine's pupils took part in tonight's performance. One of the Sydney pupils, Miss Delores MacDougall also had a part in the recital, singing two solos. Miss MacDougall arrived on the evening bus, and is our guest while in town.

**Death of Mrs. Tanner**

The death of Mrs. Samuel Tanner occurred today.

**JUNE 1948**

**Saturday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with some fog, both morning and evening. Partly clear during the noon hours.  
Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 61.

Funeral

At 2 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Samuel Tanner, which took place from Johnston's Funeral Home, to St. Bartholomew's Church at 2 P.M. Services at the Funeral Home, church and graveside were conducted by Rev. J.L. Turner. Burial took place in the Anglican cemetery on Clarke's Road.

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

Visited Louisbourg Historic Park

**JUNE 1948**

**Sunday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some rain and fog in the morning accompanied by some lightning and distant thunder.

Weather cleared shortly before noon. Clear with bright sunshine during the afternoon. Light southerly wind, shifting to northerly early in the day. Wind northwest during the afternoon.

Rainfall: about 3/8 inch.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 58.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John G. Hockin, B.A., supply pastor, was the preacher. Congregation small in the morning, but fairly large in the evening.

Choir attendance: A.M. 8, P.M. 13.

Death of James Price

The death of James Price, a former resident of West Louisbourg, occurred at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, this evening. Mr. Price had been employed by the Canadian Marconi Company for many years, both at West Louisbourg and Drummondville Quebec. He was 59 years of age.

**JUNE 1948**

**Monday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh to strong northwest wind.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 62.

Birthday Party

At about 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended a birthday party, at the home of Captain John Tutty at Havenside. Captain Tutty is 90 years old today and had quite a large number of his

friends to call on him during the evening and extend congratulations on his having reached such a ripe old age. He is hearty and remarkably well preserved for a man of his years.

**JUNE 1948**

**Tuesday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light to moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 64.

Sydney and Return

Went to Sydney on "Highland Lines" bus, leaving here at about 7:55 A.M. Met Thomas Pattillo at "Isle Royale" sample room shortly after 9 A.M. and gave him an order for Christmas, as well as some staple lines of goods.

Had lunch with Mr. Pattillo at the Isle Royale Hotel at about 12:30 P.M. Made several business calls during the afternoon, before leaving for home on the 4:30 P.M. bus.

**JUNE 1948**

**Wednesday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool with variable cloudiness. Cloudy and threatening during the afternoon and evening.

Showers in the evening, and during the night. Moderate to fresh east and southeast winds.

Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 50.

Choir Practice

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

**JUNE 1948**

**Thursday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cold with showers, fog and drizzle. Moderate to fresh northeast to southeast winds.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 43.

**JUNE 1948**

**Friday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cold with showers, mist and drizzle. Moderated to fresh northerly winds. Partly clear at night.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 42.

**JUNE 1948**

**Saturday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable winds, mostly south and southwest. A few very light showers.

Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 51.

**JUNE 1948**

**Sunday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and partly clear with light southwest wind, and some fog.  
Min. temperature 41. 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. John G. Hockin (supply pastor) was the preacher. Small congregation in the morning, medium size in the evening.

Choir attendance: A.M. 8, P.M. 12.

#### Joint Choir Practice

Immediately after the close of the evening services, members of the Presbyterian, Anglican and United Church choirs, about 20 in all, met in the Presbyterian Church for choir practice preparatory to the attending the Orange Memorial Service being held at Sydney, on Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup>. The practice was under the direction of Ervin Russell, leader of the Presbyterian choir.

### JUNE 1948

#### Monday 14

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light easterly and southerly winds. Fog along the coast, but clear in land.  
Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 57.

### JUNE 1948

#### Tuesday 15

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light southwest wind, and some fog.  
Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 58.

#### Frigidaire Cooler Arrived

Frigidaire Cooler for the shop which I agreed to purchase, some time ago from the Havelock Home Bottling Company Limited of Sydney, arrived today and was immediately put in operation. It is a dry cooler, but may be used with water if desired. It was delivered by the Havelock Home pop truck from Sydney.

The purchase price was \$215.00, which I paid by cheque.

#### Went To Glace Bay

Emeline and my niece, Jane Huntington, went to Glace Bay on the morning train and returned in the evening.

#### Visited Louisbourg Park

In the late afternoon I accompanied Rev. Archdeacon Ernst, of Bridgewater, N.S., to the Louisbourg National and Historic Park. We motored to the park with Town Councilor Earl Lewis. Archdeacon Ernst is attending a meeting of the Cape Breton Deanery, being held at Louisbourg today and tomorrow.

### JUNE 1948

#### Wednesday 16

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and threatening during the forenoon. Cleared shortly after noon. Bright sunshine during the late afternoon and evening. Light southwest wind.  
Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 61.

#### Visited Louisbourg Park

At about 11:15 A.M. accompanied a bus load of Grade 7 pupils from New Waterford on a visit to the Louisbourg National and Historic Park. The pupils, 32 in number, were accompanied by their teacher, Miss Lewis of the New Waterford teaching staff. At the Park I gave the party a talk on Louisbourg from a historical standpoint, and showed the visitors many places of historic interest. The party left to return at about 3 P.M.

#### Choir Practice

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

### JUNE 1948

#### Thursday 17

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and cool with light southwest wind.  
Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 54.

### JUNE 1948

#### Friday 18

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog and a light shower of rain in the morning. Cleared early in the day, and remained clear during the rest of the day.  
Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 66.

### JUNE 1948

#### Saturday 19

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear during the first half of the day, but becoming cloudy in the early afternoon. Light showers in the evening and during the night. Light southwest wind.  
Min. temperature 41. Max. temperature 68.

### JUNE 1948

#### Sunday 20

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the early morning. Cleared early in the day. Moderate to fresh northerly wind which moderated in the evening. Rainfall of last night: 1 1/8 inches.  
Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 63.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. John G. Hockin, B.A., was the preacher.  
Choir attendance: A.M. 9. P.M. 13.

#### Change in Bus Schedule

Beginning this morning, the "Highland Lines" Bus service operating between Louisbourg and Sydney established a new schedule. Instead of three trips, each way, daily, the new arrangement calls for five trips.

The new timetable is as follows:

Leaves Louisbourg: 6:15 A.M., 10:15 A.M., 2:15 P.M., 6:15 P.M., 10:15 P.M. Leaves Sydney: 8:30 A.M., 12:30 P.M., 4:30 P.M., 8:30 P.M., and 12:30 A.M.

**JUNE 1948**

**Monday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear and moderately warm with light to moderate variable winds, mostly northerly. An ideal early summer day.

Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 68.

**JUNE 1948**

**Tuesday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate to strong northerly wind.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 60.

School Exhibition

Home and School Exhibition was held in the Navy League building during the afternoon and evening. Large crowd in attendance. Lunch served during the afternoon. Prizes distributed in the evening. Emeline and I were present in the afternoon.

School closed today for the summer holidays.

**JUNE 1948**

**Wednesday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm, with moderate northerly winds, which shifted to southwest shortly after noon.

Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 70.

Choir Practice

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

**JUNE 1948**

**Thursday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm. Becoming cloudy at noon. Light rain beginning at about 7 P.M. and continuing during the night.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 70.

Choir Practice

At 8 P.M., with members of the Presbyterian, Anglican and United Church choirs, attended practice in the Presbyterian Church, preparatory to attending the Orange Memorial Service, to be held at Wentworth Park, Sydney on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

13 persons present.

**JUNE 1948**

**Friday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy until the afternoon when it became partly clear until about 7 P.M. Light showers in the evening and early part of the night. Light to moderate southwest wind. Min. temperature 49. Max. temperature 64.

**JUNE 1948**

**Saturday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately warm and remarkably clear, with light northeast wind. An ideal day. Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 68.

**JUNE 1948**

**Sunday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate westerly wind. An ideal summer day. Min. temperature 41. 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. John G. Hockin, B.A., (supply pastor) was the preacher. Fairly large congregation in the morning, medium in the evening.

Choir attendance: 10 at each service.

Baptismal Service at 11 A.M. 4 children baptized, parents as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Duncan MacKay, Mr. and Mrs. Charles MacIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Covey and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson. Both parents of each child were present.

**Choir Practice**

Immediately after the close of the evening service, in company with Emeline, attended choir practice in the Presbyterian Church. This choir is composed of members from the Anglican, Presbyterian and United Church choirs, which are uniting for the purpose of attending the Orange Memorial Service being held at Wentworth Park, Sydney on July 4<sup>th</sup> next.

**JUNE 1948**

**Monday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate southwest wind. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature 46. Max. temperature 74.

**Death of Michael Burke**

The death occurred this evening at his home on Pepperell Street, of Michael Burke aged 31. He is survived by his parents Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burke of this town and two sisters and two brothers. The sisters are Mrs. Ed. Smith, and Mrs. John MacKinnon, Sydney, and the brothers are: William and Joseph, both in Louisbourg.

**JUNE 1948**

**Tuesday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with light southwest wind. Light showers and mist for a while in the forenoon and also during the evening and night. Fog at night.

Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 63.

**JUNE 1948**

**Wednesday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with some fog. Partly clear for a short time in the afternoon. Light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 66.

**Choir Practice**

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

**JULY 1948**

**Thursday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Thick fog in the morning. Cleared at about 10 A.M. and continued clear until about 6 P.M. where the fog returned.

Min. temperature 51. Max. temperature 64.

**Funeral**

At 8:30 A.M. attended the funeral of the late Michael Burke which took place from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burke, Pepperell Street to Stella Maris Church. Services at the church and grave were conducted by Rev. Father D.H. Doyle. Burial took place in the Roman Catholic cemetery. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnson, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

**JULY 1948**

**Friday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and moderately warm with light south and southwest winds, shifting to west and northwest in the evening. Partly clear during the night.

Min. temperature 53. Max. temperature 77.

**Preparatory Service**

At 7:30 P.M., attended the quarterly preparatory service in the First United Church, which was conducted by Rev. John Hockin B.A. At this service D.J. Matheson United with the church.

**JULY 1948**

**Saturday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy, becoming clear in the early afternoon, and continued clear during the evening. Light southwest wind.

Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 67.

**JULY 1948**

**Sunday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear in the forenoon, mostly cloudy during the afternoon with a few thunder showers and becoming partly clear in the evening. Light variable winds.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 68. Rainfall at Louisbourg, about 1/8 inch. Heavy showers along the highway near Sydney.

#### 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 B.A., was the preacher. The communion of the Lord's Supper was dispersed at the morning service. Fairly good attendance at the morning service but rather small in the evening.

Choir attendance A.M. 6, P.M. 8.

#### Orange Memorial Service

As part of the massed choirs of the First United Church, Presbyterian Church and St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, all of Louisbourg, Emeline and I attended the annual memorial service of the Orange Order held in St. Andrew's United Church Sydney N.S. with Rev. J.L. Turner, pastor of St. Bartholomew's Church, as the speaker. In the service Mr. Turner was assisted by Rev. Frank MacLean, of St. Andrew's Church and Rev. Hugh Jack of the Presbyterian Church, Sydney. It was the intention to hold the service in the open air at Wentworth Park. But owing to heavy showers of rain, the park service had to be abandoned. The massed choirs consisted of 31 members of the regular choirs from Louisbourg, and three others, I believe, without any choir affiliations.

Those present from the United choir were: Edison Skinner, John Skinner, Alex. Nicholson, Mrs. Angus MacDonald, Myrtle Beaver, Maud Smith, Mrs. M.S. Huntington, and M.S. Huntington. A brass band from Donkin, C.B. played the Orangemen to and from the church. Emeline and I went to Sydney, and back, by car, as guests of Charles MacIntyre.

**JULY 1948**

**Monday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with light north and northwest winds. Sun shining through occasionally.

Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 66.

#### Supper Party

At 8 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended a [blank].

**JULY 1948**

**Tuesday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light drizzle of rain in the evening, which continued throughout the night. Light variable winds. Motored to Huntington, leaving Louisbourg at 2:50 P.M., accompanied by Emeline, Jane, and Mrs. Spencer, in Charles Stacey's car, with Frank Stacey driver. At about 4 P.M. we arrived at Cliffords, with the exception of Mrs. Spencer who stopped off at Marion Bridge, for the purpose of visiting the MacGillvray's. After

spending a pleasant two hours, and having supper with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington, the party left on the return trip, with the exception of myself.

I intend remaining here for about one week, on my usual semi-annual visit.

**JULY 1948**

**Wednesday 7**

Huntington, N.S.

Cloudy and very cool with showers and drizzle of rain lasting all day. Moderate northwest wind, increasing to strong in the afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature about 45. Max. temperature 50.

Rainfall of last night and today, at least one inch. Remained indoors all day owing to the inclemency of the weather.

**JULY 1948**

**Thursday 8**

Huntington, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with fresh northwest wind, which became light and variable in mid afternoon: southwest in the afternoon.

Visited Cecil Hussey's in the afternoon. Went for a walk to the Backlanding in the evening, returning for a short time. Spent the greater part of the day at Clifford's, which I call "home" while on my visit.

**JULY 1948**

**Friday 9**

Huntington, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to moderate variable winds.

Min. temperature about 48. Max. temperature about 75.

Visiting

In company with Mrs. Clifford Huntington, (my sister) I visited Caleb Huntington's, John A. MacKinnon's, Alex. MacKinnon's, and Arthur Huntington's, making a short stay at each place. In the afternoon, while Mrs. Clifford Huntington remained at Arthur's, I visited the site of my old home. Returning we walked back to Clifford's arriving at about 7:15 P.M., after which I visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hussey.

**JULY 1948**

**Saturday 10**

Huntington, N.S.

Clear in the morning, but becoming cloudy at about noon and continuing so all the afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature about 50. Max. temperature about 72.

**JULY 1948**

**Sunday 11**

Huntington, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light southwest wind. Showers in the afternoon.

Max. temperature about 65.

Motored to Marion Bridge, with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huntington, where I attended service at 11 A.M. at the United Church, where the pastor Rev. J.A. MacLellan was the preacher. Had dinner at Harvey Hussey's. In the afternoon motored back to Clifford's with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hussey. Had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hussey.

The Young People's Union, held their weekly meeting at Clifford's, this evening, which I attended.

**JULY 1948**

**Monday 12**

Huntington, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy in the forenoon, clear and warm in the afternoon and evening.

Max. temperature about 80. In the afternoon accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington visited at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huntington and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Huntington, after which we rowed across the river, in a boat for the purpose of visiting Miss Jane Severance, a former resident of the south side of the Mira River, who is now back from New York for the purpose of spending the summer on the old farm where she grew up. On arriving at the Severance farm we were disappointed to find that she was not at home. On returning we had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huntington. After supper I went to the Post Office, for the purpose of getting the mail and visiting the Post-Master John A. MacDonald and his sister, Mrs. Neil Ferguson, former school mates of mine, back in the 1880's. On my way back called at the home of Dan. P. MacKeigan where I made a short visit. Walked back to Clifford's arriving at about 10 P.M.

**JULY 1948**

**Tuesday 13**

Huntington, N.S.

Cloudy and warm. Clearing in the forenoon. Warm and mostly clear during the afternoon.

Cloudy in the evening.

Max. temperature, about 80.

Called at Cecil Hussey's in the afternoon. Was picking wild strawberries in the evening.

**Death of Mrs. H.W. Crawley**

The death of Mrs. H.W. Crawley occurred at the City Hospital, Sydney, today. Mrs. Crawley who was in the 82<sup>nd</sup> year of her age, is survived by three daughters and one son. The daughters are: Mrs. Guy Watts, (Augusta Hill) Huntington, N.S. Mrs. E.R. Huntington (Trent) Sydney N.S. and Mrs. Lowes Campbell, [blank] Vancouver B.C. The son, Arthur, with whom she lived, at Huntington, N.S. She was the former Frances Huntington, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Huntington, and was known in her girlhood days as "Kitten".

**JULY 1948**

**Wednesday 14**

Huntington, N.S.

Moderately warm and mostly cloudy. Partly clear for a short time, in the forenoon and evening.

Maximum temperature, about 75.

In the afternoon in company with my sister, Mrs. Clifford Huntington, the homes of Phillip Gibbons and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Watts. We returned home at about 6 P.M. After supper accompanied by two of Fred Huntington's boys, Terry and Merrill, rowed across the river and visited Miss Jane Severance, whom I had not seen for many years. She is home from New York

spending the summer on the old Severance farm, the home of her childhood. She is the only survivor of the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Severance. We returned from the visit at about 8:50 P.M. After I made a brief call at Cecil Hussey's.

**JULY 1948**

**Thursday 15**

Huntington, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with moderate to fresh northwest wind, increasing to strong in the afternoon and moderating to light in the evening.

Max. temperature, about 70.

Spent an hour or two picking wild strawberries in the forenoon.

In the evening assisted in digging the grave for the remains of the late Mrs. Henry W. Crawley, in the Backlanding cemetery.

**JULY 1948**

**Friday 16**

Huntington, N.S.

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

Max. temperature about 75. A very lovely summer day.

Berry Picking

Went picking wild strawberries in the forenoon. Found them quite plentiful. Got about a quart.

Funeral

At 2:30 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Henry W. Crawley. The remains was brought from Fillmore's Funeral Parlors, Sydney, by hearse and taken to the Baptist Church, at about 2 P.M. where the service was a half hour later. Conducted by Rev. Frederick Bone, pastor of the Huntington, Mira Gut and Holmeville Baptist Churches, assisted by Rev. J.A. MacLellan of the United Church at Marion Bridge, N.S.

The pall bearers were: Capt. E.R. Huntington and Fred. Crawley, both of Sydney, N.S., Clifford C. Huntington, N.S. and Fred. A. Huntington of Marion Bridge, N.S. Burial took place in Baptist cemetery at the "Back Landing".

After the funeral I returned to Clifford's where I had supper. Other guests present were: Mrs. Dunham and Mrs. Ferguson, Holmeville, Rev. Frederick Bone, and Charles Huntington, Mira Gut, Fred. Crawley, Sydney, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hussey and two children, Marion Bridge. After supper I motored to Sydney with Fred Crawley, arriving at six o'clock. Enroute we picked up Henry Gibbons at Marion Bridge. While waiting for the bus for Louisbourg, I visited Mr. and Mrs. Hedley Hopkins, at their new home, in which they have recently moved, 41 Central Street. Left for Louisbourg on "Highland Lines" bus at 8:30 P.M. Arrived at about 9:45 P.M.

**JULY 1948**

**Saturday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light variable wind. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 78.

### First Swordfish

First swordfish to be caught on this coast, this season, was landed at Mainadieu, today, and brought to Louisbourg, by truck, where it was purchased by Lewis and Co. It weighed 231 lbs and was caught by a man from Newfoundland who is fishing out of Mainadieu.

### Death of Mrs. Fred Kelly

The death of Mrs. Fred Kelly, occurred yesterday, at her home on Slattery Street. She was about 60 years of age, and is survived by her husband, two sons and a daughter.

### JULY 1948

#### Sunday 18

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear during the early part of the day. Mostly cloudy during the afternoon with light shower of rain at about two o'clock. Partly clear in the evening. Light southwest wind.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 72.

### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Harry Bagnall, a native of Louisbourg, was the guest preacher.

Medium size congregations at both services.

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

### Funeral

At 2:30 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Fred Kelly, which took place from her late home on Slattery Street to Stella Maris, Roman Catholic Church.

Funeral Service conducted by Rev. Father Lynch of Sydney, in the absence of Rev. Father D.H. Doyle who was ill.

### JULY 1948

#### Monday 19

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with light southwest wind. A light shower of rain in the morning and in the afternoon. Some fog at night.

Min. temperature 57. Max. temperature 72.

### JULY 1948

#### Tuesday 20

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and warm in the forenoon with the sun shining through occasionally. Mostly clear during the afternoon and evening. Very light variable winds. An ideal summer day.

Min. temperature 57. Max. temperature 78.

### On Holiday

Evelyn Huntington began her annual holidays today. She went to Glace Bay by train, this morning, intending to return tomorrow.

### JULY 1948

**Wednesday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light moderate to fresh southwest wind, moderating to light in the late afternoon.

Min. temperature 51. Max. temperature 79.

**Choir Practice**

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

**Swordfish**

First swordfish to be caught locally, this season was landed here by boat this afternoon. The fish was caught by Mabel Shoales of near Wood's Harbour, N.S. who is fishing out of this port. A swordfish was brought here by truck, on last Saturday, but had been landed at Mainadieu.

**JULY 1948**

**Thursday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the early morning accompanied by thunder and lightning. Rainfall about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch. Cleared at about 9 A.M. Variable cloudiness during the day. Moderate northwest wind increasing to strong in the afternoon, and moderating in the evening.

Min. temperature 57. Max. temperature 76.

**On Vacation**

Evelyn Huntington, my sister-in-law and clerk, whose holidays began on last Tuesday, left for Huntington, Mira by automobile, this evening, where she will be the guest of Mrs. Clifford Huntington for the balance of her vacation. She was accompanied by her daughter, Jane.

**JULY 1948**

**Friday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and partly clear with moderate to fresh northeast wind.

Min. temperature 53. Max. temperature 67.

**JULY 1948**

**Saturday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light moderate to fresh southerly winds. Rain and drizzle beginning early in the forenoon and continuing all day, with some fog. Rainfall about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 60.

**Left For Valley**

Emeline accompanied by Mrs. Fletcher Townsend, left here on the 6:15 A.M. bus of the Highland Bus Lines, enroute to Valley Station Colchester County for the purpose of visiting Mrs. Howard Townsend, and attending the wedding of her son Gerald which takes place tomorrow, July 26.

**JULY 1948**

**Sunday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with some fog. Sun breaking through occasionally. Light southwest wind.

Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 70.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Thomas Bagnall of the United Church at Plenty, Saskatchewan.

Small congregation in the morning, medium in the evening. Choir attendance A.M. 7, P.M. 9.

**JULY 1948**

**Monday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 73.

**JULY 1948**

**Tuesday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Warm and mostly clear with light to moderate variable winds, mostly southwest. A very lovely day.

Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 78.

Swordfish

Swordfish fleet is beginning to assemble here for the fishing season. Two swordfish are reported to have been landed here today.

**JULY 1948**

**Wednesday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with moderate southwest wind and considerable fog.

Misty at times during the afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature 59. Max. temperature about 70.

Choir Practice

At 8 P.M. attended, and conducted, choir practice in the First United.

**JULY 1948**

**Thursday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy, with light showers in the morning. Cleared shortly after noon. Cloudy in the evening, foggy at night.

Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 75.

Arrived From Truro

Emeline and Mrs. Fletcher Townsend, arrived on the 9:45 P.M. bus, after visiting Mrs. H.D. Townsend at Valley Station, since last Saturday.

**JULY 1948**

**Friday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate westerly winds. Partly cloudy in the evening.

Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 80.

**JULY 1948**

**Saturday 31**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm, but becoming cloudy early in the day. Partly clear for a short time in the early afternoon. Light shower of rain, and mist in the late afternoon and evening.

Foggy at night. Moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 77.

#### Dahlia in Bloom

The first Dahlia bloom, in our garden, this season, appeared today. This is ten days later than the record of several years ago, when I had the first bloom on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Sunday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with moderate west and northwest winds.

Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 81.

#### Church Services

No service in the First United Church today, owing to no minister being available.

At 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended service in the Presbyterian Church, where Rev. K. Gurrjis was the preacher.

#### Dined at Diamond Café

At noon, Emeline and I had dinner at the Diamond Café. Tom Wong Proprietor.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Monday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy in the forenoon. Cleared at noon, becoming sunshiny and warm. Moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 78.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Tuesday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate west and northwest winds, increasing to strong during the afternoon and moderating to calm in the evening.

Min. temperature, 58. Max. temperature 80.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Wednesday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light, moderate to fresh west and southwest winds.  
Min. temperature 55. Max. temperature 78.

## Choir Practice

At 8 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice, in the First United Church. In the absence of the church organist, Emeline acted in her place.

**AUGUST 1948****Thursday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately warm and mostly cloudy with light southwest wind.  
Min. temperature 53. Max. temperature 76.

**AUGUST 1948****Friday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, with moderate to fresh southeast wind, which moderated to light during the afternoon. Rain began to fall early in the afternoon and continued during the evening. Heavy showers at night.

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

## Death of John B. Morrison

The death of John B. Morrison, a prominent resident and business man of Sydney occurred at his home, Crescent Apartments, Crescent Street, last night, after an illness of several months. Mr. Morrison who was in the 78<sup>th</sup> year of his age was born at Wreck Cove, Victoria County N.S. but early in life came to Sydney, where he learned the tailoring trade. Later he established a business of his own which is still in operation, and being operated by [blank].

**AUGUST 1948****Saturday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog, becoming partly clear in the afternoon and evening.  
Min. temperature 55. Max. temperature 72.

**AUGUST 1948****Sunday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light, moderate to fresh southwest wind.  
Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 69.

## Anniversary Services

The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary services of the First United Church were held at 11 A.M., 3 P.M. and 7 P.M. with Rev. Warren G. Dickson of the United Church at O'Leary Prince Edward Island as the guest speaker.

Congregations fairly large at 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. but small at the afternoon service.

Choir attendance: 11 A.M. 14, 3 P.M. 14, 7 P.M. 17.

In company with Emeline, I attended all of the three services. Rev. Mr. Dickson is a native of Louisbourg, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dickson, now of Sydney, N.S.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Monday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with moderate to fresh southwest wind, moderating in the evening.  
Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 68.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Tuesday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear during the forenoon, becoming cloudy early in the afternoon. Heavy showers beginning at about 3:30 P.M. Thunder and lightning in the late afternoon. Rainfall about 5/16 inch.  
Min. temperature 49. Max. temperature 75.  
Light variable winds.

Farmer's Picnic

Attended the Farmers Picnic, held at James MacDonald's Point on the Mira River near Hillside. Went by bus to the end of the Hillside Road and walked the rest of the way, a distance of about 2 miles. Arrived home on the evening bus.

Death of Gertrude Barnaby

The death of Miss Getrude Barnaby, daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. G.D. Barnaby occurred today at Halifax. The Barnaby's for many were residents of Louisbourg before removing to Halifax, upwards of thirty years ago. Miss Barnaby, who was a nurse by profession, and unmarried, was the last survivor of the Barnaby family, that many years made Louisbourg its home.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Wednesday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light variable winds. Heavy clouds to the northwest in the afternoon, with a roar of distant thunder, as well as some lightning. Apparently a very heavy storm in the distance while the sun was shining brightly here. Later in the afternoon we had a light shower of rain.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 72.

Choir Practice

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

**AUGUST 1948**

**Thursday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light to moderate variable winds, mostly southwest.  
Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 69.

Death of Wilbert Severance

Wilbert Severance died suddenly at about 6 A.M. today, at the home of Raymond and Mrs. Martell, Warren Street, this town. Mr. Severance a native of Fourchu, Richmond, County, and a son of the late John and Mrs. Severance.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Friday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and warm with moderate to fresh southerly winds.

Min. temperature 60. Max. temperature 72.

Arrived From Salmon River

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Huntington of Salmon River, and Mr. and Mrs. Lyons of Wellesley Massachusetts arrived in the afternoon.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Saturday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Strong southerly wind in the early morning reached heavy gale force at about 3 A.M., and continued until about 9 A.M. where it moderated to some extent but continued strong until late in the afternoon and night. Wind shifted to southwest shortly after daylight and continued from that direction during the rest of the day. Wind accompanied by rain and some thunder and lightning.

Weather cleared at about 8:30 A.M. but became cloudy in the early afternoon. Foggy at night. Rainfall about 3/8 inch.

Min. temperature 62. Max. temperature 72.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Sunday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with some fog and light southwest wind.

Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 71.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. G.N. MacNevin of Chalmers United Church Dominion, N.S. was the preacher.

Medium size congregation at both services. Choir attendance: 11 A.M., 11. 7 P.M., 12.

Mr. MacNeven was accompanied on this visit to Louisbourg by Mr. Thomas Hussey and Mr. Hector MacDonald of Glace Bay.

Visited Louisbourg Park

In the afternoon I accompanied, Mr. MacNevin, Mr. Hussey and Mr. MacDonald, on a visit to the Louisbourg National and Historic Park. We returned at about 5 P.M. They were our guests for supper.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Monday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear and moderately warm with light to moderate northerly wind.  
Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 73.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Tuesday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, but clearing in the forenoon. Clear and warm during the afternoon and evening.  
Light variable wind, mostly southerly.  
Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 70.

Student Party Visits Louisbourg

A party of 23 high school students, from Toronto, Ontario.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Wednesday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light, moderate to fresh southeast wind. Light rain in the evening and early part of the night with increasing wind.  
Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 64.

Choir Practice

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

Rev. C.C. Walls Arrives

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**AUGUST 1948**

**Thursday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool, clearing in the forenoon, clear and sunshiny in the afternoon and evening.  
Moderate northerly winds.  
Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 69.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Friday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light to fresh southwest wind, which moderated in the evening.  
Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 68.

Rev. C.C. Walls Inducted

At a service held at 8 P.M. Rev. C.C. Walls, was inducted into the pastorate of the Louisbourg First United Church in the presence of a large congregation.

The service was in charge of Rev. G.N. Brown of the First United Church Sydney. The address to the congregation was delivered by Rev. William J. MacDonald, of Gordon United Church, Reserve Mines, and to the Minister, by Rev. J. Douglas Archibald of Trinity United Church, Sydney. Other united church ministers present were: Rev. A. Frank MacLean, of St. Andrews

Church, Sydney, Rev. [blank] MacMillan, Calvin Church, New Waterford, and Rev. J.G. Russel of Epworth United Church, Glace Bay. Choir attendance at this service; 12.

After the induction service, a reception was held in Calvin Hall, in honor of the new minister, which was quite largely attended.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Saturday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool in the morning, and light shower of rain. Cleared during the forenoon. Warm and clear in the afternoon, becoming cool at night. Light to moderate variable winds, mostly northwest and north.

Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 77.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Sunday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light, moderate to fresh northeast wind.

Min. temperature 48. 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. C.C. Walls was the preacher. This is Mr. Wall's first Sunday as pastor of the First United Church, Louisbourg. Congregation at both services a little larger than the average.

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

**AUGUST 1948**

**Monday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with light to moderate west and southwest winds.

Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 68.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Tuesday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

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

Min. temperature 56. Max. temperature 75.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Wednesday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm, strong, southwest wind, which moderated in the late afternoon.

Fog along the coast.

Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 71.

Swordfish Landed by Hook and Line

Today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record had the story of a swordfish having been caught off Louisbourg, yesterday, by hook and line. The fish was caught by W.G. Gale, of White Plains New York. Mr. Gale, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Murray Webster of the Catalone Fishing Club, of

California, arrived here about two weeks ago, but owing to windy weather did not get much of a chance to fish, during that time. He brought a boat with him and has Lonny Gifford as fishing guide.

While the Post-Record given Louisbourg the credit for the fish having been landed here; the fish which weighed 320 lbs. was actually caught about forty miles off Ingonish, on last Saturday, and was brought to Glace Bay and sold to J.G. Cadegan. Mr. Gale and his party are not back at Louisbourg.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Thursday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy in the early part of the day. Cleared in the early afternoon, but again became cloudy in the evening, with some fog.

Min. temperature 60. Max. temperature 72.

Visitors From Boston

Mrs. MacDonald, the former Miss Merril Dickson, of Louisbourg and her sister Miss Emma Dickson, also of Louisbourg, but both now living in Boston Mass., called to see us, and had dinner at our home. They having [blank].

**AUGUST 1948**

**Friday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy but becoming clear in the late forenoon. Clear during the afternoon. Cloudy in the evening.

Min. temperature 60. Max. temperature 74.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Saturday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate variable winds.

Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 75.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Sunday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool in the morning, becoming cloudy shortly before noon. Cloudy with some fog during the afternoon. Thunder and lightning with a heavy shower of rain, between 6 and 7 P.M. Rainfall about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch. Light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 75.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher.

Medium sized congregation in the morning, small in the evening. Choir attendance: 11 A.M. 11, 7 P.M., 7.

**AUGUST 1948**

**Monday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh northwest and north winds. Light showers and mist, at times during the day.

Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 65.

**AUGUST 1948****Tuesday 31**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool, becoming partly clear for a while in the afternoon. Cloudy again in the late afternoon and evening. Rain began to fall at about 9:30 P.M.

Light northerly wind shifting to southerly and increasing to moderate.

Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 67.

**Picnic**

The annual congregational picnic of the First United Church, Louisbourg, was held at Mira Gut today. Those attending went by train, returning in the evening.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Wednesday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Heavy Gale.

Rain that began last night, continued all day and late tonight. Moderate east-northeast wind in the morning, increased rapidly, so that before noon it had reached heavy gale force.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Thursday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with fresh to strong northwest wind which moderated to light in the late afternoon.

Min. temperature 42. max. temperature 58.

**Arrive From Huntington**

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford C. Huntington (my sister and brother-in-law) arrived on the evening train for the purpose of visiting us, for a few days. While in town they will be our guests. They left home on last Sunday, but were visiting at Sydney and Mira Gut enroute.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Friday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

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

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 65.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Saturday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

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

Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 68.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Sunday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light westerly winds. A perfect day.

Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 76.

## Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher.

At 3 P.M. we attended the anniversary service in the Presbyterian Church. The preacher at this service was Rev. [blank] MacKinnon of the Presbyterian Church at Little Narrows. Mr.

MacKinnon also conducted the services in the Presbyterian Church at 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington (my sister and brother-in-law) also attended these services as well as Evelyn Huntington and daughter, Jane.

## Visitors from Sydney

Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer, of Sydney, were our guests today. They arrived by auto at about 10:45 A.M. and had dinner and supper with us. They attended services in the First United Church at 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. and left for home shortly after the evening service. They visited Mr. and Mrs. B.M. Spencer, in the afternoon.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Monday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light westerly winds. A perfect day.

Min. temperature 47. Max. temperature 83.

Warmest day, this season.

## Visited Louisbourg Historic Park

At about 9 A.M. visited Louisbourg National and Historic Park with Dr. and Mrs. Saunders.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Tuesday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

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

Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 77.

## Left for Home

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington, who have been our guests since last Thursday, left for home this morning. They left here on the 10:15 A.M. "Highland Lines" bus, and will stop off at Albert Bridge where they will take the Mira River Service boat, to Marion Bridge, or continue on the boat to their home at Huntington.

We greatly enjoyed their visit.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Wednesday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly clear in the forenoon. Cloudy and warm during the afternoon and evening. A few sprinkles of rain in the morning and at noon. Light southerly winds. Fog at night.  
Min. temperature 52. Max. temperature 76.

#### Choir Practice

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

### **SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Shower of rain in the morning. Cloudy warm and foggy all day and late into the night. Light southerly winds. Rainfall about 1/8 inch.  
Min. temperature 58. Max. temperature 73.

### **SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Friday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light rain in the early morning. Cloudy and warm. Clear for a while in the afternoon but becoming cloudy in the evening. Rainfall about 1/16 inch. Light southerly winds.  
Min. temperature 59. Max. temperature 74.

#### Birthday Party

This afternoon Jane Huntington, my niece, celebrated her 10<sup>th</sup> birthday by giving a party to some of her friends and playmates. Jane, and her mother, have been with us for the past six years. She is now in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade in school. She weighs 66 lbs.

#### Repairing Roof

Worked repairing roof of shop, during spare time.

### **SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Saturday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and warm, clearing at about 10 A.M. but becoming cloudy at noon. Rain began to fall at about 1:45 P.M. and continued until about 7 P.M. Rainfall: 3/8 inch. Light southwest wind.  
Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 71.

### **SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Sunday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light to moderate southwest wind.  
Min. temperature 49. Max. temperature 68.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher.

Comparatively large congregations at both services.

Choir attendance: 11 A.M. 10, 7 P.M. 14.

### Anniversary Service

On the invitation of Charles Lewis, Emeline and I motored to Catalone in the afternoon, and attended the afternoon anniversary service of the Catalone Presbyterian Church at 3 o'clock. The preacher was Rev. Hugh Jack, at the Presbyterian Church at Sydney. Other passengers with Mr. Lewis were Mrs. Jeremiah Smith and her daughter, Maud. A quartette, consisting of Edison Skinner, Arthur MacQueen, Murdoch MacLean and Dan. F. Nicholson, sang three numbers at this service, and in the evening sang two numbers at the First United Church Service at Louisbourg.

### Sing Song

On the invitation of Rev. C.C. Walls, pastor of the First United Church, the choir of the United Church, at the close of the evening service, visited the manse where we held a sacred sing song, which was greatly enjoyed by all who were present.

#### **SEPTEMBER 1948**

##### **Monday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate, fresh to strong southwest wind.  
Min. temperature 54. Max. temperature 68.

### Repairing Ships

Spent all spare time today repairing roof of shop.

#### **SEPTEMBER 1948**

##### **Tuesday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and moderately warm with light variable winds. Heavy showers in the late afternoon and evening accompanied by some thunder and lightning.

### Community Fair

At 10:30 A.M. Emeline, Mrs. Spencer (Aunt Jeanette) and I motored to Marion Bridge with Mrs. Fletcher Townsend, where we attended the annual Community Fair. We spent a very pleasant day at the fair and arrived home at about 5:40 P.M.

#### **SEPTEMBER 1948**

##### **Wednesday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with moderate to fresh northerly winds. Showers with some thunder and lightning in the evening then clearing.  
Min. temperature 44. Max. temperature 62.

### Choir Practice

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

### Repairing Roof

Repairing roof of the shop during the greater part of the day.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Thursday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool in the morning with every indication of a perfect day. Became cloudy and showery in the late forenoon with some thunder and lightning. Sunshine and showers during the afternoon and evening. Light to moderate variable winds, northeast in the afternoon. Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 61.

## Repairing Roof

Working at repairing roof of shop during spare time and between showers.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Friday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showers in the morning, clearing at about 9 A.M. Clear and very cool during the remainder of the day. Light northerly winds.

Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 55.

## Community Fair

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**SEPTEMBER 1948****Saturday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the morning, but becoming cloudy early in the day with increasing southwest wind, which reached gale force during the afternoon and continued until late into the night. Rain began to fall at about 2:30 P.M., and at midnight rain was still falling. Rainfall about  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch. Min. temperature 34. Max. temperature 56.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Sunday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, with sun shining through occasionally in the forenoon. Light to moderate northerly winds.

Min. temperature 51. 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. C.C. Walls was the preacher. Fairly large congregation at both services. Choir attendance: A.M. 12, 7 P.M. 14.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Monday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate north and northeast wind. Light mist at times.

Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 56.

Repairing Shop

At work during spare time repairing shop.

**SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Tuesday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light southeast wind, increasing to strong in the early afternoon and moderating in the evening. Rain began to fall shortly before noon. Heavy rain at times during the afternoon. Rainfall: [blank]

Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 56.

Cleared during the night.

**SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Wednesday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 58.

Choir Practice

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

**SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light westerly winds. An ideal early autumn day.

Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 62.

**SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Friday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear until the afternoon; then becoming cloudy. Light to moderate north to northeast winds, increasing during the evening and night.

Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 59.

**SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Saturday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool during the forenoon. Partly cloudy in the afternoon and evening with occasional showers. Moderate to fresh northwest wind moderating to night in the evening.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 60.

Meeting of Official Board

At 8 A.M. attended a meeting of the Official Board of the First United Church, held in the church, under the chairmanship of Rev. C.C. Walls. Those present were: Rev. C.C. Walls, A.W. Stacey, Edward Levy, William Stewart, William Hilchev, Arthur Townsend, Edison Skinner and M.S. Huntington.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Sunday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light westerly winds. A perfect autumn day.

Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 62.

## Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher.

Medium size congregation in the morning, fairly large in the evening.

Choir attendance: 11 A.M. 9, 7 P.M. 13.

## Orange Parade

At 3 P.M. members of Samuel Moody Orange Lodge, and kindred societies of this town parade to St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, headed by the Donkin Brass. Service at the church was conducted by Rev. L.J. Turner.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Monday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light northwest wind. A perfect autumn day followed by a perfect night.

Min. temperature 46. Max. temperature 66.

## Digging Ditch

As chairman of the Louisbourg, Parks Committee, I started Fred Kelly on the job of digging a ditch on the western side of the athletic field. This ditch when completed will be about 240 feet in length and will take care of water coming in from the boggy land on that side.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Tuesday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate to strong northerly winds which moderated in the evening.

Min. temperature 39. Max. temperature 60.

## Visited Louisbourg Park

At about 10:30 A.M. went to Black Rock in the Louisbourg National and Historic Park, with Dr. A.KL. Saunders for rifle practice at a 200 yard range. Returned to town at noon.

**SEPTEMBER 1948****Wednesday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showers in the early morning. Clear during the day with moderate to fresh northerly winds. Very cool.

Min. temperature 37. Max. temperature 52.

## Choir Practice

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

**SEPTEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind, which moderated to calm in the evening.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 60.

Painting Shop

In the forenoon, during spare time, began painting the outside finish on the shop.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Friday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate northeast wind. An ideal day.

Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 60.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Saturday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh southerly winds. Rain began to fall at noon. Rain, mist and drizzle during the entire afternoon, evening and late into the night.

Min. temperature 50. Max. temperature 55.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Sunday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light rain in the early morning, followed by mist and an occasional light shower. Rainfall of yesterday and last night: [blank]

Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 56.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, Services in charge of Rev. C.C. Walls. At 11 A.M. the address was given by Rev. Thomas Gilchrist. He spoke on the work of the United Church in Angola, Africa. At 7 P.M. Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher.

Choir attendance: A.M. 11, P.M. 9.

Death of Mrs. H.Y. Fraser

The death of Mrs. H.Y. Fraser of Baddeck N.S. occurred at about 6 A.M. today, at the home of her son-in-law and daughter: Mr. and Mrs. Donald Beaver, Main Street, this town.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Monday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, misty and drizzle of rain with occasional showers during the entire day. Rainfall about 1/8 inch. Fresh to strong north-northeast wind, increasing during the night. A very disagreeable day.

Min. temperature 43. Max. temperature 50.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Tuesday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh to strong northerly winds, which moderated in the evening.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 58.

To Sydney and Return

At 10:15 A.M., in company with Emeline, went to Sydney on the 10:15 for the purpose of attending to activities of the United Church Cavalcade which is now visiting the City of Sydney.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Wednesday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh northeast wind.

Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 61.

Choir Practice

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

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Thursday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately warm with light winds. A perfect autumn day.

Min. temperature 46. Max. temperature 63.

To Sydney and Return

Went to Sydney on Highland Lines Bus, on the 10:15 A.M. trip for the purpose of meeting Mr. MacKeen, a Commercial Traveler representing the Anglo-Canadian, and other firms.

Met Mr. MacKeen shortly before noon at the sample room and placed several orders with him.

Had lunch with Mr. MacKeen at the Isle Royale Hotel at 1 P.M. Made several business calls in the afternoon. Left for home on the 4:30 P.M. bus.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Friday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

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

Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 58.

Meeting of Development Company

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the Louisbourg Development Company, held in the Town Hall with the President: George D. Lewis in the chair. According to the reports presented to the meeting, the Fish Processing Plant proposed for this port is to get underway in a short time and

is expected to be ready for operations some time in 1950. Officers reelected; as follows:  
President: George D. Lewis, Secretary: William Stewart, Treasurer: Gordon Cameron.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Saturday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy except in the early forenoon. Light, moderate southerly winds, increasing during the night. Rain threatening.

Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 56.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Sunday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain which began to fall at midnight, last night continued until about dawn. Cleared early in the forenoon and continued mostly clear during the remainder of the day. Light winds. Rainfall of the early morning, 5 inches. A very lovely afternoon.

Min. temperature 50. 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. C.C. Walls, was the preacher. Fairly good congregations at both services.

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

Catalone Anniversary Service

At 3 P.M. Emeline and I attended the anniversary service of Catalone United Church. The service was conducted by Rev. C.C. Walls, in the presence of a large congregation. Seven members of the Louisbourg United Church Choir were present and led the service of song. We went to Catalone by motor car with Mrs. Fletcher Townsend.

Other passengers in the car, both going and coming, were: Edison Skinner and A.W. Stacey. The members of the Louisbourg choir were as follows: Mrs. Chas. Bagnall, (organist), Edison Skinner, Elsie Bagnall, Mrs. D.J. MacIntyre, A.W. Stacey, Mrs. M.S. Huntington and M.S. Huntington (Director).

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Monday 11**

**Thanksgiving Day**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy in the morning but clearing early in the day. Moderately warm with light to moderate southwest wind. A very lovely autumn day.

Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 60.

Thanksgiving Service

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended Thanksgiving Day service in the First United Church, while Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher. About 50 persons present.

Choir attendance: 11.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Tuesday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with some fog. Intermittent showers beginning at about 8 A.M. Light southerly winds, increasing to fresh in the evening; then moderating to light.  
Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 55.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Wednesday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rained steadily during the forenoon. Intermittent rain during the afternoon and evening. Fresh southeast to southwest winds. Cleared during the night. Rainfall of yesterday and today; [blank].  
Min. temperature 53. Max. temperature 60.

Choir Practice

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

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Thursday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with fresh southwest wind, which moderated in the evening. Showers in the early morning.

Min. temperature 43. Max. temperature 56.

**[Diary Entries for October 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> left blank]**

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Tuesday 19**

Huntington, N.S.

Heavy showers in the early morning hours. Cloudy and mild during the day with light northerly winds. Cleared in the evening. A very lovely night, clear and moonlight. Rainfall about  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch.  
Max. temperature about 58.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Wednesday 20**

Huntington, N.S.

Cool with variable cloudiness. Occasional rain squalls. Sunshine and shower. Clear at night.

Light to moderate northwest wind, increasing to fresh, in squalls.

Max. temperature about 50.

Had supper at Cecil Hussey's.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Thursday 21**

Huntington, N.S.

Cool with alternate cloud and sunshine and an occasional shower. Light to moderate northerly winds. Heavy frost in the morning. Ice in the pools along the roadside.

Min. temperature (Louisbourg) 26.

Huntington to Louisbourg

Left Clifford's at about 8 A.M. and motored to Sydney with James Goode. Mr. Goode was on his way to Sydney with his motor truck, and he took me along.

Left for home on the 12:30 P.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus, arriving at 1:30 P.M.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Friday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool with cloud and sunshine and a few light snow squalls. Moderate to fresh northwest wind, moderating in the evening.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 44.

Louisbourg to Sydney

Went to Sydney on the Highland Lines 10:15 A.M. Bus, for the purpose of having a tooth extracted. Dr. G.B. Richmond, Dentist, extracted the tooth at his office on Wentworth Street, Sydney. Remained at Sydney until 4:30 P.M., when I returned home on the Highland Lines Bus.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Saturday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with light to moderate southwest wind. Cloudy in the evening. Heavy frost in the morning.

Min. temperature: 24. Max. temperature 46.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Sunday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool, and mostly cloudy with light to moderate southerly winds.

Min. temperature 44. 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. C.C. Walls was the preacher.

Fairly good attendance at both services.

Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 9.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Monday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh easterly winds. A few sprinkles of rain in the evening.

Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 49.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Tuesday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh easterly winds. Mist and drizzle of rain beginning at noon continued until late into the night.

Min. temperature 45. Max. temperature 50. Rainfall about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Wednesday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh to strong, northeast wind at times reaching gale force.

Min. temperature 42. Max. temperature 50.

**Catalone Bridge Opened For Traffic**

Highway Bridge at Catalone, which has been under construction for the past several months, was opened for traffic today. This bridge which is built of concrete and steel, is on the highway between here and Sydney.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Thursday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with fresh northeast wind, which moderated in the evening. Frost at night.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 45.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Friday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly clear with light to moderate southwest wind. Frost in the morning.

Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 48.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Saturday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light northerly winds.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 45.

**OCTOBER 1948**

**Sunday 31**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and partly clear with light variable winds, mostly northerly.

Min. temperature 35. 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. C.C. Walls, was the preacher.

Medium size congregations at both services.

Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 11.

Girl Guides and Brownies paraded to church at 11 A.M.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Monday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the morning but becoming cloudy, with showers, early in the forenoon. Sunshine and shower, during the remainder of the day. Rain mixed with hail in the afternoon. Very chilly.

Moderate to fresh north-northeast wind.

Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 45.

Broadcasting Station C.B.I.

Broadcasting station C.B.I. opened at Sydney at 7:30 A.M. today. This is a Canadian Broadcasting Corporation station. Sydney now has two broadcasting stations. Station C.J.C.B. was opened on February 12, 1929, and has been in operation ever since that date.

Badly Injured

Harold Rudderham of this town was badly injured this morning, when he fell from a staging outside his home on Warren Street. He was rushed to the City Hospital at Sydney by motor car. He is reported to have both legs broken.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

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

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 44.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Wednesday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light northwest wind. Frost in the morning. An ideal November day.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 48.

Choir Practice

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

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cool, becoming cloudy, in the late afternoon. Light southwest wind. A very lovely November day.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 52.

Reviewing Water Pipe

Undertook the job of renewing water line from the main to our house. Jake MacDonald and Alex Smith are doing the work. Putting in  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch copper pipe instead of galvanized iron.

Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended the second meeting for this season of the Brotherhood of the First United Church. Meeting held in Calvin Hall, as usual. Edison Skinner, President, in the chair.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Friday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light rain in the morning and during the forenoon. Cloudy and very mild in the afternoon and evening. Light to fresh southwest wind, moderating at noon.

Min. temperature 48. Max. temperature 59.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Saturday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate westerly winds.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 56.

Arrives For Visit

Maud Huntington, R.N., my niece, who is a sub - Lieut. Nursing sister in the Royal Canadian Navy, arrived on the 1:30 P.M. bus from Sydney, for the purpose of visiting us.

Dragger Arrives

Fishing Dragger "Casaville" recently purchased by Lewis & Co. of this town arrived here today from the fishing grounds, for the purpose of landing a sick man. She had a small quantity of fish on board. Her name, I understand, it to be changed to "Namur".

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Sunday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with fresh to moderate southwest wind. Light showers in the afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 53.

Rainfall about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher. Rally Day service at 11 A.M. was led by Edward Levy, Supt. of the Sunday School, with Rev. C.C. Walls taking part in a short address.

Today being Remembrance Sunday, Mr. Walls referred briefly to the two world wars and read the names of those who lost their lives in the two great conflicts, whose homes were in Louisbourg and surrounding district. A large wreath, had previously been placed on the table in front of the pulpit, by the Louisbourg branch of the Canadian legion. Large turnout of the Sunday School at 11 A.M.

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

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Monday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

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

Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 55.

Dragger Sails

The fishing dragger "Casaville" recently purchased by Louisbourg parties, sailed this afternoon for the fishing grounds. She arrived here for the first time, on last Saturday.

Leaves for Home

Maud Huntington, my niece, who has been visiting us since last Saturday, left for her former home at Huntington, by bus via Sydney, at 10:15 A.M. She will remain at her home until the end

of this week when she will proceed to Halifax to rejoin the nursing staff of H.M.C.S. Stadacona, having completed her 21 day leave. She has recently been transferred to H.M.C.S. Stadacona from Esquimalt where she served with H.M.C.S. Naden, for two years and four months.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Tuesday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh northwest wind, which moderated to light in the afternoon. An ideal autumn day.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 50.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Wednesday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light southwest wind. Mist and light showers, beginning in the forenoon and continuing intermittently during the afternoon. Some fog.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 52.

Pipe Line Completed

The renewing of the water pipe line from our house to the main line on the street, which began on the 4<sup>th</sup> was completed today. Water pressure is now good in all parts of the house.

Choir Practice

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

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 11**

**Remembrance Day**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light southwest wind which shifted to northerly in the late afternoon and increased to fresh but moderated to light. Heavy showers during the afternoon.

Min. temperature 40. Max. temperature 57.

Remembrance Day Service

At 11 A.M., in company with Emeline, attended the annual Remembrance Day Service, which was held in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. Service conducted by Rev. J.T. Turner Rector of St. Bartholomew's. War veterans 26 in number, paraded from the Navy League building to the church. Last post and Rev. was sounded by Wilfred Troke. Fire alarm siren blew a blast as a signal for the observance of the two minute silence at 10:58 A.M.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Friday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate westerly winds. An ideal November day.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 47.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Saturday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate southwest wind increasing at night.  
Light rain and drizzle began to fall at about 6 P.M., and continued during the night increasing in volume.  
Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 48.

**NOVEMBER 1948****Sunday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and partly clear, with a few light rain squalls during the forenoon. Heavy winds in the early morning, from a southerly direction. Wind shifted to northwest before dawn, fresh to strong during the day.  
Rainfall of last night about 1 inch.  
Min. temperature 32. 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. C.C. Walls, was the preacher.  
Women's Missionary Society, Thankoffering services at 7 P.M., led by Mrs. A.W. Stacey and Mrs. William Hilchey.

**NOVEMBER 1948****Monday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and partly clear with moderate to light northwest wind.  
Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 39.

## Premier Resigns

Right Hon. William Lyon MacKenzie King, Premier of the Dominion of Canada, resigned today, after having served as premier for 21 years 5 months and 5 days. This is said to be the longest term that any premier has served, in the British Empire. Mr. King is succeeded by Right Hon. Louis St. Laurent who took office today, immediately after Mr. King had tendered his resignation to the Governor-General, Viscount Alexander.

**NOVEMBER 1948****Tuesday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and partly clear with light to moderate northwest wind. Light shower, and mist for a short time in the afternoon.  
Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 42.

**NOVEMBER 1948****Wednesday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and very chilly with light variable winds. Mostly southwest, increasing at night.  
Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 39.

Choir Practice

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

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showers in the morning, beginning at about 5:30 A.M. and ending at about 9:30. Partly cloudy during the remainder of the day. Shower in the early part of the night. Fresh southerly winds, moderating to light and shifting to westerly.

Rainfall: [blank]

Min. temperature 35. Max. temperature 53.

Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the United Church Brotherhood, held in Calvin Hall with President, Edison Skinner in the chair.

14 present as follows: Rev. C.C. Walls, J.H. Skinner, James Suffity, Edison Skinner, (President), William Stewart, (secretary), Harold Wilson (Treasurer), A.W. Stacey, Edward Levy, Alex. MacKinnon, William Hilchey, Carl Levy, Wilson Levy, Arthur Townsend and M.S. Huntington.

Visited National Park

Accompanied William Stewart to the Louisbourg National and Historic Park, in the afternoon.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Friday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy, with fresh northwest wind, moderating in the evening.

Min. temperature 29. Max. temperature 42.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Saturday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable winds, southeast during the evening. A mixture of hail, snow and rain began to fall at about 3 P.M. and continued, moderately until a late hour at night.

Mostly rain, snowfall scarcely noticeable, wet snow melting as it fell.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 42.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Sunday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light northeast wind. Light showers, fog and drizzle lasted all day. Rainfall of last night and today: 1 inch.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 40.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls, was the preacher.

Small congregation in the morning, church about half full in the evening.

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

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Monday 22**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, in the early part of the day, becoming cloudy before noon. Light winds.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 35.

Light trace of frozen snow in the morning, which soon melted.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Tuesday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool, with light winds. A typical gray November day.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 36.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Wednesday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, with light west and southwest winds; becoming cloudy in the late afternoon.

An ideal November day.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 38.

Choir Practice

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

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 25**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and remarkably clear with light southerly winds. Cloudy at night. A perfect November day.

Min. temperature 24. Max. temperature 42.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Friday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, with light westerly winds. Ideal autumn weather.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 46.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Saturday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild. Light rain beginning early in the afternoon, continued during the night. Light southerly winds, increasing in the evening, and reaching moderate gale force before midnight.

Min. temperature 38. Max. temperature 48.

Visited National Park

At about 10 A.M., Mr. Sullivan, Inspector of schools for Cape Breton County, accompanied by Marsh Jeanneut of the Copp Clark Co. Ltd. of Toronto, and Mr. Brennan, arrived by car from

Sydney, for the purpose of visiting the Louisbourg National and Historic Park. At the request of Mr. Sullivan, I accompanied the party to the Park, where I guided the visitors to points of interest, and gave them a talk on Louisbourg's early history. We returned to town at about 12:15 P.M.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Sunday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy, with fresh to strong northwest wind. Rainfall of yesterday and last night: 5/8 inch.

Min. temperature 33. Max. temperature 49.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls, was the preacher.

Small congregation in the morning; church, about half full at night.

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

Mrs. C.C. Walls, is now a member of the choir, and took part, as a choir member, in the service of song, at the morning service.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Monday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with fresh northwest wind, shifting to north and in the late afternoon to northeast. Light rain squalls in the evening.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 40.

**NOVEMBER 1948**

**Tuesday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy, sunshine and shower. A few light snow flurries in the afternoon and evening.

Moderate northerly winds.

Min. temperature 28. Max. temperature 38.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Wednesday 1**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light variable winds: southwest in the afternoon. A perfect autumn day.

Light trace of snow in the morning which disappeared early in the day.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 40.

Choir Practice

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

Search Party

This morning I joined a search party, and went to Steward's Lake and vicinity, in search of Angus MacLean, who has been missing since yesterday, when he went deer hunting. When night came

no trace of the missing man had been found. The search was joined by two members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and a trained dog.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 2**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light rain in the early morning. Mostly cloudy during the day, with light variable winds. Rainfall about 1/10 inch.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 40.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Friday 3**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mild and mostly cloudy with light winds, mostly westerly.

Min. temperature 27. Max. temperature 39.

Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, which was held in Calvin Hall with the Vice-President, William Hilchey presiding, in the absence of the President, Edison Skinner. Ten members present.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Saturday 4**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with light winds. A very lovely day.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 25. Max. temperature 42.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Sunday 5**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate north to northeast winds. A very lovely December day.

Min. temperature 26. 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. C.C. Walls, was the preacher.

Small congregation in the morning, medium at night.

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

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Monday 6**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and partly clear with light to moderate southerly winds, which during the night increased to strong.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 42.

Went to Sydney

In company with Emeline, went to Sydney on the 10:15 A.M. bus. Did some Christmas shopping while in the city. Returned in the evening with Rev. and Mrs. C.C. Walls, who invited us to accompany them on the return trip. Miss Ruth Bagnall of Louisbourg, was also a passenger in Mr. Wall's car. We arrived home at about 5:15 P.M. Emeline and I had lunch at the "Diana Sweets" restaurant, while in Sydney.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Tuesday 7**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the early morning with southerly gale which moderated to some extent early in the day. Strong and gusty westerly wind, during the day, moderating at night. Cloudy with occasional sunshine. Clear during the night. Rainfall: about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch. Min. temperature 36. Max. temperature 48.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Wednesday 8**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light variable winds. Rain began to fall, shortly before 10 A.M. and continued until after noon. Rainfall: about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch. Min. temperature 31. Max. temperature 42.

**Marriage**

At 3 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the marriage of Angus Murdoch MacKay of Big Lorraine, and Miss Kathleen Grant Crombie of Dundee, Scotland.

The marriage took place in the First United Church, with the pastor, Rev. C.C. Walls performing the ceremony.

The church choir was present and sang the Hymn "O Perfect Love".

Mr. and Mrs. MacKay will reside at Louisbourg.

**Choir Practice**

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

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 9**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with light to moderate northwest wind. A very lovely day.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 40.

**Arrived with Produce**

Fred Huntington, my nephew, arrived at about 11 A.M., with our winter's produce: consisting of 7 bushels of potatoes, 100 lbs. of carrots,  $\frac{1}{2}$  bushel parsnips and [blank] of turnips. He left for home at about 3 P.M.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Friday 10**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable winds; northeast and moderate during the afternoon and evening. Light snow began to fall at about 4 P.M. Damp snow continued to fall during the evening and night.

Min. temperature 30. Max. temperature 35.

#### First Snow Storm

The first snow storm of this season, began at about 4 P.M. and continued during the night. Up to 10 P.M. About 2 inches of snow had fallen.

### **DECEMBER 1948**

#### **Saturday 11**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow storm which began yesterday evening, ended during the forenoon. Cloudy during the afternoon and evening. Strong northeast wind of the early morning, decreased early in the day to moderate and later, to light. Snow fall of last night about 6 inches.

Min. temperature about 30. Max. temperature 33.

#### First Snow Storm

The first snow storm which occurred last night gave us about 6 inches of heavy damp snow. All out of doors plastered with snow that froze after the temperature dropped below the freezing point, in the early morning. Trees and wires laden with snow. Telegraph, telephone and electric lines disrupted to some extent as a result of the storm. Highland Lines Bus running between Louisbourg maintained its service, but ran behind schedule all day.

#### To Sydney and Return

Emeline went to Sydney on the Highland Lines Bus, leaving here at about 10:45 A.M. for the purpose of doing some shopping. She took with her Jane, my niece, and Jane's playmate Billy MacMillan.

They returned on the bus, leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M., arriving home at about 5:45 P.M.

### **DECEMBER 1948**

#### **Sunday 12**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold and partly clear with light northerly winds.

Min. temperature 21. 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. C.C. Walls, was the preacher.

Congregation small in the morning, but fairly large, in the evening.

Choir attendance: 7 at each service.

#### Search for MacLean Abandoned

Owing to the heavy snowfall of yesterday, the search for Angus MacLean, which has been carried on almost continuously since his disappearance on the 30<sup>th</sup> of last month, has been abandoned.

### **DECEMBER 1948**

**Monday 13**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showers in the early morning. Thawing during the entire day. Snow on the buildings, trees and wires disappeared as a result of the mild weather. Streets slushy, but still covered with soft snow.

Partly clear with some sunshine.

Min. temperature 22. Max. temperature 42.

Some patches of bare ground in the fields and clearings as night approached.

**DECEMBER 1948****Tuesday 14**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool, and partly clear, with light to moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 33.

Not much change in the situation, from yesterday, as far as the snow on the ground is concerned.

**DECEMBER 1948****Wednesday 15**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and partly clear with fresh to strong northwest wind which moderated to some extent in the evening.

Min. temperature 25. Max. temperature 34.

**Choir Practice**

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

**Fire**

At about 7:20 P.M. with some of the other members of the Fire Brigade turned out for a chimney fire, at the house owned by Mrs. Daniel Fleet, and now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Levy. Fire was extinguished before it caused any damage to the building.

**DECEMBER 1948****Thursday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool, and mostly cloudy with light to moderate north-northwest wind.

Min. temperature 26. Max. temperature 30.

**DECEMBER 1948****Friday 17**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with moderately fresh to strong southerly winds. Drizzle of rain began to fall at about 9 P.M.

Min. temperature: 26. Max. temperature: 39.

Death of Michael King

Word received today that Michael King, of this town, a seaman on the steamer Wabana, had been accidentally killed at Wabana Newfoundland.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Saturday 18**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rainfall of last night ended in the early morning with the wind shifting to northwest. Clear and moderately cold during the day, with fresh to strong northwest wind.

Rainfall of last night about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

Min. temperature 23. Max. temperature 42.

**Streets Bare**

Streets bare of snow and ice, with the exception of a few small patches of ice on the sidewalks. Fields and clearings almost entirely bare.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Sunday 19**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with fresh to strong northwest wind, which moderated to light in the afternoon. At night, calm and still with a clear sky and a bright moon shining.

Min. temperature 14. 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. C.C. Walls, was the preacher.

Christmas music at both services. Carol service in the evening. Small congregation in the morning, but large attendance in the evening.

Choir attendance: 12 at each service.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Monday 20**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow storm

Cloudy and chilly. Snow began to fall at about 8 A.M., and continued until about 2:30 P.M. Fresh to strong northeast wind, shifting to north in the late afternoon. Snowfall: about 6 inches.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 28.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Tuesday 21**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light west to northwest winds.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 28.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Wednesday 22**

Cool and mostly cloudy with light variable winds.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 29.

An ideal winter day.

Louisbourg, N.S.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 23**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light northerly winds. Light snow squalls at noon.

Min. temperature 13. Max. temperature 29.

Funeral

At 1:30 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Michael King which took place from his home on Lorway Street to the First United Church.

Services at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. C.C. Walls, pastor of the First United Church, this being his first funeral since he came to Louisbourg. Burial took place in the United Church cemetery.

Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director of this town.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Friday 24**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, partly clear at intervals. Snow flurries in the early morning, and occasionally during the day and late into the night. Light northerly winds. Snowfall about 3 inches.

Min. temperature 18. Max. temperature 30.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Saturday 25**

**Christmas Day**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with very light winds; almost perfectly calm. A perfect winter day.

Snowfall of the 20<sup>th</sup> and yesterday, still remains, giving the whole scene a very wintery appearance.

Min. temperature 14. Max. temperature 27.

Good wheeling and sleighing on the streets and highways.

Christmas Guests  
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**DECEMBER 1948**

**Sunday 26**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snowfall of about 2 inches in the early morning. Cloudy and chilly throughout the entire day.

Fresh northeast winds. Gusty with drifting snow.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 25.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls, was the preacher. Carol service in the evening, similar to the one held on last Sunday evening.

Congregations small at both services. Forty present at the morning service and about 75 in the evening.

Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 10.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Monday 27**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and sunshiny with light northwest wind, increasing to moderate in the late afternoon.

Northwest snow squalls during the night.

An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature (A.M.) 9. Max. temperature (P.M.) 24.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Tuesday 28**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with bright sunshine and light variable winds. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening.

Snowfall of last night; slightly more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

A perfect winter day.

Min. temperature 15. Max. temperature 30.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Wednesday 29**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately cold and remarkable clear with light variable winds. Mostly southwest but very light until after nightfall when it increased to fresh, and later in the night to strong. A perfect winter day.

Min. temperature 7 (A.M.). Max. temperature (P.M.) 34.

Choir Practice

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

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Thursday 30**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and very mild with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Thawing all day with snow rapidly disappearing. Streets very slushy with large patches of bare ground. Some rain in the late afternoon and evening. Rainfall: about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch. Wind shifted to northerly in the evening.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 44.

Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. went to the Calvin Hall for the purpose of attending a meeting of the United Church Brotherhood. As the President, Vice-President and Secretary were absent, the meeting did not materialize. We played games for a while, and served the usual lunch, before retiring. A.W.

Stacy and I were the caterers for the evening. The following were present:

A.W. Stacey, Rev. C.C. Walls, John Skinner, Rod MacLeod, Harold Wilson, Oscar Harris, John MacDonald, Carol Levy, Arthur Townsend and M.S. Huntington.

**DECEMBER 1948**

**Friday 31**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with fresh northeast wind shifting to southeast and increasing to moderate gale force in the evening. Heavy rain squalls in the late afternoon and night.

Min. temperature 32. Max. temperature 38.

**Mayor Hiltz Resigns**

At a meeting of the Town Council, held in the Town Office this evening. Mayor Guy B. Hiltz, tendered his resignation as mayor of the Town of Louisbourg, which was accepted by the council. Mayor Hiltz was first elected to the office of mayor on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 1946. After serving a two year term, he was reelected on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1948, for the usual term of two years. Ill health was given as the reason for his retirement. Deputy Mayor Edison Skinner, will likely take over the duties as mayor, until the regular civic elections take place on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 1949.

Residents, and former residents of the Town of Louisbourg, known to have died during the year 1948.

Jan. 1	Dan. MacLeod, Cape Breton Hospital, Sydney	
Feb. 4	Mrs. George A. Siteman	Louisbourg, N.S.
Feb. 19	David Townsend	Louisbourg, N.S.
Feb. 29	Samuel Fiander	New Waterford, N.S.
March 12	Neil P. MacPherson	Sydney, N.S.
March 18	James Nelson Tanner	Louisbourg, N.S.
March 25	William H. King	Sydney, N.S.
	Robert Nelson Bagnall	Montreal, Canada
May 20	Mrs. Mary MacIsaac	Sydney River
	Archie A. MacDonald	
June 4	Mrs. Samuel Tanner	
June 28	Michael Burke	Louisbourg, N.S.
July 16	Mrs. Fred Kelly	Louisbourg, N.S.
Aug. 10	Miss Gertrude Barnaby	Halifax N.S.
Oct. 3	Mrs. H.Y. Fraser	Louisbourg, N.S.
Dec. 17	Michael King	Wabana Nfld.