

# TRANSCRIPT

## HUNTINGTON DIARY 1952

**Louisbourg, N.S., January 1, 1952**

Postmaster, Town of Louisbourg, Hugh Lynk, Appointed April 1912

Collector of Customs, James Pope

Town Officials:

Mayor: George D. Lewis

Deputy Mayor, Charles Bagnell

Councillors: Duncan MacKay

Donald Beaver

Dr. Allison L. Sanders

Arthur M. Townsend

Alex C. MacDonald

Town Clerk: Daniel F. Nicholson

Stipendiary Magistrate: Beecher M. Spencer

Chief of Police: Charles Peck

Medical Health Officer: A.L. Saunders, M.D.

Assessor: Charles Peck

Street & Bridge Foreman: Herbert Jewel

Solicitor: E. MacKay Forbes, Barrister

Public School Staff: William H. Helchie, B.A., Principal

Miss Blanche Cross

Austin O'Keefe, B.A.

Cletus Lynk

Miss Marguerite Dickson

Mrs. Donald John MacLeod

Mrs. Neil MacLean

Earl Martell

Clergymen in charge of the various churches in the town of Louisbourg as at January 1, 1952:

Anglican (St. Bartholomew's) Rev. J. T. Turner

First United Church Rev. C.C. Walls

Roman Catholic Rev. J. L. MacSween

Presbyterian Rev. Jacob Barnbury

Public School Board:

Charles Bagnall, Chairman

A.L. Saunders, M.D.

Arthur M. Townsend

Frank O' Keefe, Provincial Government Appointee  
William Lewis, " " "  
Dan F. Nicholson, Clerk of School Board

**January 1, 1952**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**

List of residents and former residents of Louisbourg who died, either here or elsewhere, during the year 1952:

Name	Date	Place
Wellington L. Spencer	Jan. 20	Stoneham, Mass., USA
Donald S. MacDonald	Jan 22	Glace Bay, N.S.
Mrs. Wesley Tanner	Feb. 6	Louisbourg, N.S.
Mrs. Faye Harpel	March 11	Louisbourg, N.S.
Alex F. MacDonald	March 21	Glace Bay, N.S.
Beresford Lewis (Bob)	March 30	Sydney, N.S.
Captain John Power	April 4	Louisbourg, N.S.
Michael Morrissey	April 23,	Sydney, N.S.
Mrs. Charles Beaver	May 13,	Louisbourg, N.S.
George K. O'Neil	May 14,	Mira Road, Sydney
Mrs. Philip Townsend	May 29,	Glace Bay, N.S.
D.J. Matheson	June 29,	Glace Bay, N.S.
Neil MacKeigan	Aug.	Glace Bay, N.S.
Joseph Magee	August 31	Halifax, N.S.
Mrs. Robert Lyons	September 24	Glace Bay, N.S.
Dan MacAskill	October 3,	Sydney, N.S.
David Roy Ingraham	December 16,	Louisbourg, N.S.
Daniel Nicholson	December 17	Louisbourg, N.S.

**JANUARY 1952**

**Tuesday 1**  
**New Year's Day**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Mild and mostly clear but becoming cloudy shortly before noon. Cloudy during the afternoon and evening. Light easterly winds. Mostly northeast.  
Min. temperature, 23, Max. temperature, 34.

New Year's Day

A general holiday throughout the Dominion. In our town, all places of business and public offices closed. No mails to or from Louisbourg to-day and no mail delivered at the local post-office to-day.

No Family Gathering

In common with the past several years, we did not have any family gathering. Besides our own household, consisting of Mrs. Heber Huntington, her daughter Jane, Emeline and I, the only guest we had for dinner and supper was John Johnson, a local character, who for many year has been having his Christmas and New Year meals with us.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Wednesday 2**

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

Clearing in the morning. Sunny and mild during the forenoon. Cloudy with sunny intervals in the afternoon. Moderate to fresh northerly winds. Snow and ice melting.

Min. temperature, 18, Min. temperature, 42.

#### Choir Practice

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

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Thursday 3**

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

Cloudy, snow began to fall, moderately, at about 11 A.M. and continued until about 8 P.M. Very light north-northeast increasing to moderate in the late afternoon. Snowfall, about 5 inches.

Min. temperature, 15, Max. temperature, 23.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Friday 4**

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

Clear and cold with light to fresh northwest wind. Sunny throughout the day.

Min. temperature, 2, Max. temperature, 20.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Saturday 5**

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

Clear and sunny but becoming cloudy, shortly afternoon. Light northwest wind shifting to southerly in the early afternoon and increasing to fresh in the early evening.

Min. temperature, 3 below zero (A.M.), Max. temperature, 29.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Sunday 6**

#### **Snow Storm**

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

Snow storm beginning in the early morning ended at about 8:30, except for a few light-flurries. Cloudy except for an occasional bit of sunshine in the forenoon. Mostly sunny during the afternoon. Strong north-northeast wind decreasing to moderate at noon. Snowfall at least 8 inches. Radio broadcast (sic) from Sydney reported the snowfall at Reserve Airport at 9 inches. Min. temperature, 21, Max. temperature, 32.

#### Traffic Interrupted

Traffic and streets and highways was (sic) seriously interrupted by the heavy snowfall, which by the force of the wind had drifted into big banks. Highway plough from Sydney arrived at about 5:30 P.M. and opened up traffic on the Sydney and Louisbourg and our main street. The plough was followed at 5:45 P.M. by the "Highland Lines" Bus, being the first trip of the day. The bus due to leave here at 8 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. and the one due here at 1:15 P.M. were canceled.

#### Fire Alarm

At 10:15 P.M., the Fire Brigade was called out for a fire at the home of Rod MacIntyre on Commercial Street. The fire was out on the arrival of the firemen. No damage resulted.

#### 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. Attendance much smaller than usual owing to bad condition of the streets, as a result of the early morning snow storm.

Present at the A.M. service about 25. At the evening service about 56.

Choir attendance: A.M. 3 P.M. 9.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Monday 7**

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

Cloudy and chilly with moderate winds varying from northeast to southeast and increasing to fresh in the evening. Snow began to fall at about 8 P.M. and continued during the night, with increasing wind.

Min. temperature, 18, Max. temperature, 28.

#### Week Of Prayer

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the first of the 1952 Series of "Week of Prayer" Services. The Service this evening was held in the First United Church and was in charge of the regular pastor Rev. C.C. Walls, while the preacher was Rev. Jacob Barnbury, Pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisbourg.

There were about 80 persons present.

Choir attendance: 13.

#### Preparing For The Harvest

Men and equipment belonging to the A.A. Crowe Tea Company of Truro, N.S. arrived here tonight preparatory to harvesting and storing ice for the Louisbourg Fish plant. Work on this project will likely start as soon as the ice is thick enough and weather conditions are favourable.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Tuesday 8**

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

Snow storm in the early morning followed by light rain. Dense fog and intermediate showers throughout the day and late into the night. Strong northeast to east winds decreasing to very light early in the forenoon. Snowfall at least 5 inches. Traffic impeded by the snow and drifts of last nights. Snow ploughs opened the streets for traffic during the day. Very mild with snow melting fast.

Min. temperature, 26, Max. temperature, 43.

#### **Week Of Prayer**

The second in the 1952 "Week of Prayer" services was held in the Presbyterian Church this evening at 7:30. The service was in charge of the pastor, Rev. Jacob Barnbury, while the preacher was Rev. J.T. Turner, Pastor of St. Bartholomew Anglican Church. Was not present, but Emeline and Evelyn attended.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Wednesday 9**

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

Cloudy and mild with showers in the early morning with temperature lowering to the freezing point early in the forenoon. Light to fresh northwest wind. Rainfall of yesterday and last night about ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 20, Max. temperature, 44.

Streets very slippery.

#### **Week Of Prayer**

The third in the Series of the 1952 "Week of Prayer" services was held in St. Bartholomew Anglican Church, at 7:30 P.M. Service in charge of Rev. J.T. Turner, Pastor of St. Bartholomew's, while Rev. C.C. Walls of the First United Church was the preacher. I was not present, but my wife and sister-in-law attended.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Thursday 10**

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

Clear, with light westerly winds, which shifted to northeast early in the night and increasing to fresh. Cloudy in the evening. Snow began to fall at about 9:30 P.M.

Min temperature, 15, Max. temperature, 32.

#### **Meeting of Public Utility Board**

George Farquhar and W.T. Outhik, two members of the Nova Scotia Board of Public Utilities, held a meeting at 2:30 P.M. in the Town. Meeting called for the purpose of taking evidence in consideration with the transfer of the Louisbourg Electrical Water and Power Company Ltd. to the Corporation of the Town of Louisbourg and also to approve of a scale of rates at which the

Town of Louisbourg would supply water to its customers. Those giving evidence at this hearing were John Kay, Engineer, Halifax, N.S., Freeman O'Neil, M.D. President of the Water Company, Sydney and George D. Lewis (Mayor) Secretary. E. MacKay, Forbes of Glace Bay, Town Solicitor, represented the Town of Louisbourg. According to the evidence submitted, the assets of the Louisbourg Electric, Water and Power Co. Ltd. are valued at approximately \$19,000.

#### Week Of Prayer

The third in a Series of Week of Prayer Services was held in the First United Church, at 7:30 P.M. Service in charge of Rev. C.C. Walls, with Rev. J.T. Turner, of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church as the preacher. About 75 persons present.

Choir attendance: 9. Emeline and I were present.

### **JANUARY 1952**

#### **Friday 11**

#### **Snow Storm**

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

Snow storm of last night ended in the early morning and was followed by rain which ended at about 8 A.M. Sun showing in the clouds for brief periods in the forenoon. Partly cleared during the afternoon. Cloudy in the evening. Fresh northeast wind decreasing and shifting to southerly in the forenoon and to west and northwest during the afternoon, increasing to strong in the evening and continuing so during the night. Snowfall of last night, about 3 inches. Rainfall about ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 25, Max temperature, 41.

Streets very slippery.

#### Week Of Prayer

At 7:30 P.M. Emeline and I attended the fifth and last of the 1952 Series of "Week Of Prayer" services. Service this evening was held in the Presbyterian Church, with the Pastor, Rev. Jacob Barnbury in Church. Rev. C.C. Walls of the First United Church was the speaker.

### **JANUARY 1952**

#### **Saturday 12**

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

Clear, with light west to southwest winds. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature, 20, Max. temperature, 32.

#### Marriage

The marriage of David Wilcox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wilcox of this town to Miss Catherine Bate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bate of Big Lorraine, took place this evening. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J.T. Turner, pastor of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church.

### **JANUARY 1952**

## **Sunday 13**

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

Variable cloudiness with light to moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature, 16, Max. temperature, 34.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where. Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher. About 95 present at the morning service in about 80 at the evening service.

Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 17.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was disbursed at the morning service.

## **JANUARY 1952**

## **Monday 14**

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

Mostly cloudy with light variable winds, light northeast in the evening.

Min. temperature, 10, Max. temperature, 25.

#### Mine Explosion At Stellarton

19 Miners killed in an explosion in the MacGregor Coal Mine at Stellarton Nova Scotia. Said to be the worst mine disaster in Canada for the past eleven years. All the bodies were recovered.

Names of those who lost their lives in to-days disaster as follows: Robert Davidson, Joseph Nearing, R. H. MacNutt, John Mailman, Bain Nicholson , Brenton White, Archie Hayman, Sam Campbell, Leonard Wheatly, William MacLeod, Albert Moss, Arthur Moss, Winston Sample, Ed MacCallum, Tom Carpenter, Ed. Arthrell, Jimmy Wright, David Russell, Robert Cunningham.

Among other mine disasters in Nova Scotia are the following: 1873, Drummond Colliery Pictou County, N.S. 60 killed

1880 Albion Mine, Stellarton, N.S. 44 killed

1891 Springhill, N.S. 125 killed

1917 New Waterford, N.S. 65 killed

1918 Stellarton, N.S. 88 killed

(Above information obtained from the January 15, 1952 issue of the Sydney Post-Record)

#### Fire At Sydney

An early morning fire in the Y.M.C.A. did damage to the building estimated at \$50,000.

## **JANUARY 1952**

## **Tuesday 15**

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

Sunny in the early part of the day but becoming cloudy before noon and remaining so throughout the day. Mild with light southerly winds.

Min. temperature, 10, Max. temperature, 32.

### 39,000 Deer Killed

According to the statement by a spokesman for the Department of Lands and Forests, published in the Halifax Chronicle-Herald of yesterday's issue, the Deer kill for the season ending on November 30, 1951, in the Province of Nova Scotia, was 39,000 with more reports to be received.

### Harvesting Ice

The A.A. Crowe Ice and Trucking Company of Truro, Nova Scotia began harvesting ice for the new Louisbourg Fish Plant to-day. The ice is being obtained at Grand Lake, and is about 11 inches in thickness. The same company had a contract last winter for the harvesting and storing a large amount of ice for the same fish plant, but had to abandon the undertaking owing to the mildness of the winter. The ice during the in winter of 1951, did not reach a thickness of more than about 6 inches.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Wednesday 16**

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

Rain in the early morning with intermediate showers continuing all day. Foggy and mild. Fresh south wind shifting to southwest and moderating to light in the afternoon.

Rainfall 3/8 inch.

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.

### Annual Banquet

The Louisbourg Fire Brigade held its annual Banquet and election of officers at the Diamond Restaurant in the evening.

The following are the officers for 1952:

Chief: Harvey Lewis, Deputy-Chief, Fred Burke, Assistant Deputy-Chief, William Daring, Captain, Hose Company, Ronald Mac Vicar, Lieut. Hose Company, Alex Smith, Captain Ladder Company, George Phalen, Lieut. Ladder Company, Dan J. Thomas, Secretary-Treasurer, George Phalen. Guests of the firemen at the banquet were: Mayor, George D. Lewis, L.E. Smith, Manager, Natural Sea Products, Ltd., A.M. Thurston, Manager, Gorton Pew Fisheries Ltd., Ed Willis, North Sydney Fire Dept., Mr. Crowe, Mr. Hush and Mr. Stewart, of the Bible Hill Fire Department, Truro N. S. (was not present).

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Thursday 17**

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



Cloudy but clearing early in the day. Sunny during the greater part of the day. Light northwest wind. An ideal winter day. Streets almost totally bare. Ice on the sidewalks. Fields and clearings still pretty well covered with snow.

Min. temperature, 14, Max. temperature, 34.

#### Softball Banquet

In the evening attended a banquet, held in the Diamond Restaurant, in honour of the boys forming the teams of the Softball League that played during the season of 1951, three in all, one each sponsored by the Home and School Association, Canadian Legion, and the Kinsmen. Prize for the player showing the best sportsmanship and greatest improvement in playing during last season went to Melvin Kelley. Prize for the winning team was presented to its Captain, Calvin MacLean. Prizes were presented by Mr. [blank] Thurston and Austin O'Keefe. Short addresses were delivered by Mr. [blank] Thurston, Austin O'Keefe, Cletus Lynk and M.S. Huntington. About 40 boys present and about 18 adults. Mrs. DeWitt Cross presided.

Among the adults present were; William Stewart, Arthur M. Townsend, Dan James MacLeod, Roderick MacLeod, Roy Sheppard, [blank] Thurston, Mrs. DeWitte Cross, Mrs. Gavin MacLean, Charles Bagnall, James Crowdis, Cletus Lynk, Mrs. Kiby MacDonald, Mrs. David J. MacLeod, Austin O'Keefe and M.S. Huntington.

### **JANUARY 1952**

#### **Friday 18**

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

Cloudy, with very light drizzle of snow followed by showers at noon which continued at intervals during the afternoon, increasing to very heavy showers in the early part of the night. Moderate southerly winds. Strong southwest wind in the afternoon, increased to heavy gale force after nightfall, decreasing to moderate at about 8:30 P.M. Snowfall about ½ inch, Rainfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature, 12, Max. temperature, 42.

### **JANUARY 1952**

#### **Saturday 19**

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

Clear and sunny with moderate to fresh northwest wind. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature, 8, Max. temperature, 14.

#### School Teachers Mass Meeting

A mass meeting of School Teachers from the Municipality of the County of Cape Breton, Towns of Glace Bay, North Sydney, Sydney Mines, New Waterford, Dominion and Louisbourg was held at Sydney this afternoon, with H.H. Witmore, President of the Central Strike Committee presiding. This meeting was called for the purpose of arriving at a decision regarding the question of a Province Wide Teachers Strike, which has been under consideration for a considerable time. During a lengthy session, a vote was taken which resulted as follows: For immediate strike action, 260, against 184. Owing to the majority being considered too small to

warrant a strike, which was scheduled for next Monday, January 21, it was decided to withhold strike action until a later date or for further consideration.

I understand it was agreed before the vote was taken; the 90 percent majority would be required before a strike would be called.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Sunday 20**

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

Cloudy and chilly with moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 5, Max. temperature, 34.

Rain showers beginning at about 11 P.M.

#### 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.

About 60 persons present in the morning and about 70 in the evening.

Choir attendance: A.M. 11, P.M. 16.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Monday 21**

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

Cloudy with showers in the early morning ending in the forenoon. Fresh to strong southerly winds, dying out to dead calm at noon. Light northwest wind during the afternoon increasing to fresh in the evening. Light snow squalls at night with same front.

Rainfall for last night and to-day,  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.

Min. temperature, 19, Max. temperature, 40.

#### Death Of Colonel W.H. Dobbie

To-day's issue of the Sydney Post-Record announced the death of Colonel Wallace Hugh Dobbie D. S. O., which occurred at the Veterans Hospital on last Friday at Victoria British Columbia. From 1939 to 1945, Colonel Dobbie Commanded the Canso-Cape Breton area during World War 2. He was about 60 years of age.

#### Death Of Wellington Spencer

Word received today by Beecher M. Spencer that his brother, Wellington L. Spencer, had died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Allison Woodward, (Susan) Stoneham, Massachusetts, U.S.A. He was 77 years of age and had been in poor health for the past year. Mr. Spencer is survived by one sister, Mrs. Harry Dillon, (Oressa), Glace Bay, N. S. and one brother, Beecher M. Spencer, Louisbourg N. S.

#### Teachers Strike Called off

The Public School Teachers Strike for higher salaries, which has been pending for several weeks and scheduled for to-day, failed to materialize. I understand that all classes throughout the province were in session to-day as usual. At a mass meeting of teachers, held at Sydney on last

Saturday, with H.H. Witmore, Principal of Riverview High School presiding, a strike vote resulted as follows: for strike action 260 against 184. As this vote did not give the 90 percent majority required the strike was called off for the present. The present salaries of the Town of Louisbourg School staff are as follows: [blank]

## **JANUARY 1952**

**Tuesday 22**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cold with fresh to strong northwest wind decreasing to light in the evening. Min. temperature, 2 (A.M.), Max. temperature, 22 (P.M.).

### **Death Of Donald S. MacPherson**

The death of Donald S. MacPherson of Glace Bay occurred at the Glace Bay General Hospital this morning after a long illness. He was 64 years of age and is survived by his wife, the former Bessie MacKinnon of Glace Bay, two sisters, Mrs. Gordon Townsend, (Jessie) Montréal and Mary at Louisbourg. He was born at Port Morien, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel MacPherson. About 1895 the family removed to Louisbourg where they lived for many years. Mr. MacPherson went to Glace Bay about 40 years ago where he was in the employ of the Dominion Coal Company. He is also survived by two sons and six daughters.

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### **Teachers Strike Called off**

William Helchie, Principal	3,265.00
Austin O'Keefe, Vice-Principal	2,175.00
Cletus Lynk	1,945.00
Mrs. Donald J. MacLeod	1,845.00
Miss Marguerite Dickson	1,500.00
Earl Martell	1,545.00
Miss Blanche Cross	1,965.00
Mrs. Neil MacLean	1,500.00

## **JANUARY 1952**

**Wednesday 23**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cold but becoming cloudy and milder early in the day. Rain began to fall shortly after noon and continued moderately until late into the night. Moderate southerly winds, increasing to gale force in the afternoon and continuing during the night unabated.

Min. temperature, 3, (A.M.), Max. temperature, 41.

### **Choir Practice**

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

### Prime Minister Sails

Prime Minister Winston Churchill, of Great Britain who has been visiting the United States and Canada during the last ten days, sailed from home last night on board the Liner "Queen Mary" while on this side of the water he visited Washington, New York and Ottawa.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Thursday 24**

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

Cloudy and mild with very light variable winds, mostly northwest. Rainfall of last about ¼ inch. Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 42.

### Funeral

Motored to Mira Gut in the early afternoon with William Lewis and his sister, Mrs. Ray Ingraham, where we attended the funeral of their uncle, Wellington L. Spencer, who passed away on last Sunday at Stoneham Massachusetts. The funeral is held from the Mira Gut Baptist Church at 2 P.M. Services at the church and cemetery (Mira Gut), were conducted by Rev. Harold A. Westrup, Pastor of the Glace Bay Baptist Church. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnson, Funeral Director, Louisbourg N.S.

### Congregational Meeting

The Annual Congregational meeting of the First United Church was held in Calvin Hall, at 7:30 P. M. with Rev. C. C. Walls presiding and M. S. Huntington, Secretary. Amongst the many items of business transacted, were the presentation of reports from the church and its various organizations.

About 30 persons present.

Immediately after the close of the meeting, the Ladies of the MacMillan Club served a light lunch to those present.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Friday 25**

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

Clear with moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature, 8, Max. temperature, 32.

### New Governor General

The Appointment of Hon. Vincent Massey as the next Governor General of Canada was announced last night from Buckingham Palace in London, and from the office of Prime Minister St. Laurent in Ottawa. Massey is to succeed Viscount Alexander who is to retire from the Governor Generalship. When Vincent Massey takes office, he will be the First Native Canadian Governor-General and the 18<sup>th</sup> since Confederation. He was born in Toronto, February 20, 1887.

### Viscount Alexander To Retire

According to the Canadian press of to-day, Viscount Alexander who has been Governor-General of Canada since April 1946, is, at his own request, to terminate his term of office on the 28<sup>th</sup> of

this month, and returned to England, where it is rumoured, he is to be Defense Minister in Prime Minister Winston Churchill's Cabinet.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Saturday 26**

#### **New Moon To-day**

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

Clear and sunny with light northwest wind. Became cloudy shortly before noon with the wind shifting to southwest and increasing to moderate and later to fresh. Light drizzle of snow began to fall at about 9:30 P.M. and ended about one hour later. Snowfall about ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 6, Max. temperature, 32.

#### **Death Of Ida Spencer**

A news item in to-days issue of the Sydney Post-Record announced the death of Mrs. Albert Thomas Spencer, on the 16<sup>th</sup> of this month, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. David Mansur, Ottawa. The former Miss Ida Kathryn Spencer was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Theophalus Spencer of Holmeville, Cape Breton Co. N.S. Her husband who preceded her many years ago was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Louis G. Spencer, of Port Morin and Glace Bay. She was about 80 years of age.

#### **Fort Louisbourg Damaged**

Fish Dragger, "Fort Louisbourg", was seriously damaged by fire this morning and sank at her dock, at Halifax. She was valued at about \$200,000.00 and was owned by Gorton Pew, New Brunswick Limited. She was built at Lunenburg, being launched during the spring or summer of 1951.

Later: According to a news intern in the Halifax Chronicle-Herald of February 2, 1952, the dragger, "Fort Louisbourg", is undergoing a survey after having been raised from the bottom of Halifax harbour, at the General Sea Foods dock. She was salvaged by the Foundation Company and is likely to be towed to Lunenburg to undergo repairs.

## **JANUARY 1952**

### **Sunday 27**

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

Light snow of last night was followed by heavy rain in the early morning. Cloudy and mild throughout the day with very light winds. The sun broke through the haze shortly before setting. Rainfall of this morning 1 inch.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 43.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, the Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher.

Present in the morning was about 50, in the evening about 80.

Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 12.

## **JANUARY 1952**

**Monday 28**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with very light drizzle of rain and mist in the forenoon. Light variable winds. Snowfall of about 1 inch beginning at about 6 P.M. followed at about 9 P.M. by mist and light drizzle.

Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 33.

## **JANUARY 1952**

**Tuesday 29**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Light drizzle of snow and frozen sleet in the morning followed by hail and before noon by light snow which continued during the afternoon and evening. Fresh to strong north-northeast wind, fall of hail and snow about 3 inches.

Min. temperature, 6, Max. temperature, 32.

### **Large Fish Catch**

What is said to be the largest catch of fish by small boats, in a single day, at this port, was landed here this afternoon and evening. The catch for to-day, according to reliable information was upwards of 150,000 Lbs, all of which were brought in by boats owned here or by others making this port their base, about 16 in all.

## **JANUARY 1952**

**Wednesday 30**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cold with light snow flurries. Moderate northerly winds. Snowfall of to-day about 1 inch.

Min. temperature, 6, Max. temperature, 22.

### **Choir Practice**

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

## **JANUARY 1952**

**Thursday 31**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear, sunny and cold, with light variable winds mostly westerly. A typical winter day.

Min. temperature, 5 below zero, Max. temperature, 19.

### **School Teachers Strike**

Strike action which was decided upon yesterday at a meeting held at Sydney, was put into effect to-day were about 175 teachers of the rural Cape Breton County schools, went on strike to

enforce demands for higher salaries. About 5000 pupils are out of school to day as a result of this action on the part of the teachers. The non-union teachers in the county rural schools, about 68 in number, have been requested by the union to stay off their jobs in order to strengthen the union on their demands. The union has asked for \$300.00 yearly increase in teacher salaries. This request was turned down by the Cape Breton County Council at a recent meeting held at Sydney. This is the first time in the history of the Province when members of the teaching profession have gone on strike.

(Sydney Post-Record)

(January 31 1952)

Rainfall from January = about 3 5/8 inches.

Snowfall for January = about 27 inches.

Min. temperature, 5 below zero, on the 31<sup>st</sup>, 3 below on the 5<sup>th</sup>, Max. temperature, 44 on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Friday 1**

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

Clear and sunny becoming cloudy in mid-afternoon. Light to moderate west wind, shifting to southwest in the evening.

Min. temperature, 2, Max. temperature, 29.

#### **Strike Continues**

The rural school teachers strike, which began yesterday, still continues with the non-union teachers joining in strike action in support of the numbers of the union, making a total of about 243. According to the local press there approximately 5000 pupils out of school owing to the strike.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Saturday 2**

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

Cloudy and mild with light mist at intervals. Light to southwest winds.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 35.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Sunday 3**

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

Sunny and moderately cold with light to moderate northerly winds. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature, 35, Max. temperature, 12.

Streets and highways very icy and slippery.

#### **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. Present in the morning, about 55, in the evening about 70.

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

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Monday 4**

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

Clear and sunny but becoming cloudy in mid- afternoon. Light easterly winds shifting to southerly and during the night, increasing to strong.

Min. temperature, 6, Max. temperature, 31.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Tuesday 5**

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

Rain in the early morning and occasional showers throughout the day, with considerable fog. Thunder and lightning for a short period in the forenoon. Moderate to strong southerly winds, decreasing shortly after noon.

Min. temperature, 38, Max. temperature, 42.

Streets very icy.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Wednesday 6**

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

Heavy showers ending in the forenoon. Cloudy during the afternoon and evening. Snow squalls at night. Light northerly winds, shifting to westerly in the afternoon and increasing to fresh.

Rainfall of yesterday and to-day about 1 ½ inches.

Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 45.

## **DEATH OF KING GEORGE THE VI**

The death of George the Sixth, King of Great Britain and her Dominions beyond the Seas occurred at an early hour this morning. He died in his sleep, at Sandringham, his country home, which is about 130 miles from the City of London.

King George VI was born on December 14, 1895 at York Cottage, Sandringham. In 1923 married Lady Elizabeth, Bowes-Lyon, daughter of the Earl of Strathmore. First child, Princess Elizabeth, born April 21, 1926. Second child born, Princess Margaret, Aug. 21, 1930. 1936 succeeded his brother, Edward VIII on his abdication of the British Throne, on December 10, 1936. Coronation Ceremony took place on May 12/1937. 1939, accompanied by the Queen, visited Canada, and the United States. First reigning British sovereign to make such a visit.

## **Death of Mrs. Wesley Tanner**

The death of Mrs. Wesley Tanner occurred this afternoon at her home off Kent Street, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Tanner, the former Miss Catherine MacDonald of Glace Bay, was



in the 76<sup>th</sup> year of her age. She is survived by her husband, one son, Archibald, at Sydney, one daughter, Mrs. Wilfred Wagner, (Mary) at Louisbourg.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Thursday 7**

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

Clear and sunny with westerly winds shifting to southwest in the afternoon. Cloudy at night. A perfect winter day.

Min. temperature, 14, Max. temperature, 32.

#### **To Sydney and Return**

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus Service for the purpose of placing an order for merchandise with Dan Mac Keen, representing The Anglo-Canadian Mereaitite Co. Ltd. Arrived at Sydney at about 9 A.M. Met Mr. Mac Keen at the sample room at about 9:30 A.M. and placed an order with three or more business houses he represents. Made two or three more business calls and caught the 12:15 P.M. bus trip for home arriving at about 1:10 P.M.

#### **United Church Brotherhood**

At 8 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church held in Calvin hall with Edward Levy presiding. 19 persons present.

#### **ELIZABETH II PROCLAIMED QUEEN**

Princess Elizabeth who succeeded her late father, King George VII, to the Throne of the British Empire, was to-day, at noon, was proclaimed Queen with the title of Elizabeth The Second, at Ottawa.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Friday 8**

#### **Snow Storm**

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

Snow, which began to fall early in the morning, continued until late in the afternoon. Strong northeast and north winds. Snowfall about 5 inches.

Min. temperature, 10, Max. temperature, 32.

#### **Funeral**

At 1:30 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Wesley Tanner, which took place from the D.M. Johnston Funeral Home to St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. Services at the Funeral Home Church and grave were conducted by Rev. J.T. Turner. Burial in the Anglican Cemetery on Clark's Road. Funeral in charge of D. M. Johnston, Funeral Director. Pall Bearers: John Hill, Freeman McKenzie, Dan Smith, Mayor George D. Lewis, Edgar Bate and M. S. Huntington.

#### **Elizabeth II Proclaimed Queen**

In London England, to day, the former Princess Elizabeth was by Royal Proclamation proclaimed Queen of Great Britain and British realms beyond the Seas, with the title of Elizabeth the second.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

**Saturday 9**

**Snow Storm**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Snow Storm

Clear and sunny but becoming cloudy at noon. Snow began to fall at about 4:30 P.M.

Snowfall about 4 inches.

Light northwest wind early in the day shifting to southwest and late to south and increasing to strong.

Min. temperature, 5, Max. temperature, 31.

H. M. C. S. Brockville

The mine sweeper H. M. C. S. Brockville, arrived in the evening and docked at the Government wharf. She had on board a number of naval cadets, who are undergoing a period of sea training.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

**Sunday 10**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Mostly clear with moderate west and northwest winds. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature, 6, Max. temperature, 32.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher.

Attendance in the morning about 60, in the evening about 90.

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

The evening service took the form of a memorial service to the late King George the Sixth who passed away on last Wednesday. As the salute and prayer, two and for, her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, who became Queen on the death of her father, the congregation joined with the choir in singing "God Save the Queen" at the close of both the morning and evening services.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

**Monday 11**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cold in the morning but moderating during the day. Light to moderate winds mostly southerly.

Clear and sunny, becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. An Ideal winter day.

Min. temperature, 3, Max. temperature, 29.

Teachers Strike Vote

The Post-Record of to-day, announced that the Teachers Union of the Province of Nova Scotia, on a vote taken on last Saturday, voted in favour of a strike for an increase in salaries. The vote stood as follows: in favour of a strike, 1658, against 925. The executive of the union owing to a large body of members being against strike action, decided not to call a strike until the matter was given further consideration.

#### Price Of Coal Increased

On last Saturday, an increase of one dollar (\$1.00) a ton was added to the price of coal at the yards of the Dominion Coal Company through the County of Cape Breton. This increase raises the price of coal from \$11.10, the previous price, to \$12.10 per ton.

### **FEBRUARY 1952**

#### **Tuesday 12**

##### **Stormy**

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

Cloudy with strong southeast wind, which increased to gale force early in the forenoon. Wind decreased to moderate in the early afternoon into light and variable in the evening. Some fog at night. Light drizzle of snow and light rain and mist, which froze as it, fell, making the streets very slippery. Snowfall less than ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 30.

#### In For Shelter

Six or seven fishing vessels arrived in the harbour for shelter during the day.

### **FEBRUARY 1952**

#### **Wednesday 13**

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

Clear and sunny with a light southerly winds. A very lovely day.

Min. temperature, 16, Max. temperature, 32.

#### Choir Practice

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

#### Death Of Colonel John A. MacDonald

The death of Col. John Angus MacDonald occurred

#### NO MORE ENTRY

#### Installing Water Meters

The installing of water meters, in the towns water system, has been Mark Cormington of West Louisbourg has been awarded the contract, for the sum of \$800.00.

### **FEBRUARY 1952**

## **Thursday 14**

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

Clear and sunny, becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Light westerly winds shifting to southerly in the evening. A very lovely winter day.

Min. temperature, 14, Max. temperature, 31.

#### Brotherhood Banquet

At 6:30 P.M. attended the Annual Banquet of the First United Church Brotherhood, which was held in Calvin hall with the President, Edward Levy, presiding. The intended guest speaker, John Murdoch MacLeod, of Sydney, was unable to be present owing to illness, so a few of us had to pinch-hit for the absent speaker. I gave a short talk on the late King George VI and his family background. Rev. C. C. Walls was the next speaker and dealt with some of his experiences on various fields as a preacher. Rev. J.T. Turner of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church was then called on and in an address gave some of his experiences as a clergyman in various congregations during his ministry. William Stewart proposed the toast to the Queen, William Helchie, the Ladies of the MacMillan Club who served the supper. A.W. Stacey moved the thanks to the Brotherhood to the various speakers.

43 members of the Brotherhood and their guests present.

#### C. G. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, Edward Cornwallis, arrived at about noon and docked at the Freight wharf.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Friday 15**

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

Cloudy with very light and variable winds, mostly northwest. A very light drizzle of snow and intervals during the greater part of the day.

Min. temperature, 13, Max. temperature, 26.

#### Funeral Of King George VI

The funeral of the late King George VI, of Great Britain and her Dominions beyond the Seas took place to-day in St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle. The service was broadcast from London over the B.B.C., and was heard very plainly here. We also listened to a broadcast of the service from Ottawa, in the late afternoon.

#### Memorial Services

At 11 A.M., Evelyn, her daughter Jane, Emeline and I attended a service in St. Bartholomew's Angolan Church, in memory of the late King George VI, whose burial took place to-day at St. George's Chapel, Windsor, England. At the service, the Rector, Rev. J.T. Turner, was assisted by Rev. C.C. Walls of the First United Church and Rev. Jacob Barnbury of the Presbyterian churches, at Mira, Catalone and Louisbourg. This joint service was well attended, the church being crowded.

#### General Holiday

To-day was a public holiday, proclaimed by the Federal Government as well as the civic authorities. Schools and all public offices as well as nearly all places of business, honoring the memory of the late King George VI. Had my shop open in the evening in order accommodate newspaper customers.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Saturday 16**

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

Sunny all day with light northerly winds. An ideal winter day.  
Min. temperature, 9, Max. temperature, 33.

#### **C.G.S. Edward Cornwallis**

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", sailed in the morning, took up the harbour buoys and returned at about mid-afternoon.

#### **Tug Empire John**

Dominion Coal Company's Tug "Empire John", Capt. Cobbham, arrived from Sydney during the afternoon. She will likely remain here to attend to the docking of shipping until navigation opens at Sydney in the spring. The "Empire John" was purchased by the British Empire Steel and Coal Company Limited, during last year and replaces the old tug "Cruizer". I believe this the first visit of the new tug to this part.

#### **S.S. GANDER BAY**

Steamer, "Gander Bay", arrived at about 8:30 P.M. for a cargo of coal and docked on the east side of the coal pier. This the first ship to come here for cargo in 1952.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Sunday 17**

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

Cloudy but mostly clear during the afternoon and evening. Light variable winds.  
Min. temperature, 9, Max. temperature, 28.

#### **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. Present at the morning service about 70, at the evening service about 80.

#### **Leaves For England**

Viscount Alexander of Tunis, Lady Alexander and two children went on board the Liner Franconia, at Halifax this evening enroute to England, where he is to be Minister of Defence in Prime (sic) Winston Churchill's cabinet. Viscount Alexander served as Governor-General of the Dominions of Canada since April 1946. He is succeeded by Hon. Vincent Massey who has been **XXX** by appointment to that position.

C.G.S. Edward Cornwallis

Canadian Government Steamer, Edward Cornwallis, which has been here for the last day or two on buoy service, sailed in the morning.

**FEBRUARY 1952**

**Monday 18**

**Big Snow Storm**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy, snow began to fall at about 9 A.M. and continued all day and to a late hour at night.

Snow ended at about 10:30 P.M. and was followed by light drizzle of hail and rain.

Snowfall, about 12 inches.

Min. temperature, 18, Max. temperature, 31.

Traffic tied up on the streets and highways as a result of the storm. Bus service between here and Sydney was maintained during the day but was running behind schedule.

Highway snowplough arrived at about 10 P.M. and opened up main streets as it passed through.

First Coal Shipping

Steamer, "Gander Bay", began loading a cargo of coal at 4 P.M. First coal to be shipped from Louisbourg this season.

Golden Wedding Anniversary

Tomorrow, the 19<sup>th</sup> will be the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the marriage of Clifford C. Huntington and Mary M. Huntington. The marriage took place at Salmon River, Cape Breton County, on February 19, 1902.

**FEBRUARY 1952**

**Tuesday 19**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy, foggy and misty with occasional light showers. Strong easterly winds, moderating to same extent during the day.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 35.

Teachers Strike Continues

A special meeting of the Cape Breton County Council was held at Sydney, yesterday, with Warden M.T. Sullivan presiding. At this meeting an offer of a Cost of Living bonus of \$100.00 per year was made to all rural and village teachers and an additional \$100.00 for all married male teachers. At a teachers meeting held yesterday afternoon after the Council meeting had adjourned (sic), the council's offer was rejected by an 87 to 20 vote. The teachers are holding out for an additional \$300.00 each, to each of their regular salaries and have been on strike since the 31<sup>st</sup> of last month. The teachers on strike in the Cape Breton County belong to the rural and the village schools and number about 243. No city or town teachers, in this county, are on strike.

Antigonish Teachers On Strike

The rural and village school Teachers of Antigonish County, who have been making similar demands for wage increases as the Cape Breton teachers, went out on strike today.

#### Provincial Legislation Opens

The Nova Scotia Legislation opened today at Halifax, N.S. under the premiership of the Hon. Angus L. MacDonald. Robert L. Stanfield is leader of the conservative opposition in the house of 38 seats, 28 of which are held by the Liberals, 8 by the conservatives and 2 by the C.R.F.

### **FEBRUARY 1952**

#### **Wednesday 20**

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

Drizzle of snow in the early morning followed by light showers and missed. The drizzle of snow beginning at the boat 8:30 A.M. continued all day. Strong east and northeast winds. A very unpleasant day.

Rainfall of yesterday and last night, about ½ inch.

Snowfall of today about 4 inches.

Min. temperature, 26, Max. temperature, 34.

#### New Fish Plant In Operation

The Louisbourg Fish Plant, which has been in course of construction since September 6, 1950, began operations this morning. The first fish to be landed were from the Lunenburg Schooner, "Greenrocks", shipped by Capt. John Mills. The cargo of fish, about 90,000 Lbs., was being processed during the day, beginning at about 11 A.M. The "Greenrocks" tied up to the Fish plant or shortly after 7 AM.

#### Choir practice

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

### **FEBRUARY 1952**

#### **Thursday 21**

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

Cloudy and chilly, with the sun shining through for brief periods in the afternoon. Strong northeast winds.

Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 34.

#### In Port For Shelter

Six or seven fishing vessels that arrived here early in the week for shelter are still in port, owing to the threatening condition of the weather.

#### Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M. attended a regular meeting of the United Church Brotherhood, held in Calvin hall with the President, Edward Levy, in the chair. Those present were; Charles Bagnell, Secretary, Edward Levy, President, James Suffity, Wilson Levy, Rev. C.C. Walls, John H. Skinner, Neil

MacLean, William Helchie, William Stewart and M. S. Huntington, James Suffity and M. S. Huntington were the caterers for tonight's meeting.

#### S. S. GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", which arrived here on last Saturday, sailed this morning for Halifax with a cargo of coal, (about 4,500 Tons). This is the first cargo of coal to leave Louisbourg this season.

#### S. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", arrived in the afternoon and docked on the east side of the freight wharf.

### **FEBRUARY 1952**

#### **Friday 22**

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

Cloudy and chilly with fresh to strong northeast winds. Very light drizzle of snow, with several interruptions, continued all day, increasing in volume as night approached.

Min. temperature, 23, Max. temperature, 29.

Snowfall about 3 inches.

#### Landed Fish

[Blank] landed 40,000 Lbs. of fish at the new plant today.

### **FEBRUARY 1952**

#### **Saturday 23**

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

Cloudy and very chilly with fresh, decreasing to moderate, northeast wind. Light drizzle of snow beginning at about 9:30 A.M. and ending before noon. A few sunny intervals during the afternoon.

Min temp., 18, Max temp., 27.

#### S. S. BACCALIEU

Newfoundland Steamer, "Baccalieu", arrived in the morning with passengers mails, and freight. This is the first trip of a Newfoundland passenger and freight boat to Louisbourg this season.

#### S. S. ANGUSLAKE

Steamer, "Anguslake", arrived at about 9 A.M. for a cargo of coal.

### **FEBRUARY 1952**

#### **Sunday 24**

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

Sunny with light northeast wind. A very lovely winter day.

Min. temperature, 10, Max. temperature, 30.



### Church Service

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. About 60 persons were present in the morning and about 70 in the evening.

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

### S.S. GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", arrived in the afternoon for a cargo of coal.

### S.S. BACCALIEU

Newfoundland Steamer, "Baccalieu", sailed last night or early this morning, with passengers, mails and freight for Newfoundland.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Monday 25**

#### **New Moon Today**

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

Variable cloudiness and light variable winds. Light snow squalls in the early part of the night. Min. temperature, 8, Max temperature, 33.

### S.S. ANGUSLAKE

Steamer, "Anguslake", sailed in the forenoon with a cargo of coal.

### C.G.S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", which has been in port since last Thursday, sailed this morning.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Tuesday 26**

#### **Big Snow Storm**

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

Light drizzle of snow of last night developed into a heavy snow storm beginning in the early morning and continuing until about 8 P.M. Moderate to strong northeast wind which blew the snow into huge drifts and blocking traffic in many places. Highway snow plough arrived here from Sydney at about 3 P.M. and passing through town assisted in keeping traffic on the move. Many cars and trucks stranded along the streets at night. Wind moderate, to some extent, in the early part of the night. A very unpleasant day.

Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 31.

Snowfall at least 15 inches.

Bus and mail service between here and Louisbourg, interrupted. Highland Lines Bus due to leave here at 6:30 P.M. was cancelled, also mail truck due to leave for Sydney at 5 P.M.

Water Meters Installed

Water meter was installed in the basement of our shop, yesterday afternoon and in the basement of our home today.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Wednesday 27**

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

Clear and sunny until noon, then becoming overcast.

Light variable winds, mostly northeast.

Min. temperature, 16, Max. temperature, 31.

#### **Teacher's Strike Ended**

According to the press and radio the School Teachers strike, which began on the 31<sup>st</sup> of last month, ended today with the teachers returning to their classrooms. The strike was confined to the Cape Breton County rural districts and did not affect the towns or the City of Sydney. The decision to call off the strike came yesterday at a meeting held at Sydney when the Provincial Minister of Education, Henry D. Hicks, was present. The teacher's original demand was for an additional \$300.00 yearly. At a special meeting of the County Council held on the 19<sup>th</sup> of this month, they were offered a bonus of \$100.00 each with an additional \$100.00 for each married teacher. This offer was refused at the time, but, I believe, was accepted at yesterday's meeting. Notwithstanding, the fact that the teachers had proved unfaithful to their trust in violating their contracts which obligated them to carry on to, at least, the end of the term. Cameron Sears, Vice-President of the local teachers union, is quoted as saying that "They, (the teachers), had won a moral victory".

#### **S.S. GANDER BAY**

Steamer, "Gander Bay", sailed for Halifax N.S. with a cargo of coal.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Thursday 28**

#### **Snow Storm and Gale**

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

Snow storm in the early morning followed by rain at dawn. Strong northeast winds increasing to gale force early in the forenoon and shifting to the east, to southeast, south southwest and in the early part of the night to west. Snowfall, at least 6 inches, followed by a rainfall of about ½ inch. The gale, with varied degrees of intensity, continued all day.

Min. temperature, 21, Max. temperature, 40. Traffic tied up on streets and highways. No bus service between Sydney and Louisbourg as a result of the storm. Schools cancelled for the day. Mail truck due to leave here at 8 A.M. cancelled. Mail due to leave here at 5 P.M., by truck, did not get away until 9 P.M. after the arrival of the highway plough from Sydney.

#### **Right Hon. Vincent Massey Sworn In**

At noon today, at Ottawa, the Right Hon. Vincent Massey was sworn in as Governor-General of Canada. He is 65 years of age and the first Native Canadian to hold this high office. Dominion Parliament opened at Ottawa today, under Premiership of Hon. L. St. Laurent.

### Plane Crash At Sydney

At an early hour this morning in a blinding snow storm and gale, a United States Air Force plane, with 18 men on board crashed at Sydney. The plane, C 47, was enroute from Westover, Massachusetts airbase, to Tur Bay Newfoundland. No fatalities. Several slightly injured.

## **FEBRUARY 1952**

### **Friday 29**

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

Clear and sunny with fresh to strong westerly winds, moderating to light during the afternoon.

Min. temperature, 18, Max. temperature, 32.

Total Snowfall for the past month, 49 ½ inches

Total Rainfall for the past month, 2 ½ inches

Total Min. Temperature for the past month, Feb. 1, 2 above zero

Total Max. Temperature for the past month, Feb. 6, 45 above zero

## **MARCH 1952**

### **Saturday 1**

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

Remarkably clear, becoming hazy in the evening. Moderate to light variable winds, mostly southwest. An ideal winter day.

Min. temperature, 12, Max temperature, 32.

### S.S. ANGUSLAKE

British Steamer, "Anguslake", arrived in the morning for a cargo of coal.

### Turned First Sod

Today at the intersection of North and Barrington streets, Halifax, N. S., Hon. Angus L. MacDonald, Premier of this Province, turned the first sod preliminary to the construction of the Halifax Dartmouth Bridge.

## **MARCH 1952**

### **Sunday 2**

#### **Heavy Gale**

#### **Big Snow Storm**

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

One of the worst snow storms I ever experienced swept over this section of the province today. Snow beginning in the early morning continued all day and late into the night, accompanied by a heavy gale of northeast and north -northeast winds.

All traffic tied up as a result of the storm.

Min. temperatures, 20, Max. temperature, 28.

Highlands Lines Bus left here for Sydney at the usual hour, but did not return.

### Church Services

At 11 A.M., attended service in the First United Church, where Rev. C. C. Walls, was a preacher. As a result of the severe storm, the total attendance was only 17. Choir attendance: 4. I went to the church at 6:45 P.M. when it was decided to cancel the service, owing to the storm, which had increased in severity since the morning. Those who turned out for the service in the evening were; Rev. C. C. Walls, Duncan MacKay, Earl Levy, John Skinner (janitor), Roy Bussey, Gordon Cann, and M. S. Huntington. Also Calvin MacLean, a total of 8.

### Big Fire At Petite DeGrate

Today at Petite DeGrate, Richmond County, N. S. beginning at 11:40 A.M., a fire almost totally destroyed the new Fish plant, which was nearing completion. The damage is unofficially, estimated at \$100,000. This plant was owned and operated by Booth Fisheries Canadian Company Ltd.

## **MARCH 1952**

### **Monday 3**

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

Variable cloudiness with strong northerly winds, which decreased to moderate in the evening. Cloudy at night.

Min. temperature, 18, Max. temperature, 26.

Snowfall of yesterday and last night, at least 10 inches.

### Traffic At A Standstill

According to radio reports, traffic all over Cape Breton is at a standstill as a result of yesterday's and last night's storm. No train, no bus and no mails, in or out of Louisbourg today, up to a late hour tonight. No snowploughs either on the highway or Sydney and Louisbourg Railway had reached here. The Willis plow, which has been here since the storm of Thursday last, opened up Main Street and some of the side streets during the day.

### S.S. ANGUSLAKE

British Steamer, "Anguslake", sailed in the morning enroute to Halifax with a cargo of coal.

## **MARCH 1952**

### **Tuesday 4**

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

Cloudy mild with moderate to fresh northerly winds.

Min. temperature, 20, Max. temperature, 37.

Streets slushy in the afternoon and evening owing the mild weather.

### Traffic Resumed

Shortly before midnight, last night, a highway plough reached here from Sydney, thus opening the Sydney and Louisbourg highway to traffic, which has been closed by snow drifts since early on last Sunday. The first mail to reach here since last Saturday evening arrived at 12:45 P.M. today. The first bus to arrive since the storm of Sunday arrived at about 1:30 P.M.

Sydney and Louisbourg Railway snow plough arrived here during the forenoon, thus opening up the road for S. and L. train due to leave Louisbourg for Glace Bay at 8:15 A.M. This train left for Glace Bay at about noon.

A radio broadcast at 1 P.M. today reported the highway, Sydney to Port Hawkesbury, Sydney to Glace Bay, Sydney to Louisbourg, Sydney to Waterford open to traffic.

#### Glace Bay Civic Elections

The Glace Bay Civic elections were held today resulting as follows: Mayor Dan Alex MacDonald was over Bob Stewart by a majority of 1,131, MacDonald, 4793, Stuart, 3662. All the old councillors were returned. Councillor G. W. Cameron's majority over his opponent, Tony McCormack, was 966.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice, for the first time this season, put in an appearance off this port today.

### **MARCH 1952**

#### **Wednesday 5**

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

Cloudy with a few partly clear intervals. Moderate to fresh easterly winds.  
Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 37.

#### S.S. PETITE BRAS D'OR

Small French Steamer, "Petite Bras d'or", arrived for a cargo of coal (about 400 tons).

#### C.G.S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government, "Edward Cornwallis", arrived in the evening and anchored in the southwest end of the harbour.

#### Choir Practice

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

#### Not Feeling Well

Emeline, who has not been well for some time, and was ordered to bed for a rest, by Dr. A.L. Saunders, on last Wednesday, was today by order of the Doctor allowed to get up for a while each day. She has high blood pressure and is being treated by Dr. Saunders. The doctor says she has improved considerably during the past week.

### **MARCH 1952**

#### **Thursday 6**

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

Cloudy in the forenoon with a few brief sunny intervals. Mostly sunny during the afternoon. Light to moderate east and northwest winds.  
Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 35.

## **MARCH 1952**

**Friday 7**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with a few brief clear intervals. Chilly with moderate to fresh northeast wind.  
Min. temperature, 25, Max. temperature, 33.

S.S. GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", sailed for Halifax, in the afternoon, with a cargo of coal.

S.S. PETITE BRAS D'OR

French Steamer, "Bras D'or", sailed in the evening with a cargo of coal (about 400 tons).

## **MARCH 1952**

**Saturday 8**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with a few brief, sunny intervals. Chilly with light to moderate northeast to north – northeast winds.  
Min. temperature, 25, Max. temperatures, 34.

S.S. ANGUSLAKE

British Steamer, "Anguslake", arrived at about 9:30 A.M. for a cargo of coal, which loaded during the day.

## **MARCH 1952**

**Sunday 9**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate northerly winds.  
Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 33.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. attended services in the First United church where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher. About 65 present in the morning and about 75 in the evening.  
Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 12.

S.S. ANGUSLAKE

British Steamer, "Anguslake", sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

## **MARCH 1952**

**Monday 10**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy clearing at noon. Mostly clear during the afternoon. Light variable winds.  
Min. temperature, 18, Max. temperature, 35.

Thomas J. Hadder

Auxiliary vessel, "Thomas J. Hadder", Capt. Abe Locke, which sailed from here on last Thursday for a Newfoundland port, according to word received was wrecked near a Placentia Bay port. She was owned by Alberta Wareham Ltd. Of Grand Bank and had a crew of six men all of whom got ashore safely. While here she loaded about forty tons of coal.

**MARCH 1952**

**Tuesday 11**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear with light variable winds, mostly southerly. A very lovely day.  
Min. temperature, 12, Max. temperature, 38.

S.S. GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", arrived at about 7:30 A.M. for a cargo of coal.

FATAL ACCIDENT

The seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harpell of East Main Street was immediately killed shortly after 11:30 A.M. when struck by a motor truck driven by Angus MacKay of this town. The accident occurred on Main Street in front of the school building. MacKay was coming away from the school building after delivering a load of coal. The little Girl, Lois Faye, is suppose to have been playing on a snowbank on the edge of the street when she fell against the rear wheels of the truck. The driver did not see her until after the accident. An inquest into the cause of the accident was held at 4:30 P.M. in the Town office with Coroner A.D. Muggah of Sydney, presiding. Crown Prosecutor, Donald Finlayson, of Sydney was present and examined the witnesses.

The coroner's jury consisted of the following:

Dan F. Nicholson, James Burke, Donald Bians, Philip Wilcox, Dan J. Thomas, Edward MacVicar, Ronald MacVicar, Joseph Bagnell, Charles Lewis, Fraser Wilcox, Alex Bryan and M.S. Huntington (Foreman).

The following is the verdict of the jury:

"That the late Lois Faye Harpell came to her death from injuries received by falling beneath the wheels of a motor truck, driven by Angus Mac Kay of Louisbourg, N.S. From the evidence adduced we feel that her death was entirely an accident, with no blame attached to the driver of the truck".

Among those gave evidence were, A.L. Saunders, M.D., David Tutty, Chief of Police, Charles Perk, Angus MacKay.

**MARCH 1952**

**Wednesday 12**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain in the morning ending at about 10 A.M. Clearing at noon mostly sunny during the afternoon. Strong north-northwest winds.

Rainfall about ¼ inch.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 44.

## **MARCH 1952**

### **Thursday 13**

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

Cloudy with occasional brief sunny intervals. Cool with strong gusty westerly wind.

Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 32.

#### **Funeral**

At 2 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Lois Faye Harpell which took place from the Johnston Funeral Home to the Pentacostal Church on Warren Street. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. C.W. James of the Presbyterian Church at Sydney. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director. Interment in Willow Greene cemetery.

#### **S.S. GANDER BAY**

Steamer, "Gander Bay", which finished lading a cargo of coal yesterday, anchored in the southwest end of the harbour in the morning and sailed in the evening.

## **MARCH 1952**

### **Friday 14**

#### **Snow Storm and Rain**

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

Partly clear during the early part of the day. Becoming cloudy shortly before noon. Snow began to fall at about 4:30 P.M. and at a late hour was still snowing and drifting.

Moderate easterly winds increasing to strong and to heavy gale force in the evening.

Min. temperature, 16, Max. temperature, 33.

## **MARCH 1952**

### **Saturday 15**

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

Cloudy with almost continuous snow flurries during the entire day. Strong gusty northeast wind. Traffic tied up throughout the Island as well as some parts of the mainland, as a result of last night's snow storm and gale.

Snowfall of last night at least 8 inches. According to radio broadcast of this morning, the snowfall in the vicinity of Sydney was 10 inches with the wind averaging 45 miles with gusts up to 60. The heavy wind piled the snow into high drifts. The Highland Lines Bus due to leave Sydney at 11:30 P.M. last night for Louisbourg was canceled. The first bus from Sydney arrived here at about the usual time, 5:20 P.M. today. Mail truck due to leave here at 8 A.M. for Sydney, did not get away until 3:45 P.M. after the arrival of the highway snow plough from Sydney. To-day's minimum and maximum temperatures are 20 and 32 respectfully.

Closed To Heavy Traffic



According to an announcement made by the Department of Highways, and broadcast on the radio, beginning this morning, all highways in the Province of Nova Scotia are closed to heavy traffic for an infinite period.

#### Plowing Streets

Ed Willis engaged during part of the day in ploughing the streets some of which were badly choked with snow.

### **MARCH 1952**

#### **Sunday 16**

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

Clear and sunny with light west to southwest winds. A very lovely winter day.  
Min. temperature, 16, Max. temperature, 34.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. attended services in the First United Church Church, where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. About 40 persons present in the morning and about 90 in the evening. Choir attendance: A.M. 7, P.M. 17.

#### C. G. S. Edward Cornwallis

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", arrived in the afternoon and docked on the east side of the freight wharf.

### **MARCH 1952**

#### **Monday 17**

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

Cloudy with a few brief sunny periods.  
Light variable winds, mostly easterly.  
Min. temperature, 18, Max. temperature, 39.

#### S. S. ATHENS

Greek Steamer, "Athens", which arrived during last night, docked during the forenoon on the east side of the freight wharf. I understand this boat is to go on charter to the Dominion Coal Company in the coal trade and will load her first cargo of the season at this port.

#### C. G. S. Edward Cornwallis

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", which arrived here yesterday afternoon, sailed at about 8 A.M.

### **MARCH 1952**

#### **Tuesday 18**

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

Cloudy with a few sunny intervals. Light to moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 35.

S. S. GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", arrived at about 10:30 P.M. for a cargo of coal.

**MARCH 1952**

**Wednesday 19**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Generally cloudy, with a brief sunny. In the afternoon. Moderate northeast wind.  
Min temperature, 20, Max temperature, 32.

Choir Practice

At 8 PM attended, and directed choir practice in the First United Church.

**MARCH 1952**

**Thursday 20**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy, clearing at noon. Clear and sunny during the afternoon. Cloudy at night. A very lovely afternoon. Winds light and variable.  
Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 39.

S. S. GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

**MARCH 1952**

**Friday 21**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy. Beginning at about 10 A.M. snowed moderately until shortly after noon. Snowfall about 2 inches. Light southeast wind.  
Min, temperature, 28, Max temperature, 39.

S. S. ATHENS

Greek Steamer, "Athens", sailed for Halifax, in the afternoon with a cargo of about 9000 tons of coal.

Death Of Alex F. MacDonald

The death of Alex F. MacDonald, a native of Westville, Pictou County, N.S. and for a number of years, a resident of Louisbourg, died today at the home of his son, Maddin MacDonald, Glace Bay, N.S. He was about 75 years of age and is survived by his wife, four sons and two daughters. While in Louisbourg, his home was on Lorway Street.

**MARCH 1952**

**Saturday 22****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Light snow squalls in the early morning. Cloudy with sunny intervals during the afternoon.

Winds light and variable.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 41.

**S.S. ANGUSLAKE**

British Steamer, "Anguslake", sailed in this morning with a cargo of coal.

**Canso Strait Bridge**

According to a news item in the Halifax Chronicle Herald of yesterday and appearing in the Sydney Post Record of today, the plans for the construction of a causeway or bridge across the Strait of Canso have been approved by the engineers of the Federal Transport Department, the Nova Scotia Government and the Canadian National Railway. The meeting at which the approval took place is said to have been held at Montreal. L. R. Moore, Transport Department Engineer is quoted as saying, "There was general approval on all sides." "We have set the end of the month as the target to call tenders." The building of a bridge or causeway over the Strait has been under consideration for several years. Both the Federal and Nova Scotia Governments are sharing in the cost. It would appear now that this project which has been under consideration for such a long time is shortly to be realized.

**MARCH 1952****Sunday 23****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and sunny up becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Light to moderate northwest wind, shifting the Northeast in the early part of the night and increasing to fresh.

**Church Services**

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

Morning attendance about 80, evening, about 60.

Choir attendance: 9 in the morning, 13 in the evening.

**S. S. GANDER BAY**

Steamer, "Gander Bay", Captain Busby, arrived at noon, from Halifax, for a cargo of coal.

**S.S. CAP FAGNET**

French fishing Trawler, "CAP Fagnet", arrived at about noon, and anchored in the stream. She later docked on the east side of the coal piers where tomorrow she is to take on board about 400 tons of bunker coal.

**MARCH 1952****Monday 24****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with light snowfall beginning at about 8 A.M. and ending at about noon. Snow followed by light mist and some fog. Freezing mist in the early part of the night. Light to fresh southeast wind. Snowfall 1 ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 26, Max. temperature, 36.

#### NATIONAL SEA PRODUCTS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

National Sea Products, under the management of Lawrence Smith, opened for business today. The first vessel to land fish for this firm was the Dragger, "Cape Fourchu", owned by National Sea Products. She had on board about 125,000 Lbs. of fish which she began landing early in the forenoon.

### MARCH 1952

**Tuesday 25**

**New Moon Today**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Snow storm in the early morning, ending at about 8:30 A.M. Cloudy during the entire day with fresh to light easterly winds. Snowfall at least 2 inches.

Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 39.

#### S. S. CAP FAGNET

French Trawler, "CAP Fagnet", which arrived here on last Sunday for bunker coal, sailed in the forenoon for the fishery grounds.

#### Antigonish Teachers Strike Ended

The teachers in the rural schools in the County of Antigonish, returned to their classrooms yesterday, after being out on strike since February 19, 1952. The demands made by the teachers was for \$300.00 per year increase in salary. At a recent meeting, they decided to accept a compromise offer of \$100.00 for unmarried teachers and \$200.00 for those who are married. According to the press, there were 93 teachers involved in the strike, all of whom were under contract to teach to the end of the term, at salaries in effect at the beginning of the term.

### MARCH 1952

**Wednesday 26**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and sunny with fresh northwest wind, decreasing to light during the day.

Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 38.

#### S. S. THE GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", Capt. Busby, sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

#### Choir Practice

At 8 AM attended, and conducted, choir practice in the First United Church.

#### S. S. BRIGUS

Canadian Steamer, "Brigus", arrived at about 10 P.M. for bunker coal and anchored in the stream.

## **MARCH 1952**

**Thursday 27**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and sunny with light westerly winds.

Min. temperature, 15, Max temperature, 37.

### To Sydney and Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus service. Met Mr. A. E. Kee, with whom I had an appointment, at the Isle Royale sample rooms and placed an order with him for china ware, mostly cups and saucers. Mr. Kee represents several firms (wholesale) including William Smith and Sons, Toronto, and Anglo-Canadian Mercantile, Montréal. After making several other business calls at Sydney, I returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 12:15 P.M. arriving at about 1 P.M.

### S. S. BRIGUS

Steamer, "Brigus", bunkered during the day and sailed in the evening.

## **MARCH 1952**

**Friday 28**

**Snow Storm**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Snow beginning in the early morning ended in mid-afternoon, leaving a snowfall of 6 inches.

Light easterly winds.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 38.

### S. S. ANGUSLAKE

British Steamer, "Anguslake", arrived in the early morning from St. John's Nfld. for a cargo of coal.

## **MARCH 1952**

**Saturday 29**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and sunny with light easterly winds, becoming variable. An ideal, early spring day.

Min. temperature, 20, Max. temperature, 38.

### S. S. ANGUS LAKE

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

Motorship Trespassey

Newfoundland Motorship, "Trespassey", arrived in the morning for general cargo and is loading at the Freight Wharf.

#### S. S. GANDER BAY

Canadian Steamer, "Gander Bay", Captain Busby arrived in the afternoon for a cargo of coal.

### **MARCH 1952**

#### **Sunday 30**

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

Sunny with light northerly winds, an ideal early spring day.

Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 37.

#### 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. About 70 persons present in the morning and about 65 in the evening.

Choir attendance: A.M. 11, PM 15.

#### First Robin

This morning I saw a robin in one of our trees in our back-yard. With the fields and clearing covered deep in snow and with every appearance that there is wintery weather ahead, the prospects are not very encouraging for an early bird.

#### Death of Bersford (BAB) Lewis

The death of Bersford (Bab) Lewis occurred today at the City Hospital, Sydney, after a long illness. He was but a few days in the hospital when his death took place. Mr. Lewis, whose home was at Edwardsville near Sydney, was about 74 years of age and is survived by his wife, the former Miss Margaret Campbell of Louisbourg, who before her marriage to Mr. Lewis was the widow of the late Thomas Buckley of West Louisbourg. For many years, Mr. Lewis was employed by the Dominion Coal as foreman at their shipping piers at Sydney and at Louisbourg during the winter months.

### **MARCH 1952**

#### **Monday 31**

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

Sunny, with moderate northwest wind increasing to strong during the forenoon, and decreasing to light in the evening.

Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 39.

#### Ordanation Services

At 10 A.M., in company with Emeline, attended a service in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, during which William Eric Ingraham, was ordained a deacon of the Anglican Church by Bishop the Rev. R. H. Waterman.

Total Snowfall for this month,	29 ½ inches
Total Rainfall for this month,	¼ inches
Min Temperature for this month,	12, on the 1 <sup>st</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup>
Max Temperature for this month,	41, on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> .
Total Snowfall to date, including December 1951,	139 inches.

#### Dragger: Cape Scatarie

Fish Dragger, "Cape Scatarie", docked at the Fish Plant wharf this morning with about 275,000 Lbs. of fish on board for National Sea Products Ltd., which, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of this month, began operations at Louisbourg. The Scatarie is owned by National Sea Products Ltd. The "Cape Fourchu", owned by the same firm, was here last week and discharged a cargo of fish.

#### First Song Sparrow

Heard a song sparrow singing in our yard this morning. The first to come to my attention this season.

### **APRIL 1952**

#### **Tuesday 1**

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

Mostly clear with fresh to strong westerly winds, decreasing to light in the evening. Min. temperature, 17, Max. temperature, 37.

#### S. S. THE GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", sailed at 8 A.M. with a cargo of coal.

#### S. S. CABOT STRAIT

Newfoundland Steamer, "Cabot Strait", arrived in the morning with passengers, mails (sic) and freight. This the first trip of the Cabot Strait this season.

#### FOX SPARROWS

Fox sparrows, which usually pay us a visit of from two to four weeks, during their northerly migration at this season of the year, have arrived. I saw two in our backyard this evening. With the exception of the spring of 1951, when we did not have any, the fox sparrows have been stopping off here for several weeks while enroute to their nesting grounds in the far north. This has occurred regularly, with the exception of last spring, for at least thirty years. None of them remain here during the summer season.

#### Starlings

Starlings, which were unknown here, until about 10 years ago, appear to be gaining in numbers. They remained with us all the year round and are increasing with each year. Several times during the past winter, I have seen a flock of at least fifty.

### **APRIL 1952**

#### **Wednesday 2**

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

Sunny and moderately warm with light and variable winds. A lovely early spring day.  
Min. temperature, [blank] Max. temperature, 46.

### **S.S. ATHENS**

Greek Steamer, "Athens", which sailed from here on 21<sup>st</sup> of last month with a cargo of coal, returned shortly after noon today for another load.

### **S. S.CABOT STRAIT**

Newfoundland Steamer, "Cabot Strait", sailed at 5:30 P.M. with passengers, mails, and freight enroute for Newfoundland. First outward trip from Louisbourg this season.

### **French Trawler Arrived**

French Fishing Trawler, "URANIA", arrived in the evening for bunker coal and anchored in the stream.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Thursday 3**

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

Rain in the early morning followed by fog, drizzle and mist moderate to fresh southeast winds, decreasing to light in the afternoon. Rainfall: about ¼ inch.

Min. temperature, 25, Max. temperature, 36.

### **To Sydney And Return**

Emeline went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highlighted Lines Bus Service for the purpose of having her eyes examined and to do some shopping. She returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M.

### **Supper And Sale**

At about 6 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended Supper and Fancy Sale held in Calvin Hall under the Auspices of the MacMillan Club of the First United Church.

### **Drift Ice**

Drift ice at the entrance of the harbour for the first time this season.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Friday 4**

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

Cloudy with some fog. Sunny during the afternoon. Light southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 47.

### **Drift Ice**

Harbour full of drift ice from one end of the harbour to the other. First ice to block the harbour this season.



#### S. S. BACCALIEU

Newfoundland Steamer, "Baccalieu", arrived in the morning with passengers, mails and freight from Nfld.

#### Death of Capt. John Paiver

The death of Captain John Paiver occurred at about 11 P.M. today following a brief illness. Captain Paiver, who was about 90 years of age, is survived by his wife, two sons and three daughters. The sons are Arthur, at Halifax and Vincent at home. The daughters, Sister Dominic of the Sisters of St. Martha, Antigonish, N.S., Mrs. Wallace Proctor (Edna) Evanston Richmond County, N.S. and Maud at home. Captain Paiver, who was one of Louisbourg's most respected citizens, was a sailor, Fisherman and pilot. As a pilot in and out of this port, he served for about 40 years.

#### Canso Causeway Tenders

Today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record, carried an advertisement, sponsored by the Department of Transport, calling for tenders for the construction of a Causeway, between Cape Porcupine, on the mainland of Nova Scotia, to Point Balache on the Cape Breton side at the Strait of Canso. Tenders will be received, on or before, May 13, 1952.

#### **APRIL 1952**

#### **Saturday 5**

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

Cloudy, becoming clear during the forenoon. Sunny and spring like in the afternoon.

Min. temperature, 25, Max. temperature, 41.

Light to moderate variable winds.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice, which filled the harbour yesterday, moved out in the forenoon, with the exception of a small portion. Ice along the coast also moved off a short distance, but returned in the late afternoon and evening.

#### S. S. BACCALIEU

Newfoundland Steamer, "Baccalieu", sailed in the early morning with passengers, mails and freight for for (sic) Nfld.

#### S. S. STRUAN

British Steamer, "Struan", arrived shortly after noon and docked on the east side of the freight wharf. I understand this ship is going on charter to the Dominion Coal Company for the coming shipping season.

#### S. S. ANGUSLAKE

British Steamer, "Anguslake", arrived early in the night for a cargo of coal.

#### S. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", arrived at about 8 P.M. and docked at the Government wharf. The Cornwallis landed Charles Mazza, a fisherman, who met with an accident on board the Fishing Dragger, "Newton". The transfer from the dragger to the Cornwallis took place at sea. The accident victim, who has a severely injured foot, was taken to the local marine hospital.

The "Edward Cornwallis" is in command of Capt. F.A. Germain.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Sunday 6**

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

Hail and rain beginning in the early morning. Rain followed by showers at intervals during the day. Light to moderate easterly winds. Heavy pace of fog continuing the greater part of the day. Rainfall about 1/8 inch.

Min. temperature, 26, Max. temperature, 37.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice moved to the western end of the harbour while the entrance and coast remained blocked with ice.

#### 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. Present at the morning service, 46, at the evening service 66. Choir attendance: A.M. 11, P.M. 14.

#### Visited The Paiver Home

After the evening service, Emeline and I visited the home of the late Captain John Paiver. Captain passed away on Friday night of this week. The funeral is to take place on next Tuesday morning.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Monday 7**

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

Clear, with the exception of some fog over the harbour and off the coast. Cloudy in the evening. Min. temperature, 29, Max. temperature, 43. Light to moderate southwest wind.

#### Drift Ice

Harbour and coast blocked with drift ice.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Tuesday 8**

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

Clear for a short time in the morning, becoming cloudy and hazy during the forenoon. Some fog in the evening. Light to moderate east and northeast winds.

Min. temperature, 26, Max. temperature, 46.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice which has been blocking the harbour during the last few days loosened up today, permitting steamers to sail.

#### Today's Sailings

Canadian Steamer, "GANDER BAY ", with a cargo of coal, Greek Steamer, "ATHENS ", coal laden, British Steamer, "ANGUSLAKE", with a cargo of coal, French Trawler, "URANIA" which bunkered here during the past few days, sailed for the fishing banks. Canadian Government Steamer, "EDWARD CORNWALLIS", sailed at about 8 A.M. but returned to port shortly after noon.

#### Trawler Arrived

Fishing Trawler, "CAPE FOURCHU", arrived with a cargo of fresh fish for National Sea Products Ltd.

#### Funeral

The funeral of the late Captain John Paiver, took place at about 9 A.M. from his late residence on Main Street to Stella Marist Roman Catholic Church where the funeral service was held by Rev. Father M. J. MacSween. Burial took place in the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

### **APRIL 1952**

#### **Wednesday 9**

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

Cloudy and chilly with light east and northeast winds.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 40.

#### Drift Ice

Harbour, with the exception of the northeast end, full of ice. Ice close in, along the coast.

#### S. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

A Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", sailed at about 4 P.M. On her return to port in the early part of the night she had on deck the motor boat "Miss Cape Breton", which had been stuck in the ice near Scatarie, with several men on board. Being unable to make her way through the ice, she was hoisted on board the Cornwallis.

#### Holy-Week Services

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended service in the First United Church. Service in charge of Rev. C. C. Walls, while Rev. Lloyd Archer, assistant Pastor of St. Andrews United Church Sydney, was the guest speaker. About 50 persons present.

Choir attendance: 16.

Held choir practice after the close of the service.

### **APRIL 1952**

**Thursday 10**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with a brief sunny interval at noon. Light easterly winds. Same fog at night.  
Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 46.

Drift Ice

Drift ice close inshore along the coast. East end of the harbour clear but the west end and entrance, blocked with ice.

Holy Week Service

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended service in the First United Church. Service in charge of Rev. C. C. Walls, the regular Pastor, with Rev. J. D. Archibald of Trinity United Church, Sydney, as the guest preacher.

About 45 persons present.

Choir attendance: 11.

Legislature Prorogued

Nova Scotia Legislature prorogued today, after being in session since the 19<sup>th</sup> of February of this year.

**APRIL 1952**

**Friday 11**

**Good Friday**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and chilly, with light and variable winds, becoming southwest during the afternoon and increasing to fresh in the evening.

Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 44.

Drift Ice

Drift ice in the harbour, shifting with the winds and tides. There appears to be a considerable body of ice along the coast close in-shore.

S. S. ANGUSLAKE

British Steamer, "Anguslake", arrived at about 1 P.M. for a cargo of coal.

C. G. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", Capt. F. A. Germain, sailed, but returned in the late afternoon.

Holy Week Service

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended service in the First United Church, where Rev. C. C. Walls, was the preacher. About 75 persons present.

Choir attendance: 16.

## FOX SPARROWS

Fox sparrows, which arrived here on or about the 31<sup>st</sup> of last month, are making themselves quite at home in our backyard, where I am feeding them every day with rolled oats. Today at times, there was a flock of at least ten or twelve enjoying my hospitality.

## APRIL 1952

### Saturday 12

#### Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with fresh to strong northwest winds.  
Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 42.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice, which, since the 3<sup>rd</sup> of this month, has, to some extent, been interfering with shipping, in and out of the harbour, moved off the coast today. At nightfall, it was about five or six miles from the shore. The harbour was clear with the exception of a small body of ice in the northeast end, held there by the northwest wind.

#### TRAWLER TEMERAIRE

French Trawler, "Temeraire", arrived in the forenoon for bunker coal supplies. She anchored in the stream and later docked at the Government wharf.

#### WALTER G. SWEENEY

Motor vessel, "Walter G. Sweeney", sailed in the forenoon for Newfoundland with a cargo of coal. About 400 tons.

#### Snow Disappearing

The snow, of which we had abundance, is gradually disappearing. The streets and sidewalks are practically bare with the exception of a few small quantities on the edges, which were thrown there by the snow ploughs during the winter. Fields and clearings are entirely bare with the exceptions of a few patches of the snow where the drifts were the heaviest. There is still plenty of snow in the woods, according to late reports.

#### C. G. S. Edward Cornwallis

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", sailed in this morning.

## APRIL 1952

### Sunday 13

#### Easter Sunday

#### Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cold with strong northwest wind, decreasing to moderate in the evening.  
Min. temperature, 24, 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. C. C. Walls, was the preacher. Present at the morning service, about 130, at the evening service, about 95.

Choir attendance: A.M. 12, P.M. 18.

Communion of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the morning service, when 104 persons partook of the sacrament.

At the morning service, the following persons united with the church on profession of faith: John Helchie, Dan MacLeod, Jr., Miss Joyce Sheppard, Miss Catherine Sheppard, Miss Jean Smith, Miss Annie MacLeod, Miss Mary MacLeod, Mrs. Dawson Hughes, Mrs. Hugh Beaver, Mrs. John Beaver. By transfer from other churches, Mrs. Everette Beaver and Mrs. Burns Mac Mullen, twelve in all.

#### S. S. ANGUSLAKE

Steamer, "Anguslake", sailed in the morning for Newfoundland with a cargo of coal.

#### S. S. GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", arrived in the evening for a cargo of coal.

#### TRAWLER, EUSKAL ERRIA

Spanish Trawler, "Euskal ERRIA", arrived in the afternoon for bunker coal.

### **APRIL 1952**

#### **Monday 14**

#### **Easter Monday**

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

Sunny, but becoming cloudy early in the afternoon. A light, brief shower of rain at 5 P.M. followed by mist. Moderate to fresh west and southwest winds.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 52.

#### Drift Ice

Large body of drift ice moving in from sea. By nightfall, it was close packed along the coast, but none of it had yet entered the harbour.

#### S. S. DUNDRUM BAY

British Steamer, "Dundrum Bay", arrived at 1 P.M. with a port cargo of brick and other freight for the British Empire Steel and Coal Company, at Sydney. The ship was intended to go to Sydney, but owing to unfavourable ice conditions, was diverted to Louisbourg, where she is to discharge.

#### S. S. EAGLESCLIFFE HALL

Canadian Steamer, "Eaglescliffe Hall", arrived shortly before noon for a cargo of coal. She anchored, but late in the afternoon, docked at the Government wharf.

#### S. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis" Captain F. A. Germain, arrived shortly after noon from sea and docked on the west side of the Government wharf.

#### FOX SPARROWS

The flock of about 6 to 10 Fox sparrows, which I have been feeding the backyard since the first of the month, has greatly increased in number during the last day or two. Heavy reinforcements have arrived so that since yesterday morning at least two dozen are making our yard their feeding ground. They are excellent singers so that during the daylight hours, we are being entertained with a very fine type of bird music.

#### APRIL 1952

##### Tuesday 15

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with thick blanket of fog. Fog lifted at noon but weather remained cloudy during the afternoon and evening. Light and variable winds, mostly southwest. Rainfall of last night about ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 55.

#### Drift Ice

Harbour and coast blocked with ice.

#### APRIL 1952

##### Wednesday 16

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cool with light to moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 29, Max. temperature, 43.

#### Drift Ice

Drift ice which blocked the coast in the early morning, drifted out to sea during the day. By night, it was out of sight of land, and the harbour clear.

#### Trawler Cape Lahave

Canadian Trawler, "Cape LAHAVE", which arrived here on the 13<sup>th</sup> with a cargo of about 200,000 Lbs. of fish for National Sea Products Ltd., sailed at about 8 A.M.

#### TRAWLERS: TEMERAIRE AND EUSKAL ERRIA

French Trawler, "Temeraire" and Spanish Trawler, "Euskal Erria", sailed in the morning for the fishing grounds.

#### S. S. GANDER BAY

Steamer, "Gander Bay", Captain Busby sailed during the day with a cargo of coal, enroute to [blank]

C. G. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", sailed in the early morning but returned to port at about noon.

#### Choir Practice

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

### **APRIL 1952**

#### **Thursday 17**

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

Clear, but becoming cloudy and foggy shortly before noon. Light to moderate wind shifting to southwest.

Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 44.

#### Drift Ice

Loose drift ice in the harbour, but none in sight of the coast.

#### S. S. EAGLESCLIFFE HALL

Steamer, "Eaglescliffe Hall", sailed in the morning with a cargo of coal.

#### Supper And Sale

In the evening, Emeline and I attended supper and Fancy Sale in the parish hall, held under the Auspices of the Ladies of St. Bartholomew's Anglican in Church.

### **APRIL 1952**

#### **Friday 18**

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

Cloudy and foggy with light variable winds mostly southerly.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 45.

#### Drift Ice

Considerable loose ice in the harbour, but not much in sight off the coast.

#### TUG EMPIRE JOHN

British Empire Steel and Coal Company's tug, "Empire John" Capt. Cabbham, which has been based here since February 16, sailed this afternoon enroute to Sydney, for the purpose of resuming her duties at the port.

#### Sydney Bus Strike Ends

Sydney Bus Service was resumed today, after a strike of the employees, which lasted 29 days.

#### To Sydney And Return



Emeline went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of Highland Lines Bus Service. After a visit to the office of Dr. Mac Isaac, eye specialist, and doing some shopping, she returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Saturday 19**

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

Foggy and chilly with light to moderate southwest winds. A few brief sunny periods when the fog lifted.

#### Drift Ice

Harbour full of loose ice. Ice off the coast, if any, was not visible owing to a heavy blanket of fog.

#### S. S. DUNDRUM BAY

British Steamer, "Dundrum Bay" Capt. Collins, which arrived here on the 13<sup>rd</sup> with brick and other freight from the Steel Company, at Sydney, sailed this morning.

#### C. G. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis" Captain F. A. Germain, which has been based here for the last several weeks, sailed this morning.

#### Shipping Opened At Sydney

Shipping has opened at Sydney with the arrival of the Greek Steamer, "Athens" and the British Steamer, "Struan", both of which are to load cargos of coal.

#### Ordered To Sydney

Louisbourg men who are usually employed as shippers and trimmers, at Sydney, during the shipping season, were notified yesterday to report for work at the latter port.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Sunday 20**

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

Cloudy with light to moderate southwest wind. Foggy and misty with an occasional light shower. Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 46. Light rain during the night.

#### Drift Ice

Eastern half of the harbour full of ice with some ice along the coast.

#### 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 the evening service, he was assisted by his son, Grant Walls, and Gordon Cann, both of whom are student ministers. About 55 present at each service.

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

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Monday 21**

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

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh northwest wind. Rainfall of last night  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.  
Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 47.

#### Drift Ice

What appears to be a small body of drift ice off the coast. Harbour clear with the exception of a small quantity along the shore.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Tuesday 22**

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

Clear and sunny with fresh northwest wind, which decreased to light in the late afternoon and shifted to southwest.  
Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 50.

#### Drift Ice

Harbour free of ice and none in sight off the coast.

#### Fox Sparrows

A large block of Fox Sparrows, the first of which made their appearance on March 31, have all disappeared, no doubt having continued on their northward migration. At times, during the last three weeks, there have been as many as about three dozen in our backyard, where I have been feeding them. There were plenty of them here yesterday, but this morning there was not one to be seen.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Wednesday 23**

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

A few very light showers in the early morning. Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh southwest wind shifting to northeast in the afternoon.  
Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 56.

#### Choir Practice

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

#### Death of Michael Morrissey

The death of, at the Annex of the City Hospital, Sydney, occurred at an early hour today, of Michael Morrissey, who for many years was a resident of Louisbourg. Mr. Morrissey who was

about 77 years of age was, I believe, a native of Little Lorraine or Baleine, but during the greater of the last 45 years had made his home in this town. Mr. Johnson, Funeral Director, brought his remains to Louisbourg, today, where burial will take place.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Thursday 24**

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

Cold and mostly clear with fresh to strong northwest winds, decreasing in the late afternoon. Min. temperature, 25, Max. temperature, 42.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Friday 25**

Sunny with light to moderate northwest wind, shifting to southwest in the late afternoon. Cold in the morning, but becoming moderately warm during the day. Summerlike in the afternoon.

Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 62.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Saturday 26**

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

Cloudy with light and variable winds. Showers in the morning. Rainfall about 1/8 inch. Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 49.

#### **Ill Today**

Was ill today with a bad headache. Remained home all day.

#### **Daylight Saving Time**

Immediately after the hour of midnight, tonight, Daylight Saving Time will become effective.

#### **Wedding**

The marriage of Thomas Drover, of Halifax, N.S., to Miss Virginia Hutt of this town, took place in the First United Church at 7 P.M. Rev. C. C. Walls Pastor of the First United Church, performed the ceremony. Mr. Drover has been employed here for several months during the construction of the new Fish processing plant. Mr. and Mrs. Drover will remain at Louisbourg, until the man with whom Mr. Drover is employed, completes his contract.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Sunday 27**

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

Cloudy with light variable winds.

Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 54.

### 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 the morning service and Miss Judy Moore, a W.M.S. worker from New Aberdeen, Glace Bay, was the speaker in the evening.

In the evening, the ladies of the Woman's Missionary Society held their Spring Thanks Offering Service. Miss Moore was here on the invitation of the society and gave a very interesting address.

### Visited Mr. and Mrs. Hilchie

At the close of the service in the evening and on the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Hilchie, the following preachers visited the Hilchies, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stacey, Mrs. Angus MacLean, Mrs. Coughlan, Mrs. Rev. J. W. O'Brien, Miss Judith Moore, Emeline and myself.

### Daylight Time

Immediately after midnight last night, Daylight Saving Time came into effect.

### Frogs Singing

Tonight, for the first time this season, I heard the frogs singing in chorus, their usual spring song.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Monday 28**

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

Cloudy with light easterly winds.

Min. temperature, 36, Max. temperature, 52.

### Missing On Fishing Trip

Alistar Chappell, 31, and Louis Dillon, 38, of Sydney, who left their homes yesterday on a trout fishing trip, have failed to return. A boat, which they took with them on a truck, as well as articles of clothing, were found on the shore at Capelin Cove, Richmond County. It is presumed that they have both been drowned. Searching parties are looking for the missing men.

Later: The body of Louis Dillon was recovered on May 21, and that of Allistar Chappell on May 22, 1952, both at Capelin Cove.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Tuesday 29**

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

Light showers in the morning, followed by fog and mist throughout the day. Showers during the night. Light to moderate winds, mostly southerly. Rainfall: about 1/8 inch.

Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 41.

### Income Tax Report

Completed and mailed my 1951 Income Tax Report, one day before the deadline.

## **APRIL 1952**

### **Wednesday 30**

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

Rain in the morning, ending at about 8 A.M. Cloudy with light variable winds throughout the day. Rainfall of last night ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 48.

#### Choir Practice

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

Total Rainfall for the month: about 2 inches

Snowfall: Nil

Min. temperature April 1<sup>st</sup> 17 degrees

Max. temperature April 25<sup>th</sup> 62 degrees

## **MAY 1952**

### **Thursday 1**

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

Light showers in the early morning, and occasional light showers of mixed rain and snow. A few brief sunny intervals in the afternoon.

Moderate westerly winds.

Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 48.

## **MAY 1952**

### **Friday 2**

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

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 48.

#### Attended Concert

Emeline and I motored to Sydney in the evening with Dan F. and Alex Nicholson, where, in St. Andrews Hall, at 8:15 P.M., we attended a concert, staged by the "Glee Singers" of Grace. Returning, we arrived home at about 11 P.M. after spending a very enjoyable evening.

## **MAY 1952**

### **Saturday 3**

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

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 26, Max. temperature, 40.

## **MAY 1952**

**Sunday 4****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Light showers in the early morning. Sunny with some cloudy intervals and fog throughout the day. Light southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 26, 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.

Total attendance at the morning service about 45, at the evening service about 60.

Choir attendance: A.M. 10, PM 11.

**MAY 1952****Monday 5****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with light winds, shifting to easterly before noon and increasing to fresh during the afternoon and to strong in the early part of the night.

Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 50.

**MAY 1952****Tuesday 6****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and misty with occasional light showers. Chilly, with fresh to strong northerly winds.

Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 43.

**MAY 1952****Wednesday 7****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and misty with light to moderate northeast wind. Light showers in the morning.

Min. temperature, 35, Max. temperature, 45.

**Choir Practice**

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

**Meeting of Parks Commission**

At 7 P.M. called together, and attended, a meeting of Parks Commission, held in Councillor Duncan MacKay's car on the Athletic Field on Wolfe Street. At this meeting, I was again elected chairman for the ensuing year. We made plans for the coming seasons activities, including the removal of a quantity of stone and improving the surface of a part of the field, as well as and the renewing of the wire netting on the ball diamond backstop.

Those present were Councillors (sic): Charles Bagnall, Duncan MacKay, A. L. Saunders M.D. and myself.

## **MAY 1952**

### **Thursday 8**

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

Cloudy and misty and at times a light drizzle of rain. Light northerly winds. Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 44.

#### Death Of L. R. Johnstone

Yesterday's issue of the Halifax Chronicle-Herald contains an account of the death of Leonard R. Johnstone, at his home at Wilmot, N.S. He was a former resident of Dartmouth, N.S. and is said to have won fame by sending the first wireless message across the Atlantic in 1907, inaugurating the Trans-Atlantic Service for the Marconi Company. His wireless career dates back to 1896. He was at one time private wireless operator for Guglielmo Marconi. Mr. Johnstone was for several years in charge of the wireless station at Louisbourg after its establishment here in 1912. He is survived by one son and two daughters. His wife preceded him in 1942.

#### Tragedy At Margaree Harbour

Four persons were drowned yesterday at Margaree Harbour Bridge when a truck enroute from Inverness to Cheticamp with a load of freight, ran off the bridge into the river at Margaree Harbour. The victims of the accident were; Ernest LeBlanc, 52, who was working across the bridge when struck by the truck, Charles, 19, AuCoin, driver of the truck, Emile Cormier, 15, Arthur Muse, 17. All the bodies were recovered from the river within an hour of the accident, which took place at about 10:20 A.M. Faulty steering gear is said to have been the cause of the accident.

(From Post-Record)  
(news item, today's)  
(issue.)

## **MAY 1952**

### **Friday 9**

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

Cloudy with occasional light drizzle and missed. Foggy with light to moderate southerly winds. Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 50.

#### Festival Concert

In the evening, with Dan F. Nicholson, Emeline and I motored to Sydney, where in St. Andrews Hall we attended the concert closing three day session of the Annual Festival of Music Speech and Drama. After spending a very enjoyable evening, we arrived back home at about 11:30 P. M.

#### C. G. S. BERNIER

Canadian Government Steamer, "Bernier", arrived in the evening.

## **MAY 1952**

### **Saturday 10**

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

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate northeast wind. Light drizzle of rain in the early morning.

Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 46.

Total rainfall since last Tuesday, consisting of light showers, mist and drizzle amounted to ¼ inch.

#### **C. G. S. LADY LAURIER**

Canadian Government Steamer, "Lady Laurier", arrived in the morning and docked at the Government wharf.

#### **Daffodils In Bloom**

First daffodils in the garden this season. But some of my neighbors had them in bloom several days earlier.

## **MAY 1952**

### **Sunday 11**

#### **Mother's Day**

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

Cloudy with a few brief sunny intervals during the forenoon. Light easterly winds.

Min. temperature, 38, 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 speaker.

At the morning service, which was the children's Mother's Day service, the Service of Song was led by a children's choir, composed of the children of the Sunday School and directed by the church organist, Mrs. Charles Bagnall. At this service, prizes were presented to numbers of the Sunday School for church attendance as well as certificates to those who had committed to memory the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, etc., by the Sunday School Superintendent, Edward Levy.

In the evening, the regular service was held with an attendance of about 65, choir attendance: 13.

At the morning service, three children were baptized; Mary Lucy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William MacInnis, Audrey [blank]

#### **C. G. S. Bernier**

Canadian Government Steamer, "Bernier", which arrived here on last Friday, sailed for the Bras d'or Lakes with lighthouse supplies.

## **MAY 1952**



## **Monday 12**

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

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate easterly winds.

Min. temperature, 35, Max. temperature, 44.

#### C. G. S. Lady Laurier

Canadian Government Steamer, "Lady Laurier", which arrived here on last Saturday, sailed this morning.

## **MAY 1952**

## **Tuesday 13**

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

Rain in the early morning, began again shortly before noon and continued all day and late into the night.

Min. temperature, 35, Max temperature, 40.

#### Death Of Mrs. Charles Beaver

The death of Mrs. Charles Beaver occurred, at about 11 A.M. at their home on Norway Street after a few hours illness. She was about 66 years of age and is survived by her husband, seven sons and three daughters. The sons are Donald, Hugh, John and Everett, all of Louisbourg, Thomas, Hantsport, N.S., Melvin, Antigonish N.S., Duncan, Port Williams, Ontario. The daughters, Mrs. Duncan Beaver (Haroldine), Mrs. Lloyd Harris (Catherine), both of Louisbourg, and Myrtle at home.

#### Minstrel Show

At 8 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended a minstrel show in Calvin hall. The show was presented by the Choir of the Baptist Church of Glace Bay, under the Auspices of the choir of the First United Church, Louisbourg on a fifty-fifty basis. The show was well attended and a total of about \$85.00 realized. After the show, a lunch was served to the visitors.

## **MAY 1952**

## **Wednesday 14**

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

Cloudy in the morning, but clearing during the forenoon. Sunny during the afternoon and evening. Winds variable, northwest for a short time in the afternoon, shifting to southwest.

Rainfall for yesterday and last night, 2 ¼ inches.

Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 55.

#### Death Of George K. O'Neil

The death of George K. O'Neil occurred suddenly, this morning, at his home on Mira Road, near Sydney. Mr. O'Neil whose age was about 51, was the son of Dr. and Mrs. Freeman O'Neil of Sydney, and was born at Louisbourg where he spent a number of the early years of his life, before his parents removed to Sydney. For a number of years he was in the employ of the Sydney and Louisbourg Railway. After leaving the railway, he joined the Atlantic Spring and

Machine Works, on Kings Road, Sydney. At the time of his death, he was manager of the company. Besides his widow, the former Christine MacVicar of Glace Bay, he is survived by his parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. O'Neil, one brother, Charles, two sisters, Mrs. C. M. Auson, (Dorothy) and Jean, all of Sydney.

#### Choir Practice

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

### **MAY 1952**

#### **Thursday 15**

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

Cloudy, misty and cool with light to moderate easterly winds.  
Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 44.

#### Funeral

At 2 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Charles Beaver, which took place from her late home on Norway Street, to the First United Church. Services at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. C. C. Walls. The funeral, which was largely attended, was in charge of D. M. Johnson, Funeral Director, Louisbourg. Burial took place in [blank] cemetery.

#### Lobster Fishing Season Opens

The Lobster fishing Season for the area of the Cape Breton coast opened at immediately after noon today.

### **MAY 1952**

#### **Friday 16**

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

Cloudy and cool, clearing in the forenoon. Mostly sunny during the afternoon, but cloudy in the evening. Light southeast wind.  
Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 49.

#### Causeway Contract Awarded

Today's issue of the Sydney "Post-Record" announced the awarding the contract for the rock-fill at the Strait of Canso Crossing. Of the nine tenders received, ranging from \$5,786,650 to \$10,000,000, "Northern Construction and J. W. Stewart Company" of Vancouver, B. C., received the contract, for the sum of \$5,786,650, the lowest tender. The work involves the quarrying and transporting 5,000,000 cubic yards of rock.

The contract for the job is to be signed within a few days with work beginning immediately after, and to be completed before September 30, 1954. The Crossing's estimated cost, when completed, is said to be, about \$24,000,000 and is being financed jointly by the Federal and Nova Scotia Governments. The Province's share of the cost is \$5,000,000. The foregoing information was

released at Ottawa, yesterday, by Transport Minister Chevrier and at Halifax by Premier Angus L. MacDonald.

(See Sydney Post-Record)

(of May 16, 1952.)

#### Funeral

The funeral of the late George K. O'Neil, took place at 2 P.M. from the residence of his parents, Whitney Avenue, Sydney, to Christ Church where service was conducted by Rev. F. R. Holbarow, pastor of Christ Church, assisted by Rev. J. T. Turner of St. Bartholomew's Church, Louisbourg. Burial took place in Hardwood Hill Cemetery.

#### Fishing Patrol

Fishing Patrol boat, "Crygnus", arrived in the evening.

### **MAY 1952**

#### **Saturday 17**

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

Cloudy and cool, clearing shortly before noon. Sunny during the afternoon and evening, clear during the night. Moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 48.

### **MAY 1952**

#### **Sunday 18**

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

Cool and remarkably clear with light southwest wind. Frost in the morning.

Min. temperature, 26, 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. Total attendance: A.M. about 65, P.M. about 75.

Choir attendance: A.M. 8, PM 9.

### **MAY 1952**

#### **Monday 19**

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

Thick fog which lifted during the forenoon. Sunny in town in the afternoon and evening with a bank of fog along the shore.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 56.

#### New Water System

The "Tidewater Construction Company" of New Glasgow, N. S. today, on the old Sydney Road, began digging the trench for Louisbourg's new water system. The contract for this project, which includes a sewer system for the town, amounts to \$167,629.00. The contract was awarded on

December 5, 1951, after which some preliminary work was done before the end of the year, including the cutting of a right-of-way, about 100 feet wide, from the old Louisbourg highway to Kelly's Lake.

## **MAY 1952**

**Tuesday 20**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and moderately warm west to southwest winds. A very lovely spring day.  
Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 67.

### Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the closing session, for this season, of the Brotherhood of the First United Church. A lobster supper was served to those present, including the wives of the members, about 25 in all. Meeting held in Calvin hall.

## **MAY 1952**

**Wednesday 21**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear, but becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Light to moderate southerly winds.  
Min. temperature, 37, Max. temperature, 62.

### Choir Practice

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

## **MAY 1952**

**Thursday 22**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain and drizzle continuing all day and late into the night. Fresh to strong northeast wind.  
Min. temperature, 38, Max. temperature, 46.

### Body of Louis Dillon Found

Today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record contained the story of the finding of the body of Louis Dillon yesterday afternoon at Capelin Cove, Richmond County.

## **MAY 1952**

**Friday 23**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with light showers and drizzle in the forenoon. Cleared in the afternoon, sunny during the late afternoon and evening. Rainfall of yesterday and today, about  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch.  
Min. temperature, 37, Max. temperature, 51.

### To Sydney And Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of Highland Lines Bus Service, for the purpose of meeting G. H. Kelly, who represents the firm of T. S. Pattiler and Company Ltd. of Truro. Met Mr. Kelly in the Isle Royal sample rooms at about 9:15 A.M. where I placed an order with him for Christmas goods. Called at the Income Tax office and paid my 1951 income tax assessment, \$76.18. Returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M. Had dinner, as the guest of Mr. Kelly, at the Isle Royal Hotel.

### Body Recovered

Today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record contained a news item announcing the finding of the body of the late Allister Chappell, at Capelin Cove, Richmond County, on yesterday afternoon. Allister Chappell and Louis Dillon have been (sic) since April 27, when they went on a fishing trip. Louis Dillon's body was recovered on last Wednesday.

## MAY 1952

### Saturday 24

#### Victoria Day

#### Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and sunny with light to moderate southwest wind.  
Min. temperature, 32, Max. temperature, 55.

### General Holiday

Victoria Day, being a general holiday, the (sic) most of the business places were closed, as well as all public offices. The post office observed its usual holiday hours. Had shop open all day for the accommodation of newspaper customers.

### Planted Dahlias

Planted 19 Dahlia bulbs in the afternoon and evening, first of the season.

## MAY 1952

### Sunday 25

#### Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny with light winds. A very lovely day.  
Min. temperature, 29, Max. temperature, 60.

### 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. About 65 present in the morning and about 85 in the evening.

Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 16.

At the evening service, the Service of Song was led by a choir consisting of members of the Brotherhood of the First United Church.

Those taking part were as follows: A. W. Stacey, John Skinner, Edison Skinner, Alex Nicholson, Dan F. Nicholson, Harold MacQueen, M. S. Huntington, (Director), Wilson Levy, Edward Levy,

William Helchie, Charles Bagnall, Clifton Townsend, D. J. MacIntyre, Dan J. MacLeod and Claude O'Hara. Mrs. Charles Bagnall (organist).

The first six on the list are members of the regular choir. Hymns from the United Church Hymnary; were, nos 638, 405, 401 and 378. Special numbers not in the Hymnary were "Dwelling in Beulah Land" and "When the Roll Is Called up Yonder"

## **MAY 1952**

### **Monday 26**

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

Clear and moderately warm with light winds.

Min. temperature, 40, Max. temperature, 64.

#### Planted Potatoes

In the afternoon, planted 18 hills, all of potatoes, in the back yard.

## **MAY 1952**

### **Tuesday 27**

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

Rain beginning in the early morning, lasted all day and late into the night. Moderate to strong southerly winds.

Min. temperature, 43, Max. temperature, 50.

## **MAY 1952**

### **Wednesday 28**

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

Heavy rain in the early morning, showery and drizzly during the forenoon. Continuous light rain from mid afternoon until late into the night.

Min. temperature, 39, Max. temperature, 47.

## **MAY 1952**

### **Thursday 29**

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

Rain of the last two days ended last night. Cloudy and cool with an occasional light shower.

Partly clear in the evening, clear during the night. Rainfall, which began early Tuesday and ended last night, amounted to 2  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches.

#### To Sydney and Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus Service for the purpose of keeping an appointment with Dan MacKeen, who represents the Anglo-Canadian Mercantile Company Ltd. of Montréal as well as several other firms. Met Mr. MacKeen at the Sample room at about 9:15 A.M. and placed an order with him for goods, mostly chinaware and glassware. Made several other business including Progressive Wholesale, A. C. Davis & Co., Chappell's Ltd. and

Kelly Studio. Went to the City Hospital in the afternoon and visited R. A. Peters, James Dickson, (Mainadieu), and Harold Casey, (Sydney). Returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M. Arrived home at about 5:30 P.M.

#### Death of Mrs. Philip Townsend

The death of Mrs. Philip Townsend occurred at the home of her son Philip, 33 York St., Glace Bay, after a brief illness. Mrs. Townsend who was a native of Louisbourg, had she lived until the 26<sup>th</sup> of this month, would have been 98 years of age. She was the youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Townsend.

### **MAY 1952**

#### **Friday 30**

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

Mostly clear with light southwest wind.  
Min. temperature, 37, Max. temperature, 58.

#### S. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", Capt. F. A. Germain, arrived in the evening and docked at the Government wharf.

### **MAY 1952**

#### **Saturday 31**

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

Clear and moderately warm with light southwest wind. A very lovely day.  
Min. temperature, 39, Max. temperature, 68.

#### S. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", Capt. Germain, sailed in the morning.

Total rainfall for this month, about 5 ½ inches.  
Min. temperature for this month, 26 on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.  
Max. temperature for this month, 68 on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Sunday 1**

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

Clear and moderately warm with light southerly winds. A very lovely day.  
Min. temperature, 35, Max. temperature, 65.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls, was the preacher. About 80 present in the morning and about 75 in the evening.

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

#### Funeral

At about 3 P.M., Emeline and I attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Philip Townsend of Glace Bay, which was held in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Louisbourg, on the arrival of the remains from Glace Bay. Services at the house at Glace Bay, the church at Louisbourg and grave were conducted by Rev. W. H. Chard, Rector of St. Mary's Anglican Church Glace Bay, who at the service held at St. Bartholomew's, was assisted by Rev. J. T. Turner, Rector of St. Bartholomew's. Burial took place in the United Church Cemetery, Louisbourg.

#### **JUNE 1952**

##### **Monday 2**

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

Cloudy with light southwest wind. Some fog along the coast.

Min. temperature, 43, Max. temperature, 59.

#### **JUNE 1952**

##### **Tuesday 3**

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

Cloudy. Light showers and drizzle in the forenoon followed by steady rain during the afternoon and evening. Some fog along the coast.

Min. temperature, 43, Max. temperature, 49.

Moderate to fresh winds, moderately to light in the evening.

#### **JUNE 1952**

##### **Wednesday 4**

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

Cloudy, showery, drizzly and foggy with light southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 43, Max. temperature, 64.

#### Choir Practice

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

#### **JUNE 1952**

##### **Thursday 5**

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

Cloudy and moderately warm with light southwest wind and some fog. Showers in the evening followed by mist and drizzle. Rain beginning last Tuesday morning and ending last night amounted to 1 ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 48, Max. temperature, 66.



### Water Meter Reading

First water meter reading, since the first check made, on or about the 6<sup>th</sup> of the last month, was made today, by the meter reader, James Peck. The reading showed that we had used 2,000 gallons during the month.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Friday 6**

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

Cloudy and moderately warm with light southwest wind. Fog along the coast. Light showers and drizzle at night.

Min. temperature, 45, Max. temperature, 64.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Saturday 7**

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

Cloudy with light easterly and southerly winds and some fog. Light rain in the late afternoon followed by heavy showers in the evening accompanied by thunder and lightning.

Min. temperature, 46, Max. temperature, 64.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Sunday 8**

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

Cloudy with showers, mist and drizzle. Light easterly winds with some fog.

Min. temperature, 43, Max. temperature, 52.

Rainfall since Thursday night consisting of light and heavy showers, mist and drizzle  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch.

### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. Rev. S. J. Davis, Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society was the speaker at both of these services, in the absence of Rev. C. C. Walls, the regular pastor, who is at present attending the Maritime Conference of the United Church, held at Sackville, N. B. Attendance about 45 at each service.

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

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Monday 9**

##### **Queen's Birthday**

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

Clear with moderate northwest wind, which shifted to the southeast, mostly cloudy during the afternoon and evening. A few sprinkles of rain in the evening.

Min. temperature, 48, Max. temperature, 64.

### General Holiday

The 26<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II was celebrated today throughout the Dominion of Canada. At Louisbourg, the larger shops, banks, schools and public offices, were closed. The post office was on holiday hours.

Had shop open for business all day.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Tuesday 10**

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

Cloudy and foggy with light southerly winds.

Min. temperature, 45, Max. temperature, 61.

### C. G. S. LADY LAURIER

Canadian Government Steamer, "Lady Laurier", arrived at about 9 P.M.

### Death of John J. MacVicar

The death of John J. MacVicar occurred at his (sic) at MacVicar's Hill, Catalone, after a brief illness. He was about 81 years of age and is survived by three daughters.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Wednesday 11**

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

Cloudy with light southwest wind, which shifted to northeast, shortly after noon and decreasing to fresh. Foggy during the forenoon.

Min. temperature, 43, Max. temperature, 64.

Showers during the late afternoon and evening.

### Choir Practice

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

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Thursday 12**

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

Cloudy with occasional light showers. Light winds, variable.

Min. temperature, 45, Max. temperature, 64.

Rainfall, including Wednesday and today, ¼ inch.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Friday 13**

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

Cloudy, clearing in the forenoon. Clear and warmer during the afternoon. Light and variable winds. Light showers in the morning.  
Min. temperature, 42, Max. temperature, 70.

#### Parks Commission

As chairman of the town's Park Commission, I spent the afternoon at the Athletic Field, supervising work on the field preparatory to the opening of the ball season. Two Bulldozers, belonging to the Tidewater Construction Company, were at work during the afternoon, piling stones, leveling and enlarging the field.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Saturday 14**

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

Cloudy in the morning but clearing early in the day. Clear and sunny during the greater part of the day. Light southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 41, Max. temperature, 61.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Sunday 15**

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

Clear in the morning followed by a foggy period in mid-forenoon, later clearing. Sunny in the afternoon but becoming cloudy in the evening. Heavy showers beginning at about 6:30 P.M. and continuing at intervals during the night accompanied by thunder and lightning. Moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min temperature, [blank] Max temperature [blank]

#### 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. About 65 present at each service.

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

#### Photographs Taken

At 2 P.M., with other members of the Louisbourg Development Company, 25 in all, assembled at the Town office where Mr. Abbass, photographer of Sydney, took photographs of the group.

### **JUNE 1952**

#### **Monday 16**

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

Cloudy with a few sunny intervals. Light westerly winds shifting to northeast at night and increasing. Rainfall of last night  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.

Min. temperature, 47, Max. temperature, 67.

### **JUNE 1952**

**Tuesday 17**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with a few sunny intervals. Light and variable winds.  
Min. temperature, 42, Max. temperature, 62.

**JUNE 1952**

**Wednesday 18**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Light rain in the morning followed by drizzle and mist. Light and variable winds, mostly easterly.  
Min. temperature, 42, Max. temperature, 52.

Fish Plants Officially Opened

At noon I attended a luncheon, celebrating the official opening of the Gorton Pew, (New Brunswick) Limited, National Sea Products Limited and Louisbourg Fisheries Limited, which was held on the premises of the National Sea Products.

**JUNE 1952**

**Thursday 19**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy, becoming sunny in the afternoon. Cloudy at night. Light southwest wind.  
Min. temperature, 46, Max. temperature, 66.

Congregational Meeting

At 8 P.M., attended a special Congregational Meeting of the First United Church in Calvin hall, with Rev. MacLean Pastor of St. Andrew's United Church, Sydney and chairman of the Sydney Presbyterian, presiding.

**JUNE 1952**

**Friday 20**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear but becoming cloudy early in the afternoon. Cloudiness followed showers, accompanied by thunder and lightning, partly clearing in the evening. Light variable winds in the afternoon, fresh westerly during the forenoon. Rainfall 1 1/16 inch.  
Min. temperature, 46, Max. temperature, 68.

Preparatory Service

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the Commission Preparatory Service, held in the First United Church, with Rev. C. C. Walls the preacher.  
Choir attendance: 7. Total attendance: 21.

Choir Practice

Choir practice was held immediately after the close of the service.

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Saturday 21**

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

Cool and mostly clear during the forenoon. Sunny and moderately in the afternoon. Cool at night. Moderate to fresh northwest winds.

Min. temperature, 44, Max. temperature, 69.

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Sunday 22**

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

Clear and moderately warm with fresh west and northwest winds, moderating to to (sic) light in the evening.

Min. temperature, 41, 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. Communion of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at morning service. About 90 persons present in the morning and about 45 in the evening.

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

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Monday 23**

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

Sunny and warm with light variable winds. A very lovely day.

Min. temperature, 52, Max. temperature, 75.

#### **Athletic Field**

Went to the Athletic Field in the afternoon and, as chairman of the Parks commission, supervised and assisted, in the placing of new wire on the baseball backstop.

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Tuesday 24**

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

Clear with fresh to strong southwest winds. Cloudy at night.

Min. temperature, 44, Max. temperature, 70.

#### **Visitors To National Park.**

In the afternoon, I went to the "Louisbourg National and Historic Park" where I acted as guide to about 35 delegates of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, which is holding a convention at Sydney. In the party were delegates from Texas, Indiana and California U.S.A.

After the visit to the park, I was the guest of the order at a luncheon served at the "Fleur-de-Lis", under the Auspices of the Louisbourg branch. At the park museum, I gave a talk on old Louisbourg, and later escorted the party to the Citadel Ruins. On returning from the Park, I escorted the party on a brief visit to the new fish processing plant, which has recently officially opened.

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Wednesday 25**

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

Cloudy with a few sunny intervals. Moderately warm. Light variable winds.

Min. temperature, 53, Max. temperature, 70.

#### Choir practice

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

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Thursday 26**

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

Cloudy, but clearing early in the forenoon. Becoming cloudy in mid-afternoon. Light showers beginning at about 9 P.M. Light variable winds.

Min. temperature, 52, Max. temperature, 69.

#### New Water System Construction

Went out the Old Sydney Road in the afternoon, to where the New Louisbourg Water System is under construction. The laying of the pipeline, beginning in front of the farm of Michael MacMullen, has now reached as far as John Hollend's farm, at the place where it will leave the highway and head about northwest indirection of the lake, (Kelly's). A distance of about  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile.

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Friday 27**

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

Light rain of last night ended in the morning. Cloudy and cool, but clearing in the afternoon.

Moderate northerly winds. Rainfall of last night  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.

Min. temperature, 46, Max. temperature, 62.

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Saturday 28**

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

Clear in the morning but becoming cloudy followed by a shower of rain at about 9 A.M.

Sunshine and shower during the afternoon and evening. Light variable winds, mostly southwest.

Min. temperature, 38, Max. temperature, 67.

### To Mira Ferry and Return

Went to Mira Ferry with Alex Burke, the mail driver, leaving here at about 8 A.M. and arriving back home at about 11:45 A.M. Went to the Ferry for the purpose of taking snapshots of the church and other subjects for pictures. The weather having turned out unfavourable, I did not meet with much success.

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Sunday 29**

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

Clear with cloudy intervals and occasional sprinkling of rain. Light winds, variable, mostly westerly.

Min. temperature, 38, 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.

Morning attendance about 70, evening about 55.

Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 7.

#### Death of D. J. Matheson

The death of Donald John Matheson occurred in the late afternoon, at the Glace Bay General Hospital where he had been a patient for several months. He was in the 92<sup>nd</sup> year of his age and is survived by one son and one daughter. The son, Ernest, resides at Louisbourg. The daughter, Mrs. William Lewis (Catherine), who is also a resident of this town.

## **JUNE 1952**

### **Monday 30**

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

Clear and cool with moderate northerly winds.

Min. temperature, 46, Max. temperature, 65.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Tuesday 1**

#### **Dominion Day**

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

Cloudy and cool, clearing in the afternoon. Sunny during the afternoon and evening. A very lovely afternoon and evening. Moderate to light easterly winds.

Min. temperature, 45, Max. temperature, 63.

#### Motorboat Races

The Annual Regatta was held on the harbour during the afternoon.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Wednesday 2**

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

Clear with light to moderate winds, mostly southwest. A very lovely summer day.  
Min. temperature, 40, Max. temperature, 69.

#### **Funeral**

At 2 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the funeral of the late D. J. Matheson, which took place from the residence of his son-in-law, William Lewis, to the First United Church where the funeral service was conducted by Rev. C. C. Walls, assisted by Rev. J. T. Turner, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church. Burial took place in Catalone Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D. M. Johnson, Funeral Director, Louisbourg. Members of Mariners Lodge A. F. & A.M. attended in a body and read the ritual of that order at the grave.

#### **Plane Flight**

At about 9 A.M., 9 planes, flying at a great height, pass directly over the town, in formation going in a westerly direction. They were said to be jets by those familiar with that class of plane.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Thursday 3**

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

Warm and cloudy with sunny intervals and light to moderate north-northeast winds. A very pleasant summer day.  
Min. temperature, 53, Max. temperature, 78.

#### **Repairing Shop**

Today I spent all my spare time in assisting Alex McKinnon, in placing new sills under part of the north and west sides of the shop.

#### **To Sydney And Return**

Emeline and Jane went to Sydney on the 2:30 P.M. trip of Highland Lines Bus Service for the purpose of shopping and attending the evening show of Lynch's Circus. They returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 11:30 P.M.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Friday 4**

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

Cloudy but clearing in mid-afternoon. Sunny in the evening. Fresh to strong southwest winds.  
Min. temperature, 51, Max. temperature, 71.

Federal Parliament Adjourned



The 6<sup>th</sup> session of the 21<sup>st</sup> Parliament, which opened on 28<sup>th</sup> of February 28 last, adjourned today at Ottawa.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Saturday 5**

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

Partly clear and moderately warm with strong southwest wind.  
Min. temperature, 53, Max. temperature, 75.

#### Baseball Game

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## **JULY 1952**

### **Sunday 6**

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

Clear and warm with light to southwest wind shifting to northeast in the afternoon increasing to moderate.  
Min. temperature, 50, Max. temperature, 79.

#### 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.  
Total attendance in the morning about 50, in the evening about 55.  
Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 12.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Monday 7**

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

Clear, sunny and warm with light northerly winds. A very lovely summer day.  
Min. temperature, 50, Max. temperature, 77.

#### Finished Repairs

Alex MacKinnon, whom I engaged to do some exterior repair work to my shop, finished the job this evening, when he finished the shingling, and painted the new work. He began the job on last Thursday morning. Total time, 30 hours. Paid him \$30.00.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Tuesday 8**

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

Sunny and warm. Winds light and variable, mostly southerly.  
Min. temperature, 49, Max. temperature, 82.

### Snapshots

Took snapshots of the Fish Plant from top of United Church Tower, in the forenoon and in the afternoon from Slattery's Head and west side of Barrichois.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Wednesday 9**

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

Sunny and warm with light to moderate southerly winds. A very lovely day.

Min. temperature, 53, Max. temperature, 76.

### Sunday School Picnic

Sunday School and Congressional Picnic of the First United Church was held at Mira Gut today. The picnic party of about 75 went to the picnic grounds by train in the morning and returned on the evening train.

### Choir Practice

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

## **JULY 1952**

### **Thursday 10**

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

Cloudy and warm with some fog. Light southwest wind. Light showers in the early part of the night.

Min. temperature, 59, Max. temperature, 76.

### Mine Explosion Kills Six

Today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record contained the Story of an Explosion in the Dominion Coal Company's No. 20 Colleiry, at Glades Bay, when six men were killed outright and one very seriously injured. Those who lost their lives were as follows: Charles Harris, 47, Averman, William Blake, 60, shotfirer, John Gould, 30, Pat Gabriel, 27, Buddy Bonar 23, and Bill Desmond. Herb Desmond, a brother of Bill Desmond, was taken out alive but is not expected to live. All the bodies were recovered.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Friday 11**

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

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## **JULY 1952**

### **Saturday 12**

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

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**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**Friday 18**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**JULY 1952**

**Saturday 19**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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## **JULY 1952**

### **Sunday 20**

#### **Huntington, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool, clearing in the forenoon. Sunny during the afternoon. Moderate to fresh northwest wind.

Max. temperature, about 65.

#### Church Services

Clifford, Maria, Lorna and I motored to Marion Bridge with Maud where we attended service in the United Church. Rev. [blank] MacNevin was the preacher. After service, we returned home. At 7:30 P.M., we attended service in the Grand Mira Baptist Church. Mr. John Whitehall, student Baptist minister, was the preacher.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Monday 21**

#### **New Moon Today**

#### **Huntington, N.S.**

Clear and moderately warm. Light and variable winds in the forenoon. Fresh southwest during the afternoon, moderately to light in the evening.

Max. temperature about 70.

In the morning walked out to the lakes and Guy Watts' farm where I took several snapshots of the Watts farm with the lakes in the foreground.

#### Huntington To Louisbourg

In the afternoon motored to Louisbourg with Lieut. Maud Huntington (my neice) of the staff of the Royal Canadian Naval Hospital at Halifax, who is on holidays. Left Clifford's at 12:35 P.M. arrived at Louisbourg at 1:35.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Tuesday 22**

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

Clear and warm with fresh southwest wind. Cloudy with some fog at night.

Min. temperature, 45, Max. temperature, 73.

#### To Mira Gut And Return

In the afternoon, Maud, Emeline and I motored to Mira Gut with Rev. Donald MacLeod, D. D. where we visited at the house of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huntington. Mr. MacLeod is now a professor in Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey. He is now on his holidays and is visiting his relatives and friends in Cape Breton.

#### Visited Fish Plant

After returning from Mira Gut, Maud, Emeline and I visited the new Fish Plant.

### Left for Home

In the evening Maud, who has been our guest since yesterday, motored to Sydney where she is to visit her sister Bertha, (Mrs. Hedley Hopkins), before returning to home at Huntington, N.S. on Thursday. She intends leaving for Halifax on next Saturday, where she resumes her duties at the R. C. N. Hospital on next Monday.

### **JULY 1952**

#### **Wednesday 23**

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

Clear and warm with light to moderate southwest wind. A very lovely summer day.  
Min. temperature, 60, Max. temperature, 77.

### Choir Practice

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

### **JULY 1952**

#### **Thursday 24**

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

Cloudy and foggy with light to moderate southwest wind.  
Showers at about 10 P.M. accompanied by heavy thunder and lightning.  
Min. temperature, 61, Max. temperature, 72.  
Rainfall about ¼ inch.

### **JULY 1952**

#### **Friday 25**

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

Clear and warm with light southwest wind, which shifted to northwest in the late afternoon.  
Min. temperature, 56, Max. temperature, 78.

### **JULY 1952**

#### **Saturday 26**

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

Clear and warm with fresh southwest winds. A very nice summer day.  
Min. temperature, 60, Max. temperature, 74.

### **JULY 1952**

#### **Sunday 27**

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

Clear and warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind.  
Min temperature, 55, Max temperature, 73.

### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher.

Morning attendance about 60, evening about 50.

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

### Guests For Supper

Mrs. Alex L. Bates of this town and her sister-in-law, Mrs. William W. Dickson of Bedford N.S., had supper with us this evening.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Monday 28**

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

Clear and warm with a few brief cloudy intervals. Moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 60, Max. temperature, 77.

### On Vacation

My clerk, Evelyn Huntington, accompanied by her daughter, Jane, left this afternoon for her annual vacation, which she intends to spend at Huntington, N. S., near the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington. She and daughter intend to housekeep in the unoccupied shop owned by Fred Huntington, where they spent their holidays last year.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Tuesday 29**

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

Cloudy in the morning, clearing in the forenoon. Mostly clear in the afternoon but becoming cloudy in the evening. Warm.

Min. temperature, 62, Max. temperature, 76.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Wednesday 30**

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

Clear and warm with light to moderate variable winds. A very lovely summer day.

Min. temperature, 56, Max. temperature, 72.

### Choir Practice

Choir practice was, as usual, was (sic) held in the First United Church at 8 P.M. I was not present as I was keeping shop owing to my clerk being away on vacation.

## **JULY 1952**

### **Thursday 31**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and warm with light variable winds. A very lovely summer day.  
Min. temperature, 60, Max. temperature, 81.

**Sewer System**

Work on the Sewer System for the Town of Louisbourg was begun today. The start was made near the waterfront at the foot of Alexandra Street, working in a westerly direction. The Tidewater Construction Company Ltd., New Glasgow, N. S., has the contract for the installation. Mr. James Cumming is in charge of the work.

**AUGUST 1952****Friday 1****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy, foggy and warm with light southwest wind. Showers in the afternoon accompanied by thunder and lightning.

Min. temperature, 60, Max. temperature, 78.

**AUGUST 1952****Saturday 2****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and warm with considerable fog. Moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 63, Max. temperature, 75.

**AUGUST 1952****Sunday 3****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with light to heavy showers continuing at intervals during the day with a brief sunny interval in the evening. Light variable winds.

Rainfall about ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 60, Max. temperature, 77.

**Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. In the absence of the regular pastor, Rev. C. C. Walls, who is on his vacation, Rev. J. W. O'Brien was the preacher at both services.

Attendance: A.M. 22, P.M. 40.

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

**Had Dinner At Restaurant**

At 1 P.M. today, Emeline and I had dinner at Wong's Restaurant.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Monday 4**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and warm with light winds mostly westerly. An ideal summer day.

Min. temperature, 56, Max. temperature, 79.

Visitor From Sydney

Mrs. E. Baines, Music Teacher, Sydney, N. S., arrived on the Highland Lines Bus at 1 P.M. She will be our guest until her return to her home on next Saturday.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Tuesday 5**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and warm with just a trace of fog, in the forenoon. Light southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 64, Max. temperature, 77.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Wednesday 6**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and very warm, with light to moderate southwest wind, increasing to strong in the afternoon.

Min. temperature, 60, Max. temperature, 82.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Thursday 7**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and warm with showers and drizzle beginning in the forenoon continued all day. Light variable winds, mostly southwest.

Min. temperature, 61, Max. temperature, 72.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Friday 8**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and warm with a few cloudy intervals in the afternoon. Light winds, mostly southwest.

Rain of yesterday and last night ended in the early morning. Rainfall, ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 59, Max. temperature, 76.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Saturday 9**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and warm with light winds, mostly southerly.

Min. temperature, 56, Max. temperature, 78.



## **AUGUST 1952**

### **Sunday 10**

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

Cloudy and warm with mist and a few light showers. South to southeast winds increasing to strong in the afternoon, but decreasing to light in the evening.

Min. temperature, 62, Max. temperature, 67.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, where the Rector Rev. J. T.. Turner was the preacher.

No service in the First United Church today, owing to the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. C. Walls, who is away on vacation.

#### Funeral

At 1:30 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Neil MacKeigan. Services at the house, Presbyterian Church and grave were conducted by Rev. Hugh Jack, of Sydney Presbyterian Church. Funeral of D. M. Johnson, Funeral Director. Burial took place in Catalone Cemetery.

#### Sacred Sing-Song

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## **AUGUST 1952**

### **Monday 11**

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

Cloudy and warm with some fog and mist with a brief period of drizzle. Light winds.

Min. temperature, 62, Max. temperature, 78.

## **AUGUST 1952**

### **Tuesday 12**

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

Cloudy and warm becoming partly clear during the afternoon. Cloudy at night.

Light to moderate southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 66, Max. temperature, 79.

#### Back From Vacation

Evelyn Huntington, my sister-in-law and clerk, who has been on her annual vacation since July 28, arrived back this evening.

C. G. S. Lady Laurier

Canadian Government Steamer, "LADY LAURIER", arrived in the evening and docked at the Government wharf.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Wednesday 13**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy, foggy and warm with some rain during the afternoon. Light southwest wind.  
Min. temperature, 62, Max. temperature, 76.

Choir Practice

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

Server Installation

Work of installing a server system, which was started on the 31<sup>st</sup> of last month, appears to be progressing favourably. The server line is nearly completed on Commercial Street and is nearing the north end of Aberdeen Street. Digging was begun on Main Street, at the north end of Aberdeen Street, shortly after noon today, working in a westerly direction.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Thursday 14**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and very warm with light winds.  
Min. temperature, 59, Max. temperature, 80.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Friday 15**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and warm with light variable winds. An ideal summer day.  
Min. temperature, 55, Max. temperature, 79.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Saturday 16**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and warm with light to moderate southwest wind. A very lovely summer day.  
Min. temperature, 56, Max. temperature, 79.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Sunday 17**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and warm with light to fresh southwest wind. A very lovely summer day.  
Min. temperature, 67, 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. J. W. O'Brien was the preacher at both services.

About 50 persons present at each service.

Choir attendance: A.M. 6, P.M. 13.

Rev. C. C. Walls, the regular pastor, who is on his annual vacation, returned to Louisbourg on last Friday, but has not yet taken up his ministerial duties.

### **AUGUST 1952**

#### **Monday 18**

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

Cloudy with rain in Sydney and the vicinity. At Louisbourg, mist and a few very light showers. A few sunny intervals in the late afternoon.

Min. temperature, 62, Max. temperature, 78.

#### To Sydney And Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of Highlands Lines Bus Service, returning on the bus leaving Sydney at 12:15 P.M. Made several business calls at Sydney. Purchased returns tickets at the Canadian National Railway, City Ticket office, for Boston, Mass. Emeline and I intend leaving for Norwich, Connecticut, via Boston, on next Friday night, for the purpose of attending the Huntington Family Association Reunion, which takes place at Norwich on the 27<sup>th</sup> of the month.

### **AUGUST 1952**

#### **Tuesday 19**

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

Mostly cloudy with light variable winds mostly northwest. Sunny intervals in the afternoon.

Min. temperature, 49, Max. temperature, 74.

#### Bus Strike

Employees of Highland Lines Bus Service went out on strike at noon today.

### **AUGUST 1952**

#### **Wednesday 20**

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

Sunny and warm with light winds, mostly southwest. A very lovely summer day.

Min. temperature, 49, Max. temperature, 76.

#### Choir Practice

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

**AUGUST 1952**

**Thursday 21**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and warm with light winds. An ideal Summer day.

Min. temperature, 51, Max. temperature, 72.

**AUGUST 1952**

**Friday 22**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

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**AUGUST 1952**

**Saturday 23**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

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**AUGUST 1952**

**Sunday 24**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

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**AUGUST 1952**

**Monday 25**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

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**AUGUST 1952**

**Tuesday 26**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

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**AUGUST 1952**

**Wednesday 27**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

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**AUGUST 1952**

**Thursday 28**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**AUGUST 1952**

**Friday 29**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**AUGUST 1952**

**Saturday 30**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**AUGUST 1952**

**Sunday 31**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Monday 1**  
**Labor Day**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Tuesday 2**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Wednesday 3**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Thursday 4**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

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**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Friday 5**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

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**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Saturday 6**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

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**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Sunday 7**

**Boston, Massachusetts**

Clear and sunny with moderate to fresh northwest wind, which moderated in the evening. A bit cool with a slight tinge of autumn in the air.

**Church Services**

At 10:45 A.M., in company with Emeline, attended service at Tremont Temple Baptist Church where Bishop Ralph S. Bushman, formerly of Ashbury Methodist Church, Rochester, New York, was the guest preacher. The church was fairly well filled and the Congregational Singing was excellent.

The Service of Song was lead by a soloist, Miss Carole Chute, the choir having not yet resumed its duties after the Summer holidays.

At 7:30, we attended service in Park Street Congregational Church. Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, the regular pastor, was in charge of the service, with Rev. Alan Redpath preaching the sermon. Rev. Mr. Redpath is pastor of Duke Street Baptist Church, Richmond, Surry England and to-day is beginning a week's evengalistic Campaign in Park Street Church. The Church was filled to the doors. The Service of Song was led by a choir consisting of 6 women and 2 men. 2 men and 2 women of this group rendered 2 quartettes very nicely. Immediately after the close of the service, we returned to the Hotel Lorraine, from where we took a taxi to North Station, where we boarded a train at 10:30 P.M., Daylight time, enroute for home.

**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Monday 8**

**St. John, N.B.,**

Clear and moderately cool with light winds. Frost in the morning. A very lovely day.

Daylight this morning found us coming through the state of Maine, enroute home. Arrived at Vanceboro at about 8:30 A.M. and MacAdam Junction a short time later, where we had

breakfast, before continuing on our journey. Arrived at St. John at about noon where, after a brief stop, we set out for Monckton (sic), N.B., arriving at about 3 P.M. After considerable delay at Monckton (sic), we proceeded towards our destination by C.N.R. train. Arriving at Truro, at about 9:45 P.M., we left the train, as we intended to visit the Townsends at Valley for the next two days. We had procured a room at the Scotia Hotel, had lunch at a restaurant before retiring for the night.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Tuesday 9**

**Truro, N.S.**

Sunny and moderately cool with light to moderate westerly winds.

Killing frost in the morning. Tender plants in gardens in this area, killed by the frost of last night.

As the Scotia Hotel, where we stayed last night, does not serve meals in the morning, Emeline and I had breakfast at the Stanley Hotel restaurant. After breakfast, I called to see Wofford Townsend, who is employed with G.G. Read & Co. Wofford insisted on getting a taxi and accompanying us to his home at Valley. At Valley, we called at his home and a little bit later, he drove us to his mother's home, (Mrs. H.D. Townsend). At noon, we had dinner at Wofford's and supper, in the evening, at Mrs. H.D. Townsends. Gerald Townsend and his wife were also present at supper.

At about 7 P.M., Mrs. H.D. Townsend, Emeline and I motored to Truro with Mr. and Mrs. Wofford Townsend where we attended a picture show in one of the Truro theatres. The show was entitled "About Face". After the show, we had lunch at a Truro restaurant, guests of Wofford Townsend. We arrived back at Valley at about 11 P.M. Emeline and I stayed for the night at Mrs. H.D. Townsend's.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Wednesday 10**

**Valley, Colchester Co., N.S.**

Cloudy and cool. Partly clearing in the afternoon.

In the afternoon, Emeline and I, accompanied by Mrs. H.D. Townsend, visited at the homes of Alevyn Townsend and Laurie Townsend. Spent the greater part of the day at the home of Mrs. H.D. Townsend.

At 9:30 P.M., Wofford Townsend, accompanied by his wife and mother, drove Emeline and me to Truro where we boarded the train for Sydney, which left Truro at 10 P.M.

Tonight, after being absent from home since the evening of August 22, finds us on the home stretch. We returned to our berth shortly after leaving Truro.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Thursday 11**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and sunny with light winds. Cloudy at night with a light shower during the early part of the night. Moderately warm. An ideal day.

Arrived at Sydney on the C.N.R. train from Truro, N.S. at about 8 A.M. Had breakfast at Diana Sweet's restaurant. Engaged Gus LeBlanc, (Taximan), Sydney to drive us to Louisbourg, where we arrived at about 10 A.M. Found everything safe and sound after our absence of one day short of three weeks.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

### **Friday 12**

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

Cloudy with moderately cool with light winds. Cleared during the forenoon. Mostly sunny during the afternoon. Cloudy at night. A light shower in the morning.

Min. temperature, 50, Max. temperature, 64.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

### **Saturday 13**

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

Clear, sunny and cool with light to moderate to northeast wind. An ideal September day.

Min. temperature, 45, Max. temperature, 61.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

### **Sunday 14**

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

Clear and cool with occasional cloudy intervals. A light shower in the morning and a few sprinkles of rain in the evening. Fresh to strong northerly winds. A strong feeling of autumn in the air.

Min. temperature, 43, Max. temperature, 57.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher.

Present at the morning service about 50, and at the evening service about 55.

Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 12.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

### **Monday 15**

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

Clear with a few cloudy intervals and an occasional light shower. Light to moderate northerly winds. Very cool.

Min. temperature, 39, Max. temperature, 60.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**



**Tuesday 16**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain beginning early in the forenoon, continued moderately all day with the exception of a few brief intervals. Moderate to fresh southwest wind. Rainfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature, 35, Max. temperature, 63.

Marriage

The marriage of John Hannan to Miss Mabel Bagnall took place this afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C.C. Walls, in the First United Church.

**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Wednesday 17**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy, clearing during the forenoon. A very lovely afternoon. Sunny and warm. Light to moderate southwest wind. Foggy at night.

Min. temperature, 54, Max. temperature, 69.

Choir Practice

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

C.G.S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", arrived in the late afternoon and docked at the Freight wharf.

**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Thursday 18**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 52, Max. temperature, 67.

**SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Friday 19**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy but clearing early in the forenoon. Sunny and warm during the afternoon with light to moderate southwest wind. Cloudy at night.

Min. temperature, 51, Max. temperature, 68.

C. G. S. Edward Cornwallis

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis", which arrived here on last Wednesday, sailed this morning.

### Marriage Gibbons - Byrne

According to a news item appearing in today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record, Richard N. Gibbons of Huntington, Cape Breton County, N. S., and Mrs. Davis E. Byrne, of Agincourt, Ontario, were married on the 6<sup>th</sup> of this month. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. A. Beatly of Knox United Church, Agincourt, Ontario. Mr. Gibbons is a native of Huntington, N.S. where he resided until less than a year ago, when he moved to Ontario. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons will reside on Kennedy Road, Agincourt.

### SEPTEMBER 1952

#### Saturday 20

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog and a few light showers. Partly clear for a brief period in the afternoon. Min. temperature, 61, Max. temperature, 69.

### SEPTEMBER 1952

#### Sunday 21

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and warm with light winds, mostly easterly. A very lovely day. Min. temperature, 53, Max. temperature, 68.

### Anniversary Church Services

At 11 A.M., 3 P.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended Anniversary Services of the First United Church. Rev. C. C. Walls, the regular pastor, was in charge of the service, while Rev. E. V. Moriarty of Matthew-Wesley United Church, North Sydney, was a special preacher at the three services. About 100 present at the morning service and about 75 present at 3 P.M. and 7 P.M.

Choir attendance: A.M. 15, 3 P.M. 15 and 7 P.M. 16.

### SEPTEMBER 1952

#### Monday 22

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy but clearing early in the day. Sunny and warm with light easterly winds. Min. temperature, 50, Max. temperature, 72.  
An ideal Autumn day.

### New Brunswick Province Elections

In today's Provincial elections, the Liberal Government under the Premiership, John B. McNair, was defeated by a large majority. The McNair Government had been in office for 17. The conservative party, which was swept into office today, is led by Hugh John Flemming, a 53 year old lumber dealer. At a late hour tonight, the party standing was, Conservatives 33, Liberals 16 with three seats in doubt.

### SEPTEMBER 1952

**Tuesday 23****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and moderately warm with very light and variable winds. Partly cleared in the forenoon but became cloudy and dull in the late afternoon.

Min. temperature, 49, Max. temperature, 69.

**Marion Bridge Community Fair**

At about noon, Emeline and I motored to Marion Bridge with Mrs. Fletcher Townsend where we attended the Annual Community Fair. Other occupants of Mrs. Townsend's car were Mrs. Alex Alimard and Mrs. Dan Fleet. Returning, we left Marion Bridge at about 5 P.M. and arrived home shortly before 6 P.M.

**SEPTEMBER 1952****Wednesday 24****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain which began in the early morning, ended at about 8 A.M. cleared shortly before noon.

Sunny during the afternoon. Light to moderate northerly winds. Rainfall, ¾ inch.

**Choir Practice**

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

**Death of Mrs. Robert Lyons**

The death of Mrs. Robert Lyons, the former Miss Katie MacAulay of Louisbourg, occurred today at her home at Glace Bay, N. S. Mrs. Lyons was about 65 years of age was born at Kennington Cove, Cape Breton Co., N. S. After her parents moved to Louisbourg, she lived here for a number of years before she married and went to Glace [blank]. Her husband was killed in the First World War.

**SEPTEMBER 1952****Thursday 25****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and moderately cool with light winds. A perfect Autumn day.

Min. temperature, 35, Max. temperature, 63.

**Mira Ferry Community Fair**

At about 10 A.M., Emeline and I motored to Mira Ferry, where we attended the Mira Ferry Annual Community Fair. Mrs. Fletcher Townsend took us to the fair and back. Other passengers were Mrs. Alex Alimard and Mrs. Dan Fleet. Mrs. Fleet returned with Mrs. Stacey in the evening. Not nearly so many exhibits as in former years in the line of vegetables and fancy work. Cattle and horses about the same as last year.

Entered two exhibits: Dahlias and Cosmos.

Was awarded first for Cosmos and second for Dahlias.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

### **Friday 26**

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

Clear and moderately cool with moderate variable winds. Southeast in the afternoon, increasing to fresh at nightfall. Cloudy during the late afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature, 38, Max. temperature, 63.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

### **Saturday 27**

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

Clear but becoming partly [blank] during the afternoon. Light to moderate northwest wind.

Min. temperature, 45, Max. temperature, 68.

#### **Daylight Saving Time Ends**

Daylight saving time, which went into effect on Sunday morning, April 27 last, ends at the stroke of twelve tonight.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

### **Sunday 28**

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

Sunny and cool with light easterly winds. A very lovely Autumn day.

Min. temperature, 40, Max. temperature, 59.

#### **Church Services**

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. The annual Sunday School Rally Day Service was held at 11 A.M., led by Edward Levy, the Sunday School Superintendent. The address was delivered by the pastor, Rev. C. C. Walls. At the 7 P.M. service, Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. Present at the morning service, about 110, at the evening service about 55.

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

At the Baptismal Service, held at the opening of the morning service, the following parents presented their children for baptism: Mr. and Mrs. Duncan MacKay, Daughter, [blank], Mr. and Mrs. Neil MacLean, Daughter, [blank]

#### **Daylight Saving Time Ends**

Daylight Saving Time ended immediately after midnight last night. We are now on Standard time.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

### **Monday 29**

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

Clear and moderately cool with light to moderate southwest winds. An ideal day.  
Min. temperature, 35, Max. temperature, 63.

## **SEPTEMBER 1952**

**Tuesday 30**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and warm, becoming cool and mostly cloudy during the afternoon. Light southwest winds, shifting to northeast in the afternoon.

Min temperature, 45, Max. temperature, 72.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Wednesday 1**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cool and mostly cloudy with moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 46, Max. temperature, 59.

### **Choir Practice**

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

The reflection from an oil heater in the office of Dr. A. L. Saunders caused an alarm of fire to be turned in at about 8:30 P.M. No fire and No damage.

### **Warmest September**

As published today in the Sydney Post-Record, Roland Richards, Chief Officer at the Sydney Airport Weather Office, last month was the warmest and sunniest September ever recorded in Cape Breton. The following statistics are interesting: Average temperature for the month 59, 2 degrees higher than the average over the past 60 years. The mercury ranged from a high of 86 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> to a low of 37 on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Rainfall totaled 1.49 inches, far below the average, which is 3.46 inches. Hours of sunshine for the month, 195.5 hours.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Thursday 2**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and moderately cool with moderate southerly winds increasing to fresh at night.

Min. temperature, 52, Max. temperature, 62.

### **To Sydney and Return**

Motored to Sydney and back with Alex Burke, the Louisbourg Sydney mail driver. Left here at 8 A.M. and returned at 11 A.M. Made several business calls while at Sydney.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

### **Friday 3**

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

Cloudy with moderate southeast wind, which increased during the day reaching moderate gale force in the early part of the night. Intermittent showers beginning at about 7:30 A.M. continued all day and late into the night.

Min. temperature, 56, Max. temperature, 61.

#### Preparatory Service

At 7:30 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the quarterly Preparatory Service in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher.

Total attendance including choir and preacher: 16. Choir attendance: 9.

#### Death of Dan MacAskill

The death of Dan MacAskill, a former resident of Louisbourg, occurred at the St. Rita's Hospital, Sydney, this morning.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

### **Saturday 4**

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

Gale of last night moderated to a fresh breeze at dawn. Wind shifted to southwest early in the day and within a short time had increased to gale force, which continued until late in the afternoon, moderating to light in the early part of the night. Sky clear during the forenoon. Sunny during the afternoon.

Rainfall of yesterday and last night about ½ inch.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

### **Sunday 5**

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

Remarkably clear with light to moderate southwest winds. A very lovely Autumn day.

Min. temperature, 45, Max. temperature, 60.

#### Church services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services of the First United Church where at 11 A.M., Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher and at 7 P.M. Mr. Grant Walls, student minister, was the preacher. At the 11 A.M. service, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed.

Total attendance in the morning about 90, in the evening about 50.

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

Sang solo in the evening entitled, "Sunset and Dawn".

## **OCTOBER 1952**

### **Monday 6**

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

Remarkably clear with light to moderate southwest wind. An ideal day.  
Min. temperature, 42, Max. temperature, 64.

#### **Went On A Hike**

Went for a hike to the shore east of the lighthouse acting as guide for Murdoch Duncan of Perthshire Scotland who arrived here on last Saturday for the purpose of obtaining material for a book on the life of Brigadier Gen. James Wolfe.

On reaching Havenside, we went directly across the marsh and through the woods to Big Landing Cove and the Gen. Wolfe camp site nearby. After visiting the two landing Coves and old earth works at their heads, we walked along the shore to the lighthouse. After spending a short time at the Lighthouse and vicinity, we walked back to town arriving at about 2 P.M. After this very interesting trip, we had dinner at Wong's Restaurant.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

### **Tuesday 7**

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

Clear but becoming cloudy during the forenoon. Cloudy and moderately warm during the afternoon and evening. Light southerly winds.  
Min. 43, Max temperature, 65.

#### **Left For Québec**

Murdoch Duncan who arrived here on last Saturday, left here this evening, via the mail truck Alex Burke driver, for Sydney where he will leave on the C.N.R. train tonight enroute to Québec. Mr. Duncan is in search of material on the life and career of Gen. James Wolfe, who served at Louisbourg in the 1758 Siege and commanded the British troops at the Siege of Québec in 1759, where and when he was killed.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

### **Wednesday 8**

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

Rain in the early morning. Cloudy and warm becoming partly clear in the afternoon. Rainfall about ¼ inch.  
Min. temperature, 43, Max. temperature, 70.

#### **Choir Practice**

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

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Thursday 9**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cool with light winds.

Min. temperature, 31, Max. temperature, 59.

### Server Completed

The main server On Commercial Street, Aberdeen and Main Streetszz has been completed. What remains to be finished are the manholes and catch basins, which are now undergoing construction.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Friday 10**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cool with cloudy intervals. Light to moderate northerly winds.

Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 59.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Saturday 11**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cool with light to moderate northerly winds.

Min. temperature, 29, Max. temperature, 55.

Frost in the morning produced the first new ice I have seen this season.

### Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Wofford Townsend with their son and daughter, Melvin and Joan, arrived in the evening for the purpose of spending Sunday and Monday with us.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Sunday 12**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clouds and cool with rain beginning at about 9 A.M. and continuing moderately until late in the afternoon, becoming partly in the evening. Cleared during the night. Light and variable winds.

Rainfall, ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 51.

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.

About 55 at the morning service and at the evening service about 70.

Choir attendance: A.M. 10, 7 P.M. 12.

#### Anniversary Service At Catalone

At 3 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended an Anniversary Service of the Catalone United Church. Service in charge of Rev. C. C. Walls with Rev. [blank] MacIntosh of Calvin United Church, New Waterford, as guest preacher. Church about two thirds full. United Church choir of Louisbourg, 13 in number, led the service of song.

Choir members present: A. W. Stacey, Edison Skinner, Hugh Beaver, Harold MacQueen, D. H. Nicholson, Mrs. C. C. Walls, Mrs. D. J. MacIntyre, Mrs. M. S. Huntington, Mrs. Harold MacQueen, Miss Bernice MacIntyre, Miss Blanche Cross, Mrs. Charles Bagnell (Organist) and M. S. Huntington (Director), Mrs. Agnes MacLean.

### **OCTOBER 1952**

#### **Monday 13**

#### **Thanksgiving Day**

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

Clear, sunny and cool with modern to fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 55.

#### General Holiday

As this, the annual day of Thanksgiving and a general holiday, schools, Banks and public offices are closed as well as nearly all of the business houses.

#### Visited Lighthouse Shore and Fish Plant

At about 9:30 A.M. Emeline, Jane and I motored to the Lighthouse Point with Mr. and Mrs. Wofford Townsend and family where we made a short visit. On returning to town, the entire party, except Emeline, visited the new Fish Plant, as well as the Dragger, "Cape North", Capt. Pittman, which was tying at the fish wharf. We arrived back at about noon.

Shortly after 1 P.M., Mr. and Mrs. Wofford Townsend and son Melvin and daughter Jane, left by auto enroute to their home at Valley Station, N.S. They have been with us since last Saturday evening. We enjoyed their visit very much.

### **OCTOBER 1952**

#### **Tuesday 14**

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

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### **OCTOBER 1952**

#### **Wednesday 15**

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

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## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Thursday 16**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Friday 17**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Saturday 18**  
**Louisbourg, N.S.**  
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## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Sunday 19**  
**Huntington, N.S.**

Cloudy with snow beginning to fall at about 8:30 A.M. and continuing until shortly after noon. Cloud in the late afternoon. Almost perfectly calm until late afternoon when there was a light air of northerly wind. At noon, the whole countryside was covered with a light mantle of wet snow. First snow of the season.

Huntington To Marion Bridge  
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## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Monday 20**  
**Huntington, N.S.**

Cloudy and very cool with light winds increasing to moderate in the afternoon. Rain began to fall at about 10 A.M. and ended at about noon. Cleared in the early afternoon. Sunny and cool during the afternoon. Frost at night. Rainfall about ¼ inch.

Huntington To Louisbourg  
Left Clifford's at 7:15 A.M. and motored to Marion Bridge with Fred and his two boys, Terry and Merrill. Marion Bridge to Sydney by truck with Arthur Crowley. Sydney to Louisbourg by car with [blank] Doucaster, Transfer for P.M. Fulton of Truro, N.S. arriving at about 10:45 P.M.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Tuesday 21****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cool and mostly cloudy. A few brief clear intervals. Snow squall at about noon. Light drizzle of snow in the early part of the night. Light to moderate northerly winds.

Min. temperature [blank], Min. [blank] temperature, 43.

**Heavy Frost**

Heavy frost of last night killed the dahlias and other tender plants in our garden. First killing frost this season.

**To Sydney And Return**

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**Municipal Elections**

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**Ratepayers Meeting**

At 8 P.M. attended a meeting of the ratepayers of the Town of Louisbourg, held in the navy hut for the purpose of voting for or against a resolution, passed recently by the Town Council, on the question of borrowing the sum of \$30,000 for the establishing a hospital in the Town of Louisbourg. About 85 persons present, 58 ratepayers voted as follows: 40 for the resolution, 18 against.

**OCTOBER 1952****Wednesday 22****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cool and mostly cloudy with to moderate westerly winds. About ½ inch of snow on the ground in the morning, which melted early in the day.

Min. temperature, 23, Max. temperature, 42.

**Choir Practice**

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

**Death Of Michael Pope**

The death of Michael Pope occurred at an early hour yesterday morning at his home in West Louisbourg. He was about 84 years of age and had been ill for several years.

**OCTOBER 1952****Thursday 23****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy, with an occasional gleam of sunshine. Moderate to fresh southwest wind decreasing to light in the evening.

Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 58.

#### On Holidays

Evelyn Huntington, my clerk, left for Marion Bridge in the afternoon, for a few days vacation. She got a chance of a car drive to her destination with Herbert Morrison, Meter Reader for the Nova Scotia Power Commission.

#### Funeral

At 9 A.M., with Mayor George Lewis, attended the funeral of the late Michael Pope. Funeral service held in Stella Maris Church by Rev. Father M.J. MacSween. Burial in Roman Catholic Cemetery.

### **OCTOBER 1952**

#### **Friday 24**

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

Cloudy with light to moderate southwest wind. Light shower of rain.  
Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 58.

### **OCTOBER 1952**

#### **Saturday 25**

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

Clear and very cool with cloudy intervals and one or two light rain squalls. Moderate to fresh northwest wind.  
Min. temperature, 29, Max. temperature, 48.

### **OCTOBER 1952**

#### **Sunday 26**

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

Cloudy and cool with light winds and a few gleams of sunshine.  
Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 41.

#### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher at the morning service. Today being observed as Laymen's Sunday in the First United, the service in evening was conducted by the Laymen of the Congregation. Edward Levy was in charge of the service. Others taking part were: Charles Bagnall, who read the lesson, Arthur M. Townsend, who gave a talk on his visit to the General Council of the United Church held at [blank], Ontario, while A.W. Stacey gave the principal address. Prayer by Rev. C.C. Walls.

In the evening, the Service of Song was led by a male choir consisting of the following:

A.W. Stacey, Duncan MacKay, Edison Skinner, Rev. C.C. Walls, Edward Levy, Carl Levy, Charles Bagnall, Wilson Levy, Verne MacIntyre, John H. Skinner, Alex Nicholson, Dan J. MacLeod, Claude O'Hara, William Helchie, Hugh Beaver and M.S. Huntington, (Director).  
Attendance: A.M. 8, P.M. 16.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Monday 27**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cool and mostly cloudy. Clear at night. Fresh southwest wind.  
Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 52.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Tuesday 28**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and mild with light to fresh southwest wind.  
Min. temperature, 48, Max. temperature, 39.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Wednesday 29**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain in the early morning. Cloudy with moderate to strong southwest wind increasing to moderate force during the afternoon. Rainfall about 1/8 inch.  
Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 58.

### **Choir Practice**

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

### **Returns From Holidays**

Evelyn Huntington, my clerk, who has been away on a holiday since last Thursday, arrived back by train this evening.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Thursday 30**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Very cool and mostly clear with fresh westerly winds. Light snow squall in the early morning. Light snow fall disappeared early in the day.  
Min. temperature, 26, Max. temperature, 39.

## **OCTOBER 1952**

**Friday 31**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and mild, becoming cloudy in the afternoon. Light winds southwest in the afternoon. A very nice day.

Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 52.

**NOVEMBER 1952**

**Saturday 1**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and mild with light winds.

Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 56.

**NOVEMBER 1952**

**Sunday 2**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear, becoming hazy and cloudy with brief sunny intervals. Very light variable winds.

Min. temperature, 36, Max. temperature, 51.

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.

Attendance about 65 at each service.

Choir attendance: A.M. 7, P.M. 8.

**NOVEMBER 1952**

**Monday 3**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Mild. Partly clear during the forenoon. Cloudy in the afternoon and evening with some fog.

Fresh southwest wind.

Min. temperature, 36, Max. temperature, 54.

**NOVEMBER 1952**

**Tuesday 4**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and mild with showers. Fresh southwest wind, shifting to northeast in the late afternoon.

Steady rain in the early part of the night.

Min. temperature, 39, Max. temperature, 56.

United States Presidential Election

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**NOVEMBER 1952**

**Wednesday 5**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and chilly with fresh north-northeast wind increasing to gale force in the early afternoon and continuing until late into the night. Rain began to fall in the late forenoon. Heavy rain during the afternoon and night.

Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 41.

**Burglary At Lewis & Co.**

The general store of Lewis & Co. was burglarized at some time between 4:30 and 8:15 P.M. Entry was made through the upstairs office window, where the lower pane of glass was broken. A ladder was used to reach the window. Amongst the goods missing were 2 radios, 200 pairs nylon stockings, 3 or 4 cases of milk, 2 or 3 cases of corn.

**NOVEMBER 1952**

**Thursday 6**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and cool with light to moderate westerly winds shifting to southerly in the early part of the night.

Rainfall of yesterday and last night, 1 ½ inch.

Min. temperature, 29, Max. temperature, 43.

**NOVEMBER 1952**

**Friday 7**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Shower in the early [blank]. Clear with cloudy intervals and showers. Thunder and lightning during the forenoon. Mostly clear in the afternoon and evening.

Min. temperature, 40, Max. temperature, 50.

Fresh to strong westerly winds.

**NOVEMBER 1952**

**Saturday 8**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Light shower in the early morning. Mild and mostly clear with light westerly winds. A very nice November day.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 54.

**NOVEMBER 1952**

**Sunday 9**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cool and mostly cloudy with light westerly winds.

Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 40.

### Church Services

At 11 and 7 P.M., Emeline attended service in the First United Church. Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher at the morning service and Rev. George Bennett of Westmount United Church at the evening, Mr. Walls and Mr. Bennett having exchanged pulpits in the evening.

Annual Remembrance Day service at 11 A.M.

Autumn Women's Missionary Society Thank offering service in the evening.

Owing to having a severe cold, I did attend not church today.

### Visitors From Sydney

In the late afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Hedley Hopkins of Sydney and three children, Hedley Jr., Selvey and Patricia arrived and were our guests for supper. They left for home at about 6 P.M.

## NOVEMBER 1952

### Monday 10

#### Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain beginning in the early morning and continuing all day with the exception of a few brief intervals. Fresh to moderate southerly winds decreasing to light in the evening. Rainfall 5/8 inch. Min. temperature, 26, Max. temperature, 47.

## NOVEMBER 1952

### Tuesday 11

#### Remembrance Day

#### Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with a few brief sunny intervals. Light westerly winds.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 44.

### Veterans Parade

At about 2 P.M., Veterans of the two world wars held a parade along Main Street and about 230 attended a Memorial Service in the Legion hall, corner of Main and Strathcona Streets. Service in charge of Rev. J. T. Turner, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, and Chaplain of Legion Branch no. 62 who gave the address. Mr. Turner was assisted by Rev. C. C. Walls, Pastor of the First United Church.

About 30 Veterans present as well as a goodly number of the towns people.

Emeline and I were present.

At 11 A.M., the Fire Siren gave the signal for the Observance of two Minutes Silence in honor of those who gave their lives during world wars one and two.

### New Fire Truck

New Fire truck for the town of Louisbourg arrived shortly before 11 A.M. and a little later was taken to the wharf of Lewis and Company where tests were carried out in the presence of Mr. Bowes representing the insurance underwriters. The tests, which ended in the afternoon, I understand, proved quite satisfactory.



## **NOVEMBER 1952**

### **Wednesday 12**

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

Light rain beginning in the morning and continuing until late into the night. Light northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 32, Max. temperature, 43.

#### Choir Practice

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

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

### **Thursday 13**

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

Cold and clear with cloudy intervals and a few light snow squalls. Moderate to fresh northwest wind.

Min. temperature, 25, Max. temperature, 36.

#### To Sydney And Return.

Went to Sydney on the mail truck with Alex Burke. Left here at about 8 A.M. and arrived back at about 11 A.M. Made several business calls at Sydney including a visit to the office of R. S. MacLennan J. C. where we discussed the matter regarding the setting of the estate of the late Mrs. Mary Jane Spencer, the date for which is set for next Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### Water Extension

The extension of the water system to the eastern end of the Town, which was begun on October 11 last, is nearing completion. The water was turned on the new extension today, for the first time. The new extension takes in Main Street, from the Crowdis Hotel to the eastern boundary of the town, Beatrice Street, Marvin Street, Pepperell Street and [blank]

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

### **Friday 14**

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

Snow squalls in the early morning. Ground covered with about ½ inch of snow, which partly disappeared during the day. Fresh to strong northwest winds, which decreased to light at night.

Min. temperature, 23, Max. temperature, 34.

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

### **Saturday 15**

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

Clear with light to moderate westerly winds. An ideal November day.

Min. temperature, 23, Max. temperature, 48.

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

### **Sunday 16**

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

Cloudy and cool with light easterly winds.  
Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 41.

#### 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.

About 75 present in the morning and about 50 in the evening.  
Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 9.

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

### **Monday 17**

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

Cold and mostly clear with fresh to strong northerly winds reaching moderate gale force in the early part of the night.  
Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 38.

#### Bodies Recovered

The bodies of Fabian Daley and Harold Smith both of Glace Bay, were recovered today from MacVicar's Lake, in the Catalone District. Daley and Smith were two of a party of six, who went to Catalone on last Saturday for to spend the weekend on a hunting trip. When night came on Saturday, the two men failed to reach the camp where they had intended to spend the night with their companions. On Sunday, a boat was found bottom up on the lake and a cap belonging to one of the men. A search was organized and as a result, the bodies were found.

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

### **Tuesday 18**

#### **Heavy Gale**

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

Cloudy and chilly with northerly gale, which increased in fury during the day and at a late hour at night, showed no signs of abating.

Min. temperature, 29, Max. temperature, 38.

At Sydney, rain began to fall at about 4 P.M. and was followed by snow squalls at about 6 P.M.

At Louisbourg, showers began at about noon followed by snow squalls in the early afternoon.

Snow melting as it fell.

A most disagreeable day as far as weather is concerned.

#### To Sydney and Return, (Spencer Estate)

Motored to Sydney at 8 A.M. with Alex Burke on the Mail Truck, for the purpose attending the winding up of the Mrs. Mary Jane Spencer Estate, of which, I am Executor. After consulting

with my solicitor, R. S. MacLellan D.C., at his office, we went to the office of J. J. Smith, Register Of Probate, in the courthouse, where all the Estate accounts were checked and found in order thus winding up the Estate. Legatees presented at the court, beside myself, were, Michael Moran, Mrs. Charles Tutty, Mrs. Jessie Stewart, and John Walker, the two latter representing the Estates of Mrs. Effie Walker and John Walker. Returning, left Sydney at 6 P.M. on the mail truck, Alex Burke, driver.

#### Nomination Day

This is nomination for Town Elections. The three returning Councillors, at Louisbourg, are Donald Beaver, Alex C. MacDonald and Dr. A. L. Saunders. At 5 P.M., the deadline for filing nominations, only two of the returning Councillors had come forward, Beaver and Saunders, MacDonald having failed to file his papers. As there was only two nominations to fill three seats on the Council Board, there will be one vacancy, when the elections take place on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The two year term of Mayor George D. Lewis does not expire until one year hence.

### NOVEMBER 1952

#### Wednesday 19

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Drizzle of rain, which was present at dawn, continued all day and late into the night. Heavy Gale of yesterday and last night moderated to some extent in the early part of the day, but continued a heavy drizzle of northerly winds all day.

Min. temperature, 31, Max. temperature, 40.

#### Damage Reported

Damage is reported from many parts of Cape Breton as a result of the gale of yesterday and last night. In a number of places washouts occurred, where highways and railways were exposed to the force of the waves breaking along the shores. Train from this town did not leave here today owing to damage to the track in the Catalone and Mira districts.

According to radio and newspaper reports, the winds, at times, reached a velocity of 75 mph.

#### Supreme Court Session

While in Sydney yesterday, I attended the closing session of the Supreme Court, presided over by his Lordship Judge Vincent MacDonald. At the session, which opened at 2:30 P.M., the following were sentenced to prison terms: Ralph Gregor, New Waterford, convicted of manslaughter in the death of his wife, which took place on July 30 last; 7 years in Dorchester Penitentiary.

Godfrey Perrier, 3 years in Dorchester.

Owen MacPherson, 4 months in the county jail, on a reckless driving charge, and his driving license suspended for a term of 2 years.

### NOVEMBER 1952

#### Thursday 20

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain and drizzle of the last two days ended last night. Today was cloudy and cool with moderate northwest wind.

Rainfall of the past two days and nights, 1 ¼ inch.

Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 45.

#### Death Of Norman MacLeod

A news item in today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record told of the death of Norman MacLeod which occurred at his home, Victoria Hill, Sydney River. Mr. MacLeod, who was born at Framboise, Richmond County, was for many years a prominent photographer who had a studio on Charlotte Street, Sydney, later moving to Kendall Street where he carried out his profession for a number of years. Within comparatively recent years, he took up his residence at Sydney River. According to the news item, his death occurred suddenly, on last Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### Dominion Parliament Opens

Canada's 21<sup>st</sup> Parliament opened at Ottawa today under the premiership of Hon. Louis St. Laurent. The leader of the conservative opposition is George Drew.

### NOVEMBER 1952

#### Friday 21

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with light to moderate winds.

Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 47.

### NOVEMBER 1952

#### Saturday 22

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Mild and mostly cloudy with light and variable winds.

Min. temperature, 29, Max. temperature, 42.

### NOVEMBER 1952

#### Sunday 23

##### Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with a few clouds in the morning. Remarkably clear for several hours during the midday period. Foggy during the late afternoon and evening. Very light easterly winds. A very lovely day for so late in the season.

Min. temperature, 26, 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 was the preacher.

About 65 persons present at each service.

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

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

**Monday 24**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and chilly with light winds. Fog in the early part of the day.  
Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 39.

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

**Tuesday 25**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cool with light variable winds. In ideal November day.  
Min. temperature, 25, Max. temperature, 42.

### Visited Athletic Field

As Chairman of the Parks Commission, went to the athletic field where I employed Fred Kelly and instructed him in the work of digging stone on the playground.

### Choir Practice

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

### Attended Annual Meeting

Alex Keigan and I motored to Coxheath with Mayor George D. Lewis, where at 7:30 P.M. we attended the Annual Meeting of the Cape Breton West Liberal Association. Attorney General, Malcolm A. Patterson, M. L. A. for Cape Breton West, was the principal speaker. Other speakers were Earl Urguhart, M. L. A. for Cape Breton South. Dan MacMillan, President of the Liberal Association occupied the chair. Mr. MacMillan was reelected to the Presidency while Alex Furguson, Councillor for the District of Catalone, was re-elected. Meeting well attended, being the largest meeting of this organization that I have attended. We arrived home at 11:15 P.M.

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

**Wednesday 26**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cool with light variable winds. In ideal November day.  
Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 43.

### Visited Athletic Field

As Chairman of the Parks Commission, went to the Athletic Field where I employed Fred Kelly and instructed him in the work of digging stone on the playground.

### Choir Practice

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

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

**Thursday 27**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with light to moderate southerly winds.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 45.

### **Supper And Fancy Sale**

At about 5 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the MacMillan Club Supper and Fancy Sale, held in the Calvin hall.

### **New Furnace Installed**

A new furnace has recently been installed in the basement of Calvin Hall. It was in operation yesterday for the first time.

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

**Friday 28**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Showers and drizzle of rain beginning in the early morning and continuing until late at night.

Light southerly winds and fog.

Rainfall, 1 inch.

Min. temperature, 37, Max. temperature, 48.

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

**Saturday 29**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cool with light northwest wind. Light snow squall in the evening.

Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 39.

### **To Sydney And Return**

Emeline and Jane went to Sydney on the Highland Lines Bus at 8 A.M. on a shopping trip. They returned by bus at 5:30 P.M. Jane has resumed her singing lessons. Today she had her first lesson of the term, at 9 A.M. Mrs. Baines is her teacher. Owing to the Bus Strike, she was unable to get transportation for the last three months.

## **NOVEMBER 1952**

**Sunday 30**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cool with light northwest wind.

Min. temperature, 17, 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.

About 75 present in the morning and about 65 in the evening.

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

Total Snowfall for this month, about ½ inch.

Total Rainfall for this month, about 4 ¾ inch.

Min. Temperature, 17, on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

Max. Temperature 56, on the 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Monday 1**

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

Snow began to fall at about 7 A.M. and continued moderately all day. Snowfall, at least, 3 inches. Moderate to fresh northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 32.

#### To Sydney And Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of Highland Lines Bus Service. Returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 12:15 P.M. While at Sydney made several business calls including a visit to the office of R.S. MacLellan, I. C., where we talked over matters concerning the Mary Jane Spencer Estate, of which I am Executor.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Tuesday 2**

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

Clear and cold with fresh to strong northerly winds, decreasing at night.

Snow on the ground but with many bare patches as a result of the high winds during yesterday's storm.

Min. temperature, 23, Max. temperature, 29.

#### Town Elections

Election day in many towns throughout the Province as well as the City of Sydney. No contest in the Town of Louisbourg, two of the members of the old Council, A. L. Saunders, M. D. and Donald Beaver were re-elected by acclamation. There is now one vacancy on the Board, which may be filled when a bye-election is held.

The Council now consists of Mayor George D. Lewis and Councillors, Arthur M. Townsend, Duncan MacKay, Charles Bagnall, A. L. Saunders and Donald Beaver.

#### New Water Connection

Today the line from Kelly's Lake was connected with the old line leading from the old reservoir at the MacMillan farm on the old Sydney road. The water, however, from the Kelly's Lake line has not yet been turned on to the old system. Work on the new line was begun last April is now nearing completion.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Wednesday 3**

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

Cold with cloud and sunshine with fresh north-northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 23, Max. temperature, 33.

#### Choir Practice

At 8 A.M., in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. To-night we had our first practice on the Christmas music.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Thursday 4**

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

Cloudy and chilly with fresh to strong northerly winds.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 30.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Friday 5**

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

Clear and cold with light northwest winds. A typical winter day.

Min. temperature, 31, Max. temperature, 31.

#### Fire

At about 5 P.M. the fire alarm sounded for a fire on board a fishing boat lying at Cadegan's wharf. The boat, which was badly damaged, is said to be owned by George Drake of this town and skippered by Nathan Rossittes formally of Newfoundland.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Saturday 6**

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

Mostly cloudy with fresh northeast wind shifting to the southeast and increasing to strong at night.

Min. temperature, 17 Max. temperature, 32.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Sunday 7**

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

Cloudy and chilly with moderate to fresh easterly winds. Light snow squall at about 9 A.M. followed by a brief drizzle of rain.

Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 35.



### Church Service

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. Sermon by Rev. C. C. Walls, at 11 A.M. In the evening instead of a sermon, Arthur M. Townsend read a report of what took place at the General Council of the United Church, held at Hamilton Ontario, where he was present. The General met in September, of last. Present at to-day's services were about 55 at 11 A.M., and about 45 at 7 P.M. Choir attendance: 11 A.M. 10, 7 P.M. 9.

## DECEMBER 1952

### Monday 8

#### Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with fresh northeast wind increasing to strong at night. Light drizzle of snow for a short time in the evening.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 36.

### To Sydney And Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus Service. Returned on the trip leaving Sydney at 12:15 P.M. Met Michael Moran at the bus station and with him to the office of R. S. MacLellan J. C. for the final winding up of the Mary Jane Spencer Estates of which I am Executor. Issued the last Legacy check in connection with the Estate, which was in favor of Michael Moran. Made several other business calls before leaving for home.

### Nominations For By-election

Today is nomination day for to fill a vacancy on the Town Council Board. Up to the closing hour for filing nominations, 5 P.M., only one nomination had been filed, that of Charles Lewis, manager of the co-operative store in the town. As there was only one nomination filed to fill the vacancy, this means an acclamation for Mr. Lewis on election day, December 22.

## DECEMBER 1952

### Tuesday 9

#### Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with fresh to strong northerly winds.

Min. temperature, 28, Max. temperature, 32.

### Tea And Fancy Sale

At about 3:20 P.M., Emeline and I attended afternoon Tea and Fancy Sale held in the Navy Hut, under the Auspices of the Ladies of Stella Maris Roman Catholic church.

### Bye-Election (sic)

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## DECEMBER 1952

**Wednesday 10**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and chilly with moderate to fresh northerly winds.

Min. temperature, 25, Max. temperature, 32.

Cut Bushes

Went to the woods adjoining the Athletic Field, in the forenoon and cut bushes for the protection of plants in the garden. Also, cut a Christmas tree.

**DECEMBER 1952**

**Thursday 11**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy becoming sunny for about three hours in the afternoon. Cloudy with some fog in the evening. Light to moderate northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 27, Max. temperature, 40.

Misty during the night.

Visited New Water Installation

Motored to Kelly's Lake, with Mayor George Lewis, in the forenoon and visited the new water installation, which is nearing completion. Workmen today installed a hydrant on Riverdale Street, near the Town Boundary.

**DECEMBER 1952**

**Friday 12**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with moderate to fresh easterly winds and some fog. Showers in the early morning.

Min. temperature, 34, Max. temperature, 43.

**DECEMBER 1952**

**Saturday 13**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain in the morning. Cloudy, sunny and nice during the afternoon. Fresh easterly to southerly winds, shifting to westerly shortly after noon. Rainfall about ¼ inch. Light frost at night.

Min. temperature, 26, Max. temperature, 45.

To Sydney and Returning

Emeline and Jane went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus Service, returning on the trip leaving Sydney at 12:15 P.M. Jane took her singing lesson at 9 A.M. after which they did some shopping.

**DECEMBER 1952**

**Sunday 14**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain in the morning, ending at about 9 A.M. followed by light showers. Light southerly winds and some fog. Light frost at night.

Min. temperature, 25, 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.

Present at the morning service, about 40. At 7 P.M., about 50.

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

**DECEMBER 1952**

**Monday 15**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Showers beginning in the early morning, continued at intervals all day and late into the night.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 36.

Sunday School Concert

Annual concert of the First United Church Sunday School was held in Calvin hall at 7:30 P.M.

**DECEMBER 1952**

**Tuesday 16**

**New Moon Today**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain in the morning, followed snow squalls in the forenoon. Cloudy and chilly during the afternoon and evening. Strong northwest winds reaching gale force early in the day, wind decreased to moderate in the late afternoon. Rainfall beginning on last Saturday amounts to 1 ¾ inch.

Min. temperature, 24, Max. temperature, 38.

Death of David Roy Ingraham

The death of David Roy Ingraham occurred at an early hour this morning, at his home on Warren Street, after a long illness.

**DECEMBER 1952**

**Wednesday 17**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cool with a few cloudy intervals. Fresh to moderate westerly winds.

Min. temperature, 23, Max. temperature, 34.

Light snow squalls in the early morning gave the landscape a wintry appearance. Snow nearly all disappeared during the day. Snowfall ½ inch.

Choir Practice

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

#### Death Of Daniel Nicholson

The death of Daniel Nicholson occurred this evening at his home on Pepperell Street after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Nicholson, who was about 82 years of age, is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters.

### **DECEMBER 1952**

#### **Thursday 18**

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

Sunny in the forenoon. Cloudy with a snow squall at noon then clearing. Moderate to fresh northeast wind.

Min. temperature, 17, Max. temperature, 37.

#### Funeral

At 1 P.M. attended the funeral service for the late David Roy Ingraham, held at the Ingraham home on Warren Street, by Rev. Jacob Barnbury, Pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisbourg. Burial took place at North Sydney, N. S.

#### School Concert

At 8 P.M., the Annual School Concert of the Louisbourg Public Schools was held in Calvin Hall.

### **DECEMBER 1952**

#### **Friday 19**

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

Cold and partly clear with light westerly winds, mostly westerly. Ground bare.

Min. temperature, 14, Max. temperature, 28.

### **DECEMBER 1952**

#### **Saturday 20**

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

Cold and mostly cloudy with light westerly winds. A typical winter day, minus snow.

Min. temperature, 15, Max. temperature, 30.

#### Left For Their Homes

The men of the Tidewater Construction Company Ltd., who have been engaged, since last spring, in installing sewer service and extending the water system in the Town of Louisbourg, left for their homes today for the purpose of spending Christmas and holiday season with their families. Weather permitting they intend to return.

### **DECEMBER 1952**

#### **Sunday 21**

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

Clear and cold with light westerly winds. A very lovely winter day.  
Min. temperature, 14, Max. temperature, 29.

### Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher.

About 85 persons present at the morning service and at the evening service about 100.

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

At the morning service, 11 chairs were presented to the Session by the MacMillan Club, the presentation being made, on behalf of the club, by the president, Mrs. Arthur M. Townsend. Also, the Junior Guild of the First United Church presented a Communion Table to the church, the presentation being made by Mrs. A. L. Saunders, President of the Junior Guild. Both the Chairs and a Table were dedicated to the use of the Session and the church, by Rev. C. C. Walls in a brief dedication service.

This being Christmas Sunday, special music was rendered by the choir. Special request Christmas Carols, were sung, at the opening of the evening service.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Monday 22**

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

Cold and mostly clear with moderate northeast wind.  
Min. temperature, 18, Max. temperature, 28.

### Town Election

At to-day's By-election Charles Lewis, Manager of the Co-operative Store, was elected to the Town Council, by acclamation.

The Town Council now consists of Mayor George D. Lewis, Councillors: Charles Bagnall, (Deputy Mayor), Arthur M. Townsend, Donald Beaver, A. L. Saunders, M. D., Duncan MacKay and Charles Lewis.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Tuesday 23**

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

Clear but becoming cloudy before noon. Light winds becoming easterly and increasing to fresh.  
Min. temperature, 22, Max. temperature, 39.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Wednesday 24**

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

Showers in the early morning, cloudy during the forenoon. Drizzle of rain followed by showers in the afternoon and late into the night. Rainfall, ½ inch. Strong easterly winds at times reaching gale force.

Min. temperature, 35, Max. temperature, 38.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

**Thursday 25**

**Christmas Day**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and mild with light variable winds. A few brief sunny periods during the day. No snow. Streets muddy. Fog along the coast.

Min. temperature, 33, Max. temperature, 43.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

**Friday 26**

**Boxing Day**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and mild with light variable winds. A few brief sunny intervals. Streets muddy.

Min. temperature, 30, Max. temperature, 43.

### **Boxing Day**

All schools, Post Office, Bank and Public Offices holiday. Most places of business closed all day. Had shop open for business all day in order to accommodate newspaper customers.

Post Office observed holiday hours.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

**Saturday 27**

**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with an occasional gleam of sunshine. Light westerly winds.

Min. temperature, 21, Max. temperature, 32.

### **Skeleton Found At Stillwater**

Human skeleton found by two hunters in the woods at Stillwater, near Louisbourg today, was identified as that of Angus MacLean, who had been missing since November 30, 1948. Later: according to the Sydney Post-Record of December 29/52, the hunters who found the remains of the late Angus MacLean, were James Donovan and Frank Dobson, both of Glace Bay.

On November 30, 1948, Angus MacLean, a native of Stillwater, and Ed Barrett, went to the woods at Stuart's Lake, about 3 ½ miles from Louisbourg, for the purpose of deer hunting. After entering the woods, early in the forenoon they separated, but agreed to meet at a designated spot later in the day. As the afternoon wore on MacLean failed to return to the place where Barrett was awaiting him. Becoming alarmed at his failure to meet him at the place agreed upon and it becoming late in the afternoon, Barrett returned to the place at which they had started on the deer hunt, on the old Sydney. Still not finding any trace of MacLean, he came to Louisbourg, in the evening and reported him missing. A party set out at once to try to find him but as it was then dark, they could do little more than blow horns and fire guns in order to attract his attention.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Sunday 28**

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

Thick squall of wet snow beginning at 7:30 A.M. and ending at about 8:45 A.M. was followed by showers of rain. Snowfall, about 1 ½ inch. Partly clear during the afternoon with the sun shining through occasionally. Streets very slushy.

Min. temperature, 28, 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. C. C. Walls was the preacher.

Attendance at 11 A.M. about 40, at 7 P.M. about 65.

Choir attendance: A.M. 5, P.M. 11.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Monday 29**

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

Snow in the morning with light to moderate north wind. Snow ended at about 9 A.M., with the wind shifting to northwest and increasing too strong.

Snowfall about 1 inch.

Min. temperature, 18, Max. temperature, 30.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Tuesday 30**

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

Sunny and cold with light to moderate northwest winds. An ideal winter day with just enough snow to give the landscape a winter appearance.

Min. temperature, 9, Max. temperature, 27.

#### Digging On Wolfe Street

The men of the Tidewater Construction Company have returned after a holiday spent at their homes and today began operating the digging machine on Wolfe Street, for the extension of the water system from the Junction of Wolfe and Riverdale streets, southwest to the Town boundary.

## **DECEMBER 1952**

### **Wednesday 31**

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

Clear and cold with light to moderate northwest winds. A typical winter day.

Min. temperature, 5, Maximum temperature, 23.

#### Funeral Of Angus MacLean

At 2 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended the funeral service of the late Angus MacLean. Service conducted by Rev. C. C. Walls in the First United Church and was largely attended, the church being filled near to capacity.

Choir attendance: 9. Hymns sung: nos. 637 and 345 in the Hymnary. Also, the Sweet[blank] as a valentary. Burial took place in "Willow Grave" Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnstone, Funeral Director.

Total Snowfall for this month, about 6 inches.

Total Rainfall for this month, about 2 ½ inches.

Min. temperature, 5, on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

Max. temperature, 45, on the 18<sup>th</sup>.