

TRANSCRIPT

Huntington Diary 1953

Louisbourg, Nova Scotia 1953

Town and other officials at beginning of 1953.

Mayor: George D. Lewis

Councillors: Charles Bagnall, Deputy Mayor

Arthur M. Townsend

Duncan MacKay

Donald Beaver

A.L. Saunders, M.D.

Charles Lewis

Town Clerk: Daniel F. Nicholson

Stipendiary magistrate: B. M. Spencer

Chief of Police: Charles Peck

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

Assessor: Charles Peck

Reader of Water Meters: James Peck

Chief of Fire Department: Harvey Lewis

School Board

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January 1953

Thursday 1

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with moderate to fresh northeast wind. Partly clear during the night with the moon shining through the clouds. Min temperature about 11, max temperature 30.

No FA.M.ily Gathering

The only person we had for dinner and supper besides our own household was John C. Johnson, who for many years has been our guest for Christmas and New Year, dinner and supper.

General Holiday

Places of business, Post Office, Customs House, Bank and all other public offices closed for the day. Did not have my shop open for business today.

Meeting of Brotherhood

At 8 P.M., attended a meeting of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, held in the United Church manse. 7 persons present: James Suffity and I were the caterers for tonight. Mr. Suffity being unavoidably absent, I did the catering. Those present were: Rev. C.C. Walls, Edward Levy,

Rev. J.W. O'Brien, Wilson Levy, William Hilchie, John C. Johnson and M.S. Huntington.

No Mails

No mails received or dispatched today at the local Post Office.

January 1953

Friday 2

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny with light to moderate northwest wind. An ideal winter day. Min temperature 13, max temperature 29.

January 1953

Saturday 3

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, becoming mild early in the day, with light to moderate southerly winds, increasing as the day advanced until they reached moderate gale force during the night.

Min temperature 14, max temperature 40.

Showers beginning at about 9:30 P.M. Snow and ice melting, streets muddy.

FIRE

Fire alarm sounded at about 6 P.M. for a fire on board a fishing boat at Gallant and Hopkins Wharf. The firemen with their recently purchased truck made a quick response and as a result the fire was soon extinguished before any serious damage was done. This is the first fire in the New Year and the second one at which the new truck has been present.

January 1953

Sunday 4

Louisbourg, N.S.

Southerly gale of last night, moderated gradually in the early part of the day with rain ending in the morning. Cleared at about 11 A.M., mostly sunny during the afternoon with light southwest to west winds. Very mild. Rainfall of last night about ½ inch. Min temperature 28, max temperature 46.

Ground entirely bare as a result of last night's thaw.

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 45

Total attendance: P.M. about 40.

Choir attendance: A.M. 6, P.M. 7.

January 1953

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

Sunny with very light westerly winds. An ideal day. Ground entirely bare. Min temperature 19, max temperature 33.

Visited Wolfe Street

Visited Wolfe Street in the forenoon, where Tidewater Construction Company Limited of New Glasgow is at work extending the water system in the direction of the Town's western boundary. Beginning on Wolfe Street opposite the home of Mrs. Parsons the new line has reached as far as the home of Dr. A. L. Saunders. Good progress seems to be being made since the pipe line was started on this street on the 30th of last month. Two hydrants have so far installed on this street, one opposite the northeastern boundary of the Athletic Field and the other a short distance southwest of the home of Thomas Peck. There is still a space of about 400 feet between where work was started and where the pipe will connect with the main line near Gerrard's Bridge. The pipe on Wolfe Street is 8 inches in diameter.

Week of Prayer Service

The first of the series of Week of Prayer Services was held in St. Bartholomews Anglican Church at 7:30 P.M. Rev. C. C. Walls, Pastor of the First United Church was the preacher. Was not present. Emeline and Evelyn attended.

January 1953**Tuesday 6****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny with light northwest wind. A perfect winter day. Ground hard and bare. Min temperature 11, max temperature 28.

Week of Prayer Services

At 7:30 A.M. in company with Emeline attended the second in the series of Week of Prayer Services, which was held in the First United Church. The preacher was Rev. Jacob Bambury, Pastor of the Presbyterian Churches at Louisbourg, Catalone and Mira Ferry. About 90 person present. Choir attendance: 9.

January 1953**Wednesday 7****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and chilly. Snow squalls beginning at about 8:30 A.M. and ending about one hour later. Sun shining through the haze for a few brief periods. Light southerly winds, shifting to northwest in the forenoon and remained light. Snowfall about ½ inch, just enough to give the landscape a wintery appearance. Min temperature 12, max temperature 30.

Week of Prayer Service

The third in the series of Week of Prayer services was held in the Presbyterian Church at 7:30 P.M. Rev. J. L. Turner, Pastor of the St. Bartholomews Anglican Church was the preacher. Emeline and

I were present.

Angus MacLean Inquest

According to a news story in today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record, an inquest was held on the remains of the late Angus MacLean at Glace Bay last night, before Coroner A.D. Muggah when a verdict of "Death from Natural Causes" was returned. The evidence of seven witnesses was taken including that of Edward D. Barrett, who accompanied MacLean on the ill-fated hunting trip. Frank Dobson, James Donovan who found the remains. Dr. A. Calder, Dr. J. H. Lawley, Dentist, Constable R. M. Janes, R.C.M.P., Constable E.J. Riley, R.C.M.P. and Charles MacLean, brother of the deceased.

January 1953

Thursday 8

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and mostly cloudy with light northwest wind and a few light snow squalls. Min temperature 12, max temperature 22.

Week of Prayer Services

The fourth in the series was held in St. Bartholomews Anglican Church at 7:30 P.M. Rev. C. C. Walls of the First United Church was the preacher. Was not present, Emeline and Evelyn attended.

Sentenced

According to a news story appearing in today's issue of the Sydney Post Record, Ralph Connolly, 23 Thomas Archie MacDonald, 28 and Chas W. Giffen were sentenced to terms in the penitentiary, Dorchester, by C. Roy MacDonald, Stipendiary Magistrate of Glace Bay for stealing a safe containing about \$7,500.00 from the Metropolitan Store, Glace Bay on the night of Sunday, December 14, 1952. Connolly and MacDonald drew 4 years each while Giffen owing to his not having a previous record was let off with a 2 year sentence.

Three women: Mrs. Chas Griffen, Mrs. Virginia Mair and Irene Kyle, who were with the three men when arrested, each received 2 year suspended sentences. All pleaded guilty. The six were arrested by R.C.M.P. near Fredericton, New Brunswick less than twenty-four hours after the safe and money were stolen. Nearly all the money was recovered in the car at the time of the arrest. The safe was found near Sand Lake in the Glace Bay district.

January 1953

Friday 9

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy in the early morning, becoming sunny in the forenoon. Cloudy during the afternoon and evening. Min temperature 12, max temperature 26.

Week of Prayer Service

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attend the fifth and last of the series of "Week of Prayer" services. Service this evening was held in the First United Church with Rev. Jacob Bambury, Pastor of the Presbyterian Churches at Louisbourg, Catalone and Mira Ferry. About 90 persons

present. Choir attendance: 8. Sang solo, "God Knows".

Towed into Louisbourg

Fishing vessel, "Sarah Morton" Captain Nelson Miles missing since last Wednesday was towed into Louisbourg this morning by the R.C.M.P. Cutter, MacBrien. The "Sarah Morton" broke down after leaving Ingonish on last Tuesday night with a cargo of fish enroute to Glace Bay. A plane sighted her yesterday about 20 miles off Glace Bay. The MacBrien went to the rescue from North Sydney and picked her up off Scatarie Island. The "Sarah Morton" is owned by P.J. Cadegan, fish dealer of Glace Bay and carried a crew of three.

January 1953

Saturday 10

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate northwest wind. Became cloudy at about noon with wind shifting to easterly. Min temperature 13. Max temperature 28.

Death of Charles Huntington

The death of Charles Huntington occurred at his home at Mira Gut this evening, after a long illness. Mr. Huntington who was 79 years of age is survived by his wife, the former Miss Christine MacDonald, one son, John, who resides in Halifax, one daughter, Vilma (Mrs. Hull) at home, two brothers, Clifford and Fred Allan, who live at Huntington, N.S. He was the second son of the late Frederick Huntington, who was a first cousin to my father.

January 1953

Sunday 5

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with moderate southeast wind, which shifted to south and southwest before the end of the day. Mist and showers during the forenoon. Showers in the evening with heavy rain in the night. Min temperature 26, max temperature 43. Rainfall of yesterday and last night about 1 inch.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. The communion of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the morning service.

At this service the new communion table, presented by the Junior Guild and the session chairs, presented by the MacMillan Club, were first used in dispensing the Holy Communion.

Present at the morning service: about 65.

At the evening service: about 40.

Choir attendance: A.M. 6, at the P.M. service 8.

January 1953

Monday 12

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain ended in the early morning. Cloudy and foggy. Clearing at about 9:30 A.M. Sunny and mild with the wind having shifted from southwest to west, very light. Becoming cloudy in the afternoon with the wind shifting to northeast and increasing to fresh. Rain mixed with snow began to fall at about 7 P.M. Night stormy and very disagreeable. Min temperature 30. Max temperature 47.

January 1953

Tuesday 5

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and sunny with light winds, southerly at night. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening. Snowfall of last night about 3 inches. The whole countryside covered with a sheet of whiteness, giving the landscape a very wintery appearance. Min temperature 23. Max temperature 30. Light drizzle of snow at night, beginning at about 7 P.M.

Funeral of Charles Huntington

Emeline and I motored to Mira Gut with Roland Harris, Taximan in the early afternoon, where we attended the funeral of the late Charles Huntington. Funeral service was held at the Huntington home and was conducted by Rev. M. C. Munn, Pastor of the Baptist Church, Sydney and Rev. H. A. Westrup, Pastor of the Glace Bay Baptist Church. Funeral which was in charge of the Patton Funeral Home was largely attended. Hymns sung were: "Rock of Ages", and "Abide with Me". Burial took place in the Mira Gut Cemetery. We arrived back home at 4 P.M.

January 1953

Wednesday 14

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy with light winds. Snowfall of last night 1 inch. Colder at night. Min temperature 12, 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 Robert A. Peters

The death of Robert A. Peters occurred this morning in the City Hospital, Sydney after a period of ill health of upwards of three years. Mr. Peters was born at Mira Road, near Sydney but came to Louisbourg in 1894 where he and his late brother, Clarence, operated a grocery business for about 50 years. He was the son of the late Robert Peters, who during the later years of his life lived at Louisbourg and is survived by two brothers, Frederick at Trail British Columbia and Samuel at Sydney, N.S. He was about 85 years of age and unmarried. While at Louisbourg he was for a number of years Chief of the Louisbourg Volunteer Fire Department.

January 1953

Thursday 15

Louisbourg, N.S.

New Moon Today

Clear in the morning but becoming cloudy early in the day. Light variable winds, southerly at night. Min temperature 11. Max temperature 28.

January 1953

Friday 16

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, foggy and mild with moderate to fresh southwest. A few light showers in the evening. Min temperature 28. Max temperature 41. Snow melting fast.

Funeral of R.A. Peters

Shortly after noon, W. L. Skinner, Arthur M. Townsend and I motored to Sydney with Mayor George D. Lewis, where we attended the funeral of the late Robert A. Peters at 2 P.M. Services at the home of his brother, Samuel Peters, 199 Union Street, St George's Anglican Church and at the Cemetery were conducted by Rev. F. R. Halborow, Rector of Christ Church, (Anglican)

Death of Mrs. Charles Huntington

Mrs. Charles Huntington, whose husband passed away on last Saturday, the 10th, died today at her home at Mira Gut. Mrs. Huntington, who was 79 years of age was the former Miss Christine MacDonald of Sandfield, Mira. She is survived by one son, John who lives at Halifax, where he is manager of the branch of the Bank of Toronto, one daughter, Verma (Mrs. Hull) whose husband died about 7 years ago, five sisters: Miss Effie MacDonald, Mrs. Sarah Moody, Arlington, Mass. Mrs. Mary MacAulay, Oakdale, California. Mrs. Catherine Beaton, Sydney, N.S. and Mrs. Dan P. MacKeigan, Sandfield, Mira. One brother, John predeceased her many years ago.

January 1953

Saturday 17

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cold with gale of northwest wind which moderated to light wind in the evening. A few specks of snow in the air. Streets bare, dry and dusty. Clouds of dust as a result of the high wind. Min temperature 12. Max temperature 41.

C.G. S. Edward Cornwallis

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

January 1953

Sunday 18

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly. Snow began to fall at about 1:30 P.M. and was followed by rain at about 7:30 P.M. Fresh to strong southerly winds. Very blustery during the afternoon and evening. Min temperature 9, 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. The morning congregation numbered about 55, of which 10 were in the choir. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the evening congregation was but 22 with 6 of these in the choir.

January 1953

Monday 19

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear, mild and springlike with light variable winds. Snowfall of yesterday and last night which was followed by a drizzle of rain was about 4 inches. Min temperature 27. Max temperature 38.

Funeral of Mrs. Charles Huntington

In the early afternoon, Emeline and I motored to Mira Gut with Rolland Harris, (Taximan) where we attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Charles Huntington which took place at 2 P.M. Services at the house and cemetery were conducted jointly by Rev. Hugh Jack of George Street Presbyterian Church, Sydney and Rev. M.C. Munn of the United Baptist Church, Sydney. Funeral in charge of Patton's Funeral Home, Glace Bay, N.S. Burial took place in the Mira Gut Cemetery. Hymns sung during the service at the house: "Rock of Ages" and "Abide with Me".

We arrived back home at 3:45 P.M.

January 1953

Tuesday 20

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mild and partly clear with light westerly winds. Min temperature 26. Max temperature 37.

President Eisenhower Inaugurated

General Dwight David Eisenhower, took the oath of office as President of the United States of America at Washington, D.C. shortly after 12 o'clock noon Washington time today. General Eisenhower who is 62 years of age is the 34th President of the U.S.A. The oath was administered to the President by Chief Justice, Fred Vinson and to Richard M. Nixon, as Vice-President by Senator William Knowland. The retirement of Harry S. Truman ends the reign of the Democrats, who have been in power for the last 20 years.

Wolfe Street Water Installation

The Tidewater Construction Co. Ltd have reached the western boundary of the Town with the water installation, which was started on the 30th of last month. Five fire hydrants have been placed along the pipe line, which is 8 inches in diameter.

January 1953

Wednesday 21

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny with light north to northeast wind. A very lovely winter day. Streets bare but with patches of ice on the sidewalks. Min temperature 17. Max temperature 29.

Choir Practice

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

Visited National Park

Made a brief visit to the Louisbourg National and Historic Park in the forenoon with [blank] MacKeen and a Mr. Purvis, representing the Anglo-Canadian Mercantile Company Ltd. of Montreal who were in town on business. Gave them an order for Merchandise after returning from the Park.

Fishing Boat Destroyed

Sherman O'Hara of this town and two companions, James Meades and James [blank] narrowly escaped with their lives early this morning, when the boat in which they were fishing caught fire and blew up. They got away in their dory and a short time later were picked up by a fishing boat operated by Victor Harpell and brought to port. They were about 20 miles off Louisbourg when the accident occurred. The loss of the boat is estimated at about \$5000.00. No insurance.

Wolfe Street Water Extension

Tidewater Construction Company, began digging and laying pipe on the eastern end of Wolfe Street to connect with the main pipe near Gerrard's Bridge a distance of about 400 feet. They are working in a northeasterly direction from where they started operations on the 30th of last month. Owing to running short of 8 inch pipe, work was suspended in the afternoon on this street and digging operations begun on Warren Street for the installation of a hydrant opposite the western end of Victoria Street. About 300 feet of 8 inch pipe is required to complete the connection with the main pipe at the northeast end of Wolfe Street. Work will likely be resumed when the necessary pipe arrives.

The Men of Tidewater Company are leaving for their homes tomorrow, but will return when the pipe comes to hand, and if the weather is favorable.

January 1953

Thursday 22

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with light to moderate easterly winds, increasing to fresh in the evening. Drizzle of snow beginning at about 2:30 P.M. and ending at about 7:30 P.M. Snowfall 1 inch. Min temperature 16. Max temperature 29.

Meeting of Presbytery Committee

At 7:30 P.M. attended a joint meeting of the Committee of the Sydney Presbytery of the United Church, and the session and Board of Stewards of the First United Church, Louisbourg. Meeting held in the First United Church with Rev. J.H. MacCallam of Epworth United Church, Glace Bay as Chairman. Other members of the Presbytery committee which consisted of three were: William Bagnall, Treasurer, Knox United Church, Glace Bay and Mr. Atkinson of representing the United

Church at Donkin, C.B.

January 1953

Friday 23

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and moderately cold with moderate to fresh northerly winds. Min temperature 12, max temperature 30.

Hydrant Installed

Tidewater Construction Company Ltd of New Glasgow which has been installing sewers in the Town of Louisbourg, and water extension to the eastern and western boundaries of the Town, installed a Fire Hydrant on Warren Street today. It is located opposite the western end of Victoria Street.

January 1953

Saturday 24

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly becoming mild during the day. Light drizzle of snow in the early afternoon followed by a drizzle of rain and mist a short time later and ending at about 2:30 P.M. Fresh southwest wind increasing to strong during the night. Min temperature 13, max temperature 40.

Visited A.W. Stacey

Visited A.W. Stacey in the afternoon. Mr. Stacey has been ill with a cold for the past two weeks but is much better now and is able to be up and around the house.

Motor Car Accident

Harold Rudderham of this town was seriously injured this forenoon, when he was run over by his own car. He parked his car in front of the entrance to the Town office and got out of the car with the intention of going into the Town warehouse. As he started to walk ahead of the parked car, it started knocking him down and running over him. He managed to get clear of the car and make his way into the Town office where Town Clerk, D. F. Nicholson called Dr. A. L. Saunders. After a brief examination by the Doctor he was removed to his home on Warren Street, where he is suffering considerable pain as a result of his injuries.

Later: Mr. Rudderham was taken to the City Hospital on the 26th in an ambulance by D. M. Johnson for observation and x-ray examination.

January 1953

Sunday 25

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the morning, ending at about 8 A.M. Cloudy, foggy and mild with fresh southwest wind. Partly clearing in the evening with wind shifting to west. Rainfall about 1/4 inch. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 44.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. About 40 persons present at each service. Choir attendance: A.M. 8, P.M. 12.

January 1953

Monday 26

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, becoming partly clear, moderate northerly winds. A few light snow squalls during the night. Min temperature 20. Max temperature 39.

Congregational Meeting

At 8 P.M., Emeline and I attended the annual meeting of the First United church congregation meeting held in the church with Rev. C. C. Walls presiding with M. S. Huntington acting as Secretary. At this meeting the Pastors salary was set at \$2,700.00 with an allowance of \$400.00 for traveling expenses. Arthur M. Townsend resigned from the Board of Trustees. 24 persons present.

January 1953

Tuesday 27

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light to moderate northerly winds. An ideal winter day. Ground totally bare with the streets dry and dusty. Min temperature 12. Max temperature 23.

Death of Terry Morash

Terry Morash who has been ill for several months at his home at Big Lorraine, and was taken to Camp Hill Hospital yesterday for treatment, passed away this afternoon.

January 1953

Wednesday 28

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with light to moderate southerly winds increasing to moderate gale force in the early part of the night. Snow began to fall at about 8 P.M. and at a late hour the storm was still raging. Min temperature 10. Max temperature 30.

Fireman's Banquette

At 7:30 P.M. attended the annual Fireman's Banquette, which was held at Wong's Restaurant with about 30 person present, a number of whom were not members of the Fire Brigade. Fire Chief, Harvey Lewis presided and acted as Toastmaster. Addresses were given by Mayor Geo D. Lewis, Councillor Charles Bagnall, Fire Warden: Fred Burke, Deputy Chief, Harvey Lewis, Chief and M.S. Huntington.

Choir Practice

Emeline and I went to the First United Church with the intention of holding choir practice but

largely owing to the stormy night only 5 members arrived, so we called it off for tonight.

January 1953

Saturday 29

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showers that followed the snow storm of last night ended at about 7 A.M. Cloudy and mild becoming colder in the early part of the night. Light southwest wind shifting to light northwest. A few brief sunny intervals during the afternoon. Snowfall of last night about 2 inches. Rainfall about 1/4 inch.

Min temperature 24. Max temperature 40.

Heavy sea breaking on the shore as a result of the gale of last night. Snow of last has all melted. Ground entirely bare.

January 1953

Sunday 30

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and moderately cold with light variable winds, becoming cloudy in the late forenoon. Light snow squall at about 1 P.M., lasting for a few minutes and clearing immediately after. Sunny during the afternoon, night clear and moonlight. Min temperature 12, max temperature 28.

Motor Truck accident on Grand Lake

D. M. Johnston, Funeral Director and formerly chief of Police of this Town, narrowly escaped death by drowning when a motor truck which he was driving fell through the ice on Grand Lake and went to the bottom. He escaped through a window as the truck started to sink. He managed to save his dog, which was in the truck with him when the plunge took place. The accident took place about 500 yards from the place where he went on the ice near the highway.

Later: Salvage operations which began on Saturday the 31st and continued on Sunday, February 1, resulted in the truck being dragged ashore on Sunday evening. The damage to the truck was not serious.

January 1953

Saturday 31

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold, becoming cloudy in mid-afternoon. A very lovely winter day. Light westerly winds, shifting to southwest in the afternoon and increasing to strong in the early part of the night. A very light drizzle of snow beginning at about 6 P.M. was followed by mist at about 10 P.M. Min temperature 6, max temperature 33. Snowfall about 1/2 inch.

Snowfall for January, 1953: 12 inches

Rainfall for January 1953: 2 inches

Min temperature, January 1953: 6 on January 31

Max temperature, January 1953: 47 on January 12.

February 1953

Sunday 1

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with fresh southwest wind, increasing gradually until it reached heavy gale force in the early afternoon, decreasing in the early part of the night and shifting to westerly. Showers during the afternoon and evening. Clear and moonlight during the night. Min temperature 28. Max temperature 40. Rainfall about 1/8 inch.

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 congregation about 55. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the evening attendance was but 22. Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 8.

February 1953

Monday 2

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and partly clear with fresh to strong northwest wind. Min temperature, (A.M. and P.M.) 5. Max temperature (midnight last night) 30.

From a high of 40 yesterday evening the temperature dropped to a low of 5 this morning.

Ground entirely bare, and frozen hard, a decided change from the mud of yesterday.

Death of John J. MacAulay

The death of John J. MacAulay occurred at about 12:30 A.M. today at the home of his Brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. B.M. Spencer, East Main Street after an illness of about 2 months. Mr. MacAulay, who was about 78 years of age was born at Kennington Cove but has been a resident of Louisbourg for the past 30 years. He is survived by three sister: Mrs. B.M. Spencer, Louisbourg, Mrs. VonBiberstein, in the United States, and Mrs. John Wilson, Wolfe Street, Louisbourg. He was unmarried.

Death of Mrs. Albert Saad

The death of Mrs. Albert Saad, widow of the late Albert Saad occurred at her home, 288 Esplanade, Sydney after an illness of several months. Mrs. Saad who was about 65 years of age was born in Syria. Her husband predeceased her many years ago. She is survived by six sons: Louis, Edward, Sam. and Richard at Sydney, Charles in Halifax and Fred in Toronto. The Saad family lived for a number of years where Mr. Saad operated a barber shop.

February 1953

Tuesday 3

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cold and mostly sunny with light westerly winds shifting to southwest in the afternoon. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening. Min temperature (A.M.) 5. Max temperature 24.

Nova Scotia Legislature opened

The fourth session of the 44th Legislature of the Province opened at Halifax today under the Premiership of Hon Angus L. MacDonald. The speech from the Throne was read by the new Lieut Governor Hon Alistair Fraser, M.C.Q.C. R. L. Stanfield is Leader of the Conservative Opposition.

February 1953

Wednesday 4

Louisbourg, N.S.

Fierce snowstorm with northeast gale. Snow began to fall in the early morning and kept increasing in volume during the day. Moderate northeast wind increasing until it reached heavy gale force at noon. Wind moderated to some extent in the evening. A very unpleasant day. Snowfall about 8 inches. Min temperature 22, max temperature 29.

Bus Service Interrupted

Bus Service between Sydney and Louisbourg running behind schedule. Evening trip from Sydney canceled. Highway snow plough from Sydney arrived here at about 8:30 P.M. thus opening the highway for motor traffic.

Funeral

At 2:30 P.M. attended the funeral of the late John J. MacAulay which took place from the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Spencer, East Main Street. Services at the house and grave were conducted by Rev. C. C. Walls, Pastor of the First United church. Burial in Catalone Cemetery. Went to Mr. Spencer's and to Catalone Cemetery with Mr. Walls. Other occupants of the car from Mr. Spencer's to the cemetery were: Donald and John Beaver, John Beaver drove the car to the cemetery and back. Owing to the heavy snowfall the going was very heavy giving us some difficulty on the return trip, the car getting stuck on two or three occasions. We arrived back at about 4:30P.M. Hymns sung at the funeral service: "The Lord's My Shepard" and "The Sands of Time are Sinking".

February 1953

Thursday 5

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cold with light variable winds. A perfect winter day. Min temperature 12, max temperature 27.

Streets ploughed

Beavers snow plough opened the street of the Town for normal motor traffic during the day. Ground bare in many places and heavy snow drifts in others, as a result of yesterdays gale.

Marriage

The marriage of Daniel Townsend, son of Mrs. Townsend and the late Daniel Townsend of this Town to Miss June Anna MacLeod, daughter of Alex MacLeod and the late Mrs. MacLeod, Sydney took place today in St. Andrew's United Church, Sydney. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Stanley MacQueen.

February 1953

Friday 6

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and moderately cold with light north west wind. A perfect winter day. Min temperature 12, max temperature 28.

Wolfe Street Water Installed

The men of the Tidewater Construction Company Ltd. under the foremanship of James Cumming, who arrived back here on last Tuesday night are at work on Wolfe Street laying the water pipe from where they quit work on the 22nd of January to the main pipe at the junction of Wolfe and Riverdale Streets. They installed a fire hydrant yesterday opposite the shop of Clifford Peck. This makes six hydrants on Wolfe Street.

February 1953

Saturday 7

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cold but becoming mild during the forenoon. Light southwest wind. Min temperature 11, max temperature 35.

Water Installation

Visited the junction of Wolfe and Riverdale Streets in the afternoon where the men of the Tidewater Construction Company are shortly to connect the Wolfe Street water line with the Main line leading from Kelly's Lake. Motored to the plant on the new water line with Douglas Allen, Engineer before returning.

February 1953

Sunday 8

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain beginning in the early morning, continued moderately all day. Mild, snow melting rapidly. Moderate southwest wind. Rainfall about ½ inch. Min temperature 32. 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. Total attendance in the morning 36, in the evening 40. Choir attendance: A.M. 4, P.M. 6.

Burglary

Rexall Drug Store on the corner of Main and Warren Street was burglarized at an early hour this morning. Entry was made by forcing the front door. A considerable quantity of goods were stolen, part of which consisted of watches, and cigarettes lighters. No clue to the thief or thieves. The store is owned by Dr. Freeman O'Neil of Sydney and is operated by Alistair MacDonald.

February 1953

Monday 9**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and mild. Heavy southwest gale which began in the early morning moderated to some extent during the late forenoon but continued blowing a strong breeze until the evening when it decreased to light. Min temperature 30. Max temperature 43.

Water Connection Completed

Wolfe Street water line was connected with the Main line at the junction of Wolfe and Riverdale Streets today.

Death of Mrs. James Burke

According to a new item appearing in today's issue of the Sydney Post Record, the death of Mrs. James Burke, widow of the late James Burke, occurred at St. Joseph's Hospital on last Saturday. Mrs. Burke who was 84 years of age was a resident of Louisbourg for many years. After the death of her husband in 1921, she removed to Glace Bay. She is survived by three sons: Patrick, William and Manning. She was a native of Main-a-dieu, the former Jane Harte.

February 1953**Tuesday 10****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with light northwest wind. A few light snow squalls. Snowfall about 1/4 inch. Min temperature 18, max temperature 29.

Turkey Supper

At 5 P.M. in company with Emeline, was present at a Turkey supper held in St. Bartholomews Parish hall under the auspices of the Orange Lodge.

February 1953**Wednesday 11****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with a few gleams of sunshine and occasional snow flurries in the forenoon. Steady light drizzle of snow during the afternoon and late into the night. Fresh to strong northerly winds. A very disagreeable day as far as weather is concerned. Min temperature 16. Max temperature 29. Snowfall about 2 inches.

Burial

The remains of Mrs. James Burke, who died at Glace Bay on last Saturday were brought here today for burial. Interment took place in Stella Maris Roman Catholic Cemetery.

Marriage

The marriage of [blank]

February 1953

Thursday 12**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with a few brief sunny intervals. Light northerly winds. Min temperature 22, max temperature 28.

February 1953**Friday 13****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Mostly sunny during the early part of the day, but becoming cloudy shortly before noon. Light drizzle of snow began to fall at about 2 P.M. and continued for about two hours, melting as it fell. Snowfall about 1/4 inch. Min temperature 20. Max temperature 36.

February 1953**Saturday 14****Louisbourg, N.S.****Snow storm**

Snow storm beginning in the early morning ended shortly after noon and was then followed by a light drizzle of snow, ending in the evening. Cleared during the night. Strong northeast wind shifting to north and moderating to light in the evening. Snowfall about 7 inches. Min temperature 22, max temperature 30.

Construction Men Leave for Home

Tidewater Construction Company men under the foremanship of James Cumminger, of New Glasgow who returned here on the 3rd of this month for the purpose of completing the extension of the water service on Wolfe Street, left for their homes this morning. The sewage and water systems are now about completed, with the exception of some cleaning up and a few other odds and ends which will likely be attended to next spring.

February 1953**Sunday 15****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny with an almost cloudless sky, becoming cloudy and overcast early in the afternoon. Light northwest wind, becoming variable and southwest during the late afternoon. An ideal winter day. Min temperature 18, 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. A total of about 60 persons present at each service. Choir attendance: A.M. 8, P.M. 11.

Visited the Staceys

After the evening service, with Dan F. Nicholson, motored to the home of Mr. and Mrs. A.W.

Stacey, where we remained until about 10:30 P.M. before returning. Mr. Stacey has been in poor health and confined to his home for the past six or seven weeks. He is much better now and expects to be out again within the next few days.

Death of Mrs. Charles Hunt

The death of Mrs. Charles Hunt occurred at her home on Lorway Street at about 10:30 P.M. today, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Hunt who was about 78 years of age is survived by her husband, five sons: James at Sydney, Alexander, Alfred, and Trueman at Louisbourg, Seward at Marion Bridge. Four daughters: Mrs. MacDonald, (Christine) New Waterford, Mrs. D. J. MacIntyre (Gladys), Mrs. Walter Jewell (Rita) and Mrs. Neil MacKeigan (Bessie) all of Louisbourg.

February 1953

Monday 16

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain beginning in the early morning ended in the forenoon. Sunny for several hours during the afternoon. Frost at night. Heavy easterly gale, shifting to southwest and to west at night, moderating to some extent at noon. Rainfall about 1/4 inch. Min temperature 24. Max temperature 39.

February 1953

Tuesday 17

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly sunny with southwest to west winds. Cloudy in the early part of the night with some light squalls of soft snow falling. Wind light in the evening and night. Min temperature 24. Max temperature 38. Snowfall about 1/2 inch.

Funeral

At 1:30 P.M., attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Charles Hunt. Service at the house, Presbyterian Church and grave were conducted by Rev. Jacob Bambury, Pastor of the Presbyterian congregation at Mira Ferry, Catalone and Louisbourg. Burial took place in Willow Grove Cemetery on Clarke's Road. Funeral in charge of D. M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg. Motored to the funeral and from with Mayor George D. Lewis.

February 1953

Wednesday 18

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cold with fresh to strong westerly winds. Min temperature 12, max temperature 29.

Meeting of Board of Stewards

At 8 P.M., attended a regular meeting of the Board of Stewards of the First United Church. Meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roderick MacLeod, with Edison Skinner, presiding. Edison Skinner and John MacRury were reelected, Chairman and Secretary respectfully. Those

present were: Rev. C. C. Walls, Alex MacKinnon, Charles Bagnall, Roderick MacLeod, Edison Skinner, John Skinner, Gervin MacLean, Edward Levy and M.S. Huntington.

February 1953

Thursday 19

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold with fresh to strong northwest wind. Min temperature 16, max temperature 24.

Federal Budget

The Federal Budget for 1953 was announced at Ottawa today. A number of changes were made in taxes on various classes of goods. As a result of which the price of cigarettes for a package of 20 had dropped from 39 cents to 33 cents and a package of 25 from 49 to 41.

February 1953

Friday 20

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cold with light northwest wind. A typical winter day. Min temperature 15, max temperature 30.

World Day of Prayer

At 2:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the "World Day of Prayer" service held in the First United church. About 40 persons present. Choir attendance: 7.

February 1953

Saturday 21

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light showers during the afternoon and night. Light to moderate southerly winds. Southwest in the first half of the night, increasing to strong. Rainfall about 1/4 inch. Min temperature 22, max temperature 42.

February 1953

Sunday 22

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mild and mostly clear with strong westerly winds. At times reaching gale force. Gusty. Min temperature 24, max temperature (early A.M.) 43.

Fields and clearings entirely bare with exception of a few small patches of snow.

Church Services

Services in the First United Church at 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. Preacher Rev. C. C. Walls, who spoke on temperance at both services, this being Temperance Sunday. I was not out to church today owing to having a cold. Emeline, Evelyn and Jane present at both services.

February 1953

Monday 23

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny with cloudy intervals and a few light snow squalls. Cold with fresh northwest wind. Snowfall about ½ inch. Min temperature 12, max temperature 26.

February 1953

Tuesday 24

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cold with fresh to strong northwest wind, decreasing in the late afternoon. Min temperature 12, max temperature 26.

Visited the Hilchie's

In the evening, Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. William Hilchie at their home on Warren Street.

Death of Mrs. Williams

The death of Mrs. William Williams 84, occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Falconer, Dartmouth, N.S. where she had been visiting for the past several months. She was married three times and had been a resident of Louisbourg for upwards of fifty years. Her first husband was Dan Ferguson, Second, [blank] Goodwin, third, William Williams, all of whom predeceased her. She is survived by one son, Daniel Ferguson of this town, two daughters: Mrs. Ernest Falconer, Dartmouth, N.S. and Mrs. Dan MacKinnon of West Louisbourg.

February 1953

Wednesday 25

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light snow squalls in the early morning. Mostly clear and mild during the day with light westerly winds. Min temperature 14, max temperature 34.

Choir Practice

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

Death of Mrs. Florence Huntington

The death of Mrs. Florence Huntington, Widow of the late Herbert Seymour Huntington, occurred this morning at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bowers, Sydney River. Mrs. Huntington, who was about 67 years of age is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Philip Bowers with whom she resided, Mrs. Robert MacLellan, Toronto and one son, Walter, Glace Bay, N.S. Her husband, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Huntington, predeceased her many years ago.

February 1953

Thursday 26

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cold, becoming cloudy shortly after noon. Moderate to fresh west winds shifting to southwest. Min temperature 8, max temperature 33.

February 1953

Friday 27

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow began to fall in the early morning, decreasing at times to light drizzle. Light variable winds, mostly southwest. Light frost during the night. Snowfall about 3 inches. Min temperature 26, max temperature 37.

Funeral

The funeral of the late Mrs. William Williams took place at 9 o'clock this morning. Service was held in Stella Maris Roman Catholic Church and was conducted by Rev. Father M.J. MacSween, P. P. Burial took place in Stella Maris Cemetery.

February 1953

Saturday 28

Louisbourg, N.S.

Snow beginning in the early morning ended in the mid-forenoon and was followed by a partly clear sky, becoming sunny at noon. Light west to northwest wind. Snowfall about 2 inches. Frost at night. Min temperature about 24, max temperature about 24.

Total Snowfall for February: 23 ½ inches

Total Rainfall for February: 1 1/8 inch.

Min temperature for February: 5 above zero, on the 2nd and 3rd.

Max temperature for February: 43 on the 9th and 22nd.

March 1953

Sunday 1

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and springlike becoming hazy shortly after noon. Light to moderate westerly wind. A very lovely day. Min temperature 16, 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. Present at the morning service: about 65, about 55 at the evening service. Choir attendance 11 at each service.

March 1953

Monday 2

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly cloudy, clearing in the forenoon, mostly sunny during the afternoon. Moderate to fresh northwest wind, decreasing to light in the evening. Min temperature 18, max temperature 34.

March 1953

Tuesday 3

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear with light to moderate northwest wind. A very lovely winter day. Min temperature 14, max temperature 31.

Death of John Hector MacDonald

The death of John Hector MacDonald, occurred at the City Hospital, Sydney last night. He was a native of Sandfield, Mira and was about 69 years of age.

Letter From Beatrice

Received a letter from my sister-in-law at Winnipeg saying that my brother, Wentworth has suffered a slight stroke and was in a hospital.

March 1953

Wednesday 4

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with light to moderate southerly winds, increasing in the afternoon to gale force. The snow began to fall at about 4 P.M. About an hour later it turned to rain and drizzle. Snowfall about 1 inch. Min temperature 6, max temperature 35.

To Sydney and Return

Left here at 8 A.M. and motored to Sydney in the mail truck with Alex Burke. Returning, left Sydney at 12:15 P.M. on Highland Lines Bus. Made several business calls at Sydney, including one to Woodill's Agency, where I arranged for repairs to my typewriter.

March 1953

Thursday 5

Louisbourg, N.S.

Gale of last night moderated in the early morning. Rain ended at about 10:30 A.M. Cleared during the early afternoon. Wind shifting to westerly increasing to strong and to northwest in the evening decreasing. Rainfall of last night and today 1 1/4 inch. Min temperature 27, max temperature 39.

March 1953

Friday 6

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear during the forenoon. Cloudy with a light snow squall at noon. Mostly sunny during the afternoon. Light westerly winds. Min temperature 21, max temperature 33.

Death of Joseph Stalin Russian Dictator

Press and radio announced the death of the Russian Premier, Joseph Stalin which is said to have taken place last night in Moscow.

C. S. S. Saurel

Canadian Government Steamer, "Saurel" Capt. [blank], arrived in the evening and docked at the Freight Wharf.

March 1953**Saturday 7****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Clear and cold with fresh northwest winds, decreasing to light in the early part of the night. Min temperature 8, max temperature 32.

Bean Supper

At 5 P.M., in company with Emeline, attended a Bean Supper held in Calvin hall under the auspices of the First United Church Brotherhood.

March 1953**Sunday 8****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Hazy with sunny intervals. Cold with light northerly winds. Min temperature 7, max temperature 24.

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. Attendance at the morning service about 45, evening about 55. Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 8.

Visited the Townsend's

After church in the evening, Emeline and I visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Townsend at their home on Alma Street. Mr. Townsend met with an accident by falling from a ladder, about a week ago. He was confined to his bed, but is now able to be up and around the house.

Visitors from Huntington

In the afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huntington, daughter, Lorna and infant son, Linden and Mrs. Clifford Huntington, my sister, arrived from Huntington and spent the afternoon with us. They left for home at about 6 P.M.

March 1953

Monday 9

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and very chilly with strong northeast wind. Light snow squalls at intervals all day. Clouds of dust and snow driven with the wind. Min temperature 7, max temperature 22.

Garden Club

Attended a meeting of the recently organized Garden Club. Meeting held in the school building with Mrs. Harvey Lewis, presiding.

March 1953

Tuesday 10

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cold with fresh to strong northwest wind. Light snow squalls during the night. Min temperature 7, max temperature 23.

March 1953

Wednesday 11

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cold with fresh to strong northerly wind. Light snow squalls in the early morning. Snowfall of last night about ½ inch. Min temperature 8, max temperature 27.

S. S. ANGUSLAKE

Steamer, "Anguslake" arrived shortly after noon for a cargo of coal. Loading began at 4P.M. First coal to be shipped from here this season.

Death of Wentworth B. Huntington

Received a telegram at about 6 o'clock this evening from Beatrice, stating that her husband, my brother had passed away.

March 1953

Thursday 12

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some partly clear intervals. Moderate westerly wind. Min temperature 10, max temperature 43.

S. S. ANGUSLAKE

Steamer, "Anguslake" sailed in the forenoon with a cargo of coal, enroute to Halifax. First cargo of coal to be shipped from Louisbourg this season.

March 1953

Friday 13

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with light drizzle of snow beginning in the early morning and continuing until late into the night. Moderate to fresh northeast wind. Min temperature 20, max temperature 32.

Death of F. J. Mitchell

The death of Frederick J. Mitchell, occurred at his home on Mitchell Avenue, Dominion today. Mr. Mitchell who was 87 years of age was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mitchell. Henry Mitchell was owner of the Old Bridgeport Collieries, which later became the Property of the Dominion Coal Company Ltd. Mr. Mitchell was a school teacher as a young man but early in life engaged in general mercantile business which he operated until shortly before his death. He was for many years Mayor of the Town of Dominion being the first person to hold that office after the incorporation.

March 1953**Saturday 14****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Snow storm of yesterday and last night was followed by rain in the morning which continued until mid-afternoon. Fresh to strong easterly and southerly winds, decreasing to light in the forenoon, melted as the temperature rose at noon. Streets very slushy. Snowfall of yesterday and last night about 6 inches. Rainfall about 3/4 inch. Min temperature 21, max temperature 37.

March 1953**Sunday 15****New Moon Today****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with a few partly clear intervals. Fresh to strong northwest wind shifting to north during the afternoon. Min temperature 26, max temperature 33.

French Trawler "SATURNIA H. 2627

French Fishing Trawler, Saturnia H. 2627 arrived at about 9:30 A.M. and docked on the east side of the Freight wharf.

S. S. MIQUELON

French Passenger and Freight Steamer, "MIQUELON" arrived last night or early this morning and docked at the Government wharf. The Miquelon runs between Halifax, N.S. and St. Pierre.

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 45, in the evening about 50. Choir attendance: 9 at each service.

March 1953**Monday 16**

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with fresh to strong easterly winds, shifting to southerly in the early afternoon. Min temperature 26, max temperature 36.

S. S. MIGUELON

French Passenger and Freight Steamer, "Miguelon" sailed during the afternoon.

Tug EMPIRE JOHN

British Empire Steel and Coal Company's Tug, "EMPIRE JOHN" arrived from Sydney this evening.

March 1953

Tuesday 17

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the early morning, ending in the forenoon. Cloudy and mild during the afternoon. Strong southeast wind shifting to southwest and moderating. Rainfall about 1/4 inch. Min temperature 28, max temperature 40.

Drift Ice

Harbor full of slab drift ice. First drift ice this season.

March 1953

Wednesday 18

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny, but becoming cloudy early in the day. Moderate northwest wind. Min temperature 24, max temperature 40.

S. S. ANGUSLAKE

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

Choir Practice

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

S. S. URANIA

French fishing Trawler, "Urania" arrived in the afternoon and docked on the east side of the Freight wharf. I understand she is here for the purpose of landing a man who was ill.

March 1953

Thursday 19

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy with light to moderate easterly winds. Min temperature 28, max temperature 36.

S. S. ANGUSLAKE

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

Trawlers, SATURNIA and URANIA

French Trawlers, "Saturnia" and "Urania" sailed enroute to the fishing grounds in the morning.

S. S. SEABOARD TRADER

Steamer, "Seaboard Trader" arrived in the evening and docked on the east side of the Freight wharf. This boat is her for the purpose of loading a part cargo of steel products.

March 1953

Friday 20

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, becoming mostly clear during the forenoon. Cloudy at night. Light to moderate easterly winds. Min temperature 25, max temperature 37.

March 1953

Saturday 21

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cool with moderate to fresh easterly winds. Min temperature 24, max temperature 40.

Nova Scotia Legislature Prorogued

The Nova Scotia Legislature which has been in session since the 3rd of February last prorogued today.

E. MacKay Forbes sworn In

E. MacKay Forbes, Q.C. today was sworn in as Stipendiary Magistrate of the Town of Glace Bay. Mr. Forbes succeeds C. Roy MacDonald, Q.C. who recently resigned from that office. The oath of office was administered by Mayor Dan A. MacDonald of Glace Bay. Mr. Forbes, a former Mayor of Glace Bay, is and has been for several years, solicitor for the Town of Louisbourg.

March 1953

Sunday 22

Louisbourg, N.S.

Remarkably clear with light to moderate northeast wind. A very lovely early spring day. Min temperature 24. Max temperature 48.

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 at each service. Choir attendance: A.M. 12, P.M. 14.

S. S. ANGUSLAKE

Steamer, "Anguslake" arrived last night or early this morning for a cargo of coal.

March 1953

Monday 23

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cool with fresh to strong north winds, decreasing at night. Min temperature 26, max temperature 38.

March 1953

Tuesday 24

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cool with light northerly wind, shifting to southerly. An ideal day. Min temperature 20, max temperature 40.

QUEEN MARY DIES

Queen Mary, widow of the late King George the fifth died this evening at her home, Marlborough House, London, England, after an illness of several months. She was 85 years of age, being born on May 26, 1867, the daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Leck. In 1901 the future King and Queen toured Canada from coast to coast as the Duke and Duchess of York. On October 19, I had the privilege of seeing them as they were escorted through the streets of Halifax, N.S. In the afternoon a military display was held on Halifax Common, the Duke and Duchess being present, when the Duke presented medals to soldiers who has recently returned from Boer War in South Africa. The Duke and Duchess sailed enroute for home on October 21, 1901 on board the Royal Yacht, "Ophir". As she sailed down Halifax harbor the band on board played "Home Again".

March 1953

Wednesday 25

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cool with light northerly winds, which shifted to south in the forenoon and to southeast in the afternoon, increasing to fresh in the evening. Min temperature 26, max temperature 39.

Choir Practice

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

March 1953

Thursday 26

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy during the forenoon, partly clear in the afternoon. Cool with moderate to fresh easterly winds. Min temperature 30, max temperature 42.

S. S. SEABOARD TRADER

Canadian Steamer, "Seaboard Trader" which loaded a part cargo of steel products at this port, sailed at 7 A.M. enroute to Liverpool, England via Halifax, N.S. While here she took on board about 4000 tons of steel products. This is the first shipment of steel from Louisbourg this season.

Supper and Sale

At 5 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the semi-annual Supper and Sale held under the auspices of the MacMillan Club of the First United Church.

Sailed for Sydney

British Empire Steel and Coal Company's tug, "Empire John", Capt Cobbham, which has been here since the 16th of this month, sailed for Sydney today to resume her duties at that port.

March 1953

Friday 27

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and clear with fresh easterly winds. Min temperature 28, max temperature 40.

S. S. MIQUELON

French Steamer, passengers, mail and freight arrived and sailed. The Miguelon plys between Halifax and St. Pierre Miguelon. While here she picked a quantity of mail, which was brought from Sydney by truck.

March 1953

Saturday 28

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with some fog. Rain beginning in the afternoon continued during the night. Moderate easterly winds. Min temperature 30, max temperature 40.

March 1953

Sunday 29

Palm Sunday

Louisbourg, N.S.

The rain of yesterday and last night ended in the early morning. Today is cloudy and foggy with light winds. Misty in the early part of the night. Rainfall of yesterday and last night was 1 1/4 inch. Min temperature 33, max temperature 42.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., accompanied by Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher. Present in the morning about 45, in the evening about 50. Choir attendance: A.M. 11, P.M. 12.

Held choir practice at the close of the evening service for numbers for the special service on Holy Week and Easter Sunday.

March 1953

Monday 30

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with light to moderate easterly winds, increasing to fresh in the evening and to strong during the night. Rain during the afternoon and evening, continuing during the night. Min temperature 35, max temperature 42.

March 1953

Tuesday 31

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light easterly winds and some fog. Rainfall of yesterday and last night 1/4 inch. Min temperature 34, max temperature 48.

Snowfall for March 1953 7 ½ inches
Rainfall for March 1953 3 ¾ inches
Min temperature for March 1953 6 on the 4th
Max temperature for March 1953 48 on the 22nd and 31st.

April 1953

Wednesday 1

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain in the early morning. Cloudy with some fog becoming partly clear in the late afternoon. Light variable winds, mild. Rainfall about 1/4 inch. Min temperature 34, max temperature 49.

Holy Week Services

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the first of the series of Holy Week services in the First United Church. Service in charge of Rev. C.C. Walls with the special speaker Rev. S. G. MacQueen, pastor of St. Andrew's United Church, Sydney. About 65 present. Choir attendance: 14. Held choir practice at the close of the service.

April 1953

Thursday 2

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with some fog. Moderate northeast wind. Misty at night. Min temperature 33, max temperature 43.

Holy Week Service

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the second in the series of Holy Week Services. Service was held in the First United church with Rev. C.C. Walls in charge. The guest speaker was Rev. H.G. MacKenzie of Gabarus United Church. About 80 present. Choir attendance: 13.

April 1953

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

Cloudy and cool with some fog. Light to moderate northeast wind, becoming more northerly in the late afternoon. Min temperature 33, max temperature 43.

Holy Week Service

At 7:30 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the third and last of the 1953 Holy Week Services. Service held in the First United Church with the preacher, Rev. C. C. Walls. Present at this service, about 70. Choir attendance: 13.

S. S. MIGUELON

French Steamer, "Miquelon" arrived and docked at the Government wharf. While here she picked up a quantity of mail, brought here by truck from Sydney.

April 1953**Saturday 4****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool, becoming clear and sunny early in the afternoon. A very lovely afternoon and evening. Light northerly wind. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 53.

S. S. MIGUELON

French Steamer, "Miquelon" sailed.

April 1953**Sunday 5****Louisbourg, N.S.**

A few clear intervals during the forenoon, but mostly cloudy throughout the day. Some fog in the evening. Moderate northerly winds, northeast in the late afternoon and evening. Mild, no frost.

Thermometer Destroyed

I very much regret that I am unable to give the minimum and maximum temperatures for the past 24 hours as I have been doing for many years past. At about 9:30 P.M., when I went out to take the readings, as I usually do, I found that some person had destroyed the thermometer. I suspect a boy who called at the house, after we came from church.

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. The communion of the Lord's Supper was dispersed during the morning service. Four joined the church, on profession of faith at the morning service, among them, my niece, Jane Evelyn Huntington, who also received the rite of baptism. The others were: Muriel Smith, Marlene Fleet and Margaret MacGillivray. Mrs. Vernon MacIntyre was also received into church membership by transfer from Gordon United Church, Reserve Mines, Cape Breton, N.S.

About 125 present at the morning service and about 100 in the evening. Choir attendance: A.M. 12, P.M. 15.

April 1953

Monday 6

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with light northeast wind, shifting to southwest in the evening. Some fog at night. Light rain during the afternoon, showers at night.

April 1953

Tuesday 7

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with a few brief clear intervals in the afternoon. Foggy at night. Light southwest wind. Mild. Rainfall of yesterday and last night 1/8 inch.

To Sydney and Return

Emeline and Jane went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. bus on a shopping trip. They returned on the Highland Lines Bus, leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M.

April 1953

Wednesday 8

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild becoming partly clear at noon. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening. Foggy at night. Light variable winds. No frost.

Choir practice

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

April 1953

Thursday 9

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with light to moderate north to northeast winds. Some mist and fog at night. Temperature at 10 P.M., 38.

Supper and Sale

At about 5 P.M., Emeline and I attended the semi-annual supper and Fancy sale, held in the Parish hall, under the auspices of the ladies of the congregation of St. Bartholomews Anglican Church.

Fox Sparrows Arrived

A number of Fox Sparrows made their appearance in our back yard this morning, the first I have seen this season. They are on their northern migration usually arriving here at any time between

the first and tenth of this month, and remaining for about three or four weeks.

April 1953

Friday 10

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with moderate easterly winds. Misty with some fog and occasional light drizzle of rain. Max temperature about 40.

April 1953

Saturday 13

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate northeast wind. Max temperature about 45.

April 1953

Sunday 14

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light northeast wind, shifting to northwest and increasing to fresh. Light winds at night. Beginning at about 1 P.M. Sunny during the remainder of the afternoon. Max temperature about 52.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. Attendance in the morning about 75, in the evening about 55. Choir attendance: A.M. 8, P.M. 12.

Fire Alarm

Fire Alarm sounded at about 4:15 P.M. for a small grass fire east of Warren Street. The firemen and pumper turned out, but the fire had been extinguished before they reached the scene.

Choir Practice

Held choir practice at the close of the evening service.

April 1953

Monday 13

New Moon Today

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny in the morning becoming cloudy during the forenoon. Rain began to fall in the early afternoon and continued during the afternoon and night. Moderate variable winds, mostly south and southeast, increasing to strong at night. Max temperature about 50.

Minstrel Show

At 8 P.M. Emeline and I attended a minstrel show in Calvin hall staged by Trinity Ministries of

Whitney Pier, Sydney under the auspices of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, Louisbourg. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the attendance was small.

Tidewater Men Returned

Men of the Tidewater Construction Company Limited under the direction of James Cumming and Douglas Allan, Engineer returned today for the purpose of completing the sewer and water project in this Town.

April 1953

Tuesday 14

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain of last night ended early in the forenoon. Cleared at about noon. Sunny for a while during the afternoon. Cloudy in the evening. Moderate southwest wind increasing to strong in the evening. Max temperature about 45. Rainfall of yesterday and last night about 1 inch.

April 1953

Wednesday 15

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with a few light showers, some of which were mixed with snow. Cloudy during the afternoon with the sun showing through occasionally. Strong south southwest wind, decreasing to light at night. Max temperature about 45.

Provincial Election Date Announced

According to radio and press report of today Premier Angus L. MacDonald, last night named May 26, 1953 as the date for the coming Provincial Election in Nova Scotia. May 12 is to be Nomination Day.

Death of Wilfred MacAlpine

See page April 17.

Death of Mrs. Alex Johnston

The death of Mrs. Alex Johnston, a former resident of Louisbourg, occurred at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Shepherd, Glace Bay today after a long illness. Mrs. Johnston who was the former Miss Margaret Munroe of Kennington Cove, C.B. lived in this town for a number of years, before removing to Glace Bay. Surviving are one sister, Mrs. Anderson (Annie) Halifax and one brother, Archie Munroe, Louisbourg. She was about 86 years of age. Her husband predeceased her many years ago.

April 1953

Thursday 16

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool becoming mostly clear in the afternoon. Fresh to strong northwest wind decreasing at night. Max temperature about 45.

April 1953

Friday 17

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear, becoming cloudy during the afternoon with rain beginning to fall at about 8:30 P.M. Light southerly winds, shifting to southeast in the afternoon and increasing to strong in the early part of the night. Frost in the morning. Min temperature about 27, max temperature about 50.

Death of Wilfred MacAlpine

Today's issue of the Chronicle Herald, reported the death of Wilfred MacAlpine aged 53. Mr. MacAlpine was born at Louisbourg, a son of the late W.E. MacAlpine, who was Mayor of Louisbourg from 1909 until 1920. He served overseas in the 85th Battalion Cape Breton Highlanders in the First World War, was wounded at Vimy Ridge and as a result of the wound one arm was permanently crippled. After the war he went to Halifax where he was employed for a while with the workmen's compensation board and later as an accountant with Moirs Limited. He left Halifax about 22 years ago and went to Toronto where he was employed with the Rev Company as an accountant. According to the press account of his death, he died in the Fort Cumberland Hotel at Amherst, N.S. while enroute to Halifax. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Mary Lane of Halifax, three brothers, Robert and Charles at Halifax, William at New Glasgow, one sister, Mrs. Margaret MacKay at Halifax.

April 1953

Saturday 18

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and chilly with strong southwest and west -southwest winds. Rain showers mixed with snow beginnings in the forenoon and continuing at intervals until late into the night. Clear snow at times melting as it fell. Drizzle of rain. Min temperature about 35. Max temperature about 40.

April 1953

Sunday 19

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with a few sunny intervals and light north west wind. A rather nice day. Max temperature about 45.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. Service in the morning in charge of Rev. C. C. Walls with Rev. Robert MacNaught, Pastor of a United Church at Larnack, Ontario. At the evening service, when Rev. C.C. Walls was absent, the preacher was Rev. Harold Kennedy, pastor of the United Church at North River, St. Ann's, Victoria County, N.S. Present at the morning service about 110. At the evening service about 100. Choir attendance: A.M. 14, P.M. 16.

April 1953

Monday 20**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with strong southeast wind shifting to southwest at night and moderating to light some fog. Rain beginning in the forenoon and ending in the evening. Rainfall ½ inch. Cleared during the night. Min temperature about 35, max temperature about 40.

Fox Sparrows are Gone

Fox Sparrows which arrived here on the 9th of this month on their northerly migration have all disappeared. They usually remain here for at least three weeks before taking their departure for their nesting grounds. This spring their stay was much shorter and their numbers smaller than in former years. This year the most I had seen at one time was not more than ten.

April 1953**Tuesday 21****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain showers in the early morning followed by snow and rain mixed and later by clear snow squalls and drizzle which ended in mid-forenoon. Cloudy and cool with a few partly clear intervals, during the afternoon. Rainfall about 1/8 inch, snowfall about ½ inch. Fresh southwest to west southwest winds. Min temperature about 33, max temperature about 45.

April 1953**Wednesday 22****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cool and mostly sunny with fresh southwest wind. Max temperature, 45.

Choir Practice

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

April 1953**Thursday 23****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with moderate southwest wind increasing to fresh in the afternoon and to heavy gale force during the night. Heavy rain beginning at about 6 P.M. Max temperature about 45.

Fire Alarm

At about 4:30 P.M. the fire alarm sounded for a grass fire which was quickly extinguished.

Cape Breton West Liberal Convention

Thomas Kennedy, James Peck, Colin MacLean and I motored to Riverview School building, with Ralph Baker, where at 8 P.M. we, with other delegates from Louisbourg and other parts of the Cape Breton West constituency attended a nominating convention in the interests of the Liberal

party. Dan MacMillan, President of the Cape Breton West Liberal association presided while the Secretary, Councillor Alex Ferguson was also present. I moved the nomination of the Hon. Malcolm A. Patterson, Attorney General of the Province, who for the past sixteen years has represented this constituency in the Nova Scotia Legislature. The nomination was seconded by Charles Peters of Mira Road. Speakers at the convention, which was held in Riverview High School were: Hon M. S. Patterson, J. Smith MacIvor, M.L.A. for Cape Breton South, Earl Urguhart, M.L.A. for Richmond County and Alex O'Handley, M.L.A. for Cape Breton North. The All Sydney Girls Pipe Band was present and besides piping the Hon. M.A. Patterson to the platform, rendered several selections at intervals during the meeting. We returned home at 11 A.M. in the face of a downpour of rain and heavy gale of southerly wind.

April 1953

Friday 24

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain and gale of last night ended in the early morning. Cloudy cool and foggy with a few brief partly clear intervals, during the afternoon. Moderate to light southwest wind. Rainfall of last night, about 1/4 inch. Max temperature about 45.

Conservative Nomination Convention

A Nominating convention in the interest of the Conservative party was held in the Mira Road hall this evening, when and where Edward A. Morrison a Sydney Druggist was nominated to contest the riding of Cape Breton West in the Provincial election to take place on May 26, next. Mr. Morrison's nomination was moved by Councillor David MacLeod of Donkin, C.B. and seconded by Joseph MacDonald of East Bay. Mr. Morrison was the only name to come before the meeting, which was presided over by Charles MacLellan. Other speakers besides Mr. Manson were: Dr. Gordon MacDonald, R.S. MacLellan Jr and A.O. Gunn, all of Sydney. Hon. Malcolm A. Patterson, Nova Scotia Attorney-General is the Liberal Candidate in the Cape Breton West riding. The Town of Louisbourg is within the boundaries of the constituency of Cape Breton West.

April 1953

Saturday 25

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny with fresh northwest wind. An ideal spring day. Max temperature about 55.

New Water Source

The New Water extension from the old res[blank] near Michael MacMullin's farm on the Old Sydney Road, the construction of which was begun in the spring of 1952, was turned on to the old system today and is now functioning throughout the Town.

Fire

At about 5:30 P.M. the fire alarm sounded for a fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles MacIntyre on Commercial Street. The Fire Brigade, with the pumper, responded quickly and the fire was extinguished without any serious damage resulting.

April 1953

Sunday 26

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and mild with very light variable winds. Light rain began to fall in the late afternoon. Max temperature 50.

Daylight Saving Time

At midnight last night, Daylight Saving time came into effect when clocks and time-pieces were set one hour ahead of standard time.

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 present in the morning and about 40 in the evening. Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 11.

April 1953

Monday 27

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate easterly winds. Some fog at night. Rainfall of last night about 1/8 inch. Max temperature about 45.

Death of Senator William Duff

Today's issue of the Halifax Chronicle Herald announced the death at his home at Lunenburg, N.S. on Saturday night, April 25 of Senator William Duff. Senator Duff has been a colorful figure in Canadian politics since 1917, when he was first elected to the Canadian Parliament for the County of Lunenburg, N.S. He served continuously as a member of the Commons until he was appointed to the Senate in 1936.

The late Senator Duff who was in the 81st year of his age was born at Carbonear, Newfoundland of Scottish parents. He came to Nova Scotia in 1895 and settled at Bridgewater, where he married the former Miss Jennie Oxner, who predeceased him about two months ago. In religion he was a Presbyterian and a member of St. Andrew's Church, Lunenburg, where he served as an Elder. His funeral is to take place tomorrow, the 28th with interment in Hillcrest Cemetery, Lunenburg.

April 1953

Tuesday 28

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light showers, drizzle of rain and mist in the morning. Cloudy and cool with some fog during the day, partly clearing at night. Light to moderate southwest wind. Max temperature about 50. Rainfall about 1/16 inch.

April 1953

Wednesday 29
Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh northwest wind. Max temperature about 50.

Choir Practice

At 8 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. Extended a welcome to six new choir members who were present for the first time. They were: Annie MacVicar, Muriel Smith, Marlene Fleet, Jane Huntington, Dale Hughes and Margaret MacGillivray, all teenagers.

April 1953

Thursday 30
Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, but becoming clear early in the day. Fresh to strong northwest wind, moderating to light in the evening. A few light showers in the morning. Max temperature about 48.

May 1953

Friday 1
Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and sunny with fresh northwest wind, shifting to northeast during the afternoon. Max temperature about 48.

Sewer Connection

In the afternoon the Tidewater Company Limited connected a sewer line, from a house and lot which I own on the corner of Main and Spencer Streets to the main sewer on Main Street.

May 1953

Saturday 2
Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with light to moderate winds, mostly northeast. Max temperature about 48.

Death of Mrs. Malcolm MacDonald

The death of Mrs. Malcolm MacDonald occurred at about 11 A.M. She was in her 81st year of her age. Mrs. MacDonald was the widow of the late Malcolm MacDonald and the former Miss Jessie Beaton. She came to Louisbourg early in her life and remained here until the time of her death. She is survived by three daughters and one son. The daughters are: Mrs. Hadley Rudderham, Edwardsville, (Margaret) Mrs. Ray Bussie (Ada), Dartmouth, Mrs. Alex Bryan (Sadie) Louisbourg. The son, Dan, Louisbourg.

May 1953

Sunday 3

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cool with light northerly winds. Frost in the morning. Min temperature about 28, max temperature about 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. About 75 in attendance at the morning and about 60 at the evening service. Choir attendance: A.M. 17, P.M. 19.

Six new members of the choir were present at both services, as follows: Annie MacVicar, Marlene Fleet, Margaret MacGillivray, Dale Hughes, Jane Huntington and Muriel Smith. These are the first services they were present as choir members.

Fire

At about 4:15 P.M. the fire alarm sounded for a fire on the roof of a house owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mirzzak, on Wolfe Street. The fire brigade with the pumper made a quick response and in a few minutes the fire was extinguished. A hole was burned in the roof. No other damage resulted.

Pelican Sunk [Blank]

May 1953

Monday 4

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and remarkably clear with fresh to strong northeast wind. Max temperature about 48.

May 1953

Tuesday 5

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and moderately warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind, shifting to west and north west. A very lovely spring day. Light frost in the morning. Max temperature about 66. Highest temperature so far this season.

Funeral

At 2 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Malcolm MacDonald. Services in the First United Church and grave were conducted by Rev. C. C. Walls. Interment took place in Willow Grove Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D. M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

Meeting of Parks Commission

At 6 P.M., Councillor Charles Bagnall, Councillor DR A.L. Saunders and I, members of the Town of Louisbourg's Parks Commission assembled on the Athletic Field and held our first meeting of this year. At this meeting I was reelected Chairman of the Commission. We discussed and decided on the removal of stone from the field, the procuring of a quantity of fill for surfacing and the

spreading and grading of the same. Councillor Duncan MacKay, another member of the commission was unavoidably absent.

May 1953

Wednesday 6

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cool with light to moderate northeast to north winds. Light frost in the early morning. Max temperature about 50.

Choir Practice

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

Two Louisbourg Men Drowned at Sea

The Town of Louisbourg and surrounding districts were shocked when the news reached here this evening that Vincent and Dennis O'Toole, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Donald O'Toole lost their lives by drowning late yesterday afternoon. The drowning took place about fifteen miles off Louisbourg.

Grass Fires

The Fire Brigade was called out during the afternoon, for two grass fires which were extinguished without any damage resulting.

May 1953

Thursday 7

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy with sunny and partly clear intervals. Foggy at night. Light to moderate southwest winds. Max temperature about 55. Light showers in the early morning.

Meeting of 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. James Suffity and I were the caterers at tonight's meeting. 8 persons present as follows: John H. Skinner, Alex MacKinnon, Edward Levy, William Stewart, James Suffity, Arthur Townsend, William Hilchie and M.S. Huntington.

Tidewater Construction Company Ltd.

The men of the Tidewater Construction Company's men and machinery left here today, having I understand, completed their contract with the Town of Louisbourg.

May 1953

Friday 8

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, cool and foggy with a few partly clear and sunny intervals. Light to moderate south west winds. Max temperature about 50.

Death of Minnie Doreen Dolomont

The death of Minnie Doreen Dolomont, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dolomont, occurred today. She was about 3 months old. Her death occurred at the City Hospital, Sydney, N.S.

May 1953

Saturday 9

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light winds, Foggy at night. Max temperature about 50.

Fire

The fire brigade was called out at about 1:30 P.M. for a roof fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Martell on Warren Street. Damage was slight.

Marriage

The marriage of Rolland Harris of this town to Miss Dean Pink, of Newfoundland took place this evening at Sydney, N. S. Rev. F.R. Hollars performed the ceremony in Christ Church (Anglican) Mr. and Mrs. Harris will reside at Louisbourg.

Death of Robert N. Spencer

The death of Robert N. Spencer, aged 91, occurred at his home at Homeville at an early hour this morning. His wife the former Miss Marion Huntington, predeceased him many years ago. He is survived by the following sons and daughters: George at Glace Bay, Nelson, Minnesota, U.S.A., Robert, Ohio, U.S.A., Mrs. Allison Ferguson at the old home, Mrs. Martell, Holden, Massachusetts, Another daughter, Mrs. Donald MacInnis (Anne) predeceased him. The late Mr. Spencer was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Theophilan Spencer of Homeville, his mother being the former Miss Anne Peters. He was a first cousin to my father and a nephew to my grandmother, Mrs. William Huntington.

May 1953

Sunday 10

Mother's Day

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light southerly winds. Some fog along the coast. Max temperature about 50.

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 (retired) was the preacher. About 95 present in the morning and about 65 in the evening.

Choir attendance: A.M. 16, P.M. 18.

Music appropriate for Mother's Day at both services. Rev. Mr. O'Brien substituted for Rev. C.C. Walls who with Mrs. Walls motored to Halifax on last Thursday for the purpose of attending the marriage of their son, Grant.

May 1953

Monday 11

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and sunny with a light haze over the sky. Moderate to fresh northeast wind. Min temperature about 50.

Funeral of Robert N. Spencer

Left here at 12:15 P.M. in company with Emeline and motored to Homeville, with Rolland Harris, Taximan where we attended the funeral of the late Robert N. Spencer, which took place at about 2 P.M. Services at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. H.E. Langwith, Rector of Port Morien and South Head Anglican Churches. After the service at the house, we motored with the procession to the South Head, Port Morien where services was held in Christ Church (Anglican). Burial took place in the cemetery adjoining the church. Returning, we arrived home at 4:30 P.M.

Motored to Coxheath

At 7 P.M. motored to Riverview Junior High School, Coxheath with Mayor George Lewis, where we attended a political meeting held in the interest of the Liberal Party. Other passengers in the Lewis car were Neil Murphy and Alex MacKeigan. The speakers were: Hon. Angus L. MacDonald, Liberal Premier of Nova Scotia, Rod MacLean, Liberal Candidate for the County of Inverness, Smith MacIvor, Liberal Candidate for Cape Breton south and Hon. Malcolm A. Patterson, Liberal Candidate for Cape Breton West. Dan MacMillan presided. The meeting was largely attended. We arrived home at about 11:30 P.M.

May 1953

Tuesday 12

New Moon Today

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Light variable winds. Max temperature about 50.

Nomination Day

This is nomination day in the Province of Nova Scotia for the Provincial elections, which are to take place on the 26th day of this month. For the 37 seats, 37 Liberals, 37 Conservatives, 16 C.C.F. and 1 Independent were nominated, a total of 91.

In Cape Breton West which Louisbourg forms a part, the nominees were: Hon. Malcolm A. Patterson, Liberal, E.A. Manson, Conservative and Harry Munroe, C.C.F. Other Cape Breton nominations were: Cape Breton South: J.S. MacIvor, Liberal, A.O. Gunn, Conservative and Vincent Morrison, C.C.F. Cape Breton North: Alex O'Handley, Liberal, John N. MacAskill, Conservative and D.L. MacEachern, C.C.F. Cape Breton Centre: Martin MacPherson, Liberal, Chas Miller, Conservative, Michael MacDonald, C.C.F. Cape Breton East: J.G. MacIntyre, Liberal, William Wilton, Conservative, Russell Cunningham A.M., C.C.F. Inverness (2 members) Rod MacLean, Liberal, A.H. MacKinnon, Liberal Leo Boudreau, Conservative. A. A. MacInnis, Conservative. Victoria: C.L. MacMillan, Liberal and J.L. MacNeil, Conservative.

Fire

In the afternoon the Fire Brigade was called out for a small grass and brush fire at Big Lorraine. It was quickly extinguished without any serious damage.

May 1953

Wednesday 13

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear, becoming hazy and cloudy in the late afternoon. Moderate northerly winds. Max temperature about 60.

Choir Practice

At 8 P.M. attended and conducted choir practice in the First United Church. This practice was for the male chorus, which is to lead the service of song on next Sunday evening, May 17. Brotherhood service.

Fire

At 11:30 A.M. the Fire Brigade was summoned for a fire at the old gravel pit on Lorraine Road, about a mile outside the Town limit. It was a bush fire and extinguished without damage.

May 1953

Thursday 14

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with a few brief sunny intervals. A few light showers in the evening. Light winds, mostly southerly. Max temperature about 60.

Banquet

The Board of Trade held its Annual Banquet at Wong's Restaurant this evening.

C.G. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis" arrived in the afternoon and sailed at about 8 P.M.

Death of Charles W. Burke

The death of Charles W. Burke, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William Burke, Havenside occurred today at St. Rita Hospital, Sydney N.S. He was 21 days old.

May 1953

Friday 15

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate easterly and southerly winds. Max temperature about 50. Light drizzle of rain during the night.

May 1953

Saturday 16

Louisbourg, N.S.

Rain of last night ended at about 8 A.M. Cloudy and cool during the day with light to moderate southerly winds, shifting to northerly during the afternoon. Rainfall of last night 3/8 inch. Max temperature about 50.

May 1953

Sunday 17

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly clear with light northeast wind, shifting to southwest. Max temperature about 55.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where the preacher was Rev. C.C. Walls. This being Christian Family Sunday, the service of song was led by the children of the Sunday School, who filled the choir loft. A suitable address was delivered by Mr. Walls. Mrs. Walls presided at the organ. Mr. William Hilchie, in the absence of the Sunday Superintendent, Edward Levy, distributed prizes and certificates for church attendance, etc. to members of the Sunday School.

An infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burns MacMillan was baptized at this service.

At 7 P.M., the Annual Brotherhood Service, with a male choir composed of members of the Brotherhood of the First United Church, leading the service of song. The Hymn sung from the Hymnery were: Nos 662, 488, 501 and 404. Specials sung were: "I will sing of my Redeemer", "It is well with my soul" and "Blessed Assurance". The male choir, eleven in all, were as follows: A.W. Stacey, Edison Skinner, Hugh Beaver, D.F. Nicholson, John H. Skinner, M.S. Huntington (Director) Charles Bagnall, William Hilchie, Carl Levy, Wilson Levy and Doug MacLeod. The first six on the list are members of the regular choir. Organist: Mrs. Chas Bagnall. Attendance at 11 A.M.: about 125. At the evening service: about 75.

May 1953

Monday 18

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate southwest wind. Rain began to fall at about 5 P.M. and continued during the night. Max temperature about 50.

Dominion Holiday

Today was observed as a public holiday throughout the Dominion. Empire Day and the Queen's Birthday were celebrated today rather than having three holidays so near together. The Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, which is to take place on the second of next month will be a holiday. In order to avoid having three holidays in such a short space of time, it has been decided to combine the Queen's birthday and Empire day for this year.

May 1953

Tuesday 19**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Heavy rain of last night ended at about 8 A.M. and was followed by mist and drizzle and an occasional light shower, until late in the night. Very cool. Max temperature about 40. Fresh to strong winds, mostly southeast.

Political Meeting

E. A. Manson, Conservative candidate in the Cape Breton West Constituency in the election to take place on the 26th of this month, held a meeting in the Navy hut last evening. Mr. Manson is opposing the Hon. M.A. Patterson, Attorney General who has represented Cape Breton West in the Nova Scotia Legislature for the past sixteen years.

May 1953**Wednesday 20****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with light drizzle in the early part of the day, partly clearing for a short period in the evening. Light to moderate easterly winds. Max temperature about 40. Rainfall of the last two days, 1 3/8 inch.

Death of L. C. Gorman

According to a news item in today's issue of the Sydney Post Record, L.C. Gorman, President of the L.C. Gorman Construction Company Ltd died last night in St. Martha's Hospital, Antigonish as a result of a heart attack.

Postmaster Retires

Hugh Lynk, who held the position of Postmaster for the last 41 years, retired today. He took office on May 15, 1912. Today is the 70th anniversary of his birth. He is being succeeded by his son, Cletus who takes office tomorrow.

May 1953**Thursday 21****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cool and remarkably clear with light to moderate southerly winds. Frost in the morning. Max temperature about 45.

New Post Master

Cletus Lynk took over his duties as Postmaster today, succeeding his father, Hugh Lynk who retired yesterday after serving in the office for 41 years.

Siamese Twins Died

Siamese Twin boys, born to Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Wyrwas of Inverness, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia on last Tuesday, May 19, died last night May 20, about 33 hours after their birth.

Lobster Supper

The United Church Brotherhood closed the past season's activities tonight with a Lobster Supper in Calvin hall.

May 1953

Friday 22

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate southwest wind and some fog. Rain began to fall at about 3:30 P.M. Max temperature about 50.

Draggers Ran Ashore

Lockport Fishing Dragger with fish for the Gerton Pew Company, after entering Louisbourg harbor in a dense fog ran ashore at west Louisbourg, last night or early this morning. She was refloated at high tide this afternoon and docked at the old Government wharf. The damage is said to be slight. Her name is the Robert W. Swim.

May 1953

Saturday 23

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with some mist for and light drizzle. Moderate rain beginning in the afternoon and continuing during the evening. Rainfall of yesterday last night and today about 1 inch. Max temperature about 50.

Death of Mrs. Clarence Peters

The death of Mrs. Clarence Peters, occurred this evening at her home on Warren Street. Mrs. Peters the former Miss Susannah Elizabeth Dickson, was born at Main-a-dieu, the daughter of the late Capt. and Mrs. Charles Dickson. She is survived by one son, Robert of Wolfville, N.S. three daughters, Mrs. Francis DeWitt, (Sarah) Douglastown, New York, Mrs. Charles Hillcoat, (Clarice) Sydney, N. S. Mrs. Ernest Matheson, (Esther) Louisbourg, N.S. and one brother, James Dickson, Main-a-dieu, N.S. She was about 83 years of age, and had been in poor health for a long time.

May 1953

Sunday 24

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with fresh to strong northwest wind. A few light showers in the evening. Max temperature about 45.

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 65 in the evening about 50. Choir attendance: A.M. 13, P.M. 17.

May 1953

Monday 25

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light rain in the early morning. Cloudy and cool with a few brief sunny intervals during the afternoon. Northerly gale continuing all day and during the night. Wind moderate to some extent in the evening. Rainfall about 1/8 inch. Max temperature about 45.

C.G.S. Lady Laurier

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

May 1953

Tuesday 26

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cool and partly clear with moderate to fresh northerly winds. A rather pleasant day. Max temperature about 50.

Nova Scotia Provincial elections

Elections held throughout the Province today resulted in the return of the Liberal Government under the Premiership of the Hon. Angus L. MacDonald. 22 Liberals were returned, 13 Conservative and 3 Canadian Commonwealth federation.

Result at Louisbourg as follows:

Crowdis Booth 25 A: Hon. M.A. Patterson, Liberal 113, E.A. Manson, Conservative 103, Harry Munroe, CCF 7.

Crowdis Booth 25B: Patterson, Lib, 93, E.A. Manson, Con 81, Harry Munroe CCF 10.

Orange Hall Booth: Patterson, Lib 117, Manson, Con 118, Munroe, CCF 9

West Louisbourg Booth: Patterson 76, Manson 27, Munroe 7.

Big Lorraine Booth: Patterson 15, Manson: 28, Munroe 4.

Town of Louisbourg Totals: Patterson, 323, Manson 302, Munroe 26.

Louisbourg District 2 polls, West Louisbourg and Big Lorraine: Patterson 91, Manson 55, Munroe 11.

Totals: Town and District: Patterson 414, Manson, 357, Munroe 37.

Majority for Patterson: 57.

Funeral

At 2 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Clarence Peters. Service at the house, St. Bartholomews Anglican Church and grave were conducted by Rev. T.J. Turner. Pallbearers: Arthur Martell, Raymond Martell, Hugh Lynk, M.S. Huntington, all of Louisbourg. Howard MacPhail, Sydney, Wentworth Martell, Main-a-dieu. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg. Interment in Anglican Cemetery on Clarke's Road.

May 1953

Wednesday 27

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool with moderate southwest wind, which shifted to northeast in the evening, increasing to fresh. Max temperature about 50.

Choir Practice

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

Fire

At 5 P.M., the Fire Brigade was called out for a grass and brush fire at Gooseberry Cove on the Little Lorraine Road. The fire was extinguished without much damage resulting.

May 1953**Thursday 28****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with a few brief sunny intervals and a moderate northerly gale which continued all day and late into the night. Max temperature about 50.

C. G.S. Fort Frances

Canadian Government Survey Ship, "Fort Frances" arrived at about 8:30 P.M. for the purpose of landing three men of her crew who were injured this afternoon when a heavy sea boarded the ship while she was about 45 miles from this port enroute to Newfoundland. The men were landed and two of them were taken to the local marine hospital and one to the City Hospital at Sydney in D. M. Johnston's ambulance. The men were attended by Dr. A.L. Saunders of this town.

May 1953**Friday 29****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with sunny intervals. Strong northerly winds at times reaching moderate gale force. Max temperature about 50.

To Sydney and Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus Service. Made a number of business calls and returned on the bus trip leaving Sydney at 12:15 P.M.

May 1953**Saturday 30****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Very cool and mostly cloudy with fresh to strong northerly winds. Light showers in the early morning. Max temperature about 45.

C. G. S. Fort Frances

Canadian Government Ship, Fort Frances, which arrived here on the evening of the 28th sailed this

morning.

May 1953

Sunday 31

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable winds. Light showers and drizzle of rain during the afternoon and night. Rainfall about 1/8 inch. Max temperature about 45.

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 11 A.M. the service marked the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, which is to take place on next Tuesday, June 2, in Westminster Abbey, London, England. This was a printed service ending with "God Save the Queen" and the benediction. About 80 person present at 11 A.M. and about 45 at 7 P.M. Choir attendance: A.M. 17, P.M. 14.

Total rainfall for May: about 3 inches.

Min temperature for May, about 28, May 3

Max temperature for May, about 66, May 5.

Later, According to a report issued by the Reserve Air Port and published in the Sydney Post Record May 1953, was the third coldest May for the past 66 years.

June 1953

Monday 1

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with a few sunny intervals. Light rain and drizzle during the afternoon and evening. Light southwest wind. Max temperature about 50.

Rev. J. T. Turner Leaves Louisbourg

Rev. J. T. Turner, who has been Rector of St. Bartholomews Anglican Church for a number of years left Louisbourg to take charge of the Anglican Parish of North Sydney.

June 1953

Tuesday 2

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with a few brief sunny intervals. Dense fog in the morning which lifted early in the day. Light to moderate southwest wind. Max temperature about 50.

Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II

Queen Elizabeth II, who succeeded to the Throne of the British Empire on the death of her father, George VI, February 6th, 1952 was crowned today in Westminster Abbey, London, England.

June 1953

Wednesday 3**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with moderate variable wind. Shower of rain and a few peals of thunder in the early afternoon. Partly clear in the evening. Rainfall about 1/8 inch. Max temperature about 60.

Choir Practice

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

June 1953**Thursday 4****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Mostly sunny during the forenoon. Cloudy with sunny intervals during the afternoon with a few light showers. Min temperature about 60.

To Sydney and Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus Service. At Sydney, I met G.H. Kelly representing T.S. Pattells & Co Ltd. with whom I had an appointment. Went to Mr. Kelly's sample room and placed an order with him for Christmas goods. Had lunch with Mr. Kelly at the Isle Royale Hotel at 1 P.M. Returning left Sydney on the 4:30 P.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus, arriving home at 5:15 P.M.

June 1953**Friday 5****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Remarkably clear with light variable winds, mostly southeast. A very lovely spring day. Max temperature about 65.

Visited National Park

In the afternoon accompanied a party of Girl Guides Leaders on a visit to the Louisbourg National and Historic Park, where I gave a talk on Old Louisbourg and showed them points of interest in and around the Park. Returned to town at about 4:30 P.M. Those in the party were: Miss Winifred Bambar, Girl Guide Commissioner from the Transvaal, South Africa. Mrs. Power and Mrs. Mavor, Sydney, Mrs. Prowse, Glace Bay and Mrs. William Stewart, Louisbourg.

Pipe Band Concert

In the evening the All Sydney Pipe and Drum Band gave a concert in the Masonic hall under the auspices of the Louisbourg Fire Brigade. They were greeted by a crowded house.

June 1953**Saturday 6****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy with light variable winds. Moderately warm during the afternoon with an occasional very light shower. Max temperature about 65.

Death of H. J. Kelly

The death of H. J. Kelly who for upwards of twenty years took a very prominent part in the business and community life of Sydney died today. He was about 78 years of age and had been in poor health for several months.

June 1953

Sunday 7

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with light easterly winds, and some fog and a few light showers in the evening. Max temperature about 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. About 55 present at each service. Choir attendance: A.M. 14, P.M. 15.

June 1953

Monday 8

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy. Rain in the early morning. Light variable winds. Rainfall about ½ inch. Moderately warm with sunny intervals during the afternoon. Max temperature about 60.

School Exhibition

In the afternoon, Emeline and I attended the annual exhibition of the Louisbourg School which was held in the Navy League Hut.

S. S. HULDA THORDEN

Finnish Steamer, "Hulda Thorden" enroute to England with a cargo of lumber, arrived here in the morning with boiler trouble and docked at the Freight wharf.

June 1953

Tuesday 9

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with fog, morning and evening. Light to moderate southwest wind. Max temperature about 60.

Music Recital

Miss Ripley's music classes, vocal and instrumental held their closing recital in Calvin hall in the evening.

June 1953

Wednesday 10

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showers with thunder and lightning at about 2:30 A.M. and again at 8 A.M. Cloudy with some fog during the day. A few brief sunny intervals in the late afternoon. Rainfall about 1/8 inch. Max temperature about 60. Light to fresh winds, mostly southwest.

Sentenced to Cloverdale

According to today's issue of the Sydney Post Record the Louisbourg girl who pleaded guilty to a charge of infanticide at Sydney before Magistrate Verne Read was sentenced to three years in the home for girls at Cloverdale, New Brunswick.

June 1953

Thursday 11

New Moon Today

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny during the first half of the day. Cloudy with sunny intervals during the afternoon and evening. A very light shower at about 5 P.M. Light variable winds. Max temperature about 60. Planted Gladioli, Pumpkins and Cucumbers.

Marriage

The marriage of Esther Cross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Cross of this town to Thomas Campbell of Main-a-dieu took place today.

June 1953

Friday 12

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with a few brief sunny intervals. Moderate to fresh north northeast winds. Max temperature about 55.

S. S. HULDA THORDEN

Finnish Steamer, "Hulda Thorden" which arrived here on last Monday morning for boiler repairs sailed this morning. While here, repairs were made by the L. H. Cann Company.

S. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis" arrived in the evening.

Election Date August 10, 1953

It was announced at Ottawa today that the next Federal Election is to take place on August the 10th, 1953.

June 1953

Saturday 13**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cool and partly clear with light to moderate southerly winds. Foggy at night. Max temperature about 55.

June 1953**Sunday 14****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with a few brief sunny intervals. Light to moderate easterly winds. Max temperature about 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. Present at the morning service about 75. At the evening service about 50. Choir attendance: A.M. 13, P.M. 12.

June 1953**Monday 15****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain beginning in the early morning and continuing all day with the exception of a few brief periods of mist and drizzle. Light easterly winds shifting to southwest. Foggy at night. Rainfall: see next page.

Max temperature about 55.

June 1953**Tuesday 16****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Rain in the early morning followed by showers, mist and drizzle continuing throughout the day. Foggy with moderate to light southerly winds. Max temperature about 55. Rainfall of yesterday, last night and today 2 inches.

June 1953**Wednesday 17****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and foggy with light southwest winds. Max temperature about 60.

Death of Mrs. Freeman O'Neil

The death of Mrs. O'Neil, wife of Dr. Freeman O'Neil of Sydney occurred at the City Hospital this morning after a lengthy illness. Mrs. O'Neil the former Miss Josephine MacLeod of Sydney was about 78 years of age. She is survived by her husband, two daughters and one son. The daughters are: Mrs. C. N. Anson (Dorothy) of Sydney and Miss Jean at home. The son, Charles, also resides at Sydney. One son, George predeceased her in May 1952. Sisters surviving her are: Mrs. Kenneth

MacIntosh (Katie) Halifax, Mrs. R.B. MacLean, California, U.S.A., Mrs. Russell Ellis, Sydney and Mrs. George Lewis, Louisbourg. The O'Neil family lived for many years at Louisbourg for many years, before removing to Sydney.

June 1953

Thursday 18

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with light to moderate southwest winds. A few showers in the late afternoon, evening and night. Max temperature about 60.

Funeral

At about 2:30 P.M., Alistair MacDonald, Rev. Eric Ingraham and I left here with Harvey Lewis and motored to Sydney where we attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Freeman O'Neil, which took place from her home, 66 Whitney Avenue, to Christ Church. Services at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. Holborough, Rector of Christ Anglican Church, assisted at the church and grave by Rev. Eric Ingraham. Interment took place in Hardwood Hill Cemetery.

Death of David McGrath

The death of David McGrath, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGrath, west Louisbourg, occurred in St. Rita's Hospital, Sydney. He was about 73 years of age and is survived by one brother, Dommick, West Louisbourg.

June 1953

Friday 19

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light showers and drizzle of rain during the forenoon. Cloudy during the afternoon and evening. Foggy with light southwest wind. Max temperature about 66. Rainfall about 1/8 inch.

June 1953

Saturday 20

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool becoming sunny and warm in the afternoon. Light to moderate southwest wind, shifting to northwest at about noon. A very lovely afternoon and evening. Max temperature about 75. Highest temperature this season.

C.G.S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis" Capt. Germain, which has been here since Friday evening, June 12, sailed this morning.

June 1953

Sunday 21

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and cool with light moderate to fresh easterly winds. Max temperature about 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. Present at the morning service about 65, at the evening service about 45. Choir attendance 12 at each service.

Funeral

The funeral of the late David McGrath, took place from his late home at West Louisbourg at about 2 P.M. to "Stella Maris" Church where the funeral service was conducted by Rev. M.J. MacSween. Burial took place in the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

Death of Frederick A. Crawley

The death of Frederick A. Crawley of North Sydney occurred this morning in Hamilton Memorial Hospital, North Sydney, after a short illness. Mr. Crawley was born at Wolfville, N.S. the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund S. Crawley. He was for 23 years with the Nova Scotia Highway Department. The greater part of which was spent in Cape Breton, where he was Chief Engineer of this area. Mr. Crawley who was about 67 years of age, retired within the past year, and made his home at North Sydney. He is survived by his second wife, the former Miss Annie Bown of Sydney.

June 1953

Monday 22

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny in the early part of the day but becoming cloudy in the early afternoon. Drizzle of rain began to fall at about 4 P.M. and was followed by showers during the evening. Foggy during the afternoon, evening and night. Light southwest wind. Max temperature about 60.

Two Men Missing

Today's issue of the Sydney Post Record reported Daniel K. MacLeod 67 and Philip MacAulay 35, his son-in-law, missing since yesterday, when they went on a fishing trip to Kilkenny Lake. Their canoe and other articles of fishing equipment were found on, or near the shore of the lake yesterday evening. It is presumed that both men were drowned. A search for their bodies is underway. Both men had their homes at New Waterford, N.S. Kilkenny Lake is about seven miles from the Town of New Waterford.

LATER: June 26 - The body of Daniel K. MacLeod was found in Kilkenny Lake shortly before noon today, June 27. At about 5:30 this evening the body of Philip MacAulay was recovered from Kilkenny Lake by searchers. (From Press Reports)

June 1953

Tuesday 23

Louisbourg, N.S.

Showers accompanied by thunder and lightning in the morning and during the forenoon. Moderate

southwest wind with thick fog. Partly cleared shortly after noon. Sunny in the late afternoon and evening. Rainfall of last night and today, about 1/8 inch. Max temperature about 65.

H.M.C.S. Port Dauphin

H.M.C.S. "Port Dauphin" Lieut. Commander Herbert Maxner, arrived last night or early this morning and docked at the Old Government wharf.

June 1953

Wednesday 24

Louisbourg, N.S.

Moderately warm and mostly sunny with moderately northwest wind increasing to fresh decreasing to light in the evening. A very lovely day. Max temperature 70. Highest temperature so far this season.

Choir Practice

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

Conservative Nomination

At a nomination convention held at Port Hawksbury, William Boudreau of Sydney was nominated to contest the constituency of Inverness-Richmond in the interests of the Conservative Party in the Federal election to take place on August 10, 1953.

June 1953

Thursday 25

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate northwest wind, shifting to southwest. A very lovely day. Max temperature about 72.

H. M. C. S. PORTE DAUPHIN

H.M.C.S. "Port Dauphin" commanded by Lieut Commander Herbert Maxner, which arrived here on Tuesday morning on a training cruise, sailed at 1 P.M..

Korean War

The Korean War which began in June 1950 entered on its 4th year today.

June 1953

Friday 26

Louisbourg, N.S.

Partly clear but becoming cloudy in the forenoon. Light showers and drizzle beginning at about 2:30 P.M. Max temperature about 65.

Mrs. Bain's Recital

Evelyn Huntington, my sister-in-law and daughter Jane went to Sydney on the Highland Lines Bus, 2:30 P.M. trip where in the evening they attended the annual recital of Mrs. Bain's Piano and vocal pupils, Jane taking part in vocal selections. They returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 11:30 P.M.

June 1953

Saturday 27

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy party clearing during the forenoon. Sunny in the afternoon and evening. Light to moderate southwest wind. Light shower at 10:15 P.M. Max temperature about 68.

June 1953

Sunday 28

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with light to moderate north west wind, increasing to fresh during the afternoon and decreasing to light in the evening. A very delightful summer day. Max temperature 78.

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 75, in the evening about 45.

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

Mrs. Alex C. MacDonald of this town, a former member of St. Andrews United Church, Sydney was received into membership of the First United Church at the morning service. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the morning service.

June 1953

Monday 29

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with the threat of rain. A very light shower at noon. Sunny during the latter half of the afternoon. Light to moderate southwest wind. Max temperature about 65.

June 1953

Tuesday 30

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and warm with light winds. A very lovely summer day. Max temperature about 70.

Liberal Nominating Convention

Left here at 9:45 A.M. with William Lewis and motored to Port Hawkesbury, where we attended the Liberal Nominating convention at 2 P.M. Other passengers in the Lewis car were: James Peck who was also a Louisbourg delegate, and Rev. H.A. Sugmiller, Pastor of St Bartholomews Anglican Church, Louisbourg, who was enroute to Port Mulgrave for the purpose of bringing

home his car, which was undergoing repairs at that town. We reached Port Hawkesbury at noon, where we had dinner at the "Black and White" Inn. Other Louisbourg delegates, besides William Lewis, James Peck and myself, were: John Pope, Frank Hart, James Burke, Dan Joseph, Thomas and Alex MacKeigan. Delegates from Louisbourg District (no.6) were: Mark Connington and Thomas Kennedy, West Louisbourg. At about 2 P.M. in "State Movie Theater" the convention was called to order by the Chairman, Gordon Walker after which three prospective candidates were nominated, as follows; Allan J. MacEachern, Bernard Mac [blank] and Fred Thurgood. On the first ballot: MacEachern received 105 votes, Thurgood 71 and Mac 45. The second ballot gave MacEachern 145 and Thurgood 75, thus giving the honor of contesting the constituency of Inverness Richmond and Cape Breton west to Allan J. MacEachern.

Rainfall for June 1953: about 3 inches.
Max temperature 78 on the 28th.

July 1953

Wednesday 1

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly clear with moderate southwest wind shifting to northwest early in the afternoon and increasing to strong moderating to light at night. Max temperature about 72.

Public Holiday

Business places and public offices closed in celebration of Dominion Day, which is a public holiday throughout the Dominion of Canada, being Canada's 86th Birthday. Had shop open for business until 8 P.M. in order to accommodate newspaper customers.

Visitors From Sydney

At about 6:30 P.M. Mr. and Mrs. Hedley Hopkins and their three children arrived from Sydney for a short visit. They left for home at 9 P.M. We greatly appreciated having them call.

July 1953

Thursday 2

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and warm with fresh northwest wind shifting to southwest in the afternoon and decreasing to light. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening. Max temperature about 70.

July 1953

Friday 3

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with moderate to fresh southeast wind, decreasing and shifting to southwest. Heavy showers beginning at about 9:30 A.M. and ending in the early afternoon. Foggy in the afternoon and evening. Rainfall 3/4 inch. Max temperature about 65.

July 1953

Saturday 4**Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and cool, becoming mostly in the early afternoon. A very light rain squalls in mid-afternoon. Fresh to strong northwest wind, decreasing before noon. Max temperature about 65.

July 1953**Sunday 5****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and cool becoming cloudy, during the forenoon, clearing at about 2 P.M. and continuing sunny during the remainder of the afternoon and evening. Fresh northwest wind, shifting to southeast. Max temperature about 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 55 present at each service. Choir attendance: A.M. 11, P.M. 12.

July 1953**Monday 6****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Sunny and cool, becoming cloudy in the evening. Moderate to fresh southwest wind, decreasing to light in the evening. Max temperature about 65.

July 1953**Tuesday 7****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and cool with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Light showers at about 9:30 P.M. Max temperature about 60.

July 1953**Wednesday 8****Louisbourg, N.S.**

Cloudy and foggy clearing during the forenoon. Sunny and warm during the afternoon. Foggy at night. Max temperature about 70.

Sunday School Picnic

The annual Sunday School Picnic of the First United Church was held today at Mira Gut. The majority of those attending went by train, leaving here at 8:15 A.M. and returning on the train due here at 4:15 P.M. A few others went by automobile.

Choir Practice

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

July 1953

Thursday 9

Louisbourg, N.S.

Mostly cloudy with light southwest wind. Max temperature about 70.

Friday, July 10, 1953 to Thursday, July 16

Huntington, N. S.

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July 1953

Friday 17

Huntington, N.S.

Sunny and warm with light north west wind. Max temperature about 85.

July 1953

Saturday 18

Huntington, N.S.

Cloudy and warm. Left home at about 11 A.M. and went to Sandfield with Fred Huntington, who was on his way to Marion Bridge to start out on his Rural mail route.

July 1953

Sunday 19

Huntington, N.S.

Cloudy, clearing during the forenoon. Sunny in the afternoon. Warm Max temperature about 80.

Church Services

At about 10:30 A.M. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington and I motored to Marion Bridge with Maud Huntington where we attended service at 11 A.M. in the United Church. Rev. MacNivan was the preacher. We returned home immediately after church. At 7:30 P.M. we attended service in the Grand Mira Baptist Church which was led by Melvin Scott, a student minister whose home is at Sydney Mines.

July 1953

Monday 20

Huntington, N. S.

Cloudy, clearing before noon. Sunny and warm during the afternoon.

Huntington to Louisbourg

Left Huntington, N.S. at 9:30 A.M. and motored to Louisbourg with Miss Maud Huntington, (my niece) After having spent a very pleasant holiday at Huntington, with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington (my sister and brother-in-law) Clifford accompanied us on the trip, and at Marion Bridge we picked up Virginia Ann and Maureen Hussey, children of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hussey. Arrived at Louisbourg at about 11 A.M. Clifford, Maud and the Hussey children returned home during the afternoon.

July 1953

Tuesday 21

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and warm with sunny intervals in the afternoon and a few light showers in the evening. Max temperature about 70.

Attended Picture Show

At 8:30 P.M. in company with Emeline and Jane (my niece) attended a movie show in the Masonic Hall entitled "The Crowning of a Queen". This picture showed the crowning ceremonies of Queen Elizabeth the second in Westminster Abbey on June 2, 1953. Also the parade through the streets of London, to and from the Abbey.

July 1953

Wednesday 22

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and cool with moderate easterly winds. Max temperature about 65.

Choir Practice

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

July 1953

Thursday 23

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light rain in the morning followed by very heavy showers during the forenoon and early afternoon. Rainfall 1 1/4 inch.

Partly clearing in the late afternoon. Cloudy at night. Fresh to strong southeast wind, shifting to southwest and moderating.

Max temperature about 65.

Annual Vacation

Evelyn Huntington,(my clerk) accompanied by her daughter, Jane motored in the afternoon to Huntington, N.S. where she will spend her annual vacation. She will be absent for about two weeks.

July 1953

Friday 24

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light rain in the morning followed by heavy showers at intervals during the day. Rainfall about 1/8 inch. Wind southwest. Max temperature about 65.

To Sydney and Return

Emeline 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.

July 1953

Saturday 25

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy, clearing during the forenoon. Light south wind, shifting to northwest shortly after noon. Sunny during the afternoon and evening. Max temperature about 70.

July 1953

Sunday 26

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and moderately warm becoming cloudy and cool in the evening. Moderate to fresh southwest wind. Max temperature about 70.

Church Services

There were no services in the First United Church today owing to the absence of the Pastor, Rev. C.C. Walls on vacation and the inability to obtain a substitute minister.

At 11 A.M., Emeline and I attended service in St. Bartholomews Anglican Church, where the Rector Rev. Sugmiller was the preacher.

At 7 P.M., we attended the Presbyterian Church where the service was conducted by the Pastor, Rev. Jacob Bambury.

Dined at Wong's Restaurant

At 1 P.M., Emeline and I had our mid-day meal at Wong's Restaurant.

July 1953

Monday 27

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy becoming partly clear. Cloudy in the late afternoon. Light showers in the evening and during the night. Light to moderate southwest wind. Max temperature about 65.

Korean Armistice Signed

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Nomination Day

This is nomination day for the Federal Election to take place on August 10, 1953. According to press reports a total of 902 candidates were nominated, including all parties as follows: Liberals 264, Conservatives 250, C.C.F. 172, Social Credit 71, Labor Progressive 100, Others 45.

July 1953

Tuesday 28

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy in the morning. Fog lifted during the forenoon with the sky becoming partly clear. Sunny and warm in the late afternoon and evening. Light southwest wind, shifting to northeast in the evening. Rainfall of last night about 1/8 inch. Max temperature about 70.

Deaths announced

Today's issue of the Sydney Post-Record announced the death of three persons well known in their native county of Cape Breton. They were:

Hector MacOdrum, Mineral Rock, Cape Breton County.

Daniel A. MacDonald, Sydney, N.S. both of whom passed away this morning and John N. Worgan of Sydney who passed away in City Hospital last night. Mr. MacOdrum age is given as 85. Mr. MacDonald's as 53. Mr. Worgan was about 76. He is a schoolmate of mine at Sydney 1891-1894.

July 1953

Wednesday 29

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy and foggy in the morning, clearing during the forenoon. Sunny and cool in the afternoon, becoming cloudy in the evening. Fog along the coast all day. Light to moderate southwest wind. Max temperature about 65.

July 1953

Thursday 30

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with some fog in the morning. Light showers. Cleared during the forenoon. Sunny and warm in the afternoon and evening. Rainfall about 1/8 inch. Max temperature about 75.

July 1953

Friday 31

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny and warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind decreasing to light. Cloudy in the late afternoon. Showers during the night. Max temperature about 70.

Liberal Meeting

A political meeting in the interests of the Liberal party was held in the Masonic hall in the evening. Hon W.F. Carroll, who represented Inverness, Richmond and Cape Breton West in the last parliament, Smith MacIvor, M.L.A. for Cape Breton South, Earl Urguhart, M.L.A. for Richmond

county and Allan J. MacEachern, Liberal Candidate for Inverness , Richmond and Cape Breton West in the election to take place on August 10, 1953.

August 1953

Saturday 1

Louisbourg, N.S.

Very cool. Cloudy with sunny intervals and occasional showers. Rainfall of last night and today about 1/8 inch.

Min temperature about 50. Max temperature about 60. Very cool for an August day.

August 1953

Sunday 2

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloud and sunshine, mostly clear with light to moderate northwest wind. Max temperature about 70.

Church Services

No service in the First United Church at 11 A.M. owing to the absence of the Pastor, Rev. C.C. Walls who is away on vacation and the inability to obtain a substitute to take his place.

At 11 A.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in St. Bartholomews Anglican church, where the Rector, Rev. H. Sugmiller, was the preacher.

At 7 P.M. attended service in the First United Church where Rev. Warren Dickson, Pastor of a United Church at Osgoode, Ontario was the preacher. At the service there were 52 persons present. Choir attendance 10.

Dined at Wong's

At 1 P.M., Emeline and I had our mid-day meal at Wong's Restaurant.

August 1953

Monday 3

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear and cool, becoming cloudy early in the forenoon. Cloudy with showers during the remainder of the day with a few brief sunny intervals. Max temperature about 60. Min temperature about 50. Rainfall about 1/4 inch.

Lieut. Maud Huntington, R.C.N. who is now home on her annual holidays arrived in the late afternoon and will be our guest during her visit to Louisbourg.

August 1953

Tuesday 4

Louisbourg, N.S.

Clear in the morning but becoming cloudy in the early forenoon, followed by sunny intervals

throughout the day. Moderate to light variable winds, mostly northeast. Min temperature about 50. Max temperature about 65.

August 1953

Wednesday 5

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy with light drizzle of rain beginning in the forenoon. Light showers during the afternoon, followed by steady rain in the evening and night. Light to moderate southwest wind, increasing to strong in the evening. Max temperature about 65.

Choir Practice

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

Left for Home

Lieut. Maud Huntington, R.C.N. who has been visiting us since Monday last left in the forenoon for Huntington, C.B. via Sydney where she intends to visit her sister, Bertha, (Mrs. Hedley Hopkins)

August 1953

Thursday 6

Louisbourg, N.S.

Cloudy clearing in the forenoon. Sunny during the afternoon and evening. Fresh to strong north wind shifting to northwest at noon and at times reaching moderate gale force. Wind decreasing to light at night. Rainfall of yesterday and last night, ½ inch. Min temperature 52, Max temperature 68.

New Thermometer [Blank]

Arrived Home from Holidays

Evelyn Huntington, who has been away on her holidays, accompanied by her daughter, Jane since July 23, arrived back this evening.

August 1953

Friday 7

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny with light to moderate southwest wind, increasing to fresh during the afternoon, calm at night. A very lovely day. Min temperature 46. Max temperature 74.

August 1953

Saturday 8

Louisbourg, N.S.

Sunny becoming cloudy during the afternoon. A few light showers in the evening, followed by mist. Light southwest wind. Min temperature 53. Max temperature 72.

Visited National Park
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August 1953

Sunday 9

New Moon Today

Louisbourg, N.S.

Light shower in the early morning. Sunny and warm becoming hazy during the afternoon. Light winds. A very lovely day. Min temperature 61. Max temperature 77.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. Grant MacDonald, Pastor of the United at Dartmouth, N.S. was the preacher. Mr. MacDonald supplied in the absence of the regular pastor, Rev. C.C. Walls, who is absent on his annual holidays.

Attendance at the morning service: about 55, at the evening service about 50. Choir attendance: A.M. 13, P.M. 13.

A new member of the choir whom we had with us for the first Sunday services since she joined was Mrs. Alex C. MacDonald.

August 1953

Monday 10

Louisbourg, N. S.

Sunny and warm, becoming hazy during the afternoon. Light southwest wind. A very lovely summer day. Min temperature 60. Max temperature 75.

Canadian Elections

In today's General Election for the 22nd Parliament the Liberal Government under the Premiership of the Hon. Louis St. Laurent was returned by a large majority over all parties.

According to the press and radio of August 11, the general picture of the result from coast to coast is as follows: Liberals elected, 171. Conservatives, 50, C.C.F. 23, Social Credit 15, Independent 3, Independent Liberal 2, Liberal -Labor 1 for a total of 265 seats.

Result by polls at Louisbourg as follows:

Crowdis Poll A :	Allan MacEachern Lib	100	William Boudreau Con	59.
“ ”	B: Allan MacEachern Lib	95,	William Boudreau Con	103
Orange Hall Poll: “ ”	“	<u>105,</u>	“ ”	“ <u>113</u>
		300		275
Louisbourg District,	West Louisbourg, MacEachern	71	Boudreau	26
	Big Lorraine “	<u>18</u>	“	<u>26</u>

Majority in the Town for MacEachern, 25	
“ : District “ ”	<u>37</u>
Total Majority, Town and District	62

August 1953

Tuesday 11

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with light showers and drizzle of rain ending in the early afternoon. Cloudy during the afternoon and evening. Rainfall 1/16 inch. Min temperature 58, max temperature 73.

To Glace Bay, Sydney and Return

Went to Glace Bay on the Sydney and Louisbourg train leaving here at 8:15 A.M. At Glace Bay, called on Dr. Land, Eye Specialist where I had my eyes tested for glasses. Left Glace Bay at about 11 A.M. for Sydney on board a Cape Breton Train and Bus Service Bus. Arrived at Sydney at noon. Had lunch at “Diana Sweets” Restaurant. Made a number of business calls during the afternoon before leaving for home on the Highland Lines Bus, leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M.

Meeting of Parks Commission

At 6 P.M. attended a meeting on the Athletic Field on Wolfe Street of the Louisbourg Parks Commission. Present: Councillor Charles Bagnall, Councillor. A.L. Saunders, M.D. and myself.

August 1953

Wednesday 12

Louisbourg, N. S.

Sunny and warm with light southwest wind. An ideal summer day. Min temperature 60. Max temperature 74.

Choir Practice

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

August 1953

Thursday 13

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with a brief sunny period in the forenoon. Light to moderate southwest wind. Min temperature 58. Max temperature 73.

Visitors from Ontario

A Party of High School students, sixteen in number all boys, from Ontario, who are making a tour of Eastern Canada, under the sponsorship of the T. Eaton Co. Ltd. and the Ontario Department of Education arrived here by bus at about 8:30 A.M. for the purpose of visiting the Louisbourg

National and Historic Park. I joined the party on their arrival as previously arranged and accompanied them to the park where I gave a talk on Old Louisbourg in the Museum and escorted them to various points of interest on the site of the Old City. The party left for Sydney at about 10:30 A.M. At Sydney they were scheduled to leave by plane for Newfoundland at about noon. One of the adults was a Mr. Porter, a school teacher from Toronto. Herbert Huntington of the T. Eaton Co. staff at Sydney accompanied the party to Louisbourg.

August 1953

Friday 14

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy, clearing in the forenoon. Sunny during the afternoon. Cloudy in the evening. Light southwest wind. Min temperature 60, max temperature 75.

Returned from Vacation

Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Walls who have been away on their annual holidays returned today.

August 1953

Saturday 15

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with moderate southerly winds. Heavy gales forecast for today and tonight. Max temperature at Louisbourg about 65.

Louisbourg to Baddeck

In company with Emeline, left Louisbourg on the 2:30 P.M. trip of Highland Lines Bus service, enroute to Baddeck on the first leg of our annual vacation. Arrived at Sydney at about 3:30 P.M. Left Sydney on Highland Lines Bus at 3:45 P.M. for Baddeck, arriving there in a downpour of rain at about 5:30. Obtained accommodations at the "Hotel Baddeck", Donald MacIntosh, Proprietor. Gale of southwest wind during the evening and night with heavy showers of rain.

August 1953

Sunday 16

Baddeck, N. S.

Sunny and moderately warm with strong northwest wind, increasing to gale force shortly after noon and decreasing to moderate in the evening. At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M., Emeline and I attended services in Greenwood United Church where Rev. A. D. MacDonald, the regular Pastor, was the preacher.

August 1953

Monday 17

Baddeck, N. S.

Sunny and moderately warm with fresh to strong westerly winds, decreasing to moderate in the late afternoon.

Visited the County Clerk

In the forenoon called to see my old friend and acquaintance, Charles W. K. MacCurdy, Clerk of the Municipality of the County of Victoria, at his office in the County building.

Spent the greater part of the day viewing the beautiful scenery from the verandah of the hotel.

At about 6 P.M. we boarded the Highland Lines Bus on its arrival from Sydney and proceeded to Cheticamp, via Middle River, Margaree Forks, Margaree Harbour and Grand Etang. Arriving at about 9 P.M. we obtained accommodations at the "Acadian Inn", J. J. Chaisson, Proprietor where we were made very comfortable for the night.

August 1953

Tuesday 18

Cheticamp, N. S.

Sunny and moderately warm with fresh southwest wind.

We spent the day in and around the picturesque village of Cheticamp. Went for several walks and took a few snapshots of the scenery.

August 1953

Wednesday 19

Cheticamp, N. S.

Sunny and warm, becoming cloudy in the late afternoon and evening. A very delightful summer day.

Cheticamp to Margaree Forks

Left Cheticamp at about 8:20 A.M. on board a Highland Lines Bus, enroute to Margaree Forks, where we arrived at about 9:30 A.M..

We obtained accommodations at the "Belmont Hotel", Gerrard Chaisson, Proprietor. We went for a walk in the forenoon to the bridge that crosses the southwest branch of the Margaree River, returning shortly before noon. In the afternoon, in search of subjects for snapshots, I crossed the Margaree at Doyle's Bridge and walked down the river for more than a mile. On the return trip I met up with Mrs. Bernard Doyle (the former Helen Lynk of Louisbourg) and her sister-in-law, Mrs. James Pope of Louisbourg. Mrs. Doyle suggested that Emeline and I should go for a motor ride. We picked up Emeline at the hotel and started off on a two hour drive in which we visited many very lovely spots in the Margaree Valley, including Frizzleton, Big Intervale, Normaway, Fish Hatchery, and Phillip's Lookout.

After having enjoyed a very lovely motor ride through the kindness of Mrs. Doyle, we arrived back at the hotel at about 6 P.M.

August 1953

Thursday 20

Margaree Forks, N. S.

Sunny and warm becoming cloudy in the late afternoon. Light showers of rain in the evening.

Heavy showers during the night. Light winds.
Spent the day around the Forks and took several snapshots along the river.

August 1953

Friday 21

Margaree Forks, N. S.

Sunny and warm with light northwest wind. A very lovely summer day.

Margaree Forks to Port Hastings

We left Margaree Forks at about 9:30 A.M. on board a Highland Lines Bus enroute to Port Hastings via Inverness, Mabou, Port Hood and Cregnish, where we arrived at about 12:15 P.M. Obtained accommodations at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Reynolds.

We spent the greater part of the afternoon and evening watching the work of building the Strait of Canso Causeway, which appears to be progressing very favorably. From the Cape Breton shore, I snapped a number of pictures of the work being done.

August 1953

Saturday 22

Port Hastings, N. S.

Sunny and warm with light winds. A very lovely summer day.

Spent the forenoon watching the work being done at the Strait of Canso Causeway and taking a number of snapshots of the same.

The causeway which begins on the shore of the Nova Scotia Mainland appears to have reached about half way to the Cape Breton shore.

Excavation work has begun on the Cape Breton shore for a canal to provide a passageway for shipping using the Strait of Canso after the Causeway has been completed.

At about 12:30 P.M., we boarded a Highland Lines Bus and went to Port Hawkesbury, a distance of about 3 miles.

Stopped at the "Black and White Inn" at Port Hawkesbury where we had lunch. After lunch I called at the Tourist Bureau, where I obtained some Tourist literature, after which I called to see Rev. Father D. H. Doyle, who was for many years Parish Priest to the Roman Catholic congregation at Louisbourg, but is now stationed at Port Hawkesbury.

At 2:30 P.M. we left Port Hawkesbury on an Acadian Lines Bus, enroute to St. Peter's, where we arrived at about 3:30 P.M. At St. Peter's we obtained accommodations at the MacDonald Hotel, where we were made very comfortable. We shall likely remain here until next Monday or Tuesday.

August 1953

Sunday 23

St. Peter's, N. S.

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Monday 24
St. Peter's, N. S.
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Tuesday 25
St. Peter's, N. S.
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August 1953

Wednesday 26
St. Peter's, N. S.
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August 1953

Thursday 23
Arichat, N. S.
Cloudy with light southerly winds. Light mist at times during the afternoon.

Went to the top of the hill overlooking the Village of Arichat and took a few snapshots of the scenery, looking seaward.

August 1953

Friday 28
Arichat, N. S.
Cloudy with showers in the morning followed by mist. At Louisbourg cloudy with showers in the evening.

Arichat to Louisbourg

We left Arichat at about 8:45 A.M. on board a bus of the Gordon Bus Service, enroute to Louisbourg. Arrived at Sydney at about 11:45 A.M. Made several business calls at Sydney. Left for Louisbourg on the 4:30 P.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus Service arriving at about 5:15 P.M. Thus ending our holidays which began on the 15th inst.

August 1953

Saturday 29
Louisbourg, N. S.
Cloudy with light southwest winds, which shifted to northwest shortly after noon and becoming very warm during the remainder of the day. Sunny intervals in the afternoon. Min temperature 58, Max temperature 80.

August 1953

Sunday 30

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and warm becoming mostly cloudy in the afternoon. Light northwest wind, shifting to south west shortly after noon. Min temperature 58, max temperature 76.

United Church Anniversary Services

At 11 A.M., 3 P.M., and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church. Services in charge of the regular Pastor, Rev. C. C. Walls with Rev. C. M. Nicholson, D.D. as the preacher.

Attendance, 11 A.M. about 115, 3 P.M. about 200, 7 P.M. about 260.

Choir attendance: 11 A.M., 15, 3 P.M. 16, 7P.M. 18.

August 1953

Monday 31

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and warm with sunny intervals. Light southwest wind. Min temperature 63. Max temperature 75.

September 1953

Tuesday 1

Arichat, N. S.

Sunny and warm becoming mostly cloudy in the late afternoon. Moderate to fresh northwest wind, shifting to southwest in the evening and moderating to light. Min temperature 54, max temperature 72.

September 1953

Wednesday 2

Louisbourg, N. S.

Sunny and warm with light southwest wind shifting to northwest in the evening. Min temperature 54. Max temperature 78.

Choir Practice

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

September 1953

Thursday 3

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and sunny with moderate northwest wind, decreasing to light during the afternoon. A very lovely summer day. Min temperature 52. Max temperature 72.

Governor-General Vincent Massey Visits Louisbourg

The Governor-General, Hon. Vincent Massey, who is visiting the Maritime Provinces arrived at Sydney by train this morning. At about 10:20 A.M. today accompanied by his staff, he visited the Louisbourg National and Historic Park where he was met by Mayor George D. Lewis, of the Town of Louisbourg. After being introduced by the Mayor, and at his request, I escorted the vice-regal party on a visit to the Museum and points of special interest on the park grounds. In the Museum I gave a short talk on the past history of the Old French stronghold, which was known at one time as the "Dunkirk of America".

September 1953

Friday 4

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with sunny intervals. Light variable winds. Min temperature 46. Max temperature 69.

September 1953

Saturday 5

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and warm with light southwest wind. Min temperature 58. Max temperature 73.

Death of Capt. George Harris

The death of Capt. George Harris occurred this morning at St. Rita Hospital, Sydney after several weeks illness. Capt. Harris was born at Gabarus but for many years resided at Louisbourg. For a number of years he followed the sea and later was a pilot in and out the port of Louisbourg. He is survived by two sons, Lloyd and Rolland, both of this town.

Death of Miss Elizabeth MacRury

The death occurred today at the General Hospital, Glace Bay of Miss Elizabeth MacRury. She was born at Catalone, but for many years resided at Louisbourg. She was about 78 years of age. Her home was on Kent Street.

Death of Angus W. MacDonald

The death occurred today at his home, 21 Queen Street, Sydney. He was born at Louisbourg 77 years ago, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alexander MacDonald, Havenside, this town. Since an early age he was in the employ of the coal and steel companies. He retired in 1950 after serving in various capacities for 60 years.

September 1953

Sunday 6

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy, foggy and warm with light to fresh southwest wind. Cleared during the forenoon. Mostly clear during the afternoon. Fog along the coast all day. Warm. Min temperature 66. Max temperature 76.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. in company with Emeline, attended service in the First United Church where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher. About 45 persons present. Choir attendance 11. The evening service in the First United was canceled in order to allow the congregation an opportunity of attending the evening service of the Anniversary Services being held today in the Presbyterian Church.

At 3 P.M. and 7 P.M. we attended the Anniversary services in the Presbyterian Church, where Rev. A.D. MacKinnon, D.D. Pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Little Narrows was the preacher. Mr. MacKinnon was also the preacher, in the Gaelic language at 11 A.M.

Death of Joseph D. MacDonald

The death of Joseph D. MacDonald, a former resident of Louisbourg, occurred today at his home 1382 Victoria Road, Sydney. Mr. MacDonald was born at French Road, C.B. but in early life came to Louisbourg where he and his family lived for many years before removing to Sydney about 30 years ago. Both at Louisbourg and Sydney he was in the employ of the Dominion Coal Company as foreman shipper at the piers. He is survived by his wife, one son and six daughters.

September 1953

Monday 7

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and warm. Foggy during the forenoon. Light winds, southeast in the afternoon gradually increasing until it reached gale force at night. Min temperature 65. Max temperature 74.

Funeral

At 11 A.M. in company with Emeline, attended the funeral of the late Miss Elizabeth MacRury which took place from Johnston's Funeral Home to Catalone Cemetery, where burial took place. Services at the funeral home were conducted by Rev. Jacob Bambury, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Louisbourg assisted by Rev. C.C. Walls, Pastor of the First United Church and at the grave by Rev. Jacob Bambury.

Funeral

At 2 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended the funeral of the late Capt. George Harris, which took place from his late resident on Main Street to the First United Church and thence to the United Church Cemetery on Clarke's Road. Services at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. C.C. Walls, pastor of the First United Church. Funeral in charge of D. M. Johnston, Funeral Director.

Death of Mrs. Ira Pearl

The death occurred today at the City Hospital, Sydney of Mrs. Ira Pearl after an illness of several months. Mrs. Pearl who was about 73 years of age was a resident of Louisbourg for many years. She is survived by three sons, Walter, Cecil and William, all of Louisbourg, two daughters, Mrs. [blank] Fleet and Mrs. James Trenholme.

September 1953

Tuesday 8**New moon today****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Southeast gale of last night moderated in the early morning and shifting to southwest wind is reported to have reached a velocity of 50 miles an hour with gust up to 62. Cleared at about 2 P.M. Mostly sunny during the remainder of the day. Very warm. Min temperature 64. Max temperature 74.

School Opening

The 1953-1954 term of the Louisbourg Town schools opened today with the following staff:

Principal: William W. Hilchie

Vice-Principal: Miss Agnes Lindsey

Earl Martell

Miss Bertha Chaisson

Miss Blanche Cross

Mrs. Donald J. MacLeod

Miss Joyce Sh [blank]

Miss Catherine Hunt

Mrs. Charles Lewis

September 1953**Wednesday 9****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and sunny in the forenoon, becoming mostly with clear intervals during the afternoon. Clear at night. Light southwest wind shifting to northwest. Cool at night. Min temperature 48. Max temperature 73.

Choir Practice

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

Visited Louisbourg National Park

Sir Richard Livingston, Chancellor (retired) of Oxford University, England. He was accompanied to Louisbourg by Rev. Dr. MacLellan, Principal of St. Francis Xavier Junior College of Sydney, N.S. As previously arranged by R.S. MacLellan, Q.C. of Sydney, the party picked me up at my shop and I accompanied them to the Park where I gave a talk on the early history of Louisbourg and took them on a short tour of points of special interest in and around the site of the Old Fortress. They left for Sydney at about 6 P.M.

September 1953**Thursday 10****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Sunny and cool in the forenoon. Cloudy with a few light showers and sunny intervals during the afternoon. Moderate to fresh northwest wind. Min temperature 45. Max temperature 65.

Funeral

At 2 P.M., attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Ira Pearl, which took place from her late home at Havenside to the First United Church. Services at the house, church and grave were conducted by Rev. C. C. Walls, Pastor of the First United. Burial took place in the United Church Cemetery on Clarke's Road. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

September 1953

Friday 11

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with fresh to strong northwest wind, decreasing to light in the evening. Min temperature 48. Max temperature 66.

To Sydney and Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus service. Made a few business calls at Sydney and returned on the bus trip leaving Sydney at 12:15 P.M.

September 1953

Saturday 12

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh southwest wind decreasing to light in the evening. Min temperature 41. Max temperature 69.

September 1953

Sunday 13

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh southerly winds. A very nice late summer day. Min temperature 46. Max temperature 66.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. Attendance at 11 A.M. about 65, at 7 P.M. about 50. Choir attendance A.M. 10, P.M. 12.

September 1953

Monday 14

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and showery with southerly gale. Wind decreased in the late afternoon and shifted to westerly. Partly clear in the evening. Wind reported to have reached a velocity of forty miles an hour with gusts to fifty-eight. Min temperature 54. Max temperature 66.

September 1953

Tuesday 15**Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and cool with moderate gale of west-southwest wind, which moderated to light in the evening. Min temperature 46. Max temperature 63.

To Mira Ferry and Return

Emeline and I motored to Mira Ferry with Mrs. Fletcher Townsend and her sister, Mrs. Edison Skinner for the purpose of attending the Annual Community Fair. When we arrived at the Fairgrounds we discovered that at a meeting held last evening the Fair had been postponed until the 24th of this month. We immediately returned home.

September 1953**Wednesday 16****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy with occasional light showers and mist. Heavy showers in the evening. Light variable winds. Clear in the early part of the night. Min temperature 44. Max temperature 61.

Community Fair at Salmon River

Emeline and I motored to the Community Fair which today was held at Salmon River. Mrs. Fletcher Townsend took us along with her in her car. We left here at about 11:30 A.M. and arrived back home at about 4:45 P.M. after quite a pleasant trip. The previous Community Fairs have been held at Marion Bridge. This was the first attempt at holding the Fair at Salmon River, which however turned out quite successful, despite the fact that the weather was very unfavorable.

September 1953**Thursday 17****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and cool with light northwest wind which shifted to northeast in the afternoon. Min temperature 43. Max temperature 61.

September 1953**Friday 18****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy with mist and light drizzle of rain in the morning. Partly clearing in the forenoon and remaining partly clear during the rest of the day. Light to moderate northeast and southeast winds. Min temperature 50. Max temperature 62.

September 1953**Saturday 19****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Sunny and cool with light northwest wind, shifting to southwest at about noon and increasing to

fresh. Min temperature 38. Max temperature 64.

September 1953

Sunday 20

Louisbourg, N. S.

Sunny becoming partly cloudy for a short time in the afternoon. Fresh to strong westerly winds. Min temperature 53. Max temperature 66.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. Attendance in the morning about 75, in the evening about 50. Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 10.

In the evening we had Mr. and Mrs. William Matheson of St. Andrew's United Church choir, Sydney to assist us in the service of song. Mrs. Matheson sang a solo entitled, "Thanks be to God".

September 1953

Monday 21

Louisbourg, N. S.

Sunny and moderately warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind. Cloudy in the late afternoon and evening. Windy all night. Min temperature 58. Max temperature 71.

September 1953

Tuesday 22

Louisbourg, N. S.

Southwest gale of the early morning decreased during the day to moderate in the late afternoon and to light at night. Heavy rain during the forenoon. Moderate rain and showers in the afternoon and night. Min temperature 57. Max temperature 64.

September 1953

Wednesday 23

Louisbourg, N. S.

Rain of yesterday and last night ended in the early morning. Clear and cool with moderate westerly winds during the first half of the day. Heavy clouds and sunshine in the afternoon. Showers of rain in the late afternoon. Rainfall of yesterday and last night 1 5/8 inch. Min temperature 57. Max temperature 64.

Choir Practice

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

September 1953

Thursday 24**Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy and very cool with a few brief clear intervals. Moderate to fresh northerly winds. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 56.

Community Fair

Emeline and I went to Mira Ferry on the 2:30 P.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus Service where we attended the Mira Ferry Annual Community Fair. We returned by bus, arriving home at about 5:20 P.M.

September 1953**Friday 25****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Sunny and cool with light to moderate southwest wind. An ideal early autumn day. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 63.

September 1953**Saturday 26****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy and moderately warm with sunny intervals. Moderate to fresh southwest wind increasing to strong during the afternoon. A few light showers in the early part of the night. Min temperature 48. Max temperature 68.

September 1953**Sunday 27****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy and moderately warm with sunny intervals. Light to moderate southwest wind. Min temperature 59. 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. The 11 A.M. service was the Annual Rally Day Service for the Sunday School. At this service the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lewis was baptized.

Present at the A.M. service about 100, at the evening service about 80.

The members of Mariners Lodge A.F. & A.M. paraded to the United Church, about 30 in number. Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 14.

Visitors from Huntington

At about 10 A.M. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hussey, daughter, Larkie and son, Barry arrived from Huntington to spend the day with us. They left to return home at about 5:15 P.M.

At about 3 P.M., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huntington and infant son, Linden arrived and spent the remainder of the afternoon with us. They brought with them Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington, my brother-in-law and sister, who are going to spend their vacation with us.

C. G. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis" arrived in the morning and docked at the Freight Wharf.

September 1953

Monday 28

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild with some fog. The sun made a few brief appearances during the afternoon. Min temperature 52. Max temperature 69.

Marriage

The marriage of Leonard Burk of this town to Miss Dorothy Magee took place this afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father M. J. MacSween.

C.G.S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis" sailed in the forenoon.

September 1953

Tuesday 29

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with showers and a few brief sunny intervals. Moderate to fresh northerly winds. Min temperature 44. Max temperature 59.

September 1953

Wednesday 30

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh winds. Min temperature 38. Max temperature 53.

Choir Practice

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

October 1953

Thursday 1

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with showers and drizzle. Partly clearing in mid-afternoon followed by a brief sunny interval. Showers and drizzle during the night. Fresh to strong southwest wind, shifting to westerly during the afternoon and moderating. Min temperature 50. Max temperature 62.

Confirmation Service

Rt. Rev. R.H. Waterman, Bishop of Nova Scotia held a confirmation service in St. Bartholomews

Anglican Church this evening. There were about 30 candidates for confirmation at this service.

Death of Mrs. John Power

The death of Mrs. John Power, occurred this evening at her home on Main Street after an illness of several weeks. She was in the 88th year of her age and is survived by two sons and three daughters.

October 1953

Friday 2

Louisbourg, N. S.

Showers in the early morning and an occasional light shower during the day. Clear with a few partly cloudy intervals. Fresh northwest wind, moderating to light in the evening. Rainfall of yesterday and last night about 1/8 inch. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 57.

October 1953

Saturday 3

Louisbourg, N. S.

Sunny and cool with light westerly wind, shifting to light southerly during the afternoon. A very lovely early autumn day. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 60.

October 1953

Sunday 4

Louisbourg, N. S.

Sunny and warm with moderate to fresh southwest wind. An ideal autumn day. Min temperature 43. 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. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the morning service. Present in the morning about 100, in the evening about 50. Choir attendance: A.M. 13, P.M. 14.

Funeral

The funeral of the late Mrs. John Power, took place from her late home on Main Street in the afternoon to Stella Maris Roman Catholic Church where the funeral service was conducted by Rev. Father M. J. MacSween. Burial took place in the Roman Catholic Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D.M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

October 1953

Monday 5

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild with light variable wind. Light shower in the evening. Min temperature 52. Max temperature 60.

Left for Home

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington, my sister and brother-in-law, who have been our guests since Sunday, September 27, left for home via Sydney on the 2:30 P.M. trip of Highland Lines Bus service. They intend staying in Sydney tonight and going onto home tomorrow.

October 1953

Tuesday 6

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with easterly winds, moderate in the morning increasing to fresh in the forenoon and to strong during the afternoon. Rain beginning in the morning continued all day and late into the night. Min temperature 48. Max temperature 52.

Meeting of Ladies Aid

The Ladies Aid of the First United Church met with Emeline in the evening.

Miss Canada to Visit Louisbourg

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October 1953

Wednesday 7

New Moon Today

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with fresh to strong northeast wind. Rain of last night ended in the early morning. Rainfall of yesterday and last night 3/4 inch. Mist and light drizzle of rain in the evening followed by heavy showers during the night and increasing wind. Min temperature 49. Max temperature 53.

Miss Canada's Visit Canceled

The visit of Miss Catherine Archibald, "Miss Canada" for 1953 of Kelowna, British Columbia, which was scheduled to take place at 4 P.M. today was canceled.

Choir Practice

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

October 1953

Thursday 8

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cool and partly clear with strong northwest wind at times reaching gale force.

Louisbourg to Huntington

Left Louisbourg on the 2:30 P.M. trip of Highland Lines Bus enroute to Huntington, N.S. via Sydney and the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington, my sister and brother-in-law where I

intend to remain for about a week before returning. Left Sydney at 5 P.M. on Stirling Bus enroute to Marion Bridge where Fred Huntington, my nephew met me with his car and drove me the remainder of the way. Arrived at Clifford's at about 6 P.M. which will be home to me during my visit.

October 1953

Friday 9

Huntington, N. S.

Clear with cloudy intervals. Cool. Fresh northwest wind. In pursuit of subjects for pictures in color, went out to Watt's Lake where there was plenty of color, but the light was poor, so did not meet with much success. Called at the Watt home at about 10 A.M. where I had a lunch before setting out for the lake at the foot of Huntington Mountain, which I reached by following the Watt Mill road. Went westerly along the mountain until I reached the lake. Found plenty of color on the trees around the lake but owing to poor conditions took one snap only. Returning in the late afternoon, followed along the foot of the mountain, westerly to the Old East Bay road. Arrived back to what is home to me during my visit (Clifford's) at about 5 P.M.

October 1953

Saturday 10

Huntington, N. S.

Partly clear, cloudy intervals followed by light showers during the noon hours. Sunny for a short time in the afternoon. Cloudy at night. Very light winds in the morning, moderate southwest at noon shifting to west and increasing in the afternoon.

Walked out to Wall's Lake in the morning. Borrowed Arthur Crawley's boat and rowed across the lake for the purpose of taking snapshots but did not meet with much success owing to poor weather conditions. Returned home at about 2 P.M.

October 1953

Sunday 11

Huntington, N. S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with light to moderate winds.

Church Services

Elinor Huntington (my niece) and I motored to Marion Bridge with Terry Huntington in the forenoon where we attended service in the United Church. Service was conducted by the Pastor, Rev. [blank] MacNevin. After service we made a brief visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hussey, before heading for home where we arrived at about 1 P.M.

Had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hussey. At about 7:30 P.M. attended a meeting of the Young People's Union of the Baptist Church, which was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Huntington.

October 1953

Monday 12**Huntington, N. S.**

Mostly clear with fresh northwest wind, showers during the night.

In quest of color snapshots walked out to Watt's lake in the morning. Crossed the lakes in Arthur Crawley's boat and got a couple of snaps. On returning from the lakes, called at the Watts farm, before setting out for the lake at the foot of the mountain, which I reached by following the same route I took on last Friday. Arrived at the lake at about 11 A.M. Found conditions fairly good for pictures of which I snapped several around the lake and one of the lake and surroundings, from the face of the mountain, northwest of the lake. In the afternoon climbed the mountain to near the top, then headed westerly until I came to the Old East Bay road by which I set out for home, arriving at about 4:15 P.M.

October 1953**Tuesday 13****Huntington, N. S.**

Showery in the morning. Rain followed by snow squalls which occurred at intervals, between sunny periods all day. Strong northerly winds. Cold. First snow of this season, melting as it fell.

During a sunny interval in the forenoon, walked up to the Meadow road, near the Lower Meadow Brook Bridge, where I took a snapshot of autumn leaves. In the afternoon walked out the Salmon River road and followed the river down to the mouth of the Mill Brook and the site of the Old Mill. Crossed the Mill Brook and followed the river down to the site of the Louis Petrie Mill, near the mouth of the river. Returning met Fred Huntington on his mail route and returned home (to Clifford's) with him, arriving shortly after 3 P.M.

October 1953**Wednesday 14****Huntington, N. S.**

Cloudy and hazy with a few sunny intervals, moderate to fresh westerly winds. Cool.

In the forenoon, walked along the same route I took yesterday afternoon. Took a few snapshots along the river, under circumstances not too favorable for good pictures. Walked home arriving at about 3 P.M.

October 1953**Thursday 15****Huntington, N. S.**

Sunny and warm with moderate to fresh westerly winds. A very lovely autumn day. Max temperature in the 60's. Cloudy in the evening. Light showers during the night.

In search for subjects for color snapshots went over the same route I took on the 13th and 14th extending the trip from the site of the Louis Petrie Mill to the mouth of the Salmon River where it

joins the Mira River and the Old Michael MacPhee farm. Followed the shore of the Mira to the old John MacEachern farm. Here I came to the Grand Mira road where I met Fred Huntington on his mail route and returned with him. On this trip snapped a number of color photos under more favorable conditions than on previous days. Arrived home at about 4 P.M.

October 1953

Friday 16

Huntington, N. S.

Sunny and moderately warm with moderate to fresh northwest wind. A typical autumn day.

Huntington to Louisbourg

Left Huntington at about 7:30 A.M. and motored to Marion Bridge with Terry Merrill and Lorna Huntington, who were on their way to school at Sydney. At Marion Bridge we all continued on our way to Sydney in a car owned and operated by Peter MacKeigan who is employed at the Income Tax office. Arrived at Sydney at 8:15 A.M. At about 10 A.M. boarded the mail truck owned and driven by Alex Burke of Louisbourg. Arrived at Louisbourg and home at about 10:50 A.M.

October 1953

Saturday 17

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh northwest wind. A rather pleasant autumn day. Min temperature 32. Max temperature 50.

Death of Senator Donald MacLennan

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October 1953

Sunday 18

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate northwest wind. Frost in the morning. Min temperature 30. 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. Present at the morning service about 55, in the evening about 45. Choir attendance: A.M. 12, P.M. 11.

October 1953

Monday 19

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and moderately warm with fresh to strong southwest wind, decreasing to light at night. Min temperature 33. Max temperature 58.

October 1953

Tuesday 20

Louisbourg, N. S.

Moderately warm and mostly sunny with light to moderate westerly winds, which shifted to northeast during the late afternoon. Cloudy as evening approached. Min temperature 46. Max temperature 56.

October 1953

Wednesday 21

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate northeast wind. Min temperature 46. Max temperature 47.

Choir Practice

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

October 1953

Thursday 22

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy in the early part of the day. Clearing in the forenoon. Sunny until late afternoon then becoming light to moderate, winds mostly southerly. Min temperature 43. Max temperature 53.

October 1953

Friday 23

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with light easterly winds. Rain began to fall in the early part of the night. Min temperature 47. Max temperature 51.

October 1953

Saturday 24

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and warm with light winds, mostly southerly. Heavy showers in the forenoon. Partly clearing during the afternoon. Showers in the evening and during the night. Min temperature 49. Max temperature 64.

To Sydney and Return

Emeline and Jane went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of the Highland Lines Bus service for the purpose of doing some shopping. They returned by bus in the evening arriving at about 5:15.

October 1953

Sunday 25**Louisbourg, N. S.**

Light rain in the early morning. Cloudy and cool all day with moderate northeast wind. Rainfall since Friday night 1 1/2 inch. Min temperature 44. Max temperature 48.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church. At the morning the Pastor, Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. At the evening service, which was the autumn Women's Missionary Thanks offering Service, the leader was the President of the W.M.S., Mrs. William Hilchie and the special speaker was Mrs. (Rev.) J.K. MacInnis of Mount Allison University, who was formerly a Louisbourg girl.

Attendance at the morning service: about 50, at the evening service about 70.

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

Death of Miss Johanna MacRury

The death of Miss Johanna MacRury, occurred at Point Edward Hospital, Sydney this morning. Miss MacRury who was about 76 years of age, was born at Catalone, but a number of years ago was a resident of Louisbourg.

October 1953**Monday 265****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy and cool with light drizzle of rain and mist. Moderate to light easterly winds. Min temperature 43. Max temperature 50.

October 1953**Tuesday 27****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy with sunny intervals and light northwest wind. A rather pleasant autumn day. Rainfall of yesterday 1/8 inch. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 54.

October 1953**Wednesday 28****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Mostly sunny becoming cloudy during the afternoon. Light to moderate winds increasing to strong during the night. Min temperature 40, max temperature 55.

Choir Practice

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

October 1953

Thursday 29**Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy and mild with a heavy downpour of rain which continued for the greater part of the day. Light to moderate southerly winds shifting to northerly during the night. Min temperature 51. Max temperature 60. Rainfall heaviest this year, 2 ½ inches.

October 1953**Friday 30****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Light showers in the morning followed by mist and at intervals light drizzle. Cloudy and mild during the afternoon and evening. Light easterly winds and some fog. Min temperature 46. Max temperature 59.

October 1953**Saturday 31****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy and cool with light easterly winds. Min temperature 42. Max temperature 50.

November 1953**Sunday 1****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Rain in the morning, occasional light showers and mist throughout the day. Light northeast wind. Min temperature 42. Max temperature 46.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. Number present in the morning about 40, in the evening about 50. Choir attendance: A.M. 9, P.M. 10.

FIRE

At about 2:45 A.M. the Fire Brigade was called out for a fire on east Main Street, owned by James Burke. The barn and its contents consisting of some hay, harness, about two dozen hens and four rabbits were totally destroyed. Estimated loss about \$500.00. Cause of fire unknown.

November 1953**Monday 2****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear but becoming cloudy early in the day. Showers at noon in the evening and during the night. Light winds mostly easterly. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 45.

November 1953

Tuesday 3**Louisbourg, N. S.**

Showers of last night ended in the morning. Cloudy and cool with a few brief sunny intervals. Light variable winds. Light showers at night. Min temperature 42. Max temperature 48. Rainfall since Sunday morning until early this morning 5/8 inch.

November 1953**Wednesday 4****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and cool with cloudy intervals and a few showers of rain. Heavy squall of hail at noon. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 55. Light to moderate variable winds. Sunny and warm during the afternoon.

Choir Practice

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

November 1953**Thursday 5****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and cool with cloudy intervals and a few light snow flurries. Min temperature 30. Max temperature 44. Light to moderate northwest wind.

November 1953**Friday 1****New Moon Today****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and cold with cloudy intervals. Light to moderate northwest wind. Min temperature 24. Max temperature 38.

November 1953**Saturday 7****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cool and mostly clear with light variable winds. Min temperature 29. Max temperature 43.

November 1953**Sunday 8****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy. Rain began to fall at about 1 P.M. Showers, drizzle and mist during the afternoon and night. Light to moderate easterly wind, increasing to fresh in the evening. Min temperature 42.

Max temperature 51.

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. Present in the morning about 75, in the evening about 30. Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 9.

The Annual service in memory of those who lost their lives in the two World Wars, 1914-1918 and 1939-1945 was held at 11 A.M.

November 1953

Monday 9

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with a few very brief sunny intervals. Light to moderate southerly winds. Min temperature 43. Max temperature 51. Rainfall of yesterday and last night, 3/4 inch.

November 1953

Tuesday 10

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy in the morning but clearing in the forenoon. Sunny and cool during the afternoon. Light winds. A very lovely November day. Min temperature . Max temperature 47.

C.G.S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government "Edward Cornwallis" arrived in the late afternoon and docked at the Freight Wharf. The Cornwallis is in command of Capt. Germain.

November 1953

Wednesday 11

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy but clearing early in the day. Sunny and cool with light northwest wind. A very nice autumn day. Min temperature 33. Max temperature 46.

Remembrance Day Service

At 11 A.M. attended the Annual Remembrance Day service of the Louisbourg branch of the Canadian Legion. The service was held at the Legion hall and was conducted by Rev. Harold Sugmiller, Pastor of St. Bartholomews Anglican Church, assisted by Rev. Jacob Bambury, Pastor of the Presbyterian Churches of Louisbourg, Mira Ferry and Catalone. Mr. Sugmiller delivered the address. About 20 members of the Legion were present, besides a number of members of the Ladies Auxiliary. No parade was held as on former occasions.

C. G. S. Edward Cornwallis

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis" Capt. Germain, sailed shortly after noon.

Choir Practice

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

November 1953

Thursday 12

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cool and mostly cloudy with a few light showers in the forenoon. Light to moderate northerly wind. Min temperature 38. Max temperature 44.

Canadian Parliament Opened

The first session of the 22nd Canadian Parliament was opened at Ottawa today by the Governor-General, Hon. Vincent Massey. The Government which is Liberal is headed by the Premier, the Hon Louis Saint Laurent, while the Conservatives Opposition is led by the Hon George Drew.

November 1953

Friday 13

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with light northerly winds. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 40.

C. G. S. Edward Cornwallis

Canadian Government Steamer, "Edward Cornwallis" Capt. Germain arrived in the evening from Sydney and docked at the Freight wharf.

November 1953

Saturday 14

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable winds. A typical November day. Min temperature 31. Max temperature 43.

C.G.S. Edward Cornwallis

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

President Eisenhower Visits Ottawa

Dwight Eisenhower, President of the United States, addressed the Senate and House of Commons in the Commons Chamber at noon today. The President was introduced by the Canadian Premier, Hon. Louis St. Laurent. The proceedings were broadcast over the radio.

November 1953

Sunday 15

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable winds. Light drizzle of rain and mist. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 44.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. Present in the morning about 60, in the evening about 40.

November 1953

Monday 16

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with light variable winds. Light drizzle of rain in the evening. Rainfall of yesterday and last night 1/8 inch. Min temperature 38. Max temperature 44.

November 1953

Tuesday 17

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with light northerly winds. Light drizzle of rain in the early morning. Min temperature 38. Max temperature 42.

To Sydney and Return

Went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of Highland Lines Bus Service. Made several business calls at Sydney and returned on the bus leaving for Louisbourg at 12:15 P.M.

Tea and Sale

At about 3 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended Tea and Fancy Sale in the Navy hut, held under the auspices of the Ladies Guild of Stella Maris Church.

Civic Nominations

This is nomination day throughout the Province of Nova Scotia for the Civic elections in the towns, of the Province, which are to take place on the 1st day of December next.

At Louisbourg the following nominations were filed with the Town Clerk:

D. F. Nicholson:

For Mayor: George D. Lewis

For Councillors: Charles Bagnall

Arthur M. Townsend

Duncan MacKay

John MacRury

Bagnall, Townsend and MacKay are the returning Councillors: MacRury is a newcomer in the field of civic politics: three out of the four candidates to be elected. As only one candidate filed papers for the office of Mayor, George D. Lewis will be elected to the office of Mayor, by acclamation, on December 1st.

November 1953

Wednesday 18

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear with light winds. A very lovely autumn day. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 48.

Firemen's Banquet

At 6:30 P.M. attended the Annual Banquet of the Louisbourg Volunteer Fire Brigade which was held at Wong's Restaurant.

November 1953

Thursday 19

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and sunny with light winds. A perfect November day. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 55.

November 1953

Friday 20

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear with a light haze in the afternoon. Light southwest wind. A very nice day for so late in the season. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 56.

Away on Holidays

Evelyn Huntington, my clerk and sister-in-law left for Marion Bridge this afternoon for the purpose of spending a short holiday with her mother, Mrs. Cyril Dawe. She got a chance of a motor ride to the Bridge with Herbert Morrison, meter reader for the Nova Scotia Power Commission, who was in town today on business.

Death of Edgar Bate

The death of Edgar Bate occurred at an early hour this morning at the City Hospital, Sydney after a brief illness.

November 1953

Saturday 21

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear with light winds, mostly easterly. Min temperature 32. Max temperature 56. A very fine November day.

November 1953

Sunday 22

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with the sun shining for a few minutes on two or three occasions in the forenoon. Light southerly and easterly winds. Min temperature 30. Max temperature 46.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church,

where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. At each of these services there were about 50 persons present. Choir attendance: A.M. 8, P.M. 12.
Sang solo entitled, "His Eye is on the Sparrow" at the evening service.

Funeral Service

At 2 P.M. attended the funeral of the late Edgar E. Bate, which took place from his late home on Kent Street to St Bartholomews Anglican Church, thence to the Anglican Cemetery on Clarke's Road. The service at the church, and grave were conducted by Rev. Harold Sugmiller, Pastor of St. Bartholomews Church, assisted by Rev. J. T. Turner, of St. John's Anglican Church, North Sydney. Funeral in charge of D. M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

Death of child

The death of an infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Mahon, Old Sydney Road occurred at St. Rita Hospital, Sydney today. She was about 13 months old.

November 1953

Monday 23

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with thick fog in the morning and at night. Light to moderate southwest wind. Min temperature 46. Max temperature 54.

November 1953

Tuesday 24

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild with light to fresh southwest wind which decreased to light in the late afternoon. Foggy at night. Light showers in the forenoon. Showers and mist during the night. Min temperature 48. Max temperature 57.

Fire

The Fire Brigade responded to an alarm which sounded at about 10:30 A.M. for a roof fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fraser Wilcox, on Beatrice Street. The fire had been extinguished before the brigade arrive at the scene. Damage slight.

November 1953

Wednesday 25

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy, foggy and mild with light southerly winds. Light showers and mist. Min temperature 49. 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 John Forbes

The death of John Forbes, occurred at an early hour this morning at the City Hospital, Sydney. Mr. Forbes who was in the 93rd year of his age was born at Big Lorraine, where he spent the greater part of his life. Many years ago he moved to Glace Bay and within the past few years to Louisbourg where he lived with Mr. and Mrs. William Hill, Mrs. Hill being his niece.

November 1953

Thursday 26

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and foggy with light to moderate southerly winds. Min temperature 49. Max temperature 56.

Supper and Sale

At about 5:30 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.

Returned from Holidays

Evelyn Huntington, my clerk and sister-in-law returned on the train this evening after spending a short vacation at Marion Bridge and Huntington.

November 1953

Friday 27

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy, showery, misty with some fog. Moderate northeast winds increasing to strong in the afternoon and decreasing in the evening. Min temperature 42. Max temperature 52.

To Sydney and Return

Being a witness to the will of the late Edgar E. Bate, I accompanied Mrs. Bate to the office, J. J. Smith, Register of Probate, Sydney in order to prove the will. Rev. Harold Sugmiller, Pastor of St. Bartholomews Anglican Church, accompanied us and drove Mrs. Bate's car. We returned leaving Sydney at 11:30 A.M.

Funeral

At 2 P.M., attended the funeral of the late John Forbes, which took place from the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Hill, Main Street to St. Bartholomews Anglican Church. Services at the church and grave were conducted by Rev. Harold Sugmiller. Burial took place in the Anglican Cemetery. Funeral in charge of D. M. Johnston, Funeral Director, Louisbourg.

November 1953

Saturday 28

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and sunny in the morning, but becoming cloudy during the forenoon with some fog and mist. Light to fresh southerly and easterly winds. Rain began to fall at about 5 P.M. and continued

moderately during the night. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 47.

November 1953

Sunday 29

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with light to moderate northerly winds. Rain and drizzle of last night ended in the early morning. Rainfall of last week, including Tuesday the 24th, 1 1/4 inch. Min temperature 38, max temperature 41.

Church Services

At 11A.M. and 7 P.M., attended services in the First United Church, where Rev. C.C. Walls was the preacher. Attendance in the morning about 55, in the evening about 60. Choir attendance: A.M. 10, P.M. 10.

November 1953

Monday 30

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool, becoming mostly cloudy. Snow squalls at noon. Light winds. Min temperature 39. Max temperature 40.

Total rainfall for month of November 1953: 2 3/4 inches.

Just a trace of snow on the 4th and 5th.

Min temperature: 29 on the 7th and 30th.

Max temperature: 57 on the 24th.

December 1953

Tuesday 1

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear but becoming cloudy in the forenoon. Cloudy during the afternoon with a few light showers. Light rain during the evening and night. Min temperature 24. Max temperature 42.

Civic Elections

At Louisbourg today four candidates were in the running for the office of Councillor. The results was as follows: Duncan MacKay 311, Charles Bagnall 270, John MacRury 252, Arthur Townsend 215. The first three named, were elected. MacRury is a newcomer in the field of civic politics. MacKay, Bagnall and Townsend were the returning Councillors, each having previously. Mayor George D. Lewis, having no opposition was re-elected by acclamation. The Town Council will now consist of Mayor George D. Lewis, Councillors: Donald Beaver, A. L. Saunders, M.S., Charles Lewis, Charles Bagnall, Duncan MacKay and John MacRury.

At Sydney, Mayor Tony Gallagher was re-elected by a majority of 538 over George B. Slaven, a former Mayor of Sydney. 12,802 votes were polled, each of the candidates receiving over 6,000.

At North Sydney, Mayor Charles Thompson was re-elected by a majority of 50, over Stanley

Cleary a former Councillor.

At New Waterford, James P. MacNeil, defeated Mayor P.J. Muise by a majority of 571.

At Dominion Mayor James MacDonald was re-elected by acclamation.

At Sydney Mines, Owen D. Hartigan and at Glace Bay, Dan A. MacDonald were re-elected by acclamation.

I spent the day acting as agent for Councillor Charles Bagnall.

December 1953

Wednesday 2

Louisbourg, N. S.

Heavy wind and rain. Rain beginning in the morning and continuing all day and late into the night. Strong easterly wind, at times reaching gale force. Moderating to some extent in the evening. Min temperature 41. Max temperature 44.

December 1953

Thursday 3

Louisbourg, N. S.

Rain of last night ended during the afternoon. Cloudy clearing in the early part of the night. Strong northerly winds decreasing to light in the evening. Rainfall of yesterday, last night and today 2 ½ inches.

Min temperature 36. Max temperature 44.

December 1953

Friday 4

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cool and mostly sunny with light northwest wind. A very nice late autumn day. Min temperature 32. Max temperature 43.

December 1953

Saturday 5

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with light to moderate southwest wind, increasing to strong in the early afternoon and moderating in the evening. Heavy showers of rain shortly after noon followed by drizzle. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 51. Rainfall 1/8 inch.

To Sydney and Return

Emeline and Jane went to Sydney on the 8 A.M. trip of Highland Lines Bus Service for the purpose of doing some Christmas shopping. They returned on the bus leaving Sydney at 4:30 P.M.

December 1953

Sunday 6**New Moon today****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and sunny with light winds. A very lovely late autumn day. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 46.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline, attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. Present in the morning about 55, in the evening about 45. Choir attendance: 11 at each service.

December 1953**Monday 7****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy, showery and drizzle with fresh to strong southerly winds. Rainfall ½ inch. Min temperature 40. Max temperature 52.

December 1953**Tuesday 8****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cool and mostly clear. Sunny intervals. Strong westerly winds decreasing to moderate and to light in the evening. Min temperature 38. Max temperature 47.

December 1953**Wednesday 9****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Mostly clear and sunny with light to moderate winds. A very lovely day for so late in the season. Min temperature 33. Max temperature 46.

Choir Practice

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

Cutting Bushes

Went up to the Athletic Field in the forenoon and cut a few bushes for winter protection of some plants in our garden. Also cut a tree that I think may be suitable for a Christmas tree. I arranged with Edward Kennedy, to have the bushes and tree for me.

December 1953**Thursday 10****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy with fresh southerly winds, moderating in the late afternoon. Rain began to fall at about

7:30 A.M. and continued with rain and drizzle until late at night. Min temperature 32. Max temperature 42.

Meeting of Louisbourg Development Company

At 7:30 P.M. attended a meeting of the Louisbourg Development Company held in the Town hall with the President George D. Lewis in the chair.

December 1953

Friday 11

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with a few brief sunny intervals. Rain of last night ended in the early morning. Strong northwest wind decreasing to light in the evening. Light snow squalls at intervals during the day. Rainfall of yesterday and last night 1 1/4 inch. Min temperature 32. Max temperature 51.

December 1953

Saturday 12

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and cool with fresh southwest wind decreasing to light in the evening. Min temperature 31. Max temperature 44.

December 1953

Sunday 13

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with showers and drizzle of rain ending in the afternoon. Partly clear in the late afternoon and evening. Very light variable wind. Rainfall: 1/8 inch. Min temperature 37. 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. Morning attendance: about 45, evening about 60. Choir attendance: A.M. 7, P.M. 11.

December 1953

Monday 14

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear, but becoming cloudy early in the day. Snow beginning to fall at about 1:30 P.M. continued falling moderately until about 10 P.M. and was followed by hail and drizzle. Light winds, increasing to strong in the evening. Mostly southeast. Snowfall about 3 inches. Min temperature 30. Max temperature 36.

First snow storm of the season.

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December 1953

Tuesday 15

Louisbourg, N. S.

Rain in the early morning, followed by showers and drizzle during the day, ending in the afternoon. Fresh southerly winds, shifting to westerly in the late afternoon. Rainfall 3/4 inch. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 47.

Snow of yesterday all disappeared as a result of last nights and today's rain and thaw.

December 1953

Wednesday 16

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cool with moderate to fresh winds. A very nice December day. Min temperature 30. Max temperature 41.

Choir practice

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

December 1953

Thursday 17

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cold and mostly clear with light westerly winds. Min temperature 20. Max temperature 29.

Streets dry and dusty.

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December 1953

Friday 18

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear with cloudy intervals and a few light snow flurries. Moderate to fresh northwest winds, decreasing to light in the evening. Min temperature 17. Max temperature 25.

C. G. S. EDWARD CORNWALLIS

Canadian Government Steamer, Edward Cornwallis Capt. Germain arrived at about 9:30 P.M.

Sunday School Concert

Annual Sunday School concert of the United Church Sunday School was held in the Calvin hall at 7:30 P.M.

Death of Frederick Wilcox

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December 1953

Saturday 19

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy with a few brief sunny intervals. Light drizzle of snow ending in the early afternoon. Light northwest wind. Snowfall about ½ inch. Min temperature 11. Max temperature 22.

December 1953

Sunday 20

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear and cold with light to moderate northwest wind. A very lovely day for the end of autumn. Light snow squalls beginning at about 8 P.M. Min temperature 9. Max temperature 25.

Church Services

At 11 A.M. and 7 P.M. in company with Emeline attended services in the First United Church where Rev. C. C. Walls was the preacher. Present in the morning about 100, in the evening about 95.

Christmas music at both services. Two anthems in the morning, one in the evening and a solo by D. F. Nicholson.

Choir attendance: A.M. 15, P.M. 14.

At the morning service an infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bagnall was baptized.

December 1953

Monday 21

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and mild with partly clear intervals. Snow squalls of last night ended before morning. Snowfall of last night about ½ inch. Min temperature 22. Max temperature 42.

Ground covered by about 1 inch of snow in the morning, just enough to give the landscape a wintery appearance. Owing to the rising temperature, the snow all disappeared before nightfall.

Towed into Louisbourg

Newfoundland Vessel, "Ariel" was towed into port today by the Tug, Foundation Josephine.

December 1953

Tuesday 22

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and chilly with moderate to fresh easterly winds. Light rain and drizzle beginning in the late afternoon. Min temperature 31. Max temperature 39.

December 1953

Wednesday 23**Louisbourg, N. S.**

Rain and drizzle of last night ended in the morning. Cloudy and mild with light to moderate southerly winds and some fog. Min temperature 38. Max temperature 47.

December 1953**Thursday 24****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cold and mostly clear with fresh northwest winds and a few light snow flurries. Min temperature 17. Max temperature 37.

December 1953**Friday 25****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Clear and cold in the morning with light winds, becoming cloudy at about noon. Cloudy and mild during the afternoon with fresh southwest wind. Light showers and drizzle of rain beginning at about 3 P.M.

Min temperature 14. Max temperature 41.

Christmas Guests

For dinner and supper in addition to our own household, consisting of Evelyn Huntington, my sister-in-law, her daughter, Jane, Emeline and myself, we had Michael Moran and John Johnson, as our guests.

A Green Christmas

To we had what is known as a green Christmas. The streets, fields and entire landscape were entirely bare of snow.

December 1953**Saturday 26****Boxing Day****Louisbourg, N. S.**

Cloudy and cool with moderate southwest wind which shifted to easterly in the afternoon. Min temperature 36. Max temperature 41.

Civic Holiday

Today known as "Boxing Day" was declared a civic holiday. The larger places of business, Bank, Customs and Town Offices remained closed all day. The Post Office was on holiday hours, being open for business from 11 A.M. until noon, only.

December 1953**Sunday 27**

Louisbourg, N. S.

Cloudy and calm. Snow began to fall at about 9:30 A.M. and continued for a about one hour and was then followed by mist and a light drizzle of rain. Cleared during the afternoon. Snowfall about 3/4 inch. Min temperature 33. 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. Present at the morning service about 55, at the evening service about 80.

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

December 1953

Monday 28

Louisbourg, N. S.

Clear but becoming cloudy early in the day. Light variable winds, becoming southerly at night and increasing to fresh. Min temperature 22. Max temperature 36.

Trace of Snow

Light snow squalls in the early morning left just a trace of snow as a result.

December 1953

Tuesday 29

Louisbourg, N. S.

Rain in the morning ending at about 9:30 A.M. Cleared shortly before noon. Mostly clear and mild during the afternoon. Rainfall 1/8 inch. Min temperature 30. Max temperature 43. Moderate to fresh southwest wind, decreasing to light and shifting to northwest at noon.

December 1953

Wednesday 30

Louisbourg, N. S.

Mild and mostly clear and sunny with light northwest wind. A very lovely early winter day. Min temperature 29. Max temperature 39.

Choir Practice

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

December 1953

Thursday 31

Louisbourg, N. S.

Light rain beginning in the early morning continued with the exception of brief intervals until about 8 P.M. when it was followed by a light drizzle of snow. Rainfall 1/4 inch. Min temperature

34. Max temperature 42. Light variable winds, easterly at night.

Total Rainfall for December 1953; 5 5/8 inches

Total Snowfall for December 1953: 4 3/4 inches

Min temperature: 9 on the 20th

Max temperature: 53 on the 7th.

Deaths of citizens and former citizens of the Town of Louisbourg who died at Louisbourg or elsewhere, during the year 1953.

Name	Date	Place
Robert A. Peters	Jan. 14	Sydney, NS
John J. MacAulay	Feb. 2	Louisbourg, NS
Mrs. Albert Saad	Feb. 2	Sydney, NS
Mrs. James Burke	Feb. 7	Glance Bay, NS
Mrs. Charles Hunt	Feb. 15	Louisbourg, NS
Mrs. William Williams	Feb. 24	Dartmouth, NS
Mrs. Alex Johnston	April 15	Glance Bay, NS
Wilfred MacAlpine	April 15	Amhurst, NS
Mrs. Malcolm MacDonald	May 2	Louisbourg, NS
Vincent O'Toole	May 5	At sea off Louisbourg
Dennis O'Toole	May 5	At sea off Louisbourg
Minnie Doreen Dolomont	May 8	Sydney, NS
Charles W. Burke	May 14	Sydney, NS
Mrs. Clarence Peters	May 23	Louisbourg, NS
Mrs. Freeman O'Neil	June 17	Sydney, NS
George Harris	Sept. 5	Sydney, NS
Miss Elizabeth MacRury	Sept. 5	Glance Bay, NS
Angus W. MacDonald	Sept. 5	Sydney, NS
Mrs. Ira Pearl	Sept. 7	Sydney, NS
Joseph D. MacDonald	Sept. 6	Sydney, NS
Mrs. John Power	Oct. 1	Louisbourg, NS
Miss Johanna MacRury	Oct. 25	Point Edward, NS
Edgar Bate	Nov. 20	Sydney, NS
John Forbes	Nov. 25	Sydney, NS
Frederick Wilcox	Dec. 18	Louisbourg, NS