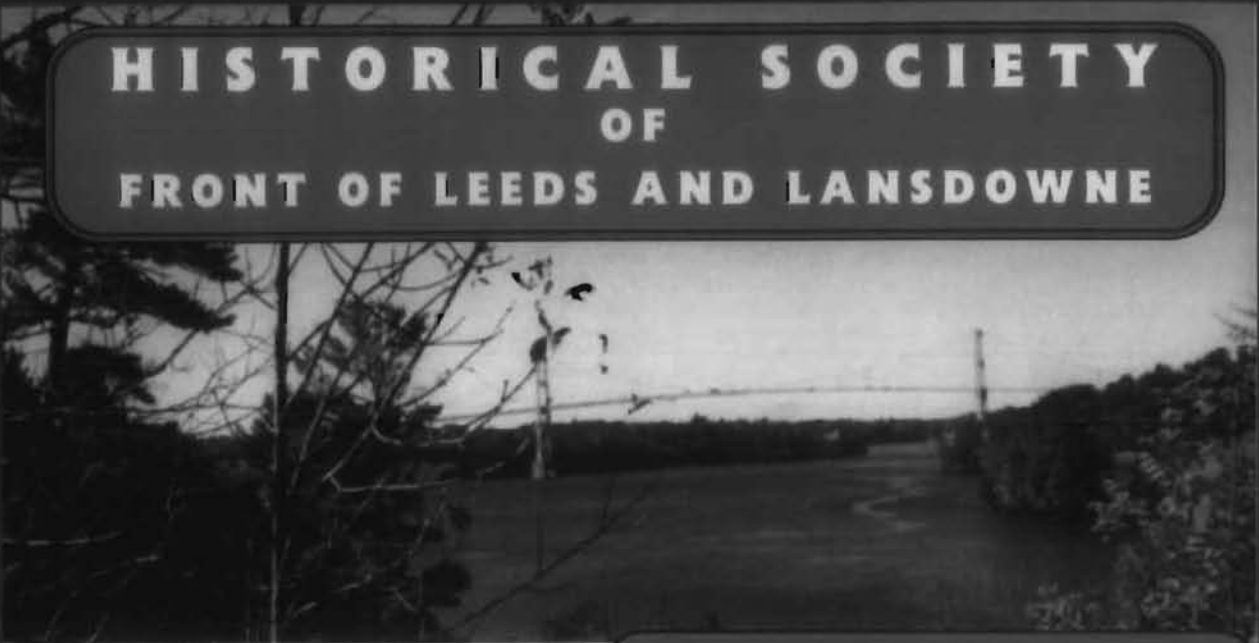


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Since our annual meeting in September we have had some very interesting speakers that I trust you have enjoyed. Also your support of fund raising events has been much appreciated. Everything makes the activities of our Society a success. We are looking forward to the warm weather to continue restoration of Greenfield School. This has proved to be an exciting project.

The LACAC Committee of the new Township is looking for representatives from the former FOLL area. This is a good opportunity to further our historical heritage for anyone interested in becoming part of this group.

Also we would welcome anyone from Escott or the ROLL to our meetings now that we are all part of the TLTI.

Once again I trust you will enjoy our newsletter and I look forward to seeing you at our meetings.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan Lindsay".

ALAN LINDSAY

PRESIDENT

JOHN RAYCROFT

It is with regret that we acknowledge the sudden death of John Raycroft in Belize on February 23, 2001

John came to The Front of Leeds and Lansdowne as Clerk - Administrator in 1989 and remained in that position until he went to Northern Canada in 1995. It was John we approached when we first considered forming some type of organization to preserve the history of the Township. Following his advice and guidance the Historical Society was born.

John was a founding member of the Society, and served as our first Program Chairman.

Our sympathies are extended to his family.

THE EDITOR'S PAGE

For some time Publisher Ted Hewitt has talked of a colour cover, but we could not find the right picture or occasion. With the creation of the new Township of Leeds and Thousand Islands and the first issue of the new millennium, we thought this would be the time. The pictures represent the three merging townships, The Front and Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne and Front of Escott.

Gremlins: A few gremlins crept into issue # 12.



✎ Page 3 - Executive List: Audrey Newell's name should have been replaced by Danny Chisamore.

✎ Page 10: Picture in lower right is the home of Paul Trafford.

Our apologies for these errors.



NEWSLETTERS

Back copies of our newsletters are available for \$2.50 each
 Copies 1 through 14 are now available in a three ring binder.
This makes a nice gift.



MEMBERSHIP FEES

General (Family) - \$10.00 Association - \$10.00 Corporate - \$25.00
 Our membership term is Sept. 1 to Aug.31
 Memberships available at any meeting or by cheque to:
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THE FRONT of LEEDS and LANSDOWNE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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DARLINGSIDE HONOURED WITH NATIONAL RECOGNITION

The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada designated Darlingside as a National Historic Site in a plaque-unveiling ceremony on Saturday September 20, 2000. Three plaques have been placed in the parkette above the Darlingside property, just east of the Thousand Islands Bridge. They picture the Darling store and the Thousand Islands area, and outline the importance of this business to the early St. Lawrence shipping business.

Reeve Harold Grier (left) and President Alan Lindsay (right) at Darlingside Plaque Unveiling.

The designation plaque reads:

DARLINGSIDE

Darlingside is a rare example of the wood depots which provided an essential service during the early phase of steamboat navigation on Lake Ontario and the upper St. Lawrence River. Thomas Darling, a Scottish immigrant, acquired the wood depot in the late 1830's and added a general store in 1845, both of which operated until the 19th century. Steamers supplied goods for the store and took on cordwood for fuel and other local products for export. Prior to the railways, depots like this were a vital link between Montreal-based forwarders and farmers and lumbermen in the interior.



(Photo by Bill Boulton)

The event was chaired by Dr. Jacques Monet of the historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada. Reeve Harold Grier brought greetings from the Township; and Alan Lindsay, President of the Historical Society, spoke of the Darling family and their business interests. Guest speaker was Joe Jordon, Member of Parliament, Leeds-Grenville.

Parks Canada - Thousand Islands National Park, and all others who have pressed for this recognition, deserve our gratitude.



COVER PHOTO

Springfield House was built as a hotel in 1871. F.O.E purchased the building in 1978 and opened the library in the restored building in 1982. (Photo by Bill Boulton)

The Lyndhurst Bridge, built in 1857, is the oldest bridge in Ontario. In 1984 the County Council decided in the cause of efficiency and cost the bridge should be replaced by a modern structure. Local residents formed Friends of Lyndhurst Bridge and won the battle to save their landmark. It was designated a Historic Site in 1985, and rebuilt in 1986. (Photo courtesy Art Shaw)

The Thousand Islands Bridge had been advocated for several years before the first sod was turned on April 30, 1937. The bridge was officially opened by Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King and President Franklin Roosevelt on August 18, 1938. (Photo by Douglas Donevan)

MEMORIES OF GREENFIELD SCHOOL

By Marion E. (Webster) Steacy

The happiest years of my youth; seven as a pupil and four as a teacher; were spent under the roof of our public school at Greenfield, S.S. #3. What an appropriate name for a country school and a countryside! In the spring, the golden dandelions amongst the green grass and trees were a delight for the eyes on the walk to school in the morning.

This school was attended before me by my father and uncle. It was a one-room log school in the beginning. The present building is clapboard on the outside with a metal roof, new windows, chimney and a porch.

When I was six years old, I started to this school with Miss Hazel Haig as my teacher; who, by the way, was boarding at my home. I was scared to death that first day, I well remember. My mother walked me to school that morning in my new dress, hair bow and sandals. My brother was still too young to accompany me. I chose a seat on the right side of the room under the octagonal clock on the wall. I placed my dinned pail on the back bench. Some of the teachers who taught me were: Miss Nelly Taylor, Miss Hattie Cochrane, Miss Seal and Mr. Mackenzie. I met my first love in Senior Fourth, and I'm sad to say we are the only two left who attended in 1925.

My four younger brothers attended this school also. My best friends in life were made there: Edith and Clark McCready, Laura Sales, Mae and Anna O'Grady, Emily Grier, Gerald and Harold O'Grady. Never did I imagine that one day I would be a teacher in this school! I always wanted to be a nurse and live in a big city.

I had to write my Entrance Exams for two days in Lansdowne to pass into Continuation School. I stayed with my paternal grandmother and successfully passed all the subjects. My two other classmates also passed. As I was too young to leave home, I took piano lessons from Maggie Webster to obtain my Grade Two in theory and piano. Then I spent four years at Lansdowne Continuation School to obtain my grade 12. I was 17 and ready to train for a nurse, I thought.

My father informed me one day in August that I was going to be a teacher like my mother, and that he was sending me to Ottawa Normal School in September 1930. He sold his best cow to pay for my year there, and it had to be repaid later. I very sorrowfully attended Normal School and hated every minute of it, as it was not my wishes. When I finished the term, I could not get a school, so I spent another year at home available as a supply teacher, but no supplying to do.

As my father was a trustee of Greenfield, I was hired when a vacancy came up, as a teacher and janitor for \$475.00 for the year 1931 - 32. I boarded at home with my family. I had to teach my two younger brothers, my first cousin, other cousins, and my neighbours' children. This was a difficult situation. However my mother was a teacher and she straightened me out with a timetable and good advice so that things fell into place as a result.

My first day of teaching I shall never forget! At 9 a.m. I picked up the brass hand bell off my desk and walked out to ring it at the porch door for the children to line up on the rocks. The children came running from all directions. The smallest little boy, a beginner, fell down with his slippery leather shoes and cut his face on a sharp rock at the door. Blood was all over the place! Here I was with no first aid supplies, no telephone and a child bleeding to death - my first cousin at that! I ordered the oldest lad to run to the nearest neighbour to call for his father to come to the school. In the meantime I held the bleeding boy in my arms and pressed my scarf on his wound until his father arrived to take him to Dr. Lohead to be sewed up. Eric still has the scar on his chin. I cleaned myself up as much as possible and after awhile got the children organized for the first day. That year I had 8 grades and 2 pupils in Grade 9.

After four enjoyable years of teaching with very fine pupils, I left to marry the farmer up the road. My pupils of Greenfield formed my guard of honour at my wedding in Lansdowne United Church April 13, 1936.

But that was not the end of my teaching profession - just the beginning!

GREENFIELD 2000 - "UPDATE"

Since the last update, we have accomplished quite a bit of work on the school. The roof has received two coats of paint. Former students Lorne and Alban Moorhead helped to scrape paint. Al Nicols has two coats of paint on all but the front, and will complete that as soon as weather permits. A sign informing what is taking place has been placed on the front of the porch. Keith Burns has been busy scraping, painting and reglazing window sash. All upper sash and two complete windows on the east and the porch are ready to reinstall. As soon as weather permits, Keith will work on the upper sash which have to be refinisher in place.

Recently Bruce Foley, George and Keith Burns and John Graham have cleaned out the inside so that we can start work there as soon as we have some windows in to provide light.

The Heritage 4H Club is reforming and eager for more work. I'm sure we can provide it.



Heritage 4H Club work crew at Greenfield School

(From Left) - Evan and Rebecca Webster, Melisa
and Rebecca Haigh, Paul Webster

(Photo by Bill Boulton)



Marion E. (Webster) Steacy
at Greenfield School 1936

(Photo Courtesy Marion Steacy)

LOYAL ORANGE LODGES

Edited by Bill Boulton

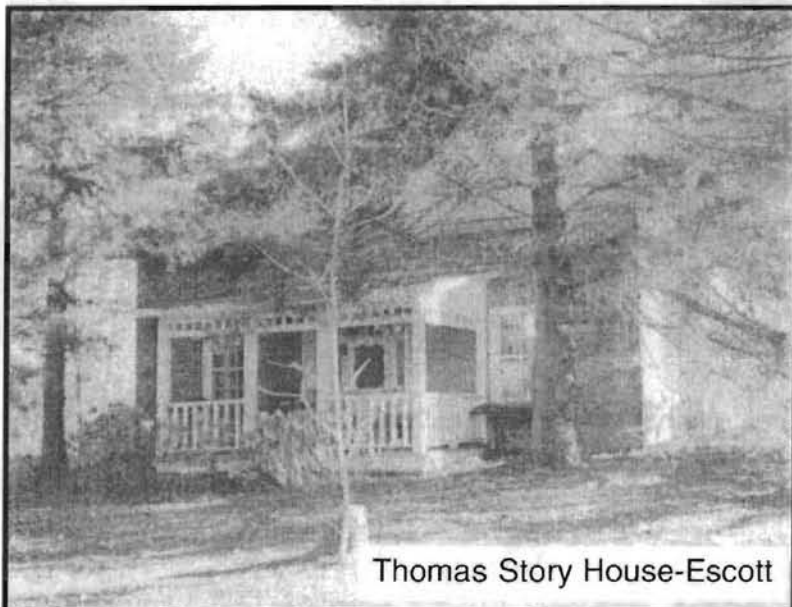
In two past issues of the Newsletter, #6, pages 9 - 10; and #7, pages 13 - 16; Paul Cote outlined the history of the Orange Lodge in the township. Recently Adeline Kennedy gave us some material prepared by her late father Thomas J. Webster in November 1960. This material will add further information. I have taken the liberty of updating the locations using current owners and addresses.

There were three Lodges, Nos. 26 Lansdowne, 27 Escott, and 100 Dulcemaine. The Warrants for all three were issued in September 1855 by Ogle R. Gowan, who was then Grandmaster of all Ontario. He had emigrated from Ireland in the early 1800's and settled in the Township of Escott, in the district known as Tilley, on a farm now owned by Brother George Foley, Past County Master. (Now the home of Philip Blancher, 1641 Blue Mountain Road). Ogal Gowan was a man of great influence and a devout Christian. He was the first M.L.A. to represent Leeds County. He saw the need of an Orange Order in this country and spared no time or money in organizing it. It has been said the reason for so many men joining the Orange Order was the remembrance of the atrocities by the Roman Catholic Irish Rebels which had caused the deaths of so many of their ancestors.

L.O.L. 27, Escott

The first meeting was held in the home of Bro. Robert Shaw. This building is yet in good condition, lately owned by the McKee brothers. (Stone house hidden by hill on north side of County Road 2, #1210) When Bro. Shaw moved to western Ontario, the Lodge met in the home of Thomas Storey. This house is now owned by Elwood Hunt. (Now home of Hugh Rankin, 1327 County Road 2). About 1856 Bro. Storey donated land on the north side of the road and an Orange Hall was built. (Now home of Katherine and Gerald Green, 1338 County Road 2). This building was used until 1938. The first W.M.'s were Bros. Nichlos Taylor and Spinser. Mr Webster's grandfather, Thomas Storey, was a charter member of this lodge, as well as John Franklin, Robert Moxley, Robert Shaw and Arthur Parr. Other early members were Wm. H. and

L.O.L. Hall-Escott



Thomas Story House-Escott

Benjamin Ferguson, John McNichle, Norris Mallory, Robert Cornett and John Moxley.

The membership in these Lodges increased very fast for some time, the Escott Lodge having 200 members in 1900. This Lodge had a fife and drum band with 20 members. Norris Mallory was band master and Thomas Storey captain. About 1940, No. 27 amalgamated with No. 26 and the hall was sold to Arthur Storey for \$125.00. The money along with some furnishings were turned over to No. 26.

All Photos for this article by Bill Boulton.

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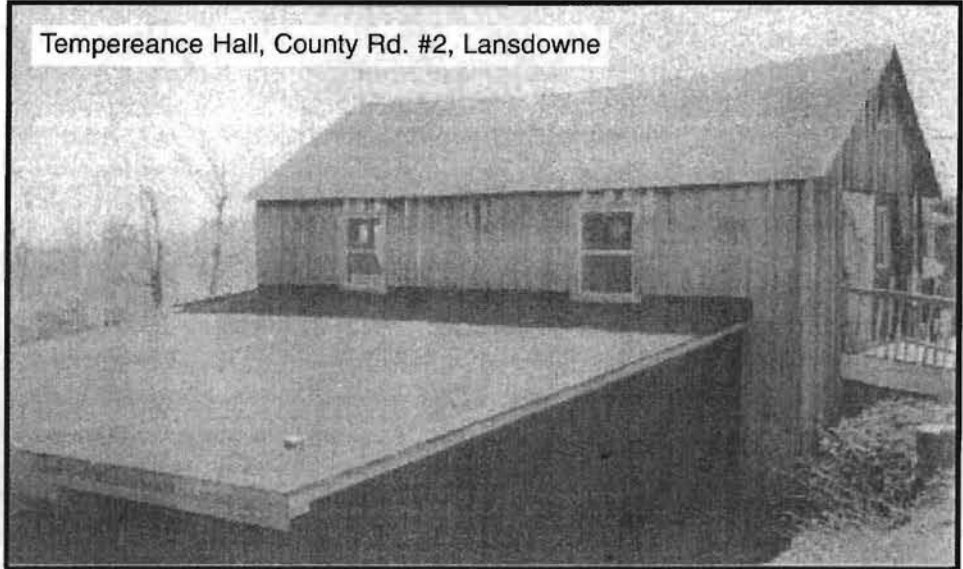
LOYAL ORANGE LODGES

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L.O.L. 26, Lansdowne

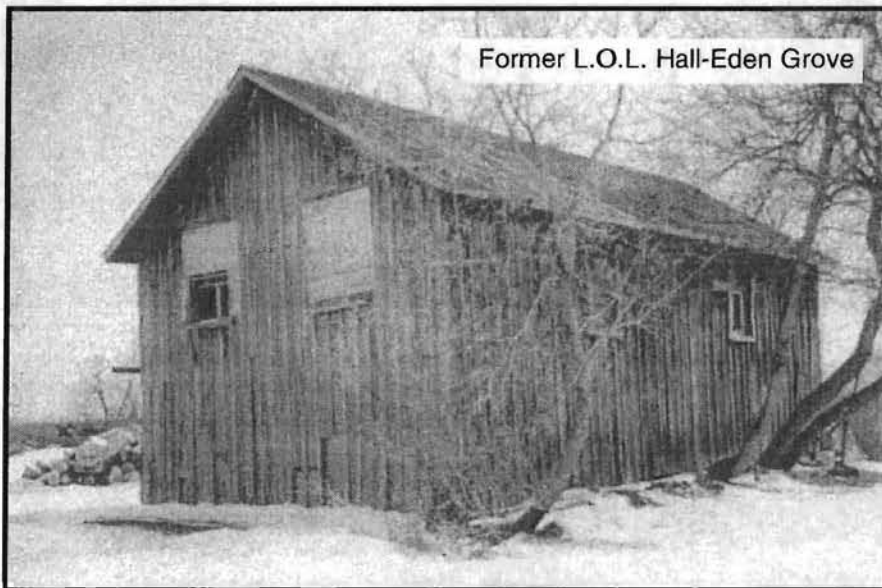
The first Orange Lodge in Lansdowne was held before 1855 in a building owned by Bro. William Smith on lot 23, concession 2, now owned by the Mitchell brothers (still standing on property owned by M. Kalipershad 1041 County Road 2).

This building was also a Temperance Hall. Early members were William Smith W.M., James Douglas, Wm. Gilbert, Henry and Joseph Bradley and Robert White. This Lodge met here for only a short time and its number is not known. The Lodge then moved to the west of the village to a building directly across the road from Eden Grove school on the farm now owned by Robert Allen. This building is still in fair condition and was moved behind Mr. Allen's house where the lower part is used



Temperance Hall, County Rd. #2, Lansdowne

for machine storage and the upper floor as a workshop. (Now Lorne Skelton 1118 Eden Grove Road). This building was also a Temperance Hall and was used for church services. In 1875 a new hall was built in Lansdowne (32 Miller Street). All the timber and lumber was donated, as well as most of the labour of carpenters Joseph A. and Thomas A. Bradley. (This Lodge continued here until 1982 when it amalgamated with L.O.L. #1 in Brockville.)



Former L.O.L. Hall-Eden Grove

The First W.M.'s of this Lodge were Bros. William Smith and James Greer. Other early members were George Stevens, Isreal Bowen, Henry, Joseph A., Thomas A., and Richard Bradley, James Douglas, Robert McCullough and Robert White. In 1900, No. 26 had about 100 members. At that time No. 26 had a good brass band with a paid band master, Mr. Albert Wood.

In 1893 the L.O.L. of this district sponsored the laying of the corner stone of Greenfield Methodist Church on the sixth concession. The Grand Master of Ontario, the Late N. Clark Wallace officiated, and was presented with a silver trowel. In 1900 the 12th of

July was celebrated in Lansdowne with a very large gathering of Orangemen and others in attendance. Four Lodges were in the parade, Nos. 26, 27, 100 and 51. The parade was led by the Lansdowne Brass Band and marched to the Drill Shed where a party from the Royal Military College demonstrated boxing and sword exercises.

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LOYAL ORANGE LODGES

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In 1919 a Royal Black Preceptory was organized in Lansdowne, #649, with about 30 new members. This Lodge did not last very long. The Grand Master came on July 18, 1939 and took with him the warrant and rituals. (The Historical Society has the seal from this Lodge)

L.O.L. 100 Dulcemain

The first meeting was held in the home of Bro. John Cook at Warburton, Lot 16, Concession 5 (now home of Tom Graham 257 Warburton Road). Later they bought a building across from the Dulcemain School. This building had been used as a medicine shop and later converted to a home by Robert Stringer. The Lodge rebuilt it into an Orange Hall in 1866, the carpenters being John and Henry Patience. This Lodge continued until 1935, when it amalgamated with No. 26. The hall was sold to T.J. Webster who dismantled it. The \$25.00 realized from the sale along with some furnishings and the No. 100 banner came to No. 26. (The Historical Society has the frame from the Charter).



L.O.L. #26 Hall-Lansdowne

The first W.Ms. were Bros. John Cook and C.F. Rath. Other founding members were Thomas W. Bradley, Nathaniel Kendrick, John and John E. Steacy, John, Richard and Joseph Cook, John A., William A., Joseph and Robert Webster, John W. Day, John Fair, John Cowan, James Greer Sr., Robert Austin, Thomas Wallace and John and James Patience. When T.J. Webster joined this Lodge in 1900 it had over fifty members in good standing and a fife and drum band. The Griffin brothers and Wm. Shaw rowed across Sandbay (Gananoque) Lake and walked 3 miles to lodge, and were regular in attendance.



A SUNDAY DRIVE

Canada has so much to offer the touring public. The Eastern Provinces contain some of America's noted beauty spots, among these the St. Lawrence Valley and the Thousand Islands. The popularity of motor touring is rapidly growing, owing to better roads and the greater dependability of automobiles. Many thousands of motorists now make it a practice to take a short tour most weekends during the summer and fall, and also an extended tour covering the duration of their annual vacation.

Provincial highways, comprising 1800 miles, will be extended into every county. Continuous maintenance will be given and construction provided in accordance with the needs of traffic. Routes to be developed are: Toronto to Quebec Border (Kingston Road), Ottawa to Prescott and Kingston to Ottawa. Provincial Highways relieve county councils of the roads of heaviest expenditure. County roads relieve the township of their greatest cost. Township councils will receive aid for the remaining roads. (F.C. Biggs, Minister of Highways).

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JANUARY - JUNE 1901

NOTES from the DIARY of JOHN QUINN

- Jan. 1 - 5 The month and year begins fine but very cold, 10 - 12 below zero. Helping George Humphries saw wood. Helping Mr. Heaslip chop wood back on Martin Cross place. Sold W.P. Moore 9 bushels of barley at 45 cents a bushel.
- Jan. 6 - 12 Good sleighing. Township elections. Uncle Edd Summers came to visit. Went to Lansdowne to District Orange Lodge. Sold Uncle Edd 40 bushel of oats. Went to Kingston on business. Terrible heavy storm of snow and sleet. Went down to W. Grames after Martha. Soldiers came home from Africa. Helping to prepare a reception at Lansdowne for George Bryan and Frank Storm.
- Jan. 13 - 19 Helping to clean up after the reception. Mild day, lots of snow. Sold 32 bushel of oats to George Summers for 25 cents a bushel. Attending District Temperance meeting at Mitchelville. Mother very sick, had the doctor. Very cold, 26 below zero. George Summers and Hilliard Warner visited.
- Jan. 20 - 26 Lizzy came home to take care of mother. Mr. James Dixon died. Got a load of wood at Martin Crosses. Got 4 gal. coal oil at Lansdowne, 25 cents. Got Bill shod all round. Mother no better.
- Jan. 27 - Feb. 2 Uncle Edd Summers came to see mother. Got 4 loads of wood from Dunk Reed, \$5.00. Feb. begins very stormy, biggest snow of the winter. Good sleighing now. Mother is better, sitting up to-day.
- Feb. 3 - 9 Very stormy, roads all blown full. Went to Gananoque to attend County Orange Lodge. Patsy Sullivan's barns burnt. Went to Sand Bay to Sons of Temperance. Very cold and stormy, 20 below zero. Mrs Goss Haskens died.
- Feb. 10 - 16 Martha came home. Helping Thomas Bryant saw wood. Owen Sullivan and myself was out collecting money for Patsy Sullivan. Shovelling snow on the road all day, roads all full.
- Feb. 17 - 23 Mr. John Bulger's little girl died. Helping Roll Johnston cut straw. Martha went to Portland with Maud. Helping Charles Horton draw hay.
- Feb. 24 - Mar. 2 Sons of Temperance had a social at J.A. Websters. Heavy fall of snow, roads bad. Went to Gananoque with a grist of wheat, 8 bushels. Wind from the south, heavy snow, roads all filled again.
- Mar. 3 - 9 Very cold stormy week. Helping Charles Horton draw hay and cut wood in the bush. Sat. night took a load to Lindhurst to Temperance Lodge.
- Mar. 10 - 16 George and Mary Summers came out. Heavy ice storm, roads very bad. Went to W.A. Cornett's wood cutting bee. Went to Lansdowne for a load of lumber, putting partitions in upstairs. Tom Bryan and I went to Jos. Beveneses for some fish.
- Mar. 17 - 23 Took a load to Seeleys Bay at night. Old Mrs. James Burns died. Took Margaret home to Elgin. Weather went from very cold and stormy to rain. Roads very bad.
- Mar. 24 - 30 Came home from Uncle Edds. Rain and warm, first wheals this spring on the road. Helping Fred Johnston saw wood. Mr. Norman Gardner died. Lots of buggies running. Mrs. Emma Jr. McNeal came today.

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SAVE-A-TAPE PROGRAM

We are now participating in two Save-A-Tape programs. Save your cash register tapes from:

BALDREE'S - YOUR INDEPENDENT GROCER
and
A & P - DOMINION - SAVE-A-CENTRE

Please give your tapes to any executive member, bring them to a meeting, or drop them in the mail to us. The Society receives a donation from the companies on a percentage basis.

NOTE:

Both A & P and Baldree's in Gananoque now have provided bins for depositing your cash register tapes as you leave the store. Please deposit them into the bin marked Front of L. & L. Historical Society.

JOHN QUINN DIARY- *(Continued from page #11)*

- Mar. 31 - Apr. 6 Helping S.E. Johnston saw. Worst storm of the winter, snow and rain for 3 days, 3" of water on the level. Mary came home from Kingston sick. Sat. spring like day, drove to Lansdowne.
- Apr. 7 - 13 Easter Sunday. Snow nearly all gone. Sold 4 calves at \$3. each. Went to W.A. Cornett's funeral. Fixing machinery. Frogs singing for first time. Helping Roll Johnston in sap bush.
- Apr. 14 - 20 Warm day, roads are drying up. Took young cattle to pasture at George Humphrys. Sold John Read 23 bushel of barley, \$10.47. Cleaning seed grain and fixing fences. Letting water off Keating Place. Drove to Lansdowne. Fixing seeder and getting ready to seed. Sat. 2" of snow.
- Apr. 21 - 27 Rained and snowed most of week. Roads are awful. Cleaned 40 bushel of seed oats. Went to Lansdowne for a load of posts. Helping Owen Sullivan bore post holes.
- Apr. 28 - May 4 Got Bill shod all round. Commenced spring work. Breaking ground for wheat on Keating place. Drawing up old rales for wood. Sowed wheat for the first this spring.
- May 5 - 11 Warm, ground is drying up. Finished sowing wheat. Breaking ground. Took colt to pasture.
- May 12 - 18 Went to Quarterly Meeting. Plowed garden. Mr. Heaslip was taken very bad. Plowing on Keating place. The mare folded.
- May 19 - 25 The colt died. Unloaded new engine. Loading machinery to start for Toledo. Mr John Redmond died. Helping Sam Warren move crusher from Warburton to Henry Foleys. Fri. 24 - Queens Berth Day. Martha and I went to Uncle Edds. Ettie Summers was drowned at the river at 6 p.m.
- May 26 - June 1 Warm day but muddy roads. Helping Ross Smith to draw old stable. Went to Gananoque with a grist of 6 bushels. Month begins very wet.
- June 2 - 8 I.O.O.F. marched to St. Johns Church. First nice day in three weeks. Started for Toledo with machinery for the saw mill. Got to Athens at night, started for Toledo in morning. Helping to set up machinery, started for home in evening, arrived at 4 a.m.
- June 9 - 15 Nice warm day, ground is drying. Working at spring work. Finished sowing grane, 70 bushels.
- June 16 - 22 Very hot, 98 in the shade. Planted potatoes and corn. Put on wire fence along lane. Went out to Uncle Edds for some young pigs. Got the grey horse shod.
- June 23 - 30 Terrible thunder storm. Sons of Temperance paraded to the Presbyterian Church. Went to Seeleys Bay to District Temperance Lodge. Working on the road for his own share and for C.E. Earl. Month ends on a very nice cool day.

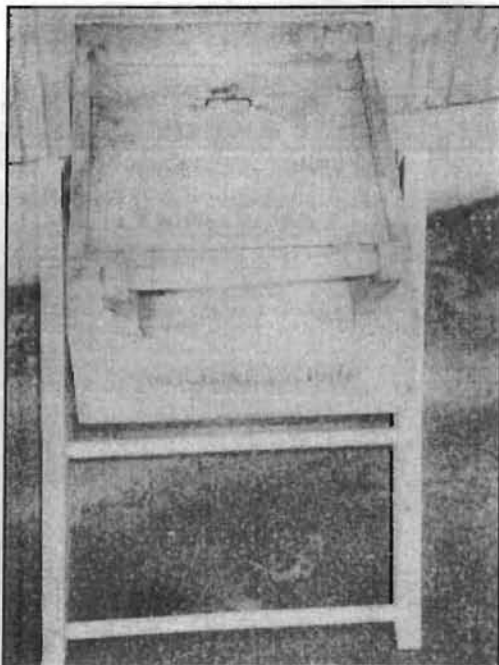


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Young's Washing Machine In
F.O.L.L. Collection

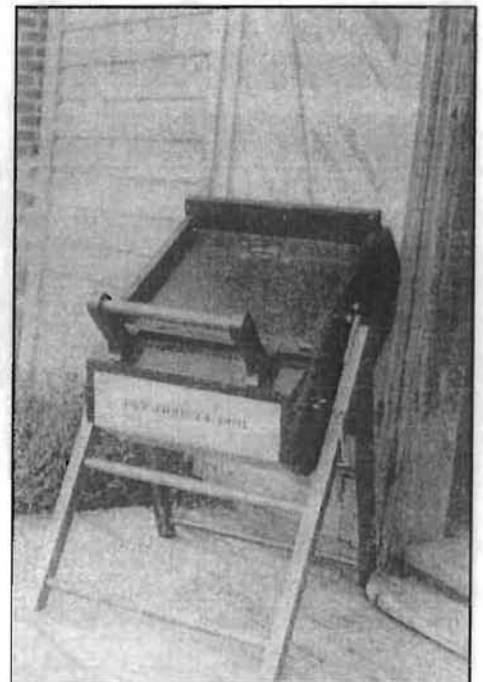
(Photo by Bill Boulton)

(See Article on Page #13.)

Photo on Right:

Young's Washing Machine at
Darling's Store 1901

(Photo from Darlingside Collection)



YOUNG'S AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINE

By Bill Boulton

Lansdowne has never been considered a manufacturing centre, but with material we have received recently, perhaps we will have to rethink this assumption.

About three years ago, Doreen Cranker donated two washing machines to the Society. One was an original, and one was a reproduction. Both had belonged to her father-in-law, Nathan Cranker. The original was missing its frame, but one has been made following the pattern of Mr. Cranker's reproduction.

The top of the washer is marked: "YOUNG'S AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINE Manufactured by the Automatic Washing Machine Co. LANSDOWNE, ONT Pat. June 24, 1901

In the Darlingside material we found several professionally made pictures of the same machine. The pictures appear to have been taken at the front of Mr. Darling's store at the corner of the present Prince Street and Grand Trunk Avenue. If you look closely in the upper left corner you can see a small section of the wall of the building which is now the Lucky Dollar Store.

While going through micro film of back copies of the Gananoque Reporter, Alan Lindsay found the following article in the October 5, 1901 issue.

New Washers

Among the machines shown at Lansdowne Fair was a new washing machine invented by Mr. Young, Lansdowne. There are so many machines in the market that it seems like taking chances to present a new one. But there is always room for improvement. This is a simple machine in construction, easily worked, and not liable to get out of order. The best features of its operation are, that it does the work quickly, thoroughly, with little labour, and with no injury to the articles. There is no rubbing or grinding which sometimes merely fastens the dirt more firmly into the fabrics, and always takes a lot of wear out of them. By this machine the dirt is first partially detached by solution, and then shocked away from the cloth by a forward and backward jerk. Those who want an effective washer should examine this, or give it a trial, which will be more satisfactory than a written description. It can be seen at Mr. Darling's store, Lansdowne.



Editor's Note: *Should anyone wish to take up this offer in 2001, I am sure we could make arrangements!*

A SUNDAY DRIVE

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Before you start out, perhaps it is best to review some of the rules of the road.

With two exceptions, no license or permit is required in Ontario for the driver who operates a car. The exceptions are: paid chauffeurs and persons between the ages of 16 and 18. License cost \$2.00; renewal, annual \$1.00. Applications must be endorsed by a member of the Ontario Motor League, who acts as examiner, and the local chief constable.

Registration fees: vehicles 25 H.P. or less \$10.00; 25 to 35 H.P., \$15.00; 35 to 50 H.P., \$25.00; and more than 50 H.P., \$30.00. Numbers front and rear, 4" high; rear illuminated: supplied by Province.

Lights: two on front and one behind, after dusk and before dawn.

Cars cannot be driven at a greater rate of speed than 20 miles per hour in cities, towns and villages, and outside these not at a greater rate than 25 miles per hour.

When approaching horses, "all reasonable precautions to prevent frightening" them must be taken, and the motor vehicle, when meeting a horse-drawn vehicle, "shall not approach within 100 yards, or pass at a greater speed than 15 miles per hour" If signalled by the driver to do so, the operator must stop both his car and engine. The car and engine shall also be stopped upon "meeting" a funeral procession upon the highway.

For your convenience, International Ferries operate between Prescott and Ogdensburg N.Y., Brockville and Morristown N.Y. and Gananoque and Clayton N.Y.

Now that you have the car packed and ready, here is your route from Brockville to Kingston:

Mileage

0 BROCKVILLE

Stay at the Grand Central Hotel, Brockville's leading hotel, \$3.00 per day.

Repairs at Beacock's Garage, corner of Buell and George Sts. Phone 484

Go west on King St., pass over R.R. viaduct and curve right around a hill on the left, continue to forks (2.8) Take the right fork, the left-hand road is shorter but not so good, cross the R.R. track twice, and go ahead, and pass creamery on left, curve right and pass stone church on left, coming to forks, take left and continue through

7.3 LYN

Passing post office on right, cross bridge over ravine (12.4) and cemetery on the right of church on left, go through

13.7 OLD MALLORYTOWN

Pass church on left and creamery on right (road on right goes to New Mallorytown), pass school on right, and continue on, passing blacksmith shop and Masonic Hall, go through

17.2 ESCOTT

Pass cheese factory, school and creamery on left and church on right, and coming to creamery and school on left, go through

20.4 MITCHELVILLE

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A SUNDAY DRIVE

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20.4 MITCHELVILLE

Go through cross-roads, continue on, passing school on right and cemetery and church on left and with R.R. on the right, and pass blacksmith shop on left, continue on down grade, curving right around hill and cross cement culvert, and pass Fair Grounds on right, entering King St of

34.5 GANANOQUE

Stay at Provencal Hotel, (McCarney System), a good stopping place on the Picturesque St. Lawrence River. 70 rooms, 25 with bath.

Repairs at Wilson's Garage and Service Station, King St. Phone 210

Go west on King St., crossing three R.R. tracks and iron bridge over river to end of street and watering trough, turn right on King St, (34.1) curve left and pass small bridge, school on left, cross small bridge, creamery on left, also park and cemetery on right, continue, passing cheese factory and school on left, and coming to another creamery on right to forks, take left fork (right fork goes to Kingston, also is known as Middle Road), continue on, passing over small bridge over creek, and coming to brick school on right, also the St. Lawrence River on left, go straight on and turn left, going down long winding hill, passing Royal Military College over to the left, cross Cataraqui River cement bridge, and curve around Tete du Pont Barracks entrance, turn right at Place d'Arms St., crossing two R.R.'s to end of street, turn left on Wellington St., and coming to Princess St. (main centre of city)

53.1 KINGSTON

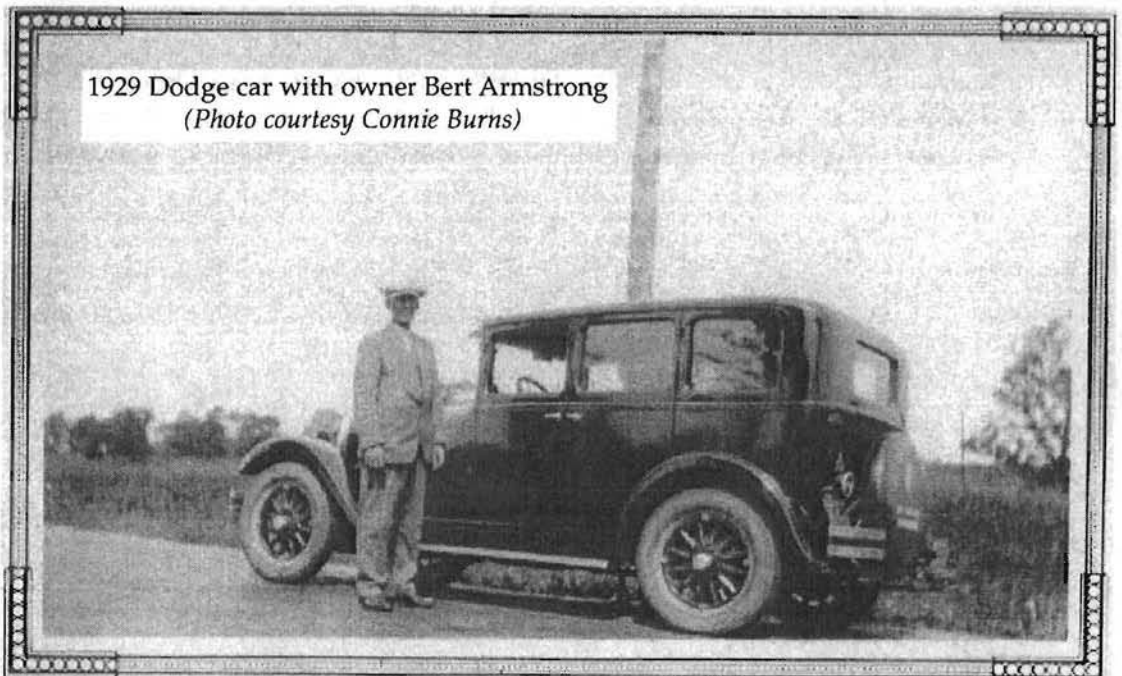
Stay at the Randolph Hotel, steam heated, electric lights Phone 148

Repairs at Overland Garage, 110-114 Wellington St. Phone 1410

Take the Rockport Navigation Co. Lt. ferry to Cape Vincent N.Y. Capt Carnegie at wharf at the foot of Brock St.

Taken from: Official Automobile Road Guide of Canada 1920 The Ontario Motor League

1929 Dodge car with owner Bert Armstrong
(Photo courtesy Connie Burns)



If, now in 2001, you are completely lost, C.A.A. can be reached at *CAA on your cell phone!

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