

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
OF  
FRONT OF LEEDS AND LANSDOWNE**



**Prince St., Lansdowne, Looking North from Railway Tracks-1905**

(Cover Photo - See Pg. #4.)

(Killer on the loose in Lansdowne in 1870 - see Pg. 11)

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At New Years, I received the gift of a desk calendar; "365 Days of Thoughts and Illustrations by Sally Huss". I have no idea who Sally Huss is, but she seems to be a very clever lady.

As I started to prepare this message, the daily thought was "To win means something, but to do the best you can is the ultimate". While perhaps seeming immodest, I think I have always aspired to that thought. Even when I make a mistake, I try to make it so big it can not go unnoticed.

This brings me to the last issue of the Newsletter and a picture credited to me. On Heritage Fair Day I was bustling about putting signs on displays. Later, someone told me I had labelled a "Hay Loader" as a "Hay Rake". Sure enough I had, even though I knew better. I changed the sign. When the picture went into the Newsletter, I double checked to make sure I had it right. When the Newsletter came out, I checked again, and congratulated myself on finally getting it right.

A few days later, one of our keen eyed, sharp witted members sent me a message. "That's a hay loader not a hay rake". She passed it off with the comment, "after all, he's not a country boy". Unfortunately, the ultimate of doing my best was not good enough.

To try to save some face, I consulted a noted local expert on farm machinery. He tells me the correct name of the piece of equipment pictured was "Raker-Bar Hay Loader". I had half the words, if not in the right context. This whole issue proves that credit for these newsletters goes to Bruce Foley, any mistakes are my fault.

As we end our fifth year, I feel we have had a successful series of meetings. Speakers have been interesting, and your support through your attendance has been rewarding. To Andrew and Bruce, Fairgrove and Lansdowne Women's Institutes, and Joan Barrett, thanks for sharing your expertise with us. To the executive, thanks to all of you for your efforts to lighten the load.

I can not end this message without expressing our appreciation to Ted and Pat Hewitt for their work in physically putting this newsletter together and getting it out.

*"A day filled with joy awaits your involvement. Friends cannot but help". Sally Huss.*

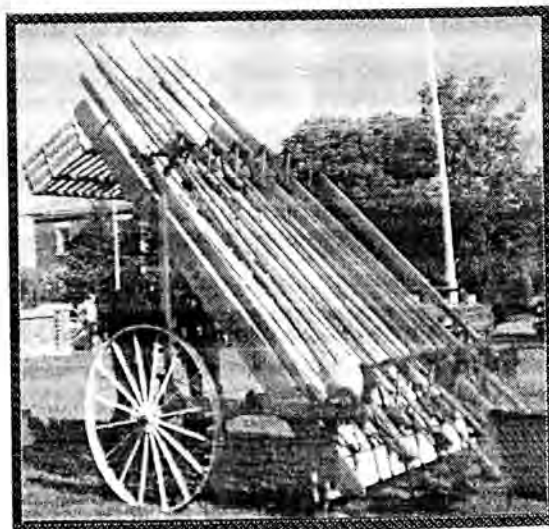
P.S. As this goes to press, I must refer back to John Quinn's diary entry for April 19, 1897.  
Some things never change. April 19, 1997, ground also white with snow!

William E. Boulton,



President

"Raker-Bar Hay Loader" owned by Ed Clark  
*Photo courtesy Bill Boulton*





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## 1997 - GENERAL MEETINGS - by Anne Graham

**The January 20th meeting**, held on one of the coldest nights of the year, surprisingly had a good turnout. Andrew Graham and Bruce Foley shared their inside knowledge of Kingston Penitentiary and the Warden's residence directly across the street; Andrew as a former warden, and Bruce as a 30 year guard. Andrew was the last warden to have his office in the residence, which in 1995 was turned into a museum. His description of items there certainly sparked interest in a visit to the museum. Both touched on the big riot, and Andrew displayed a book on the history of Kingston Pen. Bruce brought along his metal cup and demonstrated how to stay awake on the night shift!

Andrew Graham and Bruce Foley at January meeting. Bruce is demonstrating the Kingston Pen. metal cup  
*Photo courtesy Bill Boulton*



**The February 20th meeting** honoured the 100th Anniversary of the Women's Institute. Edith Day and Connie Burns presented general facts on the Institute and the Lansdowne Branch in particular. Ruby Galway outlined the history of the Fairgrove Branch. Many were surprised to learn of the many improvements brought about through the efforts of the Women's Institute; pasteurizing of milk, stop signs at railway crossings and stopping for school buses being only a few. Beatrice Webster and Marie Tompson displayed the Tweedsmuir history books from the two branches. Janet Lindsay demonstrated the use of a "House Log" to record the history of our homes. This organization deserves a great deal of credit for preserving local history.



Beatrice Webster, left, of the Lansdowne Women's Institute, and Margaret Gray, right, of Fairgrove W.I. receive Certificates of Appreciation from Glenda Olivier, secretary of the Society.  
*Photo courtesy Pat Barnes*

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1997 - GENERAL MEETINGS - by Anne Graham (from Pg. #3)

The St. Patrick's Day meeting was again well attended. Joan Barrett gave an excellent presentation on her research of the history of local weavers. In honour of the day, special attention was given to the Irish weavers. This is an ancient craft, carried on traditionally by many local ladies in their homes.



Joan Barrett, who researched material for Escott's Springfield House Weaver's Attic, shared her information at the March meeting.  
*Photo by Derek Gordanier, The Gananoque Reporter*

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### COVER PHOTO

This 1905 picture is part of the Society's collection. About a year after we received the undated picture, we were given a postcard with the same picture on the front. Written on the front of the postcard is this message: "This picture was taken in 1905 but we have not had so much snow since". The card was sent to a lady in Pulaski, New York "From your Friend G.S." Having a 1 cent stamp, it was mailed in Lansdowne Jan.8, 1907 and received in Pulaski Jan. 9, 1907.

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## HERITAGE FAIR--97

**SAVE SUNDAY OCTOBER 5, 1997 FOR OUR FOURTH ANNUAL HERITAGE FAIR,  
10 A.M. TO 4 P.M. - LANSDOWNE FAIR GROUNDS**

*Planning for this event is under way and we hope to make it bigger and better than last year.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> GIANT PUMPKIN CONTEST<br><input type="checkbox"/> ANTIQUE MACHINERY<br><input type="checkbox"/> QUILTING<br><input type="checkbox"/> CHILDRENS GAMES | <input type="checkbox"/> SCARECROW CONTEST<br><input type="checkbox"/> ANTIQUE CARS<br><input type="checkbox"/> CIDER MAKING<br><input type="checkbox"/> MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT |
| <input type="checkbox"/> HOME COOKED FOOD   |  |

*We hope to have an Antique Tractor Pull again this year*

If you have historical or heritage material you would like to display please contact

**Connie Burns 659-2269 or Bill Boulton 659-4194.**

*"If you can provide live demonstrations, all the better".*



## FUND RAISING

### RAFFLE

Our raffle prize this year is:

**"AN ORIGINAL WATERCOLOUR PAINTING" - "THE MITCHELL HOUSE"**

by *BEN BABELOWSKY*

*Framed By:* BACKROADS STUDIO GALLERY

*Total Value \$252.00*

*TICKETS \$1.00 each*

Available at Lansdowne Telephone, William's Place-Fine Handicrafts, or any executive member.  
Drawing at Heritage Fair, Lansdowne Fair Grounds, Sunday October 5



### SAVE-a-TAPE

We are now participating in the BALDREE'S - Your Independant Grocer - Save-a-Tape programme. This programme assists local non-profit organizations.

**Save Baldree tapes** and bring them to a meeting, or give them to an executive member.

*We receive \$1.00 for every \$333.00 of tapes.*

## “HOW TO STOP SMOKING”

**NOTE:** The following is from another article Eleanor Moulton found in an old issue of the Gananoque Reporter at the Stauffer Library, Queen's University. Dated Saturday, November 10, 1888, the article began "Having visited Lansdown last Tuesday for the first time in three years..". The following is the last item from the column.

While in the village we were introduced to a man who two weeks ago stopped smoking on a sudden impulse. Most people addicted to smoking find themselves unable to quit when they want to. But this man, though he had smoked regularly for years, broke off instantly. He had been to the village, and was walking home in the evening after dark, taking his way along the railway track. When about a mile from the village, he sat down on the track, filled his pipe and lit a match, with intent to have a rest and a comfortable smoke. While the burning match was on its way to the pipe, and with everything ready for his enjoyment of the smoke, he suddenly refrained from lighting the pipe, and has not smoked since that time. In excuse of those who have tried to quit and failed, we may say that the motive which impelled this man to desist at that particular time, was a locomotive which produced itself upon his notice at the rate of eighteen miles an hour, cyclonically hurled him from the track and mixed him promiscuously with a pile of ties and three panels of fence, breaking two of his ribs, and cutting and bruising him in various parts of his body. It was effectual as a counterblast to tobacco, but he does not recommend the plan for general adoption. We speak of the matter thus lightly, as under the kind care of Mr. Stewart's family, to whose house he was taken after the accident, he is rapidly recovering from his injuries, and when we saw him was comfortably propped up in bed, suffering very little, and apparently soon to be around again as usual.

**EDITORS NOTE:** We too do not recommend this method. With all the speed and improvements over the last 110 years, Nicorette would perhaps be a much safer method!



This line drawing of Kingston Pen shows prisoners at work with picks, shovels and sledge hammers, breaking up rocks on the waterfront at what appears to be the present day site of the Portsmouth Olympic Harbour.

*Courtesy of  
Bruce Foley*



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## THE SNIDER AND HARKNESS FAMILIES OF LANSDOWNE by Alan Lindsay

In our last issue we featured the descendants of Mary Snider who married Wm. Webb. Mary was a daughter of Jeremiah Snider Jr. and Jane Harkness of Lancaster, Ontario. Various members of the Snider and Harkness families came to Lansdowne at one time or another.

Simon, a brother of Jeremiah, lived at Dulcemaine. He had a large family and along with his sons ran a sawmill there. One daughter Catherine married George Patience and his son is the great-grandfather of Gloria and Ken Truesdell.

Jane Harkness had two sisters in Lansdowne; Barbara wife of Hiram Landon (lived where Thorold Cross lives) and Marry Lafayette second wife of Noah Peck. George Peck went to Lancaster to marry his stepmother's niece Susan Snider. Two of Susan's sisters also came; Catherine who married Wellington Landon (nephew of Hiram) and Mary who married Wm. Webb. Most of the children of a third sister Flora who married Solomon Curry also ended up in the Lansdowne area.

### Children of Susan and George Peck

Flora m Byron Boyce - no children survived

Mamie m W P Dailey (Daly) - Maude, George, Wilfred, Hazel

Wellington m ? - Douglas, Edwin

Noah m Maria Cross - Gertie m Wm. Waldie

Bertha m T. Webster - Flora, Bruce

Gordon m ? - Ina

Walter m ?

George m Verna Warren - Jack, Phyllis, Ford, Paul, Ralph

Flora (Flo) m G Surplis - no children

### Children of Mary Snider and William Webb (see last issue - #7 January 1997)

#### Children of Catherine (1848-1882) and Wellington Landon (1848-1929)

Susan m Nathaniel Webster - Pearl (Churchill), Kate (Currie)

William m Mary Louise (Minnie) Mcalpine - no children

#### Children of Flora (1845-1897) and Solomon Curry (1840-1882)

George m M Cranker

Catherine m W P Snider - Bert, Howard, Flora

Edythe m Fred Gray

Orval (twin of Edythe) m Nellie McKay: children

Russell m Delene Beaubieh - 3 children

Helen m Robert Beaubieh - Bobby

Ralph m Eula Scott - Tom, Lynn, Ann

Howard m Laura Cameron - Douglas, William

Grace m Joe Creighton - Catherine (Clark), Dan, Douglas

Edith m Doug Holmes

Orval (twin of Edith)

Janet m Bill Edwards - Carol, Bill

Jane Ann m Thomas Steacy: children

Edythe Pearl m William Rotters - 2 daughters

Kenneth Ross m Orma Fortune - Wilma, Lorne, Gordon, Eldon

Thomas Ford m Irene Patience (a descendant of Simon Snider)

- Donald, Margaret, Tom, David

Ernest Stuart m Ina Noble

Gladys Irene m Harold Johnston - Thane

The Snider family were United Empire Loyalists and settled in Lancaster, Ontario and Ernestown Township west of Kingston. Simon and Jeremiah Jr. were born in Canada and had 10 brothers and sisters. Their father, Jeremiah Sr. was born in the Hudson Valley of New York. Their mother was Catherine (Kate) Snyder. They were probably related in some way.

**Jeremiah Sr's parents :** Simon Snider UEL and Mary Lane

grandparents: Johannes Joost Snider and Anna Magdalena Elizabeth Flager

**Catherine Snyder's parents:** Jacob Snyder UEL and ? Susanna Mayer

The Original spelling of the name was Schneider and of German origin.

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## S.S.#5 - WILSTEAD SCHOOL by Ruth Chisamore

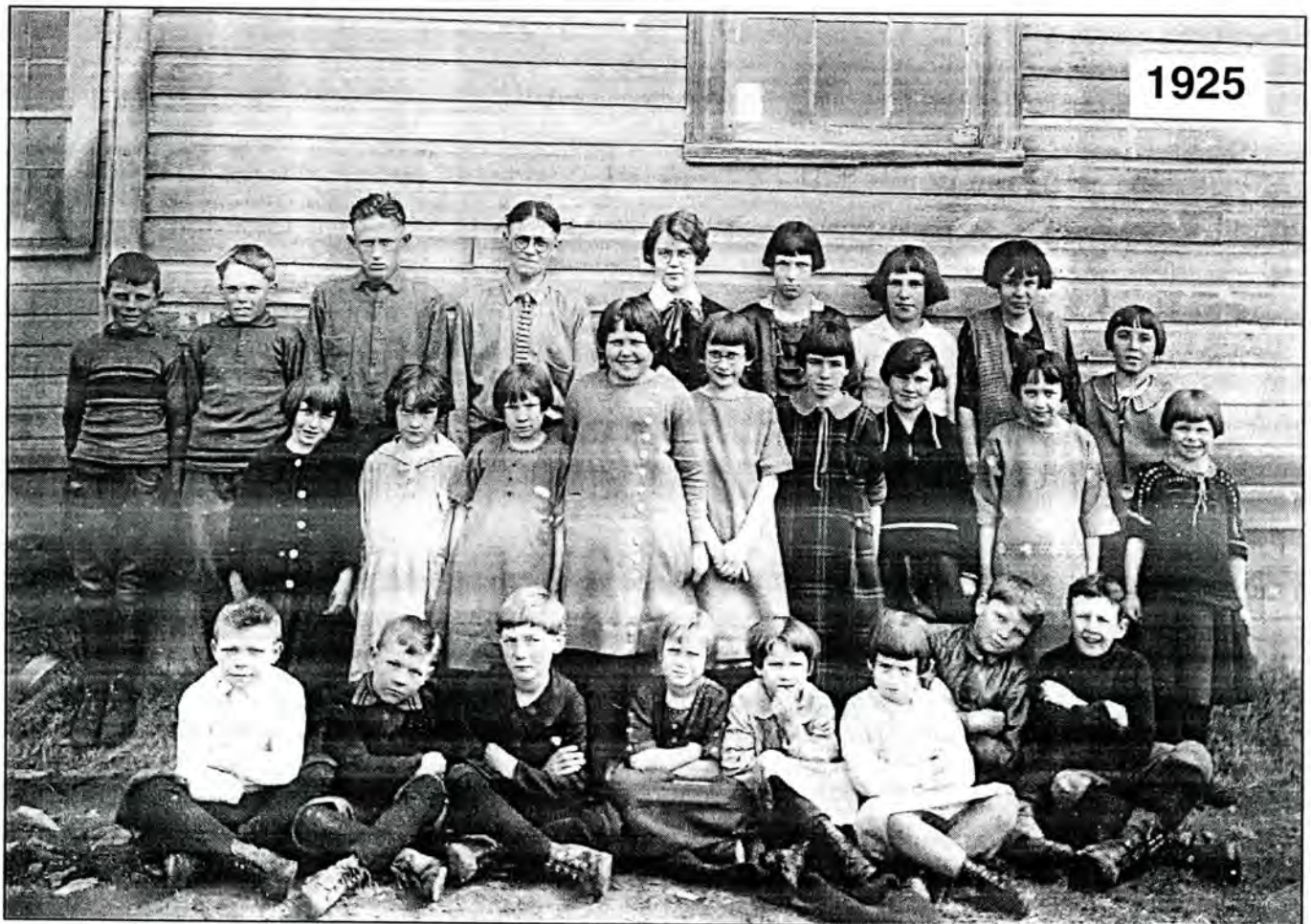
Wilstead School was situated on the south side of Hwy. No. 2, about four miles east of Gananoque. Wilstead was not the original name for this settlement, this name being given to it about 1880 when a post office was established there. The original name was McCrone's Corners in honour of a Scottish man named McCrone, who with his brother-in-law, Robert Wilson, had built a blacksmith shop on the north-west corner. The name Wilstead was made up of two parts, "Wil" from Wilson, because there were a number of Wilson families living there and "stead" meaning a turn in the road.

There was obviously an earlier school on the site, as Edith Giles, 1880; and Mable Robinson, 1884, are listed as teachers. The white frame school house was built in 1887 and became one of the landmarks of the community. Through the years it was not only a school, but church services were held there, also Sunday School, concerts, church meetings, factory meetings, showers and dances. It actually served as a community hall.

In 1887, when the new school was built, the trustees were: Wellington Landon, Hugh Gray and Joseph Dodds. The secretary was Robert Wilson.

Amount raised by Township debentures	\$475.00
Premium on debentures	7.50
Received from old school house	<u>25.73</u>
Cost of school house built in 1878	\$508.23

Wellington Landon looked after the work and gave the above statement. The estimated value of the school site and building was \$700.00. Estimate of furniture and equipment was \$125.00.



**Front Row L-R** Armond Anderson, Clayton Anderson, Donald Running, Bessie Humphrey, ? , Valera Richardson, Harold Kyes, Percy Cook. **2nd Row L-R** Marie Cross, ? , Ina Humphrey, Doris Gray, Jean Steacy, Marguerite O'Hearn, Kathleen O'Hearn, Vera Steacy, Theada Boucher **Back Row L-R** Irwin Boucher, Donald Gray, Allen Cook, Lawence Chisamore, Lillian Collier Gray-Teacher, Hattie Baucher, ? , Laura Gray, Ioleen Chisamore.



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## Teachers at S.S.#5 - Wilstead

1888-89	Alice Atkinson	1921-22	Florence McKay
1890-91-92	Minnie Kelsey	1922-26	Lillian Collier
1893	Anna Smith	1926-28	Winona D. Chick
1894	Rebecca Edwards	1928-29	Beatrice Blackwell
1895	Mary McMurray	1929-30	Marjorie Nunn
1896-97-98	Arthur R. Webster	1930-32	Phyllis Sine
1899	H.A. Meggs	1932-36	Ford Kyes
1900	F.E. Derbyshire	1936-38	Ruth Fulford
1901-02	Lou Rotters	1938-40	Erma Cook
1902	Frances M. Brown	1940-41	Dorothy McEwen
1903-04-05	Jean Mitchell	1941-43	Ann Cunningham
1905	Carrie Delong	1943	Marie Leadbeater
1906-07	Edith Wallis	1944	Lillian Collier Gray
1907-08	Louise Cowan	1944-45	Mary E. Peck
1908-09	Mable Richards	1945-46	Margaret E. Gray
1909	Lelia Seal	1946-48	Lenna McNeely
1910	Louise Carlton	1948-50	Margaret E. Gray
1911	Miss Garvin	1950	Mary Wheeler
1912	Mary McVean	1950-51	Helen Burns
1912-13	Miss Moynehan	1951-53	Lenna McNeely
1913	Edna Fair	1953-54	Glenna Mainse
1914	A.B. Hickey	1954-56	Mrs. Kingham
1914-15	Sarah Donevan	1956-58	Mrs. Janet Lindsay
1915-16-17	Georgina Rourke, Anna Munro, Myrtle Wright, Ethel Lloyd, Mr. Bradley	1958-59 1959-60	Malcolm Bishop Mrs. Marion Steacy

Wilstead School was closed in June 1960. In September the pupils were taken by bus to the new Wm. Hiscock Consolidated School. Teachers there were: Mr. Ronald Green, Mrs. Marion Steacy, Mr. McKay, Mrs. Janet Lindsay, and Mrs. Ann Gray. Mr. Hackett replaced Mr. W.F. Hiscocks as inspector.

In September 1960 Wilstead School was sold to Mr. George Lewis who converted it into a dwelling. The Lewis family lived there until November 1965. On the afternoon of November 18th an explosion followed by a fire completely destroyed the building. On the site of the old school now stands a brick bungalow erected by Mr. Lewis.

This article was given to us by Ruth Chisamore, and was written by Lenna McNeely in 1953. The information was compiled by John T. Wilson, a grade 8 student in the school, from records kept by his grandfather Mr. John B. Wilson, and his great grandfather Mr. Robert Wilson, who each held the office of Secretary-Treasurer of S.S. #5, and from later school registers. Additional material came from a Gananoque Reporter article of August 23, 1967 written by Mrs. Hubert McNeely and Mrs. Arthur Modler.

*Pictures are from Ruth Chisamore  
and Society Files.*





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Wilstead School - 1938-38

Front Row L-R Ford Breckenridge, George Steacy, Gerald O'Hearn, CharlesCliffe, Jack Cross, Keith McNeely  
2nd Row L-R Ruth Steacy, Eleanor McNeely, Carol Steacy, Marion Graves, Jean O'Hearn, Shirley Cross, Alice O'Hearn  
Back Row L-R Earl McNeely, Archie Breckenridge, Donald Chisamore, Leone Rotters, Ruth Fulford-Teacher.  
Absent - Fred Cross



This Post Card was mailed to a Mr. J.R. Voneill in Lindsay, Ont. from Portsmouth, Ont. on Oct. 8, 1906 with a one cent stamp. The message read "Arrived safe. All are well. Dan lives just above here so if he gets unruly we can run him in. Signed - Joe.

Post Card courtesy of  
Bruce Foley



**IN HOT PURSUIT:**  
**CHASING HENRY TRAIL'S KILLERS THROUGH LANSDOWNE**

There is little more alarming to a community to have a killer on the loose. In 1870, Lansdowne was terrorized by the on-again, off-again appearances of the killers of Henry Trail, a guard at Kingston Penitentiary.

**Background**

In July, 1870, Henry Trail, aged 33, a recently recruited guard at Kingston Penitentiary, was killed by two inmates on the Penitentiary Farm, to the north of the famed prison. His murders were John Smith and Daniel Mann. They attacked him during the noon break when they had been left alone under his guard while other prisoners returned to the interior of the Penitentiary for their meal. They murdered him and effected their escape. Both these criminals were well known for their violence in the western part of the Province. However, Mann got away but left behind his mother who was also imprisoned at the Penitentiary as part of the then famous Malahide Raiders.

It is little known, and was of no consequence at the time, that Henry Trail was a son of Catherine Parr Trail, a well known chronicler of her era. However, her fame was only to come later, well after her own death. At that time, he was simply identified as the son of the late Capt. Trail of the Scots Fusiliers.

**The Chase Is On**

This escape caused great consternation in the Kingston community and environs. It was followed with great interest and amply reported in The Daily British Whig. The reporters had access to much information and reported it to the full on a daily basis. There was much criticism of the inadequacy of the response both by prison officials who, in those days, gave chase and of the local constabulary. Of course, the escape of these desperate men also inflicted great fear on the local population. The men headed west, seeking out the Bath Road. This was natural route for them as they were from the West. However, the search parties blocked their escape in that direction. They turned eastward. Now, their tracks were clearly aimed at the United States where they could gain greater refuge once across the narrower St. Lawrence River.

**Towards Gananogue**

Soon the game of cat and mouse was afoot. The pair were seen at Kingston Mills a few days later. While they had contact with local farmers, they did nothing to harm them, trying to avoid raising suspicion. They took food and some odd items. For instance, in Pittsburth Township, they entered the home of Mr. Vanalstine on Sunday, July 10th and stole four loaves of bread, two pies, a roll of butter and an ax. Farmers near Ganagogue saw two men in Grass's Swamp in the neighbourhood of the Cowan's settlement. They were fired on and headed east, leaving behind some of the bread and ax. Soon, however, their track brought them in the Lansdowne area.

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### Into Lansdowne and the Township

First, they were seen by a Mr. Action of Ganagoque who fired on them. They turned tail and disappeared in the swampy cedar woods where the July warmth and mosquitos welcomed them no doubt. The Ganagonque Volunteers were called into the search. However, shortly thereafter, a Kingston Police officer telegraphed from Lansdowne that they been seen at the farm of Mr. McCormack near the village. They had also been sighted walking along the railway tracks two miles west of the Lansdowne Station by Mr. McCormack. They disappeared into the woods, but were pursued by police and volunteers.

Apparently, they hung around the cedar woods and swamp near Lansdowne for they reappeared that same evening. Then they were greeted by gunfire from the volunteers. Forty men scoured the woods but had no success. Reports make it clear that the searchers had little or not experience. They probably exacerbated the search of two much more wily characters than their pursuers. The Whig states: "The continued firing at every object which comes in sight, makes if very uncomfortable for the fugitives, but it induces them to keep more in retreat, and affords less opportunity of securing them. Even cattle have been fired at, of course in mistake, and the chase begins to assume many of the peculiarities of a popular deer hunt."

The escapees later confessed to killing several chickens and a lamb for food while they hid out in this area.

However, the fugitives, while this inexperienced group pursued them, doubled back. In all probability, they were well and truly lost. That night they seen by Mr. Kelsey, near Gananoque Station. Rumours abounded that they were seen on a raft in the River. What they actually did was go north towards Marble Rock. About a mile from there, they entered the house of the Howard family. Luckily, the family was away. However, they stole a pair of pantaloons, a striped shirt, a tin dipper and some bread and cakes.

One should never credit these fugitives with too much intelligence in this escapade either. For after equipping themselves with this odd assortment of sundries, they dove back towards the east and ended up once again in the woods near the unfortunate Mr. McCormack where they spent a day and a half. On the morning of 15 July 1870, the fugitives were reported heading in the direction of what the Whig described as Charlestown (sic) Lake, near Blue Mountain. The track was closing for more searchers were awaiting them at Mallorytown. Indeed, they were arrested trying to enter a farm near Graham's Lake. From there they were taken to Brockville Jail and ultimately transported back to Kingston Penitentiary to meet their inevitable fate - hanging at the rear of the Frontenac County Court House.

*(Special thanks to Mr. David Ste. Onge and the Correctional Service of Canada Museum at Kingston Archives.)*  
Andrew Graham, April, 1994



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## JOHN QUINN DIARY

*We have in the files the diary of John Quinn, father of the late Melvin Quinn, covering the years 1897 to 1905. Mr. Quinn had a 50 acre farm on the N.E. quarter lot 16, concession 4, just to the north of Omar Smith's present home.*

*The notations are chiefly work he was doing, the weather and deaths. Following are some notes from the first six months of the year. Spelling is original.*

Jan. 1-2: This month begins fine and warm. Thrashing at Will Landons.

Jan. 3-10: A nice warm day. Only 1 inch of snow on ground. No sleighing yet. Township elections Mon. the 4th. Chopping wood.

Jan. 11-17: Banking out and chopping wood. Sold young colt \$25. Bought new sleigh but no snow yet. Cyrus Cross died on 14th.

Jan. 17-23: Terribly cold, 20 below. 8 inches snow. First good sleighing.

Jan. 24-30: Good sleighing now. The roads are blowed full. 38 below zero. Bought string of bells for 90 cents and a whip for 30. Drew load of hay from the Drowned Lands.

Jan. 31-Feb. 6: Went to George Loney's saw log bea. Very heavy sleet and rain. A big thaw ground nearly bare again.

Feb. 7- 13: Very soft day, terrible slush. Helping W.N. Bowen to cut wood with crosscut saw. Kepoo Indians Troop at Lansdowne for a week.

Feb. 14-20: Blustry but warm weather. Mis Charlet married E.E. Warren.

Feb. 21-27: Very heavy snow, there is great sleighing. Got horses sharp shod all round, \$1.00

Feb. 28-Mar.5: Very cold and stormy, the worst storm this winter.

Mar. 7-13: Clear and cold to rain and slush. Went to attend a law sute. Went to Mrs. Cyrus Crosses auction sale.

Mar. 14-20: A terrible snow and wind storm on Sunday. Very heavy rain and thunder and lightning on Friday.

Mar. 21-27: Nasty and cold, storm 6 inches of snow. Helping Role Johnston tap. Albert Landon died.

Mar. 28-Apr.3: Nice but cold. Building Patnd fense around garden.

Apr. 4-10: Nasty snow storm at end of week.

Apr. 11-17: Week started with snow and ended with rain and hail. Cleaned 100 bushel of oats.

Apr. 18-24: Easter Sunday, nice but windy. Cold and snowed Mon. and Tues., ground frozen. Thurs. commenced ploughing stubble field.

Apr 25- May 1: Ground very wet, no spring work dun this weak. Mrs. Jos. Miccormic died.

May 2-8: Still very wet. Working on road half day. Finished sowing the wheat on Sat. John Clare died.

May 9-15: Comenced to sow oats and grass seed. Very heavy rain, the roads are muddy and rough. Built a pen for pigs.

May 16-22: Pigs are worth four and a half cts Live Wate. Pulverizing and sowing. Heavy frost on Fri.

May 23-29: Finished sowing grain, 85 bushel in all. Very heavy frost on Tue. and Wed. Mrs. John A. Steacy died.

May 30-June 5: Fine but cool. June 2 very heavy frost. Went to Lansdowne and bought a rubber coat. Mrs. David Haskins died.

June 6- 12: Helping W.N. Bowen build Patnd Fence. Finished planting three and a half bags potatoes.

June 13-19: Breaking stone in pit and drawing it to the road.

June 20-26: Went to Gananoque with a grist of wheat. Went to Kingston to Brigade Camp for 12 days. William Macculak died.

June 27-July 3: Sun. see Lizzie toDay (future wife). John Staceys house was burnt. Thurs. the Grand Parade took place toDay up to the city. Went up to see Lizzy and Mary. Sat. We came home from camp toDay, very hot, 100 in shade.

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**Paid up MEMBERSHIPS as of April 1, 1997**

<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>
ABBOTT	MADLINE	JORDAN	JIM	TAMBLYN	AUDREY
AKENSON	PROF. D.G.	JOYCE	MARION	TEDFORD	KEN
ALLEN	SADIE	KANYGIN	MRS. JEAN	THOMPSON	LISA
ANDREWS	AUDRE	KEIR	VIVIAN J.	THOMSON	MARIE
ASHLEY	WINONA	KELLY	MR. & MRS. WAYNE	TRUESDELL	VAIDA
AUSTIN	ELEANOR	KENNEDY	ADELINE	WARREN	MARGEL
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BROWN	JACK	LANDON	MARTHA	WHITE	FREDA
BURNS	KEITH	LANDON	YVONNE	WILLIS	PETER & ANNE
BURNS	MR. & MRS. GEORGE	LAPOINTE	YOLANDE	ZIMMER	JOHN E.
BURNS	TOM	LAPPAN	NORMA		
CHAMPAGNE	DAVE	LAPPAN	ROSE		
CHISAMORE	MR. & MRS. DONALD	LAWSON	RICHARD		
CHISAMORE	RUTH	LINDSAY	ALAN		
CLARK	MR. & MRS. ED	LINDSAY	JANET		
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