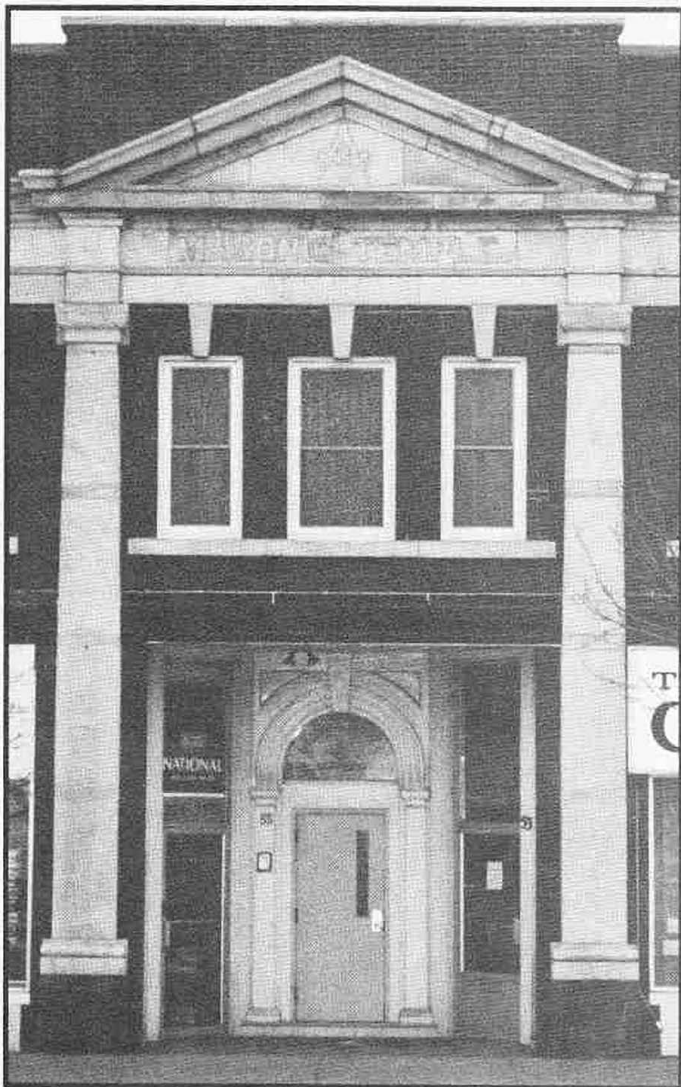
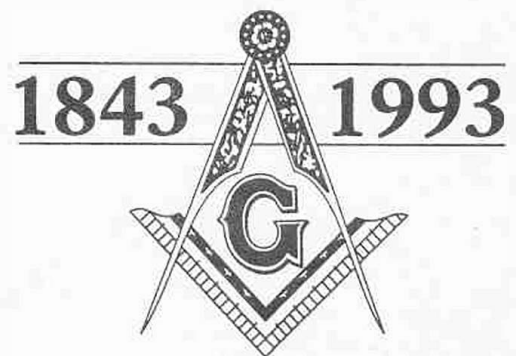


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*One Hundred and Fifty Years of Service  
to Masons and Our Extended Community of Mankind*

**January 20, 1843 - 1993**

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*Lodge Historian*

## DEDICATION

*To the one thousand and one brethren, past and present, who have been part of St. John's #63 Masonic Lodge, Carleton Place.*

*To those who have passed to the Grand Lodge above, our gratitude for their achievements and foresight.*

*To those of our present brethren, let us continue the long traditions of Free Masonry and uphold the good name of St. John's #63 G.R.C., Carleton Place.*

## PREFACE

A layman can hardly appreciate the extent of the work or the time consumed in sifting records to produce a history of our Lodge. V.W. Bro. George Alexander (Sandy) Docker with previous experience as an author was well aware of what he was undertaking when he became our Historian and agreed to write a history of one hundred and fifty years of St. John's #63. His enthusiasm for the project and snippets shared with us from time-to-time at Lodge, are commendable. V.W. Bro. G.A. Docker's "History of St. John's Lodge #63" is a timely tribute to celebrate St. John's 150th Anniversary. Masonry owes him a debt of gratitude for organizing information for generations to come.

V.W. Bro. G.A. Docker B.A. M.Ed. - 40 years a Mason; 34 years in education; Master of St. John's #63 1970-71 and 1980-81; Scottish Rite 32°; Maple-Granite Chapter #61; Tunis Temple #179.

Memorabilia so generously donated by Lodge members and particularly by families of deceased members are acknowledged with thanks.

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**R.W. Bro. William D. Burns**  
**District Deputy Grand Master, Ottawa District #1**  
**1992-93**

Brethren, I extend to you my personal congratulations in this your 150th Anniversary year. I was pleased to be included in some of your special events in my official capacity as District Deputy Grand Master. I commend the officers and members of St. John's for their dedication and diligent work to make this celebration a great success and in particular, to see your community included as part of an eventful Masonic year. Since inception in 1843, St. John's #63 has had a rich and colourful past which has now been captured in this, your lodge history. I wish you every success for the future and trust the years ahead will be filled with harmony and brotherly affection.



**W.M. J. Gary Nicholson**  
**St. John's #63**  
**1992-93**

I am privileged and honoured to be a part of this special celebration and to represent St. John's as Worshipful Master in this our 150th year of Freemasonry. It is gratifying to belong to a craft lodge with such a rich history; not only in Ottawa District #1, but throughout the grand jurisdiction of Ontario. Reading through the pages of this text, it is important to remember that a written history is more than a collection of dates, facts and events. It is a chronicle that concerns people; principally Masons, and their contributions to the Craft and this community. Each generation of Masons has left a distinctive legacy. Our lodge Historian has captured many interesting anecdotes that characterized the social aspects of the day including noteworthy lodge events. The story unfolds to tell us how and why the Lodge developed as it did; taking shape from the personalities of brethren who preceded us since 1843. The brethren who built this solid foundation can be assured of our pledge to ensure the principles and precepts of Masonry will forever flourish within the Lodge Room of St. John's #63.

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## Chapter I

# The Early Years

## 1843 - 1872

It has been my hope for some time to update and complete an history of St. John's Lodge #63 in Carleton Place, Ontario. There are two situations that make such an undertaking difficult. First, is to find that very few primary records exist. Second, is to be faced with reams of material that must be assessed and the "wheat separated from the chaff". In the history of St. John's, almost all the minutes, and some correspondence, have been preserved from December 20, 1842, to the present.

There is no doubt that Masonic brethren existed in Carleton Place prior to 1842-1843<sup>1</sup>. As early as 1822, there was an attempt to form a Masonic lodge at Carleton Place<sup>2</sup>. The following excerpt from the "History of Freemasonry in Canada" shows that men who had moved to this village, shortly after it was founded in 1819, had petitioned the Second Provincial Grand Lodge in 1822.

*"At the regular meeting of 6th December a petition was read as having been presented R.W.Bro. Z.M. Phillips as Deputy Provincial Grand Master of the second Provincial Grand Lodge of 1822 praying for dispensation for a warrant at Carleton Place. The petition was signed by Bros. Bryce McNeeley, Wm. Rea, James Robinson, John Moore, Peter Carmichael, James Neeley, Andrew Paul and John McIntyre. The lodge endorsed the petition and it was signed by the W.M. and secretary. This lodge was to be known as 'Morning Star'. Its records have not been preserved."*<sup>3</sup>

It seems strange that this lodge warrant, or pursuit of same, was held in limbo for twenty years before many of the same brethren again applied for a warrant on December 20, 1842. For those of us accustomed to rapid communication, telephone, telex and the like, it seems a long time to wait for action. However, we must keep in mind that the community of Morphy's Falls, later Carleton Place, was being carved out of the primeval forest. Lack of shelter, food and roads (bush trails), contributed to this long wait for more concrete action.

<sup>1</sup>The History of Freemasonry in Canada, Vol. 2, J. Ross Robertson, George A. Morang & Co. Ltd., Toronto, 1900, p. 216.

<sup>2</sup>In 1822, the village was "Morphy's Falls". In 1841, the local post master arbitrarily changed the name to "Carleton Place", an open square in Glasgow, Scotland. Evidently, this post master was a Scottish immigrant from Glasgow.

<sup>3</sup>Ibid, p. 216.

The reader must also keep in mind that the 1820s to 1830s were characterized by the turmoil of conditions leading to the Rebellion of 1837, and the gradual granting of Responsible Government in Ontario. Also during the period from 1822 to 1842, the Provincial Grand Lodge did not meet on a regular basis and there was no Provincial Grand Master appointed by the Grand Lodge of England for many years at a time.

St. Francis Lodge #24 of Smith Falls was granted its charter under dispensation in 1839. St. Francis Lodge and its members were only 20 miles away, and became caught up with the zeal of a potentially new warranted lodge. This sparked new interest and promoted inquiries between Bro. Brice McNeeley of Carleton Place and Bro. Johnston Neilson of St. Francis Lodge in Smith Falls.

*"It was not until the latter part of 1842 when a correspondence having been opened between Bro. Brice McNeeley of Beckwith and Bro. Johnston Neilson of St. Francis Lodge, Smith Falls, relative to the meeting of the Royal Arch Chapter then lately established at that place (Smith Falls) and the founding of a masonic lodge at Carleton Place being mooted, a project into which the latter entered warmly, "that Bro. Brice McNeeley in unison with Br. William Rea of Ramsay determined on calling together the Masonic brethren in their vicinity for the purpose of determining on and signing the petition for a dispensation to be forwarded to the Right Worshipful Ziba Marcus Phillips of Brockville, Past Provincial Deputy Grand Master for Upper Canada."*<sup>4</sup>

The Masonic brethren of Carleton Place and district, met November 25, 1842, at Bro. Manny Nowlan's (tavern) situated where Danny's Meat Market has been located in more recent times. This meeting was attended by Master Masons, all of whom signed the petition for dispensation with the exception of Bro. Peter McGregor who was not present at the conclusion of the business.<sup>5</sup>

The following signatures of Master Masons were on this petition for dispensation:

Bros. Brice McNeeley, Beckwith; William Rea, Ramsay; James Robinson, Ramsay; James McNeeley, Beckwith; John Moore, Ramsay; Peter Carmichael, Beckwith; John McIntyre, Ramsay; Andrew Paul, Ramsay; and Peter McGregor, Franktown Beckwith.

The brethren present also nominated Bro. Brice McNeeley, Master, Bro. William Rea, S.W., and Bro. James Robinson, J.W.

After 20 years of inaction, the petition was sponsored by St. Francis Lodge, Smith Falls, and granted by R.W. Bro. Z.M. Phillips of Brockville. The date for the first installation of St. John's Lodge was speedily set for Friday, January 20, 1843.

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<sup>4</sup>Ibid, p. 224, to Alex Kininmouth, Esq., Sly's Rapids near Smith Falls. Postage paid 4½, sent December 20, 1842, arrived in Smith Falls December 22, 1842.

<sup>5</sup>Minutes of St. John's Lodge, p. 2. Minutes of St. John's, 1843-1851, p. 3.



Details of the arrangements are revealed in an interesting letter from R.W. Bro. Z.M. Phillips to Bro. Johnston Neilson:

*"Brockville, 1st, 1843*

*Dear Sir - Yours of the 26th of December 1842, respecting the petition of our Brethren of Carleton Place, which I received on the 28th ult. and have made out their dispensation, which is ready for them. I will endeavor to be at your place on the 18th, ready for Labour on the morning of the 19th of January, and will Install the officers of St. John's Lodge, Carleton Place on the following day if they wish. They must expect to pay my travelling expenses if I go out there, and I hope that they will have the dispensation fee ready. I have been devoting so much of my time to the Masonic cause for the last eighteen months that it leaves me quite bare of funds in these hard times. Yet I hope to see the great and good cause flourish in Canada before I leave this Terrestrial Globe in spite of the Powers of darkness that have assailed it."*<sup>6</sup>

The perpetual funding shortage probably explains some of the delay in granting the St. John's dispensation. Lodges in Toronto and what was then called Canada West (Ontario) had balked at granting any more dispensation warrants in Eastern Ontario.

The first Installation of the officers of St. John's took place Friday, January 20th, 1843, in the "new" Stone Building in Carleton Place occupied as a Court House and belonging to James Bell, Esquire, who on that occasion, entered as the first candidate of the New Lodge of Carleton Place.<sup>7</sup>

Although it is not the intention of this writer to report many minutes verbatim, this first meeting deserves special attention.

Those present from, or representing the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada, were listed in the minutes as follows:

Rt. Worshipful Z.M. Phillips, P.D.P. Grand Master  
Whsful James Maitland, St. Francis Lodge  
G. Senior Warden  
Alexander Matheson, do., G. Junior Warden  
Robert Douglas, True Britons Lodge, G. Treasurer  
Johnston Neilson, St. Francis Lodge  
G. Secretary & Chaplain  
Walter McCrea, Rideau Lodge, G. Senior Deacon  
William Ferguson, St. Francis Lodge, G. Junior Deacon  
Richard Frayne, Hibernia R.A. Chapter, Tyler<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>6</sup>History of Freemasonry in Canada, J. Ross Robertson.

<sup>7</sup>Minutes of St. John's Lodge, 1843-1851, p.3.

<sup>8</sup>Ibid, p.4.

Also in attendance were:

*"visiting brothers James Armstrong and William Halliday of St. Francis Lodge and Donald MacDougald, Beckwith, unattached with the following Brothers of the Lodge about to be installed viz. Bros. Brice McNeeley, William Rea, James Robinson, James McNeeley, Daniel Shipman, Peter Carmichael, John McIntyre and John McEwan.*

*Bro. Brice McNeeley Sr. was installed as Master of St. John's Lodge of Carleton Place by the Right Worshipful Z.M. Phillips and the dispensation of the Lodge was presented to the installing master. Bro. William Rea and James Robinson were invested as Senior and Junior Warden respectively.*

*The first order of business was to read and vote for the following petitions of Mr. James Bell, William John Rea and Dr. William Ramsay. The candidates were accepted after a ballot and received their first degree. Bro. James Bell was the first initiated member of St. John's Lodge."*

The new lodge was then closed and members partook in an excellent supper at Bro. McEwan's.

The first year of St. John's Lodge of Carleton Place was a busy one indeed. The first minute book records 21 meetings. There appears to have been no set meeting time until 1858. A constitution was procured and copied, by hand, from "True Britons Lodge" in Perth.

Hard cash was scarce and often times the amounts were recorded as pounds or dollars. In some cases, fees for degrees were settled by labour to be performed for the Lodge. One example shows a man who played the drum for the St. John the Baptist Parade of 1843. He was allowed to pay off his degree by playing the drum until his debt to the Lodge was cancelled. The amounts for fees and expenses must be viewed in the buying power of a day's wages in 1843. One John Ralston received his first degree on the same night that his application was received. The \$4 fee for that degree was equivalent to at least four days wages.

After one meeting, lodge members balked at paying a \$4 bill to Bro. Manny Nolan for beer and cakes. The bill was finally paid after several meetings. However, when Bro. Nowlan wished to receive his third degree, he argued the \$4 fee for his degree was too high! Finally, after considerable negotiation, Bro. Nowlan consented to the terms established by the Lodge.

In 1843, and until very recent times, social welfare was the obligation of the fraternity, not the various government agencies as it is today. On December 19, 1843, the secretary, Bro. Johnston Neilson, requested help from his brothers to repair his house. The brothers

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<sup>9</sup>Minutes and register of members - St. John's.



present donated a quarter each to defray the expense. Others present volunteered their labour to this project.<sup>10</sup>

The year ended with plans to celebrate St. John's the Evangelist day on receipt of an invitation from St. Francis Lodge, Smith Falls, December 27, 1843<sup>11</sup>.

In correspondence written by Johnston Neilson to the lodge at Smith Falls, plans were made to leave Carleton Place at 6:00 a.m., no doubt by sleigh and cutter, but some lodges suggest they walked from Carleton Place to Smith Falls. The brethren from Carleton Place stopped for refreshments at a Franktown tavern. Therefore, they were met at the outskirts of the village of Smith Falls, then walked to the lodge accompanied by a "drummer and fifer"<sup>12</sup> procured for the occasion".

Before the lodge adjourned, the W. Master cautioned the brethren to be more temperate. From minutes of the next month, one brother was censored by the master for lack of sobriety on the last occasion of St. John's day. Perhaps it was that stop at the Franktown tavern. All veiled humour aside, hard drinking was the rule rather than the exception in early pioneer Ontario of the 1840s and 1850s.

In June, 1844, when St. John's held St. John the Baptist Day, the brethren visited the Baptist Church. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Holcroft. A frugal meal was served in a banquet room adjoining the lodge.

In December 1844, St. John's celebrated "the day" (St. John the Baptist) in the lodge room because the number of brethren was not sufficient to merit a public parade. This special day appears to have been the first example of a St. John's Ladies Night. Dinner was served to the men and their ladies. Music instrumentals and vocal numbers were provided. Recitations also entertained the brothers and their ladies<sup>13</sup>.

In the early days of St. John's Lodge, three functions were of importance to the Lodge:

1. The holding of meetings to settle quarrels between the brethren,
2. Masonic funeral services,
3. The ceremony of laying the cornerstone for important buildings.

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<sup>10</sup>Ibid, p. 20.

<sup>11</sup>Ibid, p. 22.

<sup>12</sup>Ibid, p. 23.

<sup>13</sup>Ibid, p. 42.

The first half of 1845 satisfied all three of these functions. On April 16, 1845, the Lodge was requested through Bro. Rea, by the Free Church of Ramasy, to be present at, and to lay their foundation stone in due masonic form<sup>14</sup>.

In the area of settling disagreements between brethren, one of the most long standing was a quarrel between the brethren McWhinnie and Ewan Cameron. Early in 1845, these two had a disagreement over a bill that was owing. In October of that same year, they were "at loggerheads" again over a plot of land<sup>15</sup>. The Lodge tried to mediate the dispute for nearly two months. Early in November, 1845, the Lodge received word that Bro. Ewan Cameron was ill and could not provide for his family. Another meeting was quickly called and it was resolved that the brethren would provide him and his household with a day's work to chop and pile wood. Four dollars was contributed by the Masonic brethren for provisions for the Cameron household<sup>16</sup>. Later, on November 26, 1845, the Lodge voted favourably to provide a barrel of flour and made provisions for firewood for his family.

At an emergent meeting of Wednesday, December 17, 1845, after the members had put on all three degrees, they learned of brother Ewan Cameron's death early that morning. Since the deceased had requested a Masonic funeral, plans were made for Friday, December 19, 1845.<sup>17</sup> Early on Friday morning, the Master Brice McNeeley Sr. and seventeen Masons proceeded to Perth, about 23 miles away. They opened a M.M. lodge at Matheson's Inn in Perth.

"The Lodge then proceeded in due form to the interment of the deceased according to the ritual and ceremonies of the Order of that day." They then returned to Matheson's Inn and closed their M.M. lodge.

As a follow-up to the fraternal care of this family, our minutes record that on December 27th, 1845, the brethren contributed £14/4/1/2 toward the relief of Widow Cameron. At the February and March meetings, firewood was donated.<sup>18</sup> This care of Widow Cameron continued for many years. In the minutes of 1860, W.M. David McNab reported that he had gone to Perth to give Mrs. Cameron \$10 on behalf of St. John's Lodge.

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<sup>14</sup>Ibid, p. 44.

<sup>15</sup>Ibid, p. 53.

<sup>16</sup>Ibid, p. 60

<sup>17</sup>Ibid, p. 60.

<sup>18</sup>Ibid, p. 62-63.

## GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

As early as 1844, St. John's made efforts to get their charter from the Grand Lodge of England. After many tries to petition that Grand Lodge, they received their warrant on 26th September 1849. They were now officially referred to as St. John's Lodge #796 of Carleton Place on the Grand Registry of England<sup>19</sup>.

William Houston was elected Master as soon as St. John's #796 received their warrant from England. One of the Lodge's first orders of business was to try to settle a dispute between Bro. Gilroy and Bro. Daniel Shipman. Both brethren were summoned to appear before the Lodge to settle the account as soon as possible. This case dragged on from March 1850 to October 1851 without any settlement being effected. Whether lodge members were able to resolve the dispute after the above date is not known because the minutes between October, 1851, and early August, 1858, are missing. The records of the Provincial Grand Lodge refer to Carleton Place's "St. John's #16" and show that they received reports from St. John's #16 in Carleton Place during the period missing in our minutes.

The minutes of August 18, 1858, record William Houston as Master. It is also the first mention of the lodge opening in the first degree<sup>20</sup>. On that evening, three candidates were accepted, i.e. Duncan Campbell, A. Anderson and H. McLeod. Strange to us who are used to one monetary unit; the fee for McLeod and Anderson was £4 and \$16 for Duncan Campbell.

In September 1858, brothers Duncan and H. McLeod received their second degree. As a footnote to this meeting, there was a letter from Toronto from the newly constituted Grand Lodge of Canada. This communication was an invitation to join the Grand Lodge of Canada which had been established in 1855. A committee of Brice McNeeley, William Peden and David McNab was appointed to investigate the possibilities of joining their brethren in Canada West<sup>21</sup>. This study, or investigation, was to go on until 1872 with considerable heated discussion whenever the subject surfaced.

There appears to have been no fixed date for regular meetings until October 6, 1858. On that evening, a motion was passed "to meet on the Wednesday on or before the next full moon"<sup>22</sup>. There is no mystic reason for this motion. It was simply the best way for the brethren and their horses to see their way home safely following lodge.

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<sup>19</sup>Ibid, first minute book 1843-1850, September 26, 1849.

<sup>20</sup>Second minute book 1850-1861, p. 12.

<sup>21</sup>Ibid, p. 13.

<sup>22</sup>Ibid, p. 13.

This same meeting records the first time St. John's conferred three degrees in the same evening:

Dr. Hurd was initiated at a cost of \$16  
Bro. Bell received his second degree  
Bro. John Lang received his third degree<sup>23</sup>

For the modern-day Mason, all three degrees would equate to a very long evening. For the brothers of 1858, they hoped the moon had not set before returning safely to their homes.

December 27, 1858 was the first time since 1851 that the brethren celebrated St. John the Evangelist day. The event was celebrated with a dinner at the Lavallee Hotel with the usual toasts. One toast was taken in silence to the memory of Johnston Nielson who was the first secretary of St. John's. He was a poet, clergyman, highly respected teacher and driving force of St. John's Lodge. His poems are found at the back of the first minute book of the St. John's Lodge. These poems are printed, in full, at the end of this chapter<sup>24</sup>.

On June 24, 1859, St. John's again celebrated St. John the Baptist day for the first time since 1850. It should have been an impressive parade for a village of 600 inhabitants. The 26 brethren of St. John's met 15 masons from True Britons, Perth, and 13 brothers from St. Francis Lodge, Smith Falls, at the railway station at 11:20 a.m. This combined group of Masons paraded back to the Methodist Church for divine service led by the Almonte Brass Band. At the previous meeting, the Carleton Place brethren approved the cost of a cape for the Master, which he paid for himself rather than let the lodge be burdened with this expense<sup>25</sup>. The day was capped off by a dinner at the Lavallee Hotel at a cost of \$46.80 for the whole group.

Previous to March 16, 1859, lodge assistance to members in circumstances of distress, or to their widows, had been done on an ad hoc basis. On the above date, St. John's #796 set up a Benevolence and Relief Committee. Each brother was to be assessed \$1.50 per year. The first brother to receive assistance of \$10 was a Bro. Bragg of Almonte. He had been disabled by an accident and was unable to work<sup>26</sup>.

Another example of fraternal benevolence was the part played by this lodge when Bro. John B. Buskey died August 31, 1861. The Master and two senior brethren went to his widow to see if she wanted a Masonic service for her husband. On September 1, 1861, the brethren went to the home of the deceased and thence to the cemetery where a Masonic service was performed at the grave side.

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<sup>23</sup>Ibid, p. 18.

<sup>24</sup>Ibid, p. 31.

<sup>25</sup>Ibid, p. 23.

<sup>26</sup>Ibid, p. 75.

On return to lodge, motions were passed for the lodge to pay:

- (a) A. More and John Neil four shillings each for digging and closing Bro. Buskey's grave,
- (b) for Bro. Buskey's coffin, if his estate did not have sufficient funds<sup>27</sup>.

A committee of W.M. David McNabb and Bro. James C. Poole were to see about Widow Buskey's situation and report to the next meeting.

At the October 16, 1861, meeting, the Lodge decided to wait until the next meeting when his estate was settled up. On November 13, 1861, St. John's Lodge voted to pay \$12 for Bro. Buskey's coffin<sup>28</sup>.

The preceding account of St. John's efforts to relieve the distress of widows and orphans was outlined to show the function of Masonry by and to its members. Also, to show the relative buying power of money at that time.

## GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

As the reader may remember, St. John's had appointed a committee in August, 1859, to investigate whether this lodge would continue to work under the Grand Lodge of England or join the Grand Lodge of Canada. The determination of this committee's work did not surface until December 5, 1861. At that meeting, Bro. William Peden moved and Bro. H.M. McLeod seconded that St. John's join the Grand Lodge of Canada.<sup>29</sup>

The above motion followed an amendment by Bro. Wilson, seconded by Bro. J. Dunlop, "that St. John's Lodge remain firm in its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of England"<sup>30</sup>. We can only surmise that the debate which followed was heated. The minutes only state that "after much discussion, the question was held over until the next meeting". At the following meeting, the master censured the mover and seconder of the motion to join the Grand Lodge of Canada and their motion was withdrawn. This motion to join the Grand Lodge of Canada lay fallow for nearly eleven years before St. John's quietly made application in March, 1872.

Bro. William Peden, the censored mover to join the Grand Lodge of Canada, did not darken the doors of St. John's until 1872. In 1873, after a disagreement with the W.M. during

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<sup>27</sup>Ibid, p. 81.

<sup>28</sup>Ibid, p. 82.

<sup>29</sup>Ibid, p. 83.

<sup>30</sup>P. 13, from St. John's Minute Book #3, December 11, 1861, to April 25, 1877.



a lodge meeting, he left the lodge without permission and applied for his demit. The demit was promptly granted and brother Wm. Peden's talents were lost to St. John's.

In the intervening period 1862 to 1872, St. John's #796 limped along under the authority of the Grand Lodge of England. It zeroed in on local benevolence, community presence at Masonic funeral services and corner stone laying ceremonies. For example, the brethren of St. John's sponsored the formation of Mississippi Lodge, Almonte, in 1861. As a result of this new affiliation (or sponsorship) the brethren of St. John's decided on June 11, 1862, to celebrate St. John's the Baptist day by having a picnic "up the Mississippi Lake" at Lake Park and invited the newly formed Mississippi Lodge to join them<sup>31</sup>. In 1862, transportation to the Park would have been by canoe, row boat, steam driven launch, wagon, or democrat along the south shore of the lake to Lake Park. The local member of the provincial legislative assembly was the key speaker<sup>32</sup>.

Of interest is a ballot that took place June 28, 1862. The ballot contained two black balls which today is a rejection. In this case, the W.M. asked the two members to explain their reasons for the negative vote. After their explanation, the ballot was taken again and passed favourably to the candidate. I suppose we must remember this was prior to the secret ballot in federal, provincial and municipal elections. Today the confidentiality of the ballot for election is paramount in lodge.

In 1863, the brethren of St. John's accepted an invitation to take part in the cornerstone laying ceremony of St. Paul's Anglican Church in Almonte, Ontario.

They walked to Almonte and met the brethren of Mississippi Lodge at the north side of the CPR tracks near the present day farms of Donald and Jim Lowry. This time there was nothing as frugal as a fifer and drummer. St. John's #796 G.R.E. had hired the Regimental Brass Band of the 8th Battery to provide the music for the march to St. Paul's Anglican Church in the village of Almonte.<sup>33</sup> There, the local masons of Almonte and Carleton Place laid the cornerstone of St. Paul's in the prescribed Masonic form. They then closed their lodges in the usual manner. After lodge, they were all invited to a banquet at the new Rosamond Textile Mill of Bro. McIntosh in Almonte. As most Masons in this area realize, when the ladies of a church group or the masonic wives prepare a delicious, bountiful meal for such occasions, it bears no resemblance to that recommended by "Weight Watchers" or any other present day diet plan.

While working under the Grand Lodge of England from 1843 to 1872, there was rapid increase in lodge membership.

It may be difficult for Canadian Masons or non-Masons to realize why the members of St. John's took so long to become affiliated with the Grand Lodge of Canada. First, the

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<sup>31</sup>Ibid, p. 14.

<sup>32</sup>Ibid, p. 34.

<sup>33</sup>P. 70, Minute Book of 1850-1861.

reader must realize these men were the first generation in Canada. Most in this area were either immigrants from Northern Ireland or Scotland. Their basic roots were founded in the British Isles. In the fast paced life of the last decade of the 20th century, we find ourselves out of touch with a primitive rural life. Rapid change was not known. Now it is accepted. It seems inconceivable that there was a 20 year gap between the first attempt to found a Masonic lodge in Morphy's Falls and the successful issuance of the dispensation of charter put into effect on Friday, January 20, 1843. The first effort in 1822 to form a Masonic lodge called "Morning Star" was accompanied by a fee of 9 guineas. Since no records remain of this first petition, this writer has often wondered, "What happened to the 9 guineas in the intervening 20 years?" Was it refunded, or sent to England and lost in the treasury of that Grand Lodge? Who knows?

Until 1842, matters hung in limbo. When St. John's finally did get their charter from England after a 6 to 7 year wait, their lodge number was 796. Later, and after 1855, when the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the province of Ontario) was established, this lodge was referred to as St. John's #544. In the last 17 years between 1855 to 1872, St. John's of Carleton Place was designated as St. John's #16. At the time they received the new number of 544, the Grand Lodge of England gave the local lodge the authority to hold masonic services to bury Master Masons. The local masons in Carleton Place had been doing that for 20 years. At that time, they also received permission to assist in laying the cornerstone of any pious or chartable building. Carleton Place Masons had already been doing this for 20 years.

During the early years, it was the custom for the local Masons to leave their aprons and certificates in a chest at the lodge. This custom explains why we have one apron of a brother who, after the St. John's day picnic, was charged with unmasonic behaviour. It would appear that he had imbibed too much. In 1845, there was zero tolerance for this breach of conduct. His apron and certificate were left in a chest in the lodge and he was expelled from St. John's and his Irish lodge was informed of our action here.

By 1860, the population of Carleton Place grew by leaps and bounds with the Findlay Foundry and the Central Canadian Railway joining Carleton Place to the outside world. Also during this period, textile mills were founded and lumber mills processing white pine from the Mississippi watershed turned out millions of board feet of quality lumber for export. From a struggling village of 600 souls, this town soon boasted a population of nearly 4,000 inhabitants.

Using the visibility of the traditional cornerstone laying ceremony, our founding brothers were present at such ceremony for four churches. Not included in previous notes was the Free Church, a branch of the Presbyterian Church in Almonte on June 24, 1865.

The outlook on ales or intoxicating liquors on lodge premises had changed by 1860. W.M. David McNabb established a ruling in 1860 that no ale or intoxicating liquors were to be allowed in the new Masonic Hall (Hurd's Hall) when they moved. The same prohibition was enforced by motion of P.M. David McNabb in 1872.<sup>34</sup> After the earlier

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<sup>34</sup>P. 124, Minute Book of 1861-1877.

bitter, and heated discussions of joining the Grand Lodge of Canada in the province of Ontario, the brethren of St. John's quietly petitioned the Grand Lodge of Canada for affiliation.

In April, 1872, St. John's became St. John's #63 under the Grand Registry of Canada (G.R.C.).

On this evening, their first motion was to honour the founding Masters of St. John's #796, 544 and then 16, by granting them honorary life membership with all voting privileges and no further dues. P.M. Brice McNeeley Sr. (the tanner) was honoured with the Master's chair. During the April meeting, the new charter was read with no great stir. The brethren spent much more time discussing how to have the stove and stove pipes returned from Hurd's Hall. At this same meeting, the members resolved to return their original charter to the Grand Lodge of England through proper channels.<sup>35</sup>

On June 13, 1872, this Lodge received a visit from the District Deputy Grand Master (DDGM), Rt. W. Bro. Barber. The lodge officers opened and closed the lodge in all three degrees. They also gave a Bro. Coul his third degree that same evening. This was probably necessary to find out whether there were any deviations in the ritual of the Grand Lodge of England and the new Grand Lodge of Canada. Thus, St. John's formally abandoned their old affiliation not with a roar, but a whimper.

Some will ask, if St. John's is such an old lodge, with such a high designation as #63. The simple truth is that other St. John's lodges in Ontario were adamant in not giving up their earlier assigned low numbers. At that time, there were 17 lodges in Ontario designated by the name St. John's. Carleton Place was obliged to accept #63 as the only low number left.

This writer has included in the text following, the allegoric poems recorded by our first secretary, Bro. Johnston Neilson. There is also an oath of allegiance, an opening prayer and benediction. These are no longer part of present day Masonic ritual.<sup>36</sup>

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<sup>35</sup>Ibid, p. 132.

<sup>36</sup>At the back of the first minute book of St. John's from 1843-1850.



It is unusual to find poetry in a Masonic minute book. However, Bro. Johnston Neilson, who was a clergyman, teacher, secretary of St. John's #796, and poet, recorded his poems in the back of the first minute book.

## THE LODGE OF CARLETON PLACE

by Br. Johnston Neilson (1843)

*Come, all my loving Brethren,  
One chorus let us raise;  
Of Masonry, that Art Divine,  
Let's sing the glorious praise.  
Her works and emblems morals teach,  
Which nought can e'er surpass; -  
And, Oh! may Virtue aye adorn  
The Lodge of Carleton Place*

*King Solomon, for wisdom fam'd,  
Our Art did fast embrace;  
King Hiram, for his wealth renown'd: -  
The Widow's Son likewise:  
The Holy Temple's splendid Courts  
Their fame did long confess;  
Oh! may that Temple proudly stand,  
We've rais'd in Carleton Place.*

*Cemented are our walls with love, -  
With harmony and peace;  
By Virtue's Square our work we prove;  
Its bounds her Compass trace:  
The Plumb of Rectitude uprears: -  
The Level does equalize; -  
And may Strife's Hammer ne'er disturb  
The Lodge of Carleton Place!*

*Our Master sits enthron'd in state: -  
God bless his honest face!  
His Wardens true are at their post,  
Their Columns to upraise:  
With faithful Treasurer and Scribe,  
And Deacons round to pass;  
And Brethren worthy to uphold  
The Lodge of Carleton Place.*

*By Secrecy our Lodge is tyed,  
While Beauty does her grace;  
Her Strength is in the Lord of Hosts; -  
She walks in Wisdom's ways:  
Her Enter'd 'Prentice serves his time; -  
Her Craft to work does pass: -  
And, may Master Masons aye abound  
In the Lodge of Carleton Place!*

*While Mississippi's noble stream  
Flows onward by our place; -  
While Beckwith and Ramsay Ladies love  
Their lord's most fond embrace,  
May Sons arise, of gen'rous mould,  
Our Order to increase;  
And, may St. John for ever own  
His Lodge of Carleton Place!*

*And when the sands of life have run; -  
When Sol's bright course shall cease,  
Oh! may our souls united by  
In everlasting peace!  
By Jacob's Ladder may we mount  
Above the clouded skies;  
And thro' Faith and Love be all transferr'd  
From the Lodge of Carleton Place!*

## THE FELLOW CRAFT'S SONG

Air. "Ye Mariners of England"

by Br. Johnston Neilson (1845)

*Ye Fellow Crafts, and Brethren,  
Come, listen unto me,  
Till I rehearse the praises due  
Of famed Geometry.  
Being Enter'd first, how thence I Pass'd,  
I mean to let you know -  
For a time conducted in the dark,  
While you trust your Cable-tow.  
For a time etc.*

*Having reach'd the middle chamber,  
The Lodge I did alarm;  
When to my request an answer came  
Which made me fear no harm.  
Receiv'd within, the Square taught me  
To others how to do.  
Then I creep ere I leap  
While round and round I go.  
For a time conducted in the dark,  
While I trust my Cable-tow.  
For a time etc.*

*I met with three obstructions,  
All which I bravely pass'd;  
Having reach'd at length the source of light,  
I straightway sought the West.  
In humble posture there I made  
A solemn honest vow  
Still to keep the myst'ries deep  
Which I then was brought to know  
For a time conducted etc.*

*I then got clear of darkness,  
And glorious things beheld:  
A pillar of the Temple's porch  
My Master then me call'd.  
By friendship's band the next me rais'd,  
Which made my heart to glow.  
Gave a grip for to keep,  
With a Sign and Pass also,  
By the aid of which I might with ease  
Discern a friend from foe.  
By the aid etc.*

*Three working tools he next brought,  
The Level, Plumb and Square -  
By the use of which I wages earn -  
Three Jewels also rare: -  
With Faith and Hope and Charity  
I mean through life to go.  
Then I'll hie, when I die,  
Beyond the reach of woe, -  
Where there's peace, and joy, and Love alone,  
And no stormy breezes blow.  
Where there's peace etc.*

*Next came Five noble Orders  
Of Architecture grand -  
Their beauteous symmetry and grace  
My wonder did command.  
Two gloves immense of heav'n and earth,  
On pillars rais'd I saw,  
Cast in that plain thro' which 'tis said  
The Jordan's tide does flow,  
Whose passes once did testify  
To Ephraim's sad o'ertrow.  
Whose passes once etc.*

*At length I came for wages,  
My six days work being o'er,  
To the middle chamber straight repair,  
And entrance find once more.  
Get paid in hand, to work again  
With merry heart I go;  
While I hope, the Temple up,  
A Master for to grow,  
Tho' I be conducted in the dark  
While I trust my Cable-tow.*

## OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

To be administered to the Candidate for the Mysteries of Masonry before entering the Lodge.

I, A. B. hereon do swear that I will bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Victoria, Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the Dependencies thereunto belonging, and to Her lawful successors, so long as I shall be in the service of the same, or so long as I shall possess immoveable property in any part of the said Dominions, or so long as I shall have my home in the same, and that I will not be engaged in, nor countenance, directly or indirectly, any treasonable conspiracy against the Government under which I may live, but will at all times, endeavour to conduct myself as a virtuous, peaceable and loyal man. So help me, God ....

### An Oath of Allegiance

1842-1843 is understandable when one remembers it was only five years after the Upper and Lower Canada Rebellions of 1837. Such an Oath has not been used for at least 143 years in St. John's to the best of my research.

## PRAYER AT OPENING THE LODGE

Most glorious and blessed God - thou Great Architect Divine - thou bestowen of all good gifts and graces, who hast promised that where two or three are gathered together in thy name, thou wilt be in the midst of them and bless them. In thy name, O Lord, we now assemble, most humbly beseeching thee to bless us in all our undertakings - that we may know and serve thee aright, and that all we do may tend to thy glory and our own advancement in knowledge and virtue. And we beseech, thee, O Lord our God, to bless this our present assembling, and to illuminate our minds through the influence of the Sun of Righteousness that we may walk continually in the light of thy countenance, and when the period of our probationary state is over we may be admitted into that Temple not made with hand eternal in the heavens.

## BENEDICTION

May the blessing of heaven rest upon us, and upon all regular Masons. May brotherly love continue, and may every moral and social virtue cement us. Amen.

Note: This prayer for the opening of lodge (circa 1843-1872), was not used after April, 1872, when St. John's returned its English charter and worked under the G.R.C. in the Province of Ontario. The same applies to the short benediction.



## Chapter II

# 1873 - 1912

### CORNERSTONE LAYING CEREMONIES - JUNE 1881

Rolling back the minutes to May 11, 1881, plans were made to take part in the time honoured Masonic privilege of laying the cornerstone. In this instance, at St. James Anglican Church, Bell Street, Carleton Place.

With W. Bro. David McNabb in the chair of W.M., the following motions were approved May 11, 1881, for the Masonic function of laying the cornerstone of any important public or religious building. Moved by Bro. James Poole, seconded by Bro. Sheilson that the W. Bros. David McNabb, Douglas and Tighe be a committee to confer with the building committee of St. James Anglican Church with reference to the laying of the cornerstone of said Church. Carried.

Preparations were also made for the procurement of a Central Canadian Railway return ticket for the Grand Master, which was no small feat given that \$30 was equivalent to one month's wages for the average labourer of that era. Also, no stone was left unturned to make sure that every lodge in the Ottawa and Eastern Ontario districts was invited to take part. Therefore, moved by Bro. Patterson and seconded by Bro. Junior Warden that the secretary invite Brockville, Ottawa lodges, Perth - True Britons, Smith Falls - St. Francis, Mississippi - Almonte and Evergreen - Lanark. Also Masonic lodges at Richmond, Merrickville, Renfrew and Kemptville, were invited to be present on the 30th Inst. of June, 1881. Carried.

No meeting was held during July, 1881. However, the following account was presented in August for payment:

W. Bro. S. Rogers for a silver trowel \$12.40. By income standards of the day, that trowel would represent 12 to 13 day's wages for the average labourer of the 1880s.<sup>1</sup>

Moved by the Senior Warden, seconded by Bro. Preston, the accounts be paid and the necessary order drawn on the Treasurer.

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<sup>1</sup>This silver trowel is now in Victoria School Museum - source Russel Ford, Carleton Place.

The Grand Master, James A. Henderson, Q.C., D.C.L., of Kingston, gave the following address at the laying of the cornerstone at St. James in Carleton Place, June 30, 1881.<sup>2</sup>

*“For ages past Freemasonry has been a zealous worker in rearing for the church those wonderful cathedrals and edifices which adorn not only the continent of Europe but our Motherland. Wherever you see that beautiful order, the Gothic, remember that it is a gift of Freemasonry to the Church.*

*From the time when our Grand Master, Solomon, erected that splendid temple on Mount Moriah, to the present day, have Freemasons taken part in the glorious work of building those wondrous and majestic structures within which man breathes his prayers of peace and gladness. It is to our predecessors the Craft is indebted for those stupendous monuments of human skill, the pyramids of ancient Egypt, which though many thousands of years have passed away still exist. The colossal ruins of Memphis and Thebes, of Baalbec and Palmyra testify to the amazing skill of the ancient builders. There exists in the minds of those who are unconnected with our Order, erroneous ideas that Freemasonry is incompatible with religion. I fearlessly and openly assert the connection between the two is absolute and cannot be severed or destroyed. Our Order contributes to promote the social happiness of man in this world by the practice of virtue, though it cannot absolutely save, is an essential condition of salvation. To be a good and perfect Mason is not only a thorough knowledge of the Volume of the Sacred Law essential, but there must be an acting-up-to and the carrying out of the precepts contained in that Holy Book.*

*It is first recommended to the serious contemplation of every Mason, and he is charged to consider it as the unerring standard of truth and justice and to regulate his actions by the divine precepts it contains.”*

For Masons, these ideas were not new, for those non-Masons, it was clarification of our moral philosophy. The speech was given by the Grand Master, but the way in which it was worded, bears the unmistakable stamp of Otto Klotz, the Grand Secretary. His first spoken language was German, but his mastery of the English language bears his mark in the last General Charge of the annual installation.

A prominent Mason, P.M. George H. Findlay, recalls in his diary that there were approximately 200 Masons present, including those from Grand Lodge.

Through 1897 to 1908, St. John's was under full sail with the usual Masonic program of degrees and problems associated with running the business of a Masonic Year.

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<sup>2</sup>“History of Freemasonry in Canada”, M.W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson.

## MASONIC FUNERAL SERVICES

Of interest is the way Masonic funerals were conducted during that time. By recent discovery of this writer, the service was 80% different than the public funeral service used now. A typical Masonic funeral service of that era follows.

An emergency meeting having been called, the Lodge would be opened in due form in the first degree at 1:30 p.m. The W.M. having stated that the object of the meeting was to attend the funeral of the late A.B., the first half of the Masonic Funeral then was performed. The Lodge would be called off from Labour at 2:00 p.m. At this time, the brethren proceeded to the residence of the late departed brother. After conveying the body to the grave in the usual Masonic manner, the funeral service was completed. The brethren then returned to the Lodge Room when the Lodge was closed in the first degree, about 5:00 p.m.

The present evidence indicates the service was conducted by memory at the house of the deceased and at the grave side.

This writer was present at such a service in 1945 at Mount Brydges, Ontario, for the funeral of P.D.D.G.M. Gordon Longfield, thirty-third degree, who was my Sunday School teacher. This grave side ceremony made a permanent and positive impression on a 15 year old boy, so much so that I personally hoped to be able to join the Masonic Order from that time on. That hope was realized in May, 1953, when I joined Dufferin #364, Melbourne, Ontario.

## THE FIRST MASONIC HALL BUILT AND OWNED BY ST. JOHN'S #63

For some time, the cost of renting a hall had crept up to \$60 and then \$100 per annum. Therefore, a special meeting of St. John's was called September 14, 1887, at the hour of 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of deciding on a new lodge room. "To rent or build, that is the question," to paraphrase Will Shakespear's speech by Hamlet.

The committee appointed "to enquire as to whether it was better to rent a better hall or purchase a lot and build thereon", reported verbally that:

1. They could not rent a better hall for less than \$100 to \$150 per annum.
2. An option to purchase a lot 30 feet front by 52 feet deep on Albert Street was given by Mr. Andrew Robertson. This option to buy was only open for a few days for the sum of two hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$275).



"It was moved by Bro. Douglas seconded by Bro. Hutchings that the lot offered by Mr. Robertson be purchased and a Masonic Temple erected thereon." The motion was carried unanimously.

The necessary "Building Committee" was set up and "empowered to purchase the said lot and proceed with the erection of the building after the plans of the same had been approved". On September 28, 1887, one motion of the meeting read as follows: It was moved by Bro. Sutherland seconded by Bro. Hudson, "That the M.W. the Grand Master Henry Robertson be asked to come to Carleton Place and lay the foundation stone of the Masonic Hall and to name the earliest day possible for that purpose."

Upon conclusion of the cornerstone laying ceremony, the Grand Lodge officers, visiting brethren, and members of St. John's were all invited to a banquet at the Mississippi Hotel. Rt. W. Bro. D. Taylor, D.D.G.M., and Rt. W. Bro. Stone, P.D.D.G.M., were present and extended the invitation a second time to all visiting brethren to share the festive board.

The following account, taken from Reel #8 of the Almonte Gazette, 28th October 1887, at the Almonte Library, was brought to this writer's attention thanks to Russel Ford of Carleton Place.

## A NEW MASONIC TEMPLE

The laying of the corner stone of the new "MASONIC LODGE" in Carleton Place, took place on Wed. afternoon, when about 200 Brethren of the Mystic tie were in attendance from all parts of the Ottawa Valley. Almonte's quota was about 25. At 1.30 o'clock the Brethren assembled in the old Lodge room, from whence, at 2 o'clock, they marched in procession headed by the Carleton Place Brass Band, to the new hall. The procession had a very fine appearance. Arrived at the new building. The cornerstone was laid with full Masonic Ceremonial. R.W. Bro. D. Taylor D.D.G.M. for this district who officiated as Grand Master, having been presented with a handsome Silver Trowel for the purpose, by W. Bro. Dr. Preston on behalf of the members of the Saint John's Lodge. In the absence of the Grand Lodge officers, the following Proxies were appointed, Viz - Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Dr. Church, Ottawa. Grand Senior Warden, W. Bro. J.H. Bothwell Lanark, Grand Junior Warden W. Bro. J.M. Munroe, Almonte, Grand Chaplain Rev. Bro. Dr. Bennett, Almonte, Secretary R.W. Bro. W. Rae, Ottawa, and others whose names we have not learned. Copies of local papers, the leading dailies of the day, current coins, a voters list of Carleton Place and a paper relating to the Lodge and its progress, with other things of Historical interest, were placed in the stone at the conclusion of the ceremony. R.W. Bro. Dr. Church delivered a short and excellent address. The Brethren then re-formed and returned to the old Lodge Room, where, after the visitors were warmly thanked for their attendance, and assistance, the Lodge was closed, and the gathering dispersed. The Grand Lodge officers were honoured by a banquet at the Mississippi Hotel in the evening. There were about 75 present, and an exceedingly pleasant time was spent.



At the meeting of November 30th, 1887, it was moved by Bro. Hudson and seconded by Bro. Sheppard that the following accounts connected with the laying of the cornerstone be paid.

41st Bat. Band Services .....	\$ 8.00
The Trowel used for the Ceremony .....	15.00
Dr. Beattie's services .....	2.00
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TOTAL .....	\$ 25.00

- passed by the brethren of St. John's.

Donations of \$5 and \$10 were accepted from members for the new hall, including contributions from brethren residing in British Columbia.

The new Masonic Hall was not even finished when changes detrimental to the building were approved. For example, one Bro. Cassell requested and received permission to build his new building close up against the new Masonic Hall wall. This caused a host of problems for the next 22 years. The next order of business was to borrow \$700 to finish the Masonic Hall. In order to raise revenue, the members agreed to rent the lower flat of this building for a period of 5 years at \$60 per annum. The lodge itself paid \$25 per year for the use of the upper hall and lodge rooms. Later in that year, the \$700 mortgage payment was due and the lodge came up with \$100 plus \$5 interest. At this point, someone<sup>3</sup> suggested the lodge refinance the mortgage at a more favourable interest than 5%. The best refinancing term they could get was 6%. Someone has said that you are never so "strapped for money" as the first year you buy a house.

When the Building Committee submitted their first statement, the costs for the building and equipping the new hall were:

Building thus far .....	\$1,497.00
Lot Price .....	275.00
Stove Pipes .....	9.54
Lamps (coal oil) .....	16.50
Seats and Freight .....	45.88
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TOTAL THUS FAR .....	\$1,843.92

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<sup>3</sup>"Someone" should also be listened to with a grain of salt, especially in areas contemplative of future interest. It usually indicates they will forever take credit if their advice is correct, and if not, will point to "someone else" if the monetary advice is faulty. - Observation of this writer.

There were still purchases to be made if the hall was to be up to standard by the time the G.M. and his retinue were to dedicate the new hall. Still needed:

1. a carpet,
2. platforms around both north and south sides of the lodge room,
3. a storm door as winter was approaching.

In the case of the carpet, they had to settle for painted oil cloth which cost \$5 to paint. There was also a \$5.85 account from Bro. Abner Nichols for installation of a cupboard in the anteroom (preparation room).

The Grand Jr. Warden who accompanied D.D.G.M. Franklin remarked that some four years ago, he had been present at the laying of the cornerstone of the St. John's hall. It was with much pleasure, he had observed the progress of the lodge. He commented on the excellent manner in which the third degree had been worked that evening.

The next official visit of a Grand Lodge celebrity was that of the G.M. of Canada, John Ross Robertson, who was introduced with Grand Honours. On this particular evening, the G.M. delivered his lecture "A Hundred Years with the Craft in Canada". It would appear that on this occasion, M.W. Bro. John Ross Robertson borrowed sections from the minutes and correspondence of St. John's which were needed for his two volume history, "The History of Freemasonry in Canada". It was requested that this borrowed material be returned, however to this day, several pages of the minutes are still missing.

Until the disastrous fire of 1910, the "new" Masonic Hall was the subject of many complaints. The outer wall of the building was wet, causing the bricks to crumble due to frost. The lodge had to get new ventilation as well as new cornice and eavestroughing. The list goes on; the new ventilation let the rain in - May 8, 1895.

After spending money for new coal oil lamps, Bro. Brown, owner of the local power plant, proposed that the hall be lit by electricity. Some culturally minded brethren proposed that a pump organ would add to the work. This motion was countered by the need for urinals. The vote was taken, urinals won and were installed immediately.

The list of defects of the new hall were dutifully recorded each year. By 1900, the brethren of St. John's had purchased the Leach lot where our present Masonic Temple now stands.

## BENEVOLENCE

For the period from 1843 to the turn of the twentieth century, it is necessary to look at the function the Masonic lodge fulfilled as an organization that softened the "slings and arrows of outrageous fortune"<sup>4</sup> that beset the widows, orphans, those down on their luck, and those who had fallen on "the sear and yellow leaf of old age"<sup>5</sup>. As the reader will realize, it was not until the twentieth century that government took on the responsibilities of softening the woes of the less fortunate in Canadian society.

Let us first look at fraternal benevolence on a provincial scope to which St. John's contributed. At the regular meeting of St. John's, held Wednesday 14th, October 1896, with W.M. Bro. A.S. Gorrell M.D. in the chair, a letter requesting aid for a brother's family was read.

*"From the W.M. and brethren of Alexandra Lodge #158 A.F. & A.M., G.R.C. Oil Springs soliciting aid for the widow and children of the late W. Bro. Gorsline who met with an accident resulting in death, leaving his wife and his children in a destitute condition." W.M. Gorrell moved, seconded by Bro. Teskey that the sum of \$10. be granted from the lodge funds. - Carried.\**

We can only presume that Bro. Gorsline was one of the first oil worker fatalities at Oil Springs and Petrolia, Canada.

As a follow-up to this donation to the Gorsline family, the following letter and accounting was received from Alexandra Lodge, December 18th, 1896.

*"From the Alexandra Lodge #158 an accounting for money received and its distribution by that lodge. We enclose to you a statement of the result of the appeal to our Masonic Brethren on behalf of the Widow & Family of the late W. Bro. R.W. Gorsline.*

*It gives us an unbounded pleasure to be in a position to state that owing to the very generous response of our brethren, we have been enabled to pay off the mortgage and thus secure a home to a helpless family but also to relieve immediate needs and still have a handsome sum in the hands of the lodge as the following statement will show.*

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<sup>4</sup>Wm. Shakespeare.

<sup>5</sup>From the Work.

<sup>6</sup>From the Minutes of St. John's.

### *Receipts*

<i>Received from lodges .....</i>	<i>\$699.75</i>
<i>Two cheques from the Masonic Relief Fund .....</i>	<i>40.00</i>
<i>Grand &amp; private subscription from home lodg .....</i>	<i>56.00</i>
	<i>\$795.75</i>

### *Expenditures*

<i>Discharging Mortgage .....</i>	<i>\$366.90</i>
<i>Postage &amp; printing circulars .....</i>	<i>14.30</i>
<i>Wood &amp; taxes for the widow .....</i>	<i>40.50</i>
<i>Balance of funeral expenses .....</i>	<i>9.00</i>
<i>Paid Widow for relief .....</i>	<i>95.00</i>
	<i>\$525.70</i>

*Balance in the hands of the Lodge for  
judicious expenditures when needed .....* \$270.05

*Relief Committee Hugh Beaton W.M.  
W. Chambers J.W.<sup>7</sup>*

The following letter from Ella Gorsline, daughter of the deceased, to Alexandra Lodge #158 Secretary was also reported in this lodge circular.

*"Dear Sir,*

*Will you be kind enough to convey to the Masonic Lodges the heartfelt thanks of my mother and myself for the very kind interest they have taken and are still taking in our behalf since the death of our dear father.*

*We must say that we have received nothing but the tenderest interest at your hands. No word of mine Can Convey to you our deep gratitude to the Masonic Brethren.*

*If it is possible will you kindly have your lodge express our sincere thanks to any outside lodges or Members who may have remembered us.*

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<sup>7</sup>Letter in the minutes of St. John's - 1896.

*Thanking you again and wishing your noble order every success.*

*I remain,*

*Yours truly,*

*Ella Gorsline*<sup>28</sup>

There are some in 1993 who would say this is a fine example of paternalism. However, remember this was written near the end of the Victorian period and should be taken in the context of that prim, proper, and romantic period of English and Canadian history. Bread and butter letters were part of the fabric of those times and are still essential in 1993. After all, "Manners, civility and gratitude are the grease which makes the wheels of civilization go less noiselessly without the grating screams of a Red River Cart on the last buffalo hunt."<sup>9</sup>

In the area of benevolence, St. John's also faithfully did all it could for the widows, orphans, elderly and the disabled of the Carleton Place area. For example, from 1845 to the present, this lodge saw to it that no widow or orphan of a former member, nor any member in desperate financial straits, went without assistance if the members of the benevolence committee were aware of their plight. I will quote only a few examples of how this lodge attempted to meet those needs.

On a provincial level, St. John's made a yearly donation to the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. This hospital was personally built and financed by the former G.M. John Ross Robertson who was reported to have invested between 15 and 17 million dollars of his own money. John Ross Robertson called on the lodges throughout Ontario for an annual donation. The Carleton Place Masonic Lodge subscribed between \$5 and \$10 on an annual basis for nearly 100 years.

On a less ongoing basis, St. John's received requests for assistance for the children of brethren. Even from some whose fathers had been considered irascible in their dealings with the lodge. In the case of William Peden, history proved him to be a man ahead of his time, when he loudly argued that St. John's should join the newly formed Grand Lodge of Canada. He unsuccessfully tried to convince his brethren that severance of their ties with the Grand Lodge of England was only a matter of time. Whenever the topic of joining the Grand Lodge of Canada came up, he stuck to his original recommendation of 1861. In 1872, St. John's #544 and #16 of the G.R.E. had finally made application for affiliation with the Grand Lodge of Canada. Bro. Peden had waited to see his dream become a reality and then took his demit from St. John's.

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<sup>28</sup>Minutes of St. John's Lodge - 1896.

<sup>9</sup>Observation of this writer.

In 1889, St. John's received a request of financial assistance for William Peden's sons who were destitute and living in Pembroke. The Pembroke Lodge requested assistance in meeting their basic needs and St. John's passed a motion to subscribe \$5 for the relief of these two unfortunate boys. Later, this lodge agreed to check with the Pembroke Lodge respecting the status of the "boys" of the late Bro. Peden. The follow-up is not mentioned in the minutes, but it is to be hoped that they were both adequately looked after.

Probably the longest ongoing relief and benevolence was the care St. John's provided their beloved P.M. David McNabb. W. Bro. McNabb served as Master of St. John's for 11 years between 1861 to 1881. He was a miller with the Bolton-Brown Milling Company on Mill Street. After 1885, when he became too old to work at the mill, St. John's made yearly contributions of benevolence up to \$100 and petitioned the Grand Lodge of Canada for relief of up to \$500 per year. Ironically, the last request for his relief came in February, 1903, just three weeks before his death. His Masonic career was reported in the local paper. At that time, he had been a Mason for 58 years. They reported he was the longest serving Mason in Ontario. The benevolence did not stop with his death. St. John's assumed his funeral expenses and gave him a Masonic funeral at his grave side at the United Cemetery.<sup>10</sup> This writer went to see where he was buried, but was unable to locate a headstone for the longest serving Master of St. John's. The Secretary of the United Cemetery remarked that an anonymous person had paid for the perpetual care of his plot in 1979. Was it a relative or a Mason?

Provincial and federal governments now provide social umbrellas to cushion the hardships of disability and unemployment. There are still situations where our lodge is providing relief for members who are in need through no fault of their own.

It is interesting to note costs for the period 1885 to 1910. For example, considering the cost of regalia today, it is surprising that, on average, the assessment for the D.D.G.M.'s regalia was \$2.85 to \$3.00 for each lodge per year. Today the regalia for the D.D.G.M. costs the district over \$900. It must be the cost of gold thread at \$365+ an ounce and no doubt the increased cost of labour.

Also the entertainment and social events of the past were simpler and less expensive. Quite often, the ladies were "treated"<sup>11</sup> to a picnic "up the lake" or a strawberry social. The entertainment at these occasions were recitations or speeches from the local M.P.P.. Refreshment in the period prior to 1860 was often high proof. There was ginger beer and cakes for the abstainers. Frugality was particularly evident during the Great Depression. The period after 1861 to 1900 was marked by temperate liquid refreshment. The period from 1921 to 1927 was also marked by non-alcoholic refreshment.

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<sup>10</sup>The St. Fillian's section of the United Cemetery outside Carleton Place.

<sup>11</sup>The word "treated" is used with advised caution. Who prepared the food for these picnics or strawberry socials? This writer supposes the men of the day paddled, rowed the boats, or paid the fare for the steamer that plied the Mississippi River to Lake Park.





## Chapter III

# War Contributions by Members of St. John's 1914 - 1919

With the outbreak of World War I, there seemed to be a rush to join the Masonic Order before servicemen went overseas. In many cases, special dispensation was given by Grand Lodge to allow servicemen to receive two degrees or more in one evening. For example, the summons for a special meeting of St. John's on Friday, October 29th, 1915, states the business of the evening, "To initiate Stearns Tighe Edwards and Arthur Roy Brown"<sup>1</sup>.

These life long friends were then sent overseas as pilots. After a very exhausting period at the front, both were returned to Canada for a rest period. On December 17, 1917, Bros. Edwards and Brown received their second and third degrees on the above evening. A. Roy Brown went down in history as the pilot who shot down the famous German ace the "Red Baron"; Baron Manfred von Richthofen on April 21, 1918.<sup>2</sup>

Roy Brown's life long friend died of injuries received in an air crash on Armistice Day, November 11, 1918. He lingered on until November 22, 1918. A. Roy Brown was devastated by Stearn's death. In a letter to his family, he wrote, "He was the best friend I shall ever have and one of the best men that ever was on this earth".<sup>3</sup>

Robert Franklyn P. Abbott was another member of St. John's who was a pilot in World War I. After being wounded in action in 1917, he was immediately hospitalized. He returned to active duty for a short time and was again hospitalized in September, 1918. In October, 1918, he relinquished his commission due to ill health. He returned home to Carleton Place for the next 14 years. He died in 1932. Bro. Abbott was buried with full Masonic honours at St. James Anglican Cemetery, just outside Carleton Place.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>Minute Book 1908-1919, p. 223.

<sup>2</sup>Ibid, p. 82 and 109.

<sup>3</sup>Costello, W. Brian, A Nursey of the Air Force, p. 115.

<sup>4</sup>Ibid, p. 87 and 88. (Since Carleton Place sits scant inches from solid limestone, the various cemeteries must be situated on top soil deep enough to dig graves easily. This means the cemeteries are located outside the present town limits.)

Daniel "Murray" Bayne Galbraith was born in Carleton Place, April 27, 1895. He was also raised and educated in Carleton Place. He became a member of St. John's on September 14, 1917. In France, he was involved in the most fierce fighting of 1916. He received the D.S.C. on October 25th of that year.<sup>5</sup> He was later posted to Italy to attack Austrian subs and ships. At the end of World War I, he signed up for an indefinite period in the new Canadian Air Force. He had an impressive record of 15 planes shot down. He died from injuries suffered in an auto crash near Camp Borden on the night of March 29th, 1921. He is buried in Almonte, Ontario.

Wilson D. Cram, a member of St. John's, was initiated May 11, 1917. He also served with the British Aerial Service.

John Douglas McAdam, who became affiliated with St. John's April 9, 1930, had been with the Canadian Army in the First World War. He was the supervising principal of the public schools in Carleton Place. Three days before he died, he came to this writer's office at the newly constructed Carambeck Public School in Carleton Place. He apologized for not coming earlier to see the "new" school. After being given the grand tour, he told me about his army experiences in World War I.<sup>6</sup>

Much to my surprise, his regiment was sent to Archangel, Russia during the aftermath of the Communist take-over in 1918. One event that stands out in this writer's memory was his story about visiting a building with a Masonic emblem above the door. He and a Masonic buddy entered while a meeting was in progress. They soon realized the building had been taken over by the Bolsheviks. MacAdam and his Masonic brother quickly concluded this was not a Masonic meeting and got out quickly to avoid a violent ejection, or worse. The visit to my office took place on a Thursday morning and J.D. or "Putt" MacAdam died of a stroke the following Saturday morning. I well remember his interment at St. James Cemetery. While standing at the vault, this writer, with five other Masonic pallbearers, felt the bitter cold. That afternoon I froze my ears during the short committal service. That was February 3, 1970, my 40th birthday.

Captain William Hooper, who was the W.M. of St. John's in 1908, had a distinguished military and Masonic career. His military service began at age 14 as a bugler with the 43rd Regiment, Ottawa. He was decorated for service with the Royal Canadian Regiment in the South African War. He joined the 42nd Regiment in Carleton Place in 1901. He enlisted as a Captain in 1914. Severely wounded at the farmhouse battle at St. Julien, he was taken prisoner.<sup>7</sup> He was released as a P.O.W. and returned home via Murse, Switzerland.<sup>8</sup> He credits the trilingual parchment for his early release, as well as the good treatment he received from the German surgeons.<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>5</sup>Ibid, p. 151.

<sup>6</sup>From the experience of this writer.

<sup>7</sup>A Nursey of the Air Force, W. Brian Costello, p. 39.

<sup>8</sup>St. John's Minute Book 1908-1919, p. 294-295.

<sup>9</sup>St. John's Minute Book 1908-1919, March 12, 1915.





# St. John's Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

No. 63, G. R. C.

of Carleton Place, Ontario, Canada

presents and vouches for

as a worthy Master Mason, and so commends him for brotherly care and lawful aid to any Mason who may find him in distress or need—incident to his service as a British Soldier—with the assurance that all courtesies extended will be deeply appreciated.

A notification in case of death or distressed circumstance of the bearer of this certificate, with particulars, to the Secretary of the above Lodge, will be appreciated by the Lodge.

In case of death please return this certificate.

..... W. M.  
..... Sec.

La Loge St. John's, A. F. et A. M., No. 63

G. R. C.

de Carleton Place, Ontario, Canada

présente et répond pour

comme étant un digne maître-maçon et elle le recommande pour le soin fraternel et l'aide légitime à tout franc-maçon qui le trouvera dans le besoin ou dans la misère dû à son service comme soldat britannique, avec l'assurance que toutes les courtoisies témoignées seront profondément appréciées.

Un avis en cas de la mort ou de la misère du porteur de ce certificat avec des détails, au secrétaires de la ci-devant loge, sera apprécié par la loge.

En cas de la mort veuillez bien renvoyer ce certificat.

..... W. M.  
..... Sec.

Die Loge St. John's, A. F. u. A. M., No. 63,

G. R. C.

von Carleton Place, Ontario, Canada

stellt vor und steht Burge für

Signature

daß er ein würdiger Meistermaurer ist und empfiehlt ihn für brüderliche Pflege und gesetzmassige Hilfe jedem Freimaurer, der ihn in Not finden mag, als Folge seiner Pflichte als britischer Soldat, mit der Versicherung dass alle Gunstbezeugungen hochst geschätzt werden werden, die man ihm zeigen mag.

Eine Benachrichtigung im Falle des Todes oder der Not des Überbringers dieses Zeugnisses mit näheren Umständen, zum Sekretär der obenerwähnten Loge, wird geschätzt werden.

Im Falle des Todes, bitte schicken Sie dieses Zeugnis zurück.

..... W. M.  
..... Sec.



Harvey Edward (Harry) Menzies served in the Ambulance Corps in World War I. He was the District Secretary for D.D.G.M. William Hooper of the Ottawa Masonic District in 1929-1930.

The list of lodge members contributing to the war effort is extensive. St. John's also went out of its supposedly secretive mode to help the World War I effort. During the conflict period, this Lodge voted that the dues of servicemen be remitted for the duration of the war.<sup>10</sup>

St. John's made a section of the building available to the Canadian government as a recruiting office. What is now the banquet room and smoking area, was used by the Red Cross ladies for making bandages and knitting socks for the soldiers.<sup>11</sup>

Strangely enough, the minutes of St. John's make no mention of the outbreak of war in August 1914, or Armistice Day, November 11, 1918.

Our minutes record that Joseph Hubert Craig was given all three degrees of a craft lodge May 10, 1918. This, of course, was under special dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Canada in the province of Ontario.<sup>12</sup>

Serviceman Bro. R. Walker acknowledged receipt of the trilinguage parchment, Friday, March 9, 1917.

Pte. Robert R. Borland of Beckwith Township and member of St. John's was with Captain William H. Hooper at the Second Battle of Ypres.<sup>13</sup> This is often referred to as the farmhouse fight. He was killed in this determined battle where Captain Hooper was wounded and taken prisoner. Captain Hooper said afterwards "he could not have had a better trooper than Pte. Robert Borland in this fierce fray".<sup>14</sup>

Pte. Ernest Reynolds was another veteran who was with our distinguished Rt. Wor. Bro. Hooper at the Second Battle of Ypres, and in particular, the farmhouse fight. He was the only soldier, other than Captain Hooper, to escape death in that part of the Battle St. Julien, or Ypres. He had applied to join St. John's early in World War I and received a negative ballot in 1914. He re-applied in 1919<sup>15</sup> and was favourably received<sup>16</sup>. As I remember him, he was small in stature. He returned to become a railway conductor. He died in 1977 at Smith Falls, Ontario.

Pte. Lockart Campbell was also a member of St. John's who went overseas with the first contingent in August, 1914, with Captain Hooper. He was killed in action during the fighting at the St. Julien farmhouse.

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<sup>10, 11, 12, 15 & 16</sup>St. John's Minute Book 1908-1919.

<sup>13</sup>Young readers, like this writer, should remember that during the first Battle of Ypres (St. Julian), the German Army used "mustard gas" for the first time. The Canadian contingent in the line was the only section that did not retreat.

<sup>14</sup>Costello, W. Brian, *Nurse of the Air Force*, 1979 Motion Press, Carleton Place.

The above information was double checked from minute book #8 (1908 to 1919) and minute book #9 (February 14, 1919 to December 27, 1926). It was also confirmed by carefully double checking the Honour Roll of the men and women who served and paid the supreme sacrifice for King and Country. It is interesting to note that these Honour Rolls were printed and elaborately decorated by none other than A.J. Casson, the last of the famous "Group of Seven" Canadian artists. A.J. Casson passed away at the age of 92, February 19, 1992.

I have been told that Carleton Place produced more enlisted persons in the First and Second World Wars than any town of its size in Canada. On these Honour Rolls, located in the Town Hall Council Chamber, there are recorded 286 names of the young men and women who signed up for active service in World War I.

### NAMES RECORDED IN THE HONOUR ROLL LOCATED AT THE CARLETON PLACE TOWN HALL

Abbott, R.F.P.	Brown, R.A.	Cram, W.D.
Allen, N.C.	Bryce, C.	Crawford, G.
Allen, T.S.	Buffam, A.E.	Crawford, H.
Andeson, W.C.	Burnie, A.	Crawford, J.
Armour, A.	Burnie, O.	Cummings, T.
Armour, C.	Burnie, J.	Deachman, S.
Armour, W.	Burns, R.	Dean, R.
Armstrong, M.	Burrows, J.	Devine, F.
Arthur, N.	Call, J.H.	Devlin, L.
Ashfield, A.	Cameron, D.C.	Dowdall, H.
Baird, W.F.	Cameron, G.	Doyle, L.
Baker, A.	Campbell, E.	Dugdale, C.
Bates, J.H.	Campbell, L.	Dumas, R.
Bell, H.	Carlson, E.	Dummert, W.
Bell, J.I.	Carson, H.	Dunfield, S.
Bellamy, W.S.	Carter, A.	Dunlop, A.
Bennet, C.	Chabot, A.	Dunlop, E.
Bennet, G.H.	Christie, Rev. J.H.	Eastwood, H.
Bennet, J.H.	Cleland, T.	Edwards, S.T.
Bond, L.	Comba, Gemmil	Emmerson, C.
Borland, R.	Condon, J.	Emmerson, D.
Box, H.K.	Connelly, G.	Enright, T.
Box, W.	Cooke, R.	Fanning, G.
Boyd, I.	Connell, M.	Fanning, H.
Breezee, J.	Corr, T.	Fanning, L.
Brooks, W.	Corr, L.	Fanning, W.
Brooks, J.H.	Coyles, W.J.	Findlay, D.D.
Brown, J.H.	Craig, J.H.	Flegg, R.

Flemming, C.  
Fraser, B.  
Fraser, L.  
Fraser, W.  
French, H.  
Fulton, M.  
Fummerton, I.  
Galbraith, M.B.  
Galvin, F.  
Galvin, R.  
Garrard, J.  
Giles, R.A.  
Gillies, A.R.  
Goodwood, H.  
Gorrod, J.  
Goth, H.  
Gould, E.  
Graham, R.  
Griffith, W.J.  
Halpenny, E.F.  
Hamilton, A.  
Hamilton, A.H.  
Hamilton, D.  
Hamilton, J.  
Hamilton, S.  
Harkness, F.  
Hawkshaw, J.  
Hawkshaw, R.  
Hill, J.  
Hockenhull, E.  
Hockenhull, J.  
Hooper, W.H.  
Houston, A.  
Houston, B.  
Houston, F.  
Houston, R.  
Houston, S.W.  
Hughes, C.  
Hughes, P.G.  
Hughes, W.  
Humphrey, D.C.  
Kellough, R.  
Kellough, T.M.  
Kirkpatrick, M.  
Klemm, M.

Lamb, E.  
Lamb, W.  
LaRose, L.  
Lee, M.  
Louis, R.  
Louis, W.  
Logan, W.  
Lowe, H.  
Mace, C.  
Macklem, G.  
McGuire, J.A.  
McGuire, T.  
Matthie, I.  
Menzies, H.E.  
Menzie, R.L.  
Milliken, F.  
Moffat, A.  
Moore, P.  
Moore, W.  
Morphy, J.W.  
Morris, H.  
Morris, L.  
Morris, S.  
Mullet, C.  
Mullet, T.  
Munson, A.  
Munson, H.  
Munson, R.  
Munson, W.  
Murphy, R.M.  
McCallum, G.  
McCallum, G.C.  
McCallum, M.  
McCaw, A.  
McCullough, S.  
McDiarmid, E.A.  
McDiarmid, H.W.  
McDiarmid, L.J.  
McDiarmid, V.L.  
McDiarmid, W.C.  
McDonald, E.  
McDonald, R.  
McDougall, F.  
McDougall, F.A.  
McEachen, A.

McEachen, R.  
McEachen, W.  
McFadden, B.  
McFadden, R.  
McFadden, W.J.  
McFadden, A.  
McFarlane, A.  
McFarlane, G.R.  
McFarlane, R.  
McGeachie, A.  
McGill, J.  
McGregor, N.  
McGuire, H.  
McIlquham, W.R.  
McIntosh, Ed  
McIntosh, I.  
McLaren, H.H.  
McLillan, J.  
McMullin, C.  
McNabb, W.E.  
McNabb, W.  
McNeley, W. McD.  
McPhail, N.R.  
McPhee, A.  
McPhee, N.  
McPherson, E.  
McPherson, N.  
New, G.  
New, T.  
Newman, B.  
Nolan, T.  
O'Donovan, C.  
O'Donovan, D.  
O'Donovan, P.  
O'Donovan, D.A.  
Parsons, R.  
Patterson, W.  
Patterson, W.A.  
Pattie, C.  
Paquette, S.  
Peake, F.  
Peever, W.  
Phillips, G.  
Poynter, J.  
Poynter, W.

Prime, D.	Trotman, F.
Purdy, A.	Tuft, A.
Purdy, B.	Tyre, W.
Pye, L.E.	Umphrey, H.D.
Reynolds, E.	Utman, H.
Reynolds, P.G.	Virtue, A.
Reynolds, T.	Walford, C.
Reynolds, T.J.	Waugh, R.
Reynolds, W.	Waugh, W.
Riddell, J.R.	Welsh, F.J.
Robertson, B.	Welsh, J.W.
Robertson, C.	Witcher, A.
Robertson, H.	White, C.
Robertson, H.A.	White, E.
Robertson, L.	Wilkinson, G.
Rodgers, W.	Williams, J.E.
Romanuke, M.	Williamson, H.
Saunders, H.A.	Williamson, N.
Saunders, R.	Wilson, E.F.
Scott, W.J.	Wilson, E.M.
Scott, A.	Wilson, H.
Sharrow, F.	Wright, W.
Shaw, A.	
Shaw, J.	
Simons, A.	
Simpson, C.R.	
Simpson, D.	
Simpson, O.J.	
Simpson, R.P.	
Sinclair, H.	
Smith, M.T.	
Sinnott, R.	
Snedden, W.	
Stanley, H.	
Stanzell, S.R.	
Steele, J.	
Steele, R.	
Stoddart, C.	
Stoddart, E.	
Sullivan, H.	
Sullivan, J.	
Taber, H.	
Teale, T.	
Tighe, G.A.	
Tinslay, E.	







## Chapter IV

# Post World War I Period

As a postscript to the activities of St. John's during World War I, it came to the attention of the trustees that the Daughters of the Empire<sup>1</sup> had been using the section of the lodge occupied by the government for a recruiting centre as a place for their meetings. This had taken place without the permission of the trustees or the lodge. The trustees cleared up this "misunderstanding". The Daughters of the Empire then complained that their meeting room was too cold. Finally, on February 14, 1919, the trustees and the members of St. John's reached the "end of their rope" and the Daughters of the Empire were told to vacate the premises.

The meeting with the greatest number of applications for initiation to the Order was held March 14, 1919. During that meeting, nine new applicants petitioned for admission to St. John's. These candidates were balloted for during the April 1919 meeting, with three (3) ballots being favourably received. All three successful candidates were initiated that same night. One of the nine applicants was George Henry Doucett. He later became Minister of Highways for the province of Ontario. He was initiated May 23, 1919. That same evening, Mr. George Oscar Colborne and Mr. Wilbert Roy Patterson were admitted to the fraternity of Freemasonry in Carleton Place.

On April 9, 1920, Bro. Harold Heaslip received his second degree in St. John's. This writer can remember when Bro. Heaslip received his 70 year pin. If this writer's memory is correct, Bro. Heaslip passed away in 1992 in his 100th year.

One highlight of the 1920's was Friday, June 12, 1925. Past Master A.H. Edwards spoke to the brethren about his recent world tour. He outlined his experience of holding a lodge meeting in the quarries where the stone was removed and squared for the Temple built by King Solomon, circa 1000 B.C. W. Bro. Edwards presented St. John's with a gavel made from the white limestone of these famous quarries. The handle and case for this gavel were made of olive wood from the Holy Land. This gavel and case are displayed in the show case in the W. Bro. Howard Edwards room of the lodge.

Many of our present day members are probably of the opinion that our regular meeting night, the second Wednesday of the month, has been written in stone since January 20, 1843.

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<sup>1</sup>This writer assumes that Daughters of the Empire is the I.O.D.E. of present day. Apparently, there was no long term animosity over the action of the lodge. The local chapter of I.O.D.E. is named the Captain Hooper Chapter.

This is not the case. At the regular meeting of Friday, December 10, 1926, the regular meeting night was changed to the second Wednesday of the month. This, after sixty plus years of being the second Friday of the month.

This writer often heard of the inflexibility of the Past Master's Committee appointed to examine the Master-elect as to his knowledge of the Constitution of Grand Lodge, the Bylaws of St. John's, and the Work. After the 1926 elections, the master-elect was not installed until the March meeting of 1927 because the Examining Committee was not satisfied with his knowledge of the Work and duties of the Master of the lodge.<sup>2</sup>

## GROWTH 1919 - 1932

In general, the period from 1919 to 1932 was one of expansion in membership. It is understandable for several reasons. In 1919, there were 33 candidates for initiation. Many of these were returned soldiers from the European conflict of World War I. The expansive period of the "Roaring Twenties" created greater optimism for the future. Perhaps the money for the initiation fees was more readily available. Probably the most important reason was the men of eligible age had returned to Canada and civilian life. Between 1919 and 1932, there were 133 new members added to the roll in the register by initiation into Freemasonry within St. John's.

This rapid increase in members stopped abruptly in 1932 when the grip of the Great Depression finally took its choke hold on the economy in Canada and Carleton Place. From 1932 to 1936, many members, both old and new, could not even find \$5 for their annual dues. Unfortunately, the register and minutes are filled with suspensions for non-payment of dues. Some of the suspended members did petition the lodge for re-admission to the lodge, but only when World War II gave many of them employment in war related industries.

In these lean years, expenses for maintaining our building went on. For example, the furnace that heated the space rented by our tenant, the "Carleton Place Canadian" gave out. A new one was purchased from Findlay's for \$212.<sup>3</sup>

## CRASH - THE GREAT DEPRESSION 1929-1939

In the depression years, there was considerable time devoted to Masonic Education. Rt. Wor. Bro. William Hooper presented to the lodge, a seven volume set of A. MacKey's "Revised History of Freemasonry" to further the Masonic Education of our brethren. I would

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<sup>2</sup>January meeting, 1927. Lodge Minutes - February 14, 1919 to December 27, 1926.

<sup>3</sup>Minute Book #10, p. 180, Wednesday, September 14, 1932.

venture to say there was more time for reading then than now. The advent of television in the 1950s has cut down on the amount of reading by the average Freemason or Canadian in general. Also in the area of Masonic Education, Bro. W.F. Baird presented St. John's with two weighty volumes of "History of Freemasonry in Canada" by M.W. Bro. John Ross Robertson.<sup>4</sup>

By 1935, the mortgage on the Masonic Temple was still \$4,000. With the great depression and the numerous suspensions for non-payment of dues, St. John's was barely able to keep up with interest at 4¾% and 5% per annum.

An interesting letter was found March 4, 1930. In brief, this letter spelled out in no uncertain words that the lodge was not to be used by the Eastern Star. How times have finally changed! Sixty-three years later, the Eastern Star now uses the same room for their meetings as does this Craft Lodge and the Royal Arch Masons Chapter. With lodge initiation fees being as low as \$35, joining fees were necessarily raised to \$50 in April, 1936. Even at that amount, the number of suspensions for non-payment of dues continued. In April 1936, names of 14 members were read out for non-payment of dues. In June, names of another 11 members were read out by the Worshipful Master.

It wasn't until December 9, 1936, that Alton E. Cassidy became the first candidate in 3 1/2 years. Considering teachers salaries at the time, his \$50 fee would have represented nearly one month's salary.

The layout of the banquet hall and the Howard Edwards Room was not as it is today. What is now the banquet room and kitchen, was the recreation room. During the worst part of the great depression, the recreation room was closed to economize on heat and lighting. After three months of debate and discussions, the old recreation room was opened again for Masonic members only. By November, 1938, the recreation room with a 4' x 6' pool table and a 5' x 10' snooker table was again used on Thursday nights. A frugal playing fee was charged to cover heat and light costs. The recreation room also offered chess, checkers and euchre games for the members. When the kitchen was moved to the back of the present banquet hall, one pool table was sold. The snooker table remained until 1976 when this writer bought it. It is made of solid oak with a 1 1/8" slate bed made by Samuel May & Company, Toronto, and purchased by the lodge in 1922 at a cost of \$250.

The practice of appointing a committee, called Sick and Visiting was, for four decades, appointed on a monthly basis. Today, this committee is appointed for the entire Masonic year. From the 1950s to the present, two or three members are appointed to keep the Master and lodge members advised when a member becomes ill or is in distressed circumstances.

By June 14, 1939, the lodge was in need of redecorating. This was to be carried out during the summer by volunteer labourers from the lodge who were cautioned that costs were not to exceed \$100. Members were encouraged to pay up their dues or to make

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<sup>4</sup>Minutes of the meeting February 14, 1934.

donations that would be applied against their dues.<sup>5</sup> The bills for the redecoration of the lodge room, the preparation room, the kitchen and the outside of the building came to \$159.69.<sup>6</sup> One can only assume there were no labour costs and this was the buying power at 1939 prices.

The first mention of placing a wreath at the Town Cenotaph came October 11, 1939. This motion was made by Rt. Wor. Bro. William H. Hooper. The cost was then \$5. The purchase of a commemorative wreath has continued to the present, but the cost is now \$35.

## WORLD WAR II

Although there is no mention in the Minute Books of the outbreak of World War II, plans were made to provide homes for the children of Masons threatened by the "Blitz of London" and other English cities. Under the direction of Rt. Wor. Bro. Hooper, a home for these children was established at the end of William Street, Carleton Place.<sup>7</sup>

By December 29, 1941, a committee was set up to begin planning for St. John's centennial anniversary on January 20, 1943.

One of the first orders of planning was to establish that St. John's had indeed existed continuously for 100 years. Correspondence with the Grand Master confirmed the lodge had existed since January 20, 1843 and was entitled to have brethren wear gold braid on their aprons on and after the anniversary date.<sup>8</sup>

Also at the November 11, 1942 meeting, the lodge decided the installation of officers would be delayed until January 20, 1943 to coincide with the date of the first installation in 1843. In the meantime, all regalia was sent to be cleaned and the gold braid and golden symbols added before January 20, 1943.<sup>9</sup>

The celebration of St. John's one hundredth year was necessarily a low key event compared to the plans for this one hundred and fiftieth anniversary due to wartime restrictions.

There was a special anniversary meeting in the present lodge room. The Grand Master Bro. J.A. Dobbs was present and took part in the installation of officers. At this meeting,

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<sup>5</sup>Minute Book #11, June 14, 1939 to June 22, 1947.

<sup>6</sup>Ibid, p. 7.

<sup>7</sup>Ibid, p. 50. Location was confirmed by Rt. Wor. Bro. Arnold J. Illingworth.

<sup>8</sup>Correspondence from the Grand Master of Canada, p. 118, minutes of November 11, 1942.

<sup>9</sup>Ibid, p. 138.

V. Wor. Bro. (Nat) McAllister was presented with his Grand Lodge regalia by the Grand Master.<sup>10</sup>

Unlike the First World War, trilingual Masonic certificates were not issued to servicemen. The reason was made clear in 1936, when Adolf Hitler put Freemasons on his "hit" list of organizations considered dangerous to the Third Reich.

As part of the war effort, St. John's made space available to the ladies of various churches in town to entertain the troops who were in transit by the main line of the railway that runs through Carleton Place. This accommodation was located in the space now occupied by Scott's Dollar Store. Since Carleton Place was a division point for the troops going either West or East, the servicemen who had a few hours stop-over were welcomed and made comfortable. Coffee, tea and lunch was served as well as dancing partners. Rt. Wor. Bro. Arnold J. Illingworth recalls that the "Uniform Club" was not open on Sundays except on one occasion, that being when the main line West was blocked by snow. In the delay of 24 hours, the ladies ran out of food. The merchants in town opened up their stores to make sure that coffee, tea and lunches were available until the railway was cleared.<sup>11</sup>

It was also the practice of St. John's to set up a fund or programme to send cigarettes to servicemen overseas. There are numerous letters of thanks for these gifts from servicemen such as Bro. A.J. Brown and many others.<sup>12</sup>

On May 9, 1945, the Ontario Liquor Control Board assumed a five year lease for a monthly rent of \$45.

One of the few official Masonic notices of World War II was in April, 1945, when the Grand Master of Canada instructed each lodge "that a suitable period of mourning be observed for the late Bro. Franklin D. Roosevelt".<sup>13</sup>

In that same correspondence the Grand Master instructed all the lodges in Ontario "that plans were to be made for a thanksgiving service for Victory in Europe within two weeks of V.E. Day".<sup>14</sup>

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<sup>10</sup>Ibid, p. 149.

<sup>11</sup>Recollections of Rt. Wor. Bro. Arnold J. Illingworth.

<sup>12</sup>Ibid, p. 215.

<sup>13</sup>Ibid, p. 215. This writer has learned that each president of the U.S.A., with the exception of John F. Kennedy, was a Freemason.

<sup>14</sup>Ibid, p. 215.



## POST-WAR YEARS

As directed by Grand Lodge and outlined by the Grand Chaplain, St. John's opened in the first degree on Wednesday, May 16, 1945. The service was conducted with the assistance of Rev. Bro. Munro of the United Church and Rev. Bro. Allosop with Brother Motherwell at the organ. Lodge was closed at 8:55 p.m.<sup>15</sup>

Apart from the thanksgiving service, the collar or badge of office for the W. Master was presented refurbished at no cost to the lodge. Undisclosed members of this lodge paid the bill.

At that meeting, the practice of a Masonic service at the grave side was to be discontinued unless specifically requested beforehand by the deceased member or his family. It was to be held at the home of the deceased the night before interment or at the funeral home. The location of the "wake" was gradually changed to a funeral home or a church.

In the latter part of 1946, an agreement was reached with Bro. D.G. Allan to sell part of the Masonic lot for \$260.<sup>16</sup> The one sale proviso was that Bro. D.G. Allan retained the right-of-way to his red brick garage just to the east at the rear of the Masonic building. The \$260 sale price was to be directly applied to the mortgage which was then reduced to \$3,000 at 5%.<sup>17</sup>

St. John's lodge was now almost besieged by petitions for initiation. In 1946 alone, there were 28 new members added to the register. Most of these were veterans returned from the hostilities of World War II. Also, there were many restorations of memberships by those brethren who had been suspended for non-payment of dues during the Great Depression years. With another bumper year of new candidates in 1947, i.e. 16 new members, an additional \$500 was paid off on the mortgage.<sup>18</sup>

It came as a surprise to me that St. John's was very involved in sending food parcels to Great Britain after World War II. These food parcels were sent to Masons or their families in Great Britain. There are several letters from the recipients of these food parcels. Two examples are Mrs. Jennie James of Wales and a Bro. Wakeham of Plymouth, England.<sup>19</sup> The programme of sending food parcels to Britain was continued in 1947, 1948 and 1949. There are receipts, with thanks, from a Bro. H.C. Dale of Endfield, England, for a food parcel sent

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<sup>15</sup>Ibid, p. 256.

<sup>16</sup>Ibid, p. 263.

<sup>17</sup>Ibid, p. 323.

<sup>18</sup>Ibid, p. 368.

<sup>19</sup>St. John's Minute Book #12, p. 3.



by St. John's.<sup>20</sup> V. Wor. Bro. Fred A. McTavish has mentioned that honey from his apiary was shipped in soldered two pound cans for the food drops in Holland near the end of World War II. He said that one of our liberating Canadian soldiers was surprised to be served honey in Holland that came from the Carleton Place area.<sup>21</sup>

Finally in 1951, the mortgage on the Masonic Temple was retired. This was an important night in the life of the lodge. On Friday, April 20, 1951, the discharged mortgage was partly burnt by Rt. Wor. Bro. William H. Hooper, V. Wor. Bro. (Nat) C. McAllister and Wor. Bro. J.W. Pattern in the lodge room. Forty years earlier, these officers were present at the laying of the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple April 20, 1911.

This partial symbolic burning was followed by a dinner at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church where the remnants of the retired mortgage were burned to ashes by the aforementioned brethren.

Much to my surprise, the ashes were saved by Wor. Bro. J.C. Spence, a local public school inspector and returned to Rt. Wor. Bro. Arnold J. Illingworth. These ashes will soon be framed and placed in the banquet room as an historic memento.<sup>22</sup>

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<sup>20</sup>Ibid, p. 31.

<sup>21</sup>From the recollections of V. Wor. Bro. Fred A. McTavish.

<sup>22</sup>Minute Book #12 and correspondence of St. John's.



## Chapter V

# Stability and Re-organization

During the meeting of Wednesday, November 14, 1951, the by-laws were changed so the installation of officers would take place in June rather than December. This brought St. John's in line with other lodges in the Ottawa Masonic District. As a result of this change, W.M. F.J. Vout would serve as Master for one and a half years.<sup>1</sup>

Speech given by W.M. F.J. Vout  
Mortgage Burning Ceremony 1951

*"In any organization of note there are bound to be important occasions or highlights and St. John's has had its share from its inception in 1842. It has passed through its doldrums and periods of trials until this present day when by the united efforts of those faithful brethren through the years, we have surmounted another hurdle.*

*In 1888, after having had many meeting places in the town, St. John's - like the wandering Israelites, arrived home, the members had their own Lodge rooms at last and until 1910 they held forth on Albert St.. In this year a disastrous fire swept the town and St. John's was again homeless. But nothing daunted, these Masons of 40 years ago gathered their resources, secured a new location and on April 20th, 1911, the corner stone of our present Temple was laid.*

*For an organization whose sources of income are limited, the undertaking of such a fine building could assume huge proportions and since 1911 that has been the case. Two world wars and a major economic depression made the going extremely severe and just how tough, we of the younger members do not know. Suffice it to say that all must have worked together and well so that we of the present day can now enjoy the fruits of their work; a debt free Temple.*

*In St. John's history several names seem to stand out as Masons who gave much to us. Wor. Bro. Brice McNeely was one of the guiding spirits of the early days from 1842 and then Wor. Bro. David McNab, seems through our records to*

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<sup>1</sup>Minute Book #12 and correspondence of St. John's, p. 214.

*have done much. Indeed he was Master for upwards of 18 years when Masonry in Carleton Place was at a low ebb. And there is another who to-night is, I am sure, with us in spirit if not in person, Rt. Wor. Bro. D.H. McIntosh.*

*I had the highest hopes that he would have been able to be with us on this occasion but health would not permit, but I am sure that his name will go down in the annals of St. John's as one who gave well and long, as one who grew old in the services of a Lodge he loved so much. These are only a few names but I know that many others must have worked equally and faithfully.*

*At last we have come to the turning of the road, the labour which began April 20th, 1911 has been completed and we can reflect on what pleasure this would give to those who commenced the work if they could only be present.*

*The Officers of St. John's for 1911 were as follow -*

<i>Wor. M.</i>	-	<i>A.H. Edwards</i>
<i>I. P.M.</i>	-	<i>N.C. McAllister</i>
<i>S. W.</i>	-	<i>J. A. McLaren</i>
<i>J. W.</i>	-	<i>J. W. Patterson</i>
<i>Chap.</i>	-	<i>S. J. Berryman</i>
<i>Treas.</i>	-	<i>G.H. Findlay</i>
<i>Sec.</i>	-	<i>A. T. Hudson</i>
<i>Sr.D.</i>	-	<i>R.C. Patterson</i>
<i>Jr.D.</i>	-	<i>H.W. Deemert</i>
<i>Dir. of C.</i>	-	<i>W.H. Hooper</i>
<i>Organist</i>	-	<i>F.C. McDiarmid</i>
<i>I. G.</i>	-	<i>E. V. Barber</i>
<i>Sr. S.</i>	-	<i>J. A. Dack</i>
<i>Jr. S.</i>	-	<i>R. A. Patterson</i>

*Of these all but three have been called to the Grand Lodge above.*

*It is my pleasure to call on these three - namely -*

*Rt. Wor. Bro. W.H. Hooper  
V. Wor. Bro. N.C. McAllister  
and Wor. Bro. J.W. Patterson to destroy the mortgage of St. John's Lodge."*

By 1950 to 1952, support for the Children's Hospital in Toronto shifted to the Shriner's Hospital in Montreal. This hospital is in great part funded by Shriners for crippled children who require special orthopedic care, regardless of creed or country of origin.

A community project that St. John's assumed in 1953 was the equipping of a semi-private room at the new Carleton Place and District Hospital. The cost of the project at that

time was \$935 and the funds were to be raised from private member donations rather than from the general funds of the lodge.<sup>2</sup>

One feature that was quite noticeable was the large attendance at regular and special meetings. For example, when V. Wor. Bro. Fred A. McTavish was installed as Master in June, 1954, there were 73 masons in attendance.<sup>3</sup> That year, there were 108 Masons present at the D.D.G.M.'s official visit.<sup>4</sup> Granted, this was before Ottawa District was divided into two Masonic districts and before television sets were common in this part of Ontario.

The Ottawa District Blood Donors Committee was set up within the lodges including St. John's, Carleton Place. These committees were originally formed to replace blood used by a brother or members of their family. This was before OHIP and our universal medicare system became effective. The alternative to this blood donor plan sponsored by this Masonic lodge was for families to be billed for the number of pints used.

The emphasis has shifted to a voluntary plan by lodges to provide blood on a regular basis. Each year there is a competition among the Masonic lodges in both Ottawa District #1 and Ottawa District #2. For the past three years, St. John's has won the Blood Donors Trophy.

During the 1950s and 1960s, there were many elder Masons honoured for 50 and 60 years of Masonic service. For example, V.W. Bro. (Nat) McAllister received his 60 year pin. On January 13, 1960, he also received his 50 year past masters jewel. Rt. Wor. Bro. William Hooper was presented with his 60 year pin, or jewel, on October 11, 1961. Wor. Bro. (Jimmy) R. Moore also received his 60 year pin about the same time. J.W. Patterson was visited by several elder Masons and given his 60 year pin at his home. Since twenty-one was the minimum age for initiation, this meant that all these recipients were in their 80s.<sup>5</sup>

As can be expected, St. John's lost many senior Masons within months of each other. For example, Rt. Wor. Bro. Duncan Haggart passed away April 28, 1952, at the age of 88. Within a month, May 10, 1952, Bro. Alexander McFadden passed away at the age of 85.

Both brethren had requested a Masonic service. Our minute book records that the Masonic service was conducted at the cemetery. The minutes state that approximately 75 to 80 Masons attended the grave side service. This may be one of the last Masonic funeral or memorial services completed at the grave side in this area.

St. John's was saddened by the passing of Wor. Bro. J.R. Moore on March 10, 1963, and Bro. Alexander McAllister March 12, 1963. Both were given Masonic services by prior

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<sup>2</sup>Ibid, p. 252.

<sup>3</sup>Minute Book #13, p. 41.

<sup>4</sup>Ibid, p. 54.

<sup>5</sup>Ibid, p. 230.

request of themselves or their families. The old guard passes on and they are remembered in our hearts.

One feature that has not been used in the past few years, was called "Side Benchers Night". Under the direction of the W.M. of the lodge, this night afforded those younger Masons an opportunity to demonstrate their wishes to fill various chairs in the lodge and that they were capable of handling the ritual.<sup>6</sup>

A non-Mason once remarked that Masons look after Masons. At the time, this writer was not certain whether this was intended as a compliment or censure. Considering the source (her father was a P.M. of Carleton Lodge, Carp), I must consider it was a compliment. For example, when Evergreen Lodge was destroyed by fire in 1959, St. John's presented that lodge with a set of working tools to replace those destroyed by fire. These were presented by Masons from St. John's during the dedication of the new Masonic hall October 12, 1960.<sup>7</sup> As the reader may remember, Evergreen Lodge in Lanark presented new working tools to St. John's in 1911, after the cornerstone laying ceremony was completed. This was after the disastrous 1910 fire.

In 1971, St. John's purchased and presented wands of the two Stewards and two Deacons to replace those burned in the destruction of the relatively new Masonic hall at Deep River.

For some time, the Ottawa District continued to grow until it became too large to manage. Since the Ottawa District stretched from Deep River in the north, to Russell in the south, the Grand Lodge decided to divide this district in two; Ottawa District #1 and Ottawa District #2. V. Wor. Bro. Cecil Ruttle once mentioned to this writer that during his year as W.M., he put an additional 10,000 miles on his car. When you consider that the D.D.G.M. was expected to visit each lodge at least once during his term, as well as to attend Ladies' Night at approximately 30 lodges, the district became so large that prospective candidates for the office would think twice before submitting their name for election. When the division was completed, St. John's fell within District #1 of the Masonic districts of Ottawa.

## FRATERNAL VISITATION

During the 1960 to 1980 period, St. John's visited not only the many lodges in the Ottawa District, but there were also a series of fraternal visits to lodges in New York State. Our contact was through Bro. Tom Wood, a lifetime member of St. John's, who had moved to Canasota, New York. Through Bro. Wood, a group of American Masons from the Canasota Masonic Lodge were invited to Carleton Place to observe a Canadian third degree

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<sup>6</sup>P. 108. Ibid, p. 208.

<sup>7</sup>Minutes of April 13, 1960 to December 1, 1968, p. 18.

conferred May 21, 1966. Our American brethren must have enjoyed this visit, because the brethren from St. John's were invited to Canasota in Canada's Centennial Year, 1967.<sup>8</sup>

In May, 1967, a committee, consisting of Bro. C.E. Cassibo, Bro. T. Harold James and W. Bro. Cecil R. Ruttle, was formed to make all the necessary arrangements for this trip. On looking back at the minutes, the costs appeared very reasonable for such a memorable day. Masons from the Ottawa lodges also came with the brethren from St. John's. Two chartered buses left Carleton Place at 7:30 a.m. and arrived at the White Elephant Tavern and Restaurant at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Over lunch, we had an opportunity to become acquainted with our American brethren, and then headed to Utica to visit the New York Masonic Senior Citizens' Home, Orphans Home and Research Centre. One feature that stands out in the memory of this writer was a bronze plaque located in the chapel. In short, it pointed out that during the War of 1812-14, Masons on both sides of the border agreed not to bear arms against each other. Later that afternoon, the Canadian brethren observed an American Third Degree conferred in Utica. Now that was Masonic education for this writer! The buses then headed back to Canasota where their fire hall had been converted to a gigantic smorgasbord dinner. We then returned to the two motels and enjoyed their fraternal hospitality to the early hours of Sunday.

Sunday morning, our American hosts had made arrangements for a hearty breakfast for all before heading home to Carleton Place and Ottawa.

The total expenses involved are listed below:

Printing of Tickets .....	\$ 5.00
Rent for Two Motels .....	206.50
59 Meals .....	90.00
(2) Bus Rentals .....	500.00
Tips for the Drivers .....	20.00
Tom Woods Phone Calls.....	10.00
Money Exchange.....	15.85
Refund to Bro. who wasn't able to go .....	15.00
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<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$862.35</b>
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Ticket Sales .....	870.00
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<b>BALANCE .....</b>	<b>+ \$ 7.65<sup>9</sup></b>

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<sup>8</sup>Ibid, p. 210.

<sup>9</sup>Ibid, p. 247.



Such a lasting fraternal friendship developed with the Masons in Upper New York State, that over the past three decades, several return visits have been made between St. John's and our American brethren.

In July, 1975, W. Bro. Raymond E. Shane of St. John's was elected District Deputy Grand Master for Ottawa District #1. It would appear this was the incentive that brought a steady flow of new members to St. John's. From 1975 to 1990, the list of men waiting for their degrees became so backlogged that it was necessary to hold emergent meetings every month.

In 1969, on motion of Bro. G.A. Docker and Bro. R.E. Shane, St. John's approved the establishment of a bursary for a deserving Carleton Place High School student going on to university. The choice was left to the discretion of High School principals and was not restricted to relatives of Masons. In 1969, the Masonic bursary was \$50, but recognizing the increase in tuition fees this bursary has been enlarged to \$150. In light of increased university costs, it may have to be augmented again.

On June 11, 1975, St. John's was honoured by a visit from the G.M. George E. Turner. This was on the night of our annual installation of officers. At that meeting, the Grand Master was given a beautiful three canded candelabra handcrafted by Bro. Frank Moon. Bro. Moon, who at the time was in his late 80s, created this symbolic candelabra especially for M.M. Bro. (Doctor) Turner. This writer was told that Bro. Moon was one of the few men in Eastern Ontario who knew how to "cold sweat" brass. People who have his exquisitely machined brass candle stick holders, cannons, or ships' wheels, cherish his craftsmanship.

Masonry is more than degrees and official visits. Recently, province-wide Masonry has become involved in ventures such as Project H.E.L.P. (Hearing for Every Living Person). This is a province-wide Masonic enterprise to aid in developing a hearing implant for people with significant hearing loss due to nerve damage from the ear to the brain. This Grand Lodge undertaking was designed to generate at least \$60,000 interest per year for hearing research carried on at a Toronto Hospital.

W.M. John O. Tennant reported this lodge had reached 82% of its quota in a very short time. On May 14, 1979, he reported that our lodge had reached 94% of its objective for Project H.E.L.P. By June, the W.M. reported that our lodge had oversubscribed its objective of \$700.<sup>10</sup>

## WORSHIP

An important event for St. John's was the holding of the divine service at St. James Anglican Church in Carleton Place. This service was to share in the celebration of St. James 100th anniversary in its present house of worship. As the reader may remember, area Masons

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<sup>10</sup>Minute Book #16, p. 142.

took part in the cornerstone laying ceremony in 1881. The following speech was given by the G.M. Bro. James A. Henderson during the 1981 ceremony:

**"ST. JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1981**

*Rev. Southcott, Parishoners of St. James, and  
Masonic Brethren assembled.*

*Since St. John's Lodge #63 was first instituted in January 1843, its members have worshipped at St. James Church on many occasions in the past 138 years.*

*On June 24, 1843, the brethren of St. John's Lodge #63 accompanied by Masons from Smith Falls, Brockville, and Perth, held their first Divine Service in the "English Church" of Carleton Place. The Rev. E. Boswell conducted that service. Some thirty-three Masons were recorded as being present at that first Masonic church parade and service in Carleton Place. Our records also show that the members of St. John's Lodge #63 shared in the laying of the cornerstone of this present St. James Church. Our minute books record that, on May 11, 1881, a motion was passed "that the W.M. David McNab and Bro. Tighe be a committee to confer with the building committee of St. James Church, Carleton Place, with references to the laying of the Foundation Stone of St. James". On June 8, 1881, Mr. George Dummerit, Secretary of the St. James Building Committee officially invited St. John's Lodge to lay the cornerstone of St. James Church on June 30, 1881.*

*Arrangements were quickly made for this important occasion. The members of St. John's invited the Grand Master of Canada in the Province of Ontario to officiate at the cornerstone laying ceremony of St. James. St. John's Lodge issued invitations to the other masonic lodges from Brockville to Arnprior to take part in this important ceremony. Our records show that a silver trowel was purchased (\$12.40) for the cornerstone ceremony on June 30, 1881. On June 30, 1881, the Grand Master, James A. Henderson, the W. Master McNab of St. John's, and fifty-seven masons from Almonte, Renfrew, Arnprior, Ottawa, Richmond, Smith Falls, Perth, Toronto and the congregation of St. James were present at the ceremony of laying the cornerstone of this present church. Curiously enough that cornerstone laid on June 30, 1881, seems to be hidden at present. It is our opinion, the cornerstone is hidden by a concrete buttrise on the north east corner of this church.*

*We, the members of St. John's Lodge #63 A.F. & A.M. are proud of our small part in the first one hundred years of St. James' history. It is our fervent hope that in St. James' second century, St. James and the members of St. John's Lodge may continue their historic association and have many more occasions when we may worship together."*

The following account of this church service appeared in the "Carleton Place Canadian":

*"ANNUAL MASONIC CHURCH PARADE*

*St. John's Masonic Lodge of Carleton Place makes an annual visit to one of the churches in town but last Sunday's Divine Service had special significance. Forty-five members of the masonic order visited St. James Anglican Church to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the laying of its cornerstone in 1881.*

*Various members of St. John's Lodge were invited by the rector, Rev. Harvey F. Southcott, to take part in the service.*

*The old testament lesson was read by Rt. Wor. Bro. Ray Shane, a Past District Deputy Grand Master. The Epistle was read by the present Master of St. John's, Wor. Master Harry Morris. The Gospel Reading was read by Rt. Wor. Bro. William D. Cook, District Deputy Grand Master of the Ottawa #1 District.*

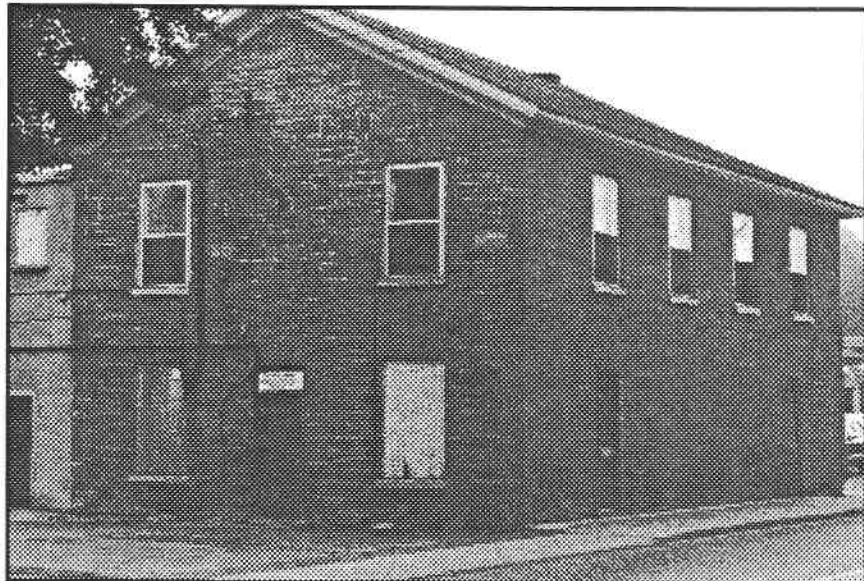
*On behalf of St. John's Lodge, Very Wor. Bro. Sandy Docker, Historian and Immediate Past Master of St. John's Lodge, presented an extract from the records of the laying of the cornerstone of St. James Church to the church wardens, Glenda Courtice and Garry Murphy.*

*The cornerstone ceremony of St. James Church was conducted by the Grand Master of Canada, M.W. Bro. James A. Henderson, on June 30, 1881.*

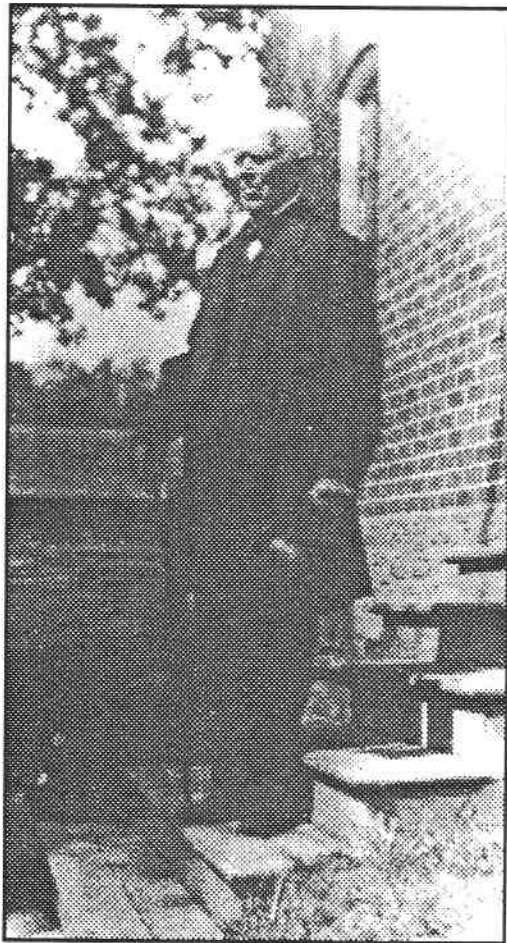
*After the service, the ladies of St. James served refreshments to those in attendance."*



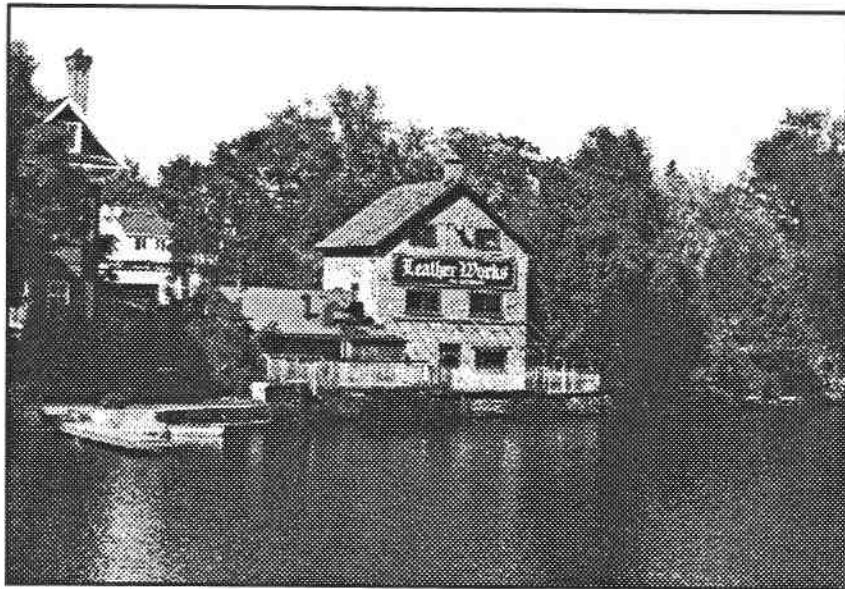
# Photographs



Two views of Manny Nolan's Tavern at corner of Bridge and Bell Streets. This is where the first Charter was drafted in November, 1842.

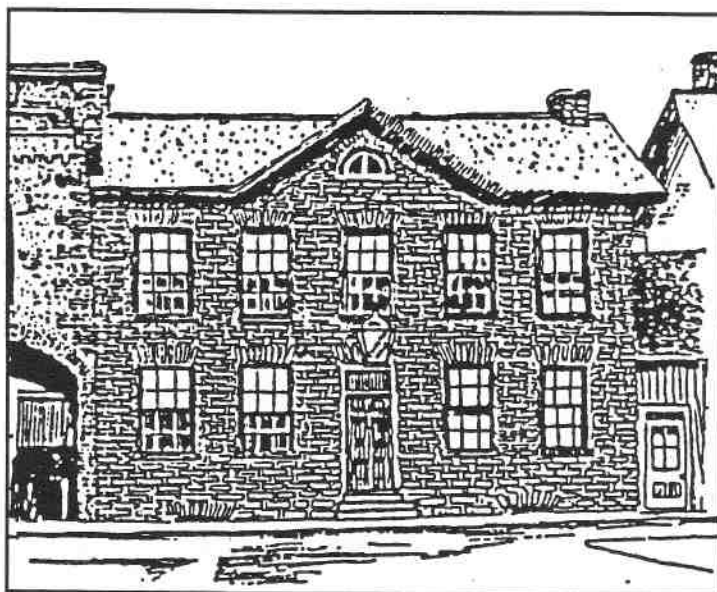


Brice McNeely (Senior) the first Worshipful Master of St. John's Lodge. He served in that capacity 1843 to 1849 and again in 1861.

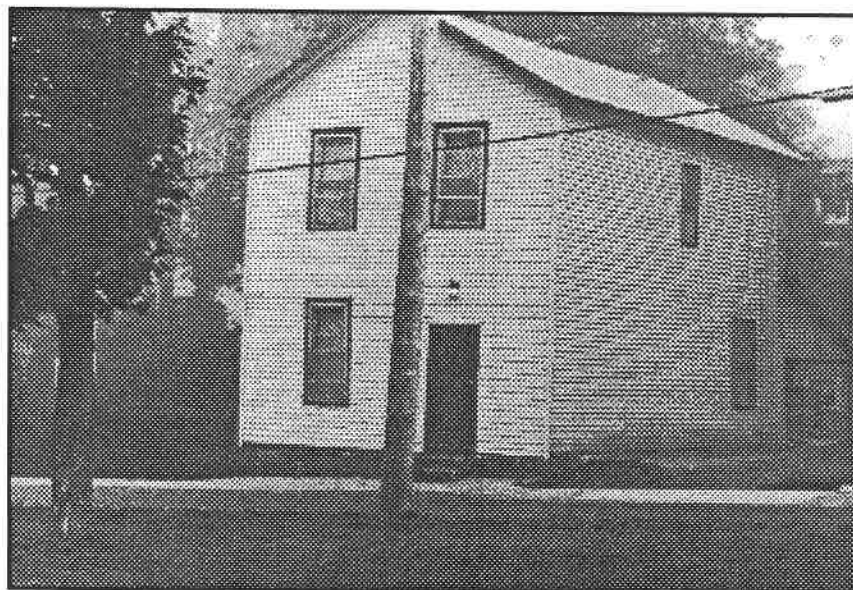


Brice McNeely's tannery on the banks of the Mississippi River, Carleton Place, Ontario (now a pub-restaurant).

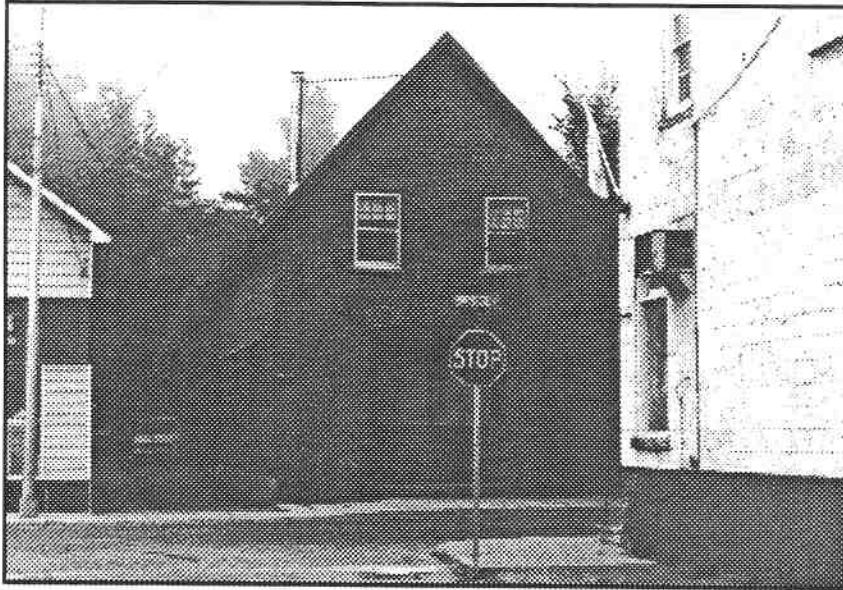




The Carleton House, on Part of Lot 4, Bridge Street, where St. John's Lodge met 1842 - 1858. The building no longer exists.



Dr. Hurd's Hall was home for St. John's Lodge 1858 to 1865.

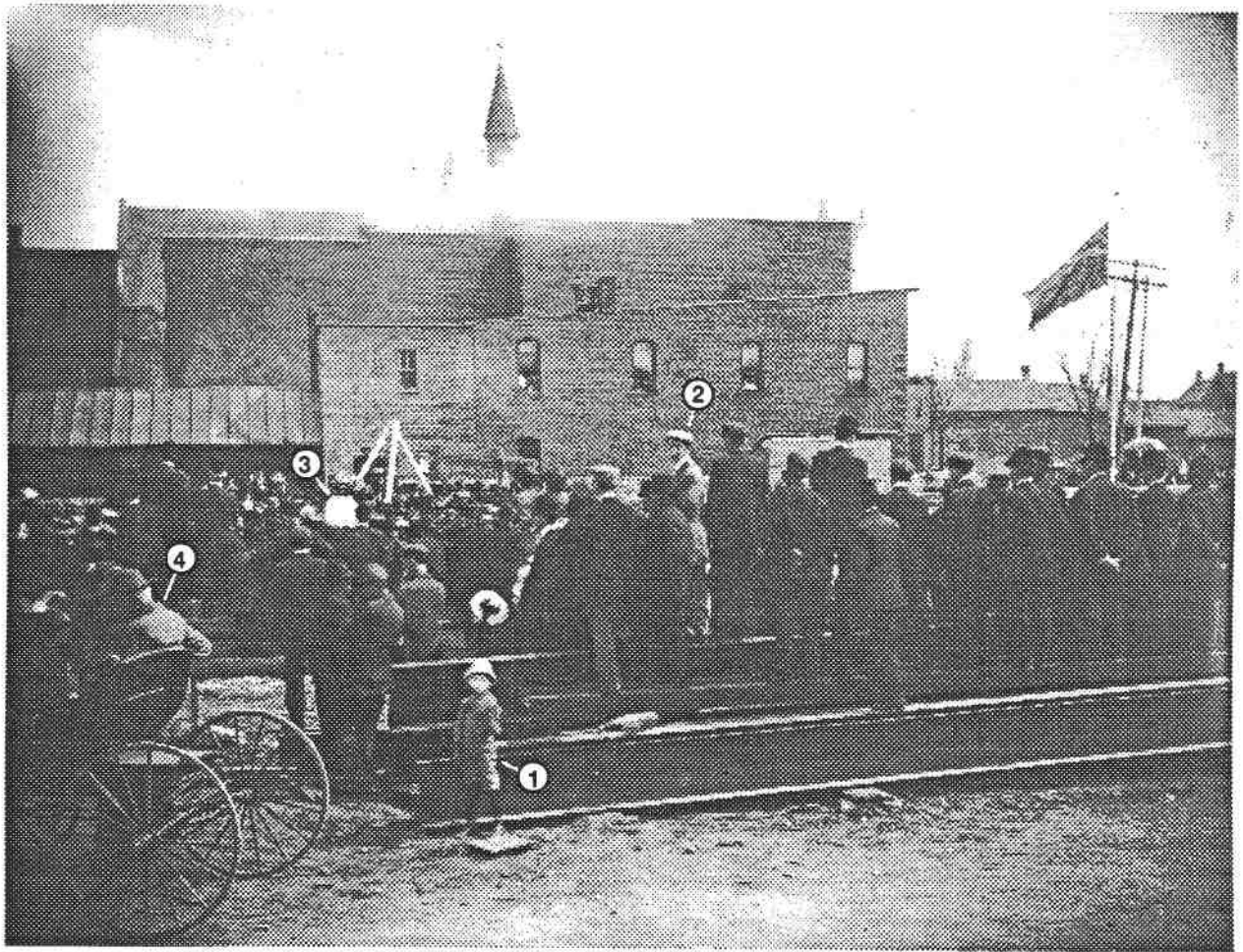


St. John's Masonic Hall, Bridge Street, 1865 to 1870. This building was later the Town Fire Hall and subsequently used as a garage to house the hearse for Patterson's Funeral Parlour.

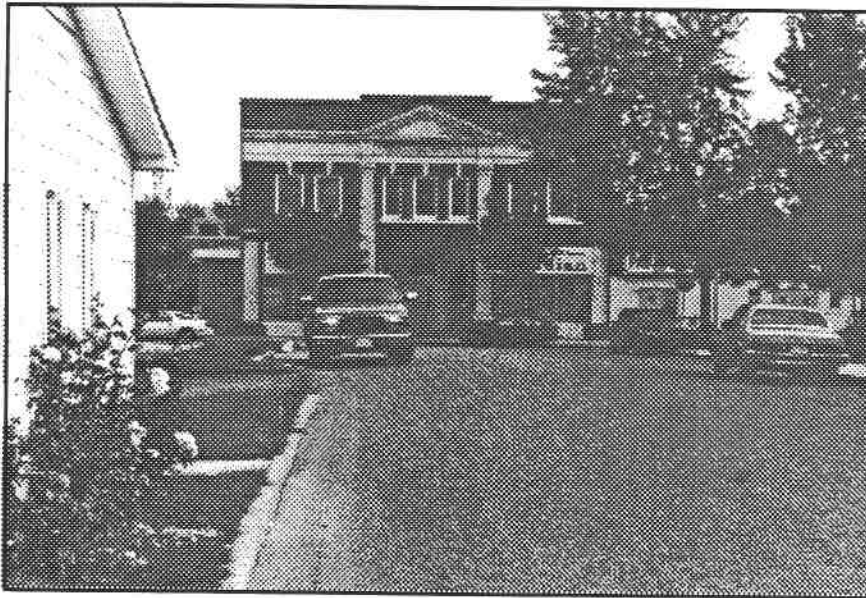


Dr. Cornell's Hall was home for Lodge Meetings, 1870 to 1887.

Ceremony of laying the cornerstone of the present Temple building  
at 55 Bridge Street - April 20, 1911



Four individuals identified as: 1. Ross Davies who became editor of Carleton Place Canadian.  
2. Clarence Doucette  
3. Agnes Healey  
4. Mr. Arthurs



Present Temple building and meeting place for St. John's  
1912 to present.



Mortgage burning ceremony April 20, 1951 at St. Andrew's  
Presbyterian Church Hall.

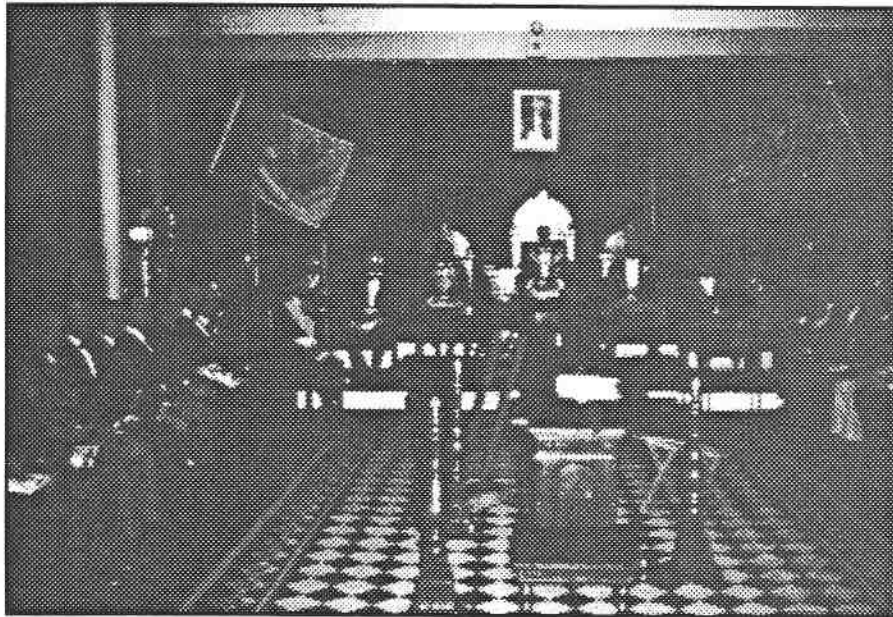
*(Left to right)* W. Bro. J.W. Patterson,  
R.W. Bro. W.H. Hooper,  
V. Wor. Bro. N.C. McAllister.



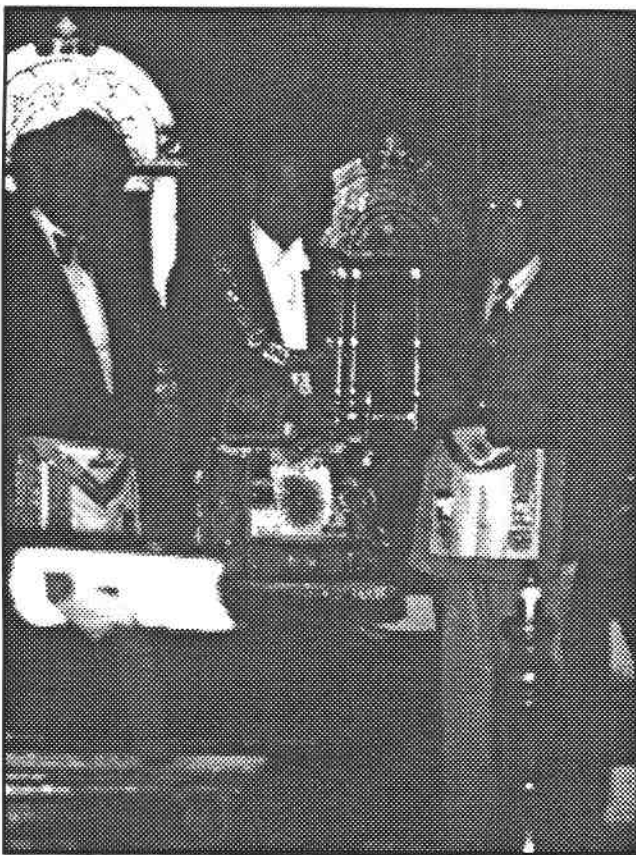


October 11, 1961 recipients of lapel pins for long and meritorious Masonic service

*(left to right)* W. Bro. J.R. Moore, 60 year pin, W.M. in 1910,  
R.W. Bro. W.H. Hooper, 60 year pin, W.M. in 1908,  
V.W. Bro. N.C. McAllister, 60 year pin and  
50 year Past Mason's jewel, W.M. in 1909.



Lodge room interior June 11, 1975 during annual installation of Officers and on occasion of the visit of the Grand Master, George E. Turner. Clarence E. Cassibo in the chair of King Solomon.



June 11, 1975, Bro. Frank Moon, (right) presenting M.W. Bro. George E. Turner with a hand crafted brass candelabra. W. Bro. Ray Shane stands to the left.





## Chapter VI

# Lodge Memorabilia

About three years ago, W. Bro. Brent Reid of St. John's retrieved a metal cannister that was on its way to the dump. Inside that black cannister was a testimonial to Rt. W. Bro. J.W. Pickup, M.D. and various Masonic grand lodge certificates. I had always assumed from the pictures of past D.D.G.M.s for the Ottawa District that he was initiated in Eureka Lodge. This Eureka Lodge has since "gone into darkness".

Much to my surprise, on examination of our minute books, I discovered that Dr. J.W. Pickup was balloted for and initiated in St. John's #796 of Carleton Place on March 4, 1863, passed April 1, 1863, and received his third degree July 29, 1863.

The answer to the mystery is that Rt. Wor. Bro. J.W. Pickup was affiliated with several lodges in the Ottawa District. If the district chose their D.D.G.M.s on a rotational basis, it may have been the turn for Eureka Lodge for a D.D.G.M. candidate. Rt. Wor. Bro. J.W. Pickup was well qualified for further advancement in any one of the lodges where he was a member or an affiliated member.

He served as District Deputy Grand Master twice; once in 1874, and again in 1878. He returned to Scotland after his son, W. Bro. E.G.P. Pickup, died at Carleton Place in 1897 at the age of 29, the year in which he served as Worshipful Master. The Past Master, W.R. Williamson completed E.G.P. Pickup's year as the Master of the lodge.

The present container crafted in the form of the masonic insignia by V.W. Bro. Clarence Cassibo holds the working tools. These tools were originally presented to St. John's by Evergreen Lodge, Lanark, to replace those lost in the fire of 1910. St. John's was the sponsor for Evergreen Lodge in 1869.

On the north wall of the lodge, is a curious, but beautifully crafted frame housing silver working tools. Since they represent four degrees of the ritual under the Grand Lodge of England, this places their antiquity circa 1872. This silver memento was rescued from the Lanark municipal dump by the late Bro. Kenneth Bogarts.

The roughly finished ashlar in the East were originally purchased by the W.M. J.W. Patterson at a cost of \$4.00 each. The purchase and presentation was made in 1913.

We do not know who crafted the 14 inch columns on the pedestals of both the Junior and Senior Wardens. They bear the names of brethren who officially occupied these chairs since the late 1940s to the present. They have left their names for posterity on the underside of the base.

The following furniture of St. John's was made by the late Wor. Bro. Floyd James Vout. He was master of St. John's in 1951-52.

1. Tracing Board
2. Resonant gong made from the brass casing of a 4.7 inch howitzer shell of World War I vintage.
3. Ladder representing Jacob's Ladder.

There is no craftsman's name on the beautifully crafted oak altar. It may have been returned from the Loyal Orange Lodge. It appears that St. John's loaned some furniture to them about 1900. This would not have been destroyed in the fire of 1910. The leather coated benches on the north and south sides of the lodge may have been from the same source. The oak frames are constructed of the same kind of oak as the altar.

The marble tops for the Worshipful Master's pedestal and those of the Junior and Senior Wardens and Chaplain were cut and presented by V. Wor. Bro. Clarence Cassibo. The marble slabs were rescued from the scrap heap at Rideau Regional Hospital where they had been stall dividers in the washroom.

The mosaic pavement carpet came from Scotland at a cost of \$250. It was donated and presented by the Grand Master of Sidney Albert Luke in 1915. One can only speculate the 1993 replacement cost of a specialty 10' x 30' carpet of this size.

The stone gavel with masonic insignia in the display case in the Howard Edward's Room was purchased in the Holy Land by Wor. Bro. A.H. Edwards who was W.M. of St. John's in 1911. The handle and case of this gavel are made from olive wood. The stone came from the quarries for King Solomon's Temple.

The oldest Masonic apron displayed in the Howard Edward's Room is dated circa 1845. It was previously owned by Bro. Peter McGregor who had originally been initiated in an Irish lodge. Therefore, this was indicative of Irish regalia of that period.

A Masonic insignia on a wooden pedestal was discovered between the partition walls during the conversion of the old Patterson's hearse garage into a present day dwelling. This building was previously used as our Masonic hall and later housed an early fire department pumper. It was retrieved by the contractor Ralph Jamieson and given to Bro. Craig Hobbs, a member of St. John's. Scratched into the base of the pedestal was the date 1874. We speculate that it was placed on the horse-driven hearse when carrying the remains of a departed brother to one of the cemeteries out of town.

The other theory is that this insignia and pedestal were on the Master's chair. This notion is supported by the evidence that it was broken off in haste. This could have happened during the fire of 1910 which consumed the old Masonic hall on Albert Street.

The Grand Chapter (R.A.M.) regalia in the display case is that of the late Rt. Ex. Grand Superintendent Bro. Howard Edwards who held that office in 1956 and W.M. of St. John's in 1969-70. The R.A.M.'s coin collection was assembled by the late Wor. Bro. A.H. Edwards.

The oldest record in St. John's is the original mahogany-framed dispensation of the charter. It was written and signed by Rt. Wor. Bro. Ziba M. Phillips, M.D., who presided at the first installation of officers for St. John's on January 20, 1843. It has remained because it was not necessary to return it to the Grand Lodge of England when St. John's finally affiliated with the Grand Lodge of Canada in 1872.

One of the hopes for our 150th anniversary is to mount and frame pictures of as many of the Past Masters of St. John's as is possible to locate. We already have pictures of six Past Masters who served as District Deputy Grand Master for Ottawa District or Ottawa District #1. Recently, a Bro. Henry Stanley discovered a picture of our first Master, Brice McNeely Sr. (the Tanner). His photograph will be in our "W. Master's Gallery" of St. John's Past Masters.

The present W.M.'s pedestal was crafted by V. Wor. Bro. Clarence Cassibo after the Eastern Star began renting the lodge room and facilities. It was soon apparent that the Worthy Matrons needed a pedestal that had a modesty screen. An interesting feature of this new piece of furniture is that it has two compartments for the ballots. The third compartment has a humorous reminder that this pedestal was hand crafted.

Many of the Craft or Royal Arch jewels have been donated by the families of former Past Masters. These came flooding in after this writer placed a newspaper advertisement for pictures and regalia.

Copies of the Work, By-Laws and Funeral Service booklets dating back to 1893 were discovered and donated by Mrs. Ethel Robertson when clearing her grandfather's house at the corner of Emily and Victoria Streets in Carleton Place. These had belonged to Wor. Bro. W.P. Pattie who was Master of St. John's in 1923. Much to this writer's surprise, the funeral service books of 1893 have only two paragraphs the same as the 1993 Masonic service.

The new royal blue drapes bordered with gold-coloured braiding were installed within the past few months. These beautiful new drapes replace those installed 72 years ago in 1921 and will be paid for through member donations.

The beautiful royal blue altar cover was donated as a tribute to Past Master Mervyn P. Morris by his wife, Hilda. Ironically, this presentation was made a few weeks before his death. However, W. Bro. Morris did see this ornate altar cover in its intended place on one occasion.





## Chapter VII

# Past Masters of St. John's

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LODGE AND TO THE COMMUNITIES OF CARLETON PLACE, BECKWITH, OR RAMSAY TOWNSHIP.

The principles of Freemasonry are not intended to make bad men into good men. It has been our basic aim to make good men better. It necessarily follows that those Masons who finally fulfilled the duties of Master of the lodge were in most part, leaders from within the community. The following is a short commentary on each Past Master.

**1843-1849** Brice McNeely Sr. (The Tanner), was not only first Master of St. John's, but made wide contributions to his church and community. He served as Master again in 1861. He was a Warden of St. James Anglican Church for three terms. Brice McNeely Sr. also ran a successful tannery.

**1850-1859** William Houston sat as Master during the one period there appears to have been no minutes preserved. He and his wife, Alice Leckie, were very active in St. James Anglican Church. There are two beautiful stained glass windows in the church dedicated to their memory. He served two terms as Peoples' Warden at St. James.

**1860-1881** David McNabb was the longest serving Master of St. John's. Collectively, he served 11 years between 1860 and 1881. He became a Mason in 1845 and remained so until his death in February, 1903. A miller by trade, he was employed with the H. Brown & Sons Milling Company where he worked until the year 1900. At the time of his death, he was considered one of the oldest Masons in Ontario. He was survived by 11 of his 13 children and is buried at the United Cemetery. Even though Bro. Murray McRae knows the exact location of the grave site, I was unable to locate a headstone. The funeral expenses were borne by St. John's.

**1861** Brice McNeely Sr.

- 1862-1863** James Condie Poole was the noted publisher of the Carleton Place Herald, the forerunner of the present Carleton Place Canadian. A man of contrasts, J.C. Poole was classified as a Reformer and biting journalist by some historians. His photograph in Dr. Glen J. Lockwood's recent book "Beckwith" depicts him as a stern, uncompromising man with a Napoleonic pose.<sup>1</sup> Dr. Lockwood writes that Poole overworked his apprentices to such an extent that four ran away. The Lodge minutes portray him as argumentative, but privately generous. Howard M. Brown's story of Poole's encounter with a smuggler's horse during the Fenian raids of 1866, should be read in "Founded on a Rock" to appreciate this rather complex man.<sup>2</sup> It is unfortunate that a Mason, one who served St. John's for so long, has no headstone. The Secretary of the United Cemetery informed me that an anonymous donor quietly paid for the perpetual care of the plot. Could it have been a relative who was a Mason, a Mason, or just a relative?
- 1864-1865** W.M. James Dunlop was listed as endwright with his wife and 11 children in the census of 1871. It would appear that large families were a couple's guarantee to security in their declining years.
- 1866-1871** David McNabb
- 1872** John McArten (or Mcartons) was listed as a farmer and hand loom weaver in Ramsay Township during the census of 1871. He served as People's Warden at St. James.<sup>3</sup>
- 1873** M. Nelson S. Lee (1873) appears in the 1871 federal census as a woolen mill manufacturer. Nelson Lee was born in the U.S.A. and his wife in Scotland. In 1871, they had one son born in the Province of Quebec.
- 1874-1875** David McNabb stepped into the breach again to serve as Master.
- 1876** W.M. William Weir was a farmer in Ramsay Township.
- 1877** David McNabb
- 1878** W.M. C.G. Stackhouse was a dentist by profession, with an office in his home on Bridge Street. In the Carleton Place Directory of 1876, he was listed as unmarried.

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<sup>1</sup>"Beckwith", Dr. Glenn J. Lockwood, p. 210 and 218.

<sup>2</sup>"Founded on a Rock", Howard M. Brown, Mortimer Limited Printers since 1866-1969, p. 34.

<sup>3</sup>P. 17, "Four score and ten".



- 1879-1880 W.M. James Shilson was listed as an affiliated member on September 3, 1873.
- 1881 David McNabb
- 1882 George Douglas, according to the federal census of 1881, was listed as a 37 year old grocer - shoe merchant. He was born in Ireland. After settling in Canada, he and his wife had five children, all of whom were born in Ontario.
- 1883-1885 Richard Franklin Preston, M.D., was born in Leeds County, Ontario, in 1860 and died in Carleton Place February 8, 1929. Besides serving as Master of St. John's for successive years, he made a vast contribution to the community of Carleton Place, Ramsay and Beckwith Townships. It is a wonder he found time for so many leadership roles. He served as Mayor of Carleton Place in 1890 and was also Warden of Lanark County. He was first elected M.L.A. for Lanark in the Ontario Legislature in 1894 and elected M.P. for Lanark in 1922 and re-elected in 1925. It was mentioned many times in St. John's Minute Book that he was called away from the Master's chair to answer a medical emergency for one of his patients. Invariably, it was P.M. David McNabb who took over the Master's chair at a moments notice.
- 1886-1887 William F. Latimer. The register lists his occupation as designer and that he was 30 years old at the time of his initiation.
- 1888 William Sutherland. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1889 William Shanks. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1890-1891 Frank Donald. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1892-1893 W.M. Dunham worked as a dry goods merchant in 1885 and served as the Mayor of Carleton Place in 1900.
- 1894 J.D. Taylor was head of the Almonte Branch of Taylor Brothers, a hardware, coal, plumbing and automobile business. He was the son of William Taylor (1835-1918) whose hardware business started in 1856 and was continued by his sons John D. and Frank K. (1875-1940) with a branch at Stittsville until the great depression of 1930.
- 1895 William Robert Williamson was a plastering contractor, born in Scotland. In 1886, he married Mary E. Duff and together they had 11 children, born between 1887 and 1907. They moved to Ottawa around 1900.

- 1896 E.G.P. Pickup was born in Pakenham in 1868, the son of Rt. Wor. Bro. J.W. Pickup, M.D. He was a barrister by profession. He died at Carleton Place in 1897, at the age of 29, before he was able to complete his year as Master of St. John's.
- 1897 R.J. Morgan was known as "Daddy Morgan" whose musical instrument retail store was located next to the present post office, formerly the site of the Central Public School.
- 1898 Duncan Haggert McIntosh, M.D., had an office on Bridge Street. His drug store and medical office were later relocated to the site of Jack McLaren's drug store. His office was previously located at Dr. Ewen McEwen's drug store which was destroyed by fire in 1910. He was elected District Deputy Grand Master in 1909-1910.
- 1899 A.S. Gorrell, M.D. joined St. John's May 9, 1894, and became Master five years later. He was elected District Deputy Grand Master in 1905-1906 and later moved to Saskatchewan where he became the Grand Master of Saskatchewan.
- 1900 Thomas Fraser. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1901 Thomas Barrie. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1902 T.C. Hudson. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1903 P.A. Gavin. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1904 J.C. Switzer was a Carleton Place pharmacist, born around 1869. In 1890, he was in partnership with Anson G. Switzer.
- 1905 William John Muirhead was the owner of a hardware business (1869-1940) on Bridge Street. It was first located opposite the Town Hall and later at the present site of Eades Home Hardware. In 1902, he married Mary E. Gillies (1869-1941), the daughter of Gillies Brothers President, James, of Carleton Place (1840-1909). Their eldest son, Arnold Gillies Muirhead, currently of Arnprior, was the last member of the Gillies' family to become president of the present Gillies Company at Braeside.
- 1906 George Hamilton Findlay (1906) was a barrister by profession. He served as Mayor of Carleton Place in 1908. He married Mary Cornell. There were no children. He was the son of David Findlay (1835-1890), the founder of

Findlay's Stoves Limited. I learned from one of his nephews, William F. Findlay, that his Uncle George liked to tease his nieces and nephews about a curious "white tombstone" worn on his watch fob. When William was about 10 years old, he asked what the letters stood for. His Uncle George told him it meant "King Solomon had twenty wives, some said thirty". At other times, George would tell William that the letters stood for "Hot tempered women should sometimes keep silent". Of course, any member of R.A.M. realizes it is not a tombstone and neither of the stories are true messages of the letters.<sup>4</sup>

1907 J.R. Hamilton. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.

1908 William H. Hooper was born in Plymouth, England, in 1880. He served as the Mayor of Carleton Place in 1923<sup>5</sup> and had a long and distinguished military and community career. As a result of his World War I service, he also became a town hero. His military service began at the age of 14 as a bugler with the 43rd Rifle Regiment of Ottawa. He was decorated for service with the Royal Canadian Regiment in the Boer War and joined the 42nd Regiment in Carleton Place in 1901. He enlisted as a captain in 1914 to serve with the 2nd Battalion Canadian Expeditionary Force. In April, 1915, he was severely wounded in the farmhouse battle at St. Julien and remained a German prisoner of war until near the end of the war. He gave credit for his early release at Murce, Switzerland, to the trilingual parchment given to many Masons in the first World War. V.W. Bro. Fred MacTavish related a story about Rt. Wor. Bro. Hooper who, during his year as District Deputy Grand Master of the Ottawa District, visited a Toronto Masonic Lodge. Not having sat in lodge with any of the Masons present, he demanded a Board of Trial. After a couple of irrelevant questions about his mother and grandmother, the Past Masters who conducted the Board of Trial told Rt. Wor. Bro. Hooper they didn't believe he was a Mason. Whereupon Hooper put on his D.D.G.M.'s regalia, strode to the door of the lodge and said "Rt. Wor. Bro. Hooper, D.D.G.M. of Ottawa District demands admission". He was admitted with no further questions asked. When he asked to speak at the end of the degree work, he had some direct comments about what a Board of Trial should and should not do. Needless to say, those who knew him realized he was a stickler for Masonic and military protocol. When he returned to civilian life, he became the Post Master at Carleton Place between 1920 to 1950. He served on the Board of Education and the Public Utilities Commission. He was also the President of the Carleton Place "Great War Veterans Association".<sup>6</sup> In 1905, he married Mabel McNeeley, daughter of our first Master, Brice McNeeley Sr. Together, they had four daughters. His wife Mabel passed away in 1952. William died at Toronto in 1968.

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<sup>4</sup>From this writer's remembrance of a conversation we had after services at the Zion-Memorial United Church, Carleton Place, circa 1985.

<sup>5</sup>Carleton Place, Founded Upon a Rock.

- 1909 J.R. Moore, affectionately known as "Jimmy" Moore, originally worked at Findlay's Foundry. He later ran a shoe store at the present location of the Graham Shoe Store on Bridge Street.
- 1910 N.C. McAllister, affectionately known as "Nat" McAllister, was an early automobile service operator. He later ran a small repair shop on Bridge Street. He was well known in the area as a hunting and fishing enthusiast.
- 1911 Alexander H. Edwards was a prominent Carleton Place citizen for 45 years and served as Mayor in 1897. He was a lumber manufacturer and resident Director and Manager of the Canada Lumber Company, the town's largest sawmill enterprise. This Company went bankrupt when the lumber supply in the upper reaches of the Mississippi River became exhausted some years later in 1897.<sup>7</sup> V. Wor. Bro. Fred McTavish recalls that Edwards was not content until he had paid off all the creditors, with interest. Edwards also served as Secretary for almost 20 years. In 1921, he and his family went on a world tour. It was Edwards who brought back pictures of Masons Assembled in the quarries for King Solomon's Temple. He also presented the lodge with a stone gavel made from the white limestone of these quarries. This gavel, in its olive wood case, is displayed in the Howard Edward's room at St. John's Temple.
- 1912 J.A. McLaren. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1913 J.W. Patterson was the owner of a furniture store located on the site of Robert Probert's store on Bridge Street. He was also employed as a Funeral Director. He is the father of Gordon Patterson. He was also a member of the 100 Club of Carleton Place.
- 1914-1915 Robert Caldwell Patterson was trained as a barrister and served as Mayor of Carleton Place in 1901. He was born in 1859, in Almonte, where he died in 1938. He married Elizabeth B. Gillies (1859-1932), the daughter of John Gillies, who was the founder of the major lumber firms Gillies & McLaren, Gillies Brothers Limited, and Gillies Machine Works of Carleton Place.<sup>8</sup> In his prime, he enthusiastically played golf and tennis.<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>6</sup>Howard Morton Brown, 2nd Edition 1984, Juniper Books, p. 81.

<sup>7</sup>"Founded on a Rock", H. Morton Brown, p. 107.

<sup>8</sup>Correspondence from Howard M. Brown, Historian.

<sup>9</sup>H.M. Brown and Grant Patterson.

- 1916 Frank C. McDiarmid was born in 1892, in Carleton Place, the son of merchant William McDiarmid and his wife Mary J. Lavallee. Frank McDiarmid married Stella P. May (1892-1951). He worked as a Mens' Clothing Retailer in Carleton Place and his wife worked as a public school teacher. They had no family. Frank died at Carleton Place in 1973.
- 1917 W.J. Porterfield. While I was not able to uncover any definitive records on Bro. Porterfield, H.M. Brown believes he was the son of George Porterfield, a farmer at Beckwith Concession 12, Lot #11, situated on the river in the North West quadrant of Carleton Place.
- 1918 John Strachan Lewis McNeeley, M.A., was born in 1870, the son of Joseph L. McNeeley of Beckwith. John McNeeley married Harriet H. Frost and together they had six daughters. One of their daughters, Isobel Currie, together with her husband, Ronald Currie, are currently living in the big red brick house on the Franktown Road. John McNeeley was a practicing barrister. In 1920, he moved to Perth where he served as Surrogate Court Registrar. He died in 1942.
- 1919 A. Omar Fleming worked in Findlay's Foundry. He was married to Hazel Green and together they had three daughters. Omar Fleming was also a member of the Odd Fellows fraternity. He was known throughout this community as a sportsman.<sup>10</sup>
- 1920-1921 John A. McEwen, M.D., practiced medicine in Carleton Place for approximately 50 years. He was widely known for his keen diagnostic medical abilities, as well as the caustic language directed at anyone "fishing" for information about one of his patients. In this area, his remarks could sear a cactus to cinders. He also made no pretence of his dislike for one of the town's popular physicians.
- 1922 J.H. Bond. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1923 William Preston Pattie was born in 1887, the son of William and Mary of Carleton Place. William was a contractor and town clerk. Apparently, the position of town clerk must have been only part-time. In 1912, he married Jennie May Morphy. This couple had a son, W. Carleton H. Preston, and two daughters.<sup>11</sup> It was his granddaughter Mrs. Ethel Robertson who turned over 14 items of Masonic interest when the former home of William Pattie was sold out of the family. This substantial red brick home stands at the corner of Victoria and Emily Streets, Carleton Place.<sup>12</sup> William died in 1967.

<sup>10</sup>Source - Doris Fleming of Carleton Place.

<sup>11</sup>Correspondence of H.M. Brown.

<sup>12</sup>This writer, G.A. Docker, St. John's Lodge Historian.



- 1924 Hiram A. McFadden ran a furrier business in Carleton Place. His daughter, Eadie Umphrey, donated his Grand Royal Arch Masons' medals to St. John's Lodge some years ago when she realized she was in very poor health and advanced in years.
- 1925 Hebert E. Sinclair was born circa 1872, the son of Colin Sinclair. Together with his father and brother William, Hebert worked for many years as a tailor in a mens' goods business in Carleton Place. He served in the First World War and was Mayor of Carleton Place from 1930-1933. He was Chairman of the Hospital Board of Carleton Place for some time. Herbert Sinclair was also the Justice of the Peace for Carleton Place and served St. John's faithfully for many years. In his earlier years, he was very active in the Carleton Place Canoe Club.
- 1926 F.C. McDiarmid served a second term as Master of St. John's.
- 1927 Harvey (Harry) E. Menzies served as Post Master for Carleton Place for 13 years after some 30 years of prior post office duties. He served in the Ambulance Corps during the First World War. He married Jennie Andison, sister of the only surviving Carleton Place veteran of World War I. Harry and Jennie Menzies had a son and daughter. Donald Menzies was the District Secretary of Ottawa District in 1930 when Rt. W. Bro. William H. Hooper was the District Deputy Grand Master. His Craft and Royal Arch Mason medals were recently donated to St. John's for display in the Edward Room and the wall of the banquet room by his son W. Bro. Donald H. Menzies.<sup>13</sup>
- 1928 W.J. Hughes was a druggist in Carleton Place and served as Town Mayor in 1922. He had a long record of service in public affairs in this town.
- 1929 H.N. Street. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1930 C.G. Dowdall. Unfortunately, there is no information available at the time of this writing.
- 1931 Leo J. McDiarmid was born in 1884. In 1927, he served as the Town's Mayor, as well as Reeve and Deputy Reeve. In 1932, he was elected Warden of Lanark County. In the business world, he worked as a wholesale and retail merchant. Leo served in the First World War and after being wounded, returned home to become an accountant, sporting goods store owner, and later, Manager of the Ontario Liquor Store. He was also an active hunter and fisherman. During the 1950s, he wrote a witty reminiscence column under the nom de plume of S.C. Ribe in the Carleton Place Canadian. Leo McDiarmid died in 1967.

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<sup>13</sup>H.M. Brown and Donald H. Menzies, son and W.M. of St. John's.



- 1932 William W. Pollock was trained as a barrister and also ran an insurance business. He served as Mayor of Carleton Place in 1955-56<sup>14</sup> and President of the 100 Club.<sup>15</sup> He was the Crown Attorney for the inquest into the disastrous troop-train wreck in Almonte which occurred December 27, 1942. He represented the citizens of Carleton Place and Almonte who felt the Canadian Pacific Railway was insufficiently organized to evacuate the injured to Ottawa area hospitals until several hours after the crash. W. Bro. McEwen, M.D., held the opposing view that the CPR and medical people were prudent to hold the seriously injured until they had sufficiently stabilized before moving them to Ottawa.<sup>16</sup>
- 1933 Thomas (Tom) E. Nichols operated a planing mill on the site where Dixie Lee and Beckers now stand.
- 1934 J.C. Spence was a Public School Inspector who must have had a keen sense of what was history. Following the mortgage burning ceremony of 1951, he had the presence of mind to gather up the ashes and return them to Rt. Wor. Bro. Arnold Illingworth for the lodge records.
- 1935 J.W. (Dutch) Morphy was raised in Carleton Place. He later moved to Smith Falls where he worked as a dispatcher for the Canadian Pacific Railway. He was very active in the life of Memorial Park United Church (now Zion-Memorial), Carleton Place.
- 1936-1937 W. Forbes Baird was a dentist in Carleton Place.
- 1938 Morton W. Rogers was Manager of the Public Utilities which included both water and hydro services in Carleton Place. He was the Grand Superintendent of the R.A.M., and also the Scribe E. of Maple Chapter #116 for many years.
- 1939 J.S. Stark was Master of St. John's during the year Canada, as well as most of Europe, were drawn into the Second World War. He was a high school teacher and later the Principal of Carleton Place High School.
- 1940 J. Gordon Patterson was W.M. during the dark period of the Battle of Britain. Like his father before him, he worked as a Funeral Director and also had a furniture store on Bridge Street, located at the bridge. His family home and funeral parlour were located at the corner of Lake Avenue and Sarah Street. As this writer recalls, "Gordie" served as Inner Guard at the Annual Installation of Officers Ceremony for many years.

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<sup>14</sup> & <sup>15</sup>Source - Arnold Illingworth, P.D.D.G.M.

<sup>16</sup>"Founded on a Rock", 1969, H.M. Brown, p. 132, Mortimer Printers, Ottawa.

- 1941 Wilfred S. Bellamy was another wartime Master of St. John's. He owned and operated a confectionary store in Carleton Place. It was widely known that his store was the "school" to train and drill many a candidate for their degree work as they advanced through the various steps of degree work.
- 1942 James G. Simpson was the Master during the darkest year of the Second World War. He was a farmer near Ashton. He never married.
- 1943 (Wally) R. McIlquaham served as W.M. during the year St. John's celebrated its 100th anniversary.
- 1944 E. Roy Fee was an Ashton area farmer.
- 1945 J.D. McAdam became affiliated with St. John's in 1930, after arriving at Carleton Place as supervising principal of the three area public schools, i.e. Central School, Victoria Public School, and the Prince of Wales School. He was the first Principal of Caldwell Street School when the first four rooms were built in 1953. For further details, please refer to the account of World War I experiences, especially his serving with the Canadian Force at Archangel, Russia, in 1919.
- 1946 Tom J. Steele ran a trucking business in Carleton Place. He served as Ottawa District Secretary in 1953-54 while Rt. Wor. Bro. Arnold Illingworth was the District Deputy Grand Master. He was an active long serving member of the Zion Church congregation.
- 1947 Mervyn P. Morris was a 50 year member of St. John's. He not only served as Master of St. John's, but also as Mayor of Carleton Place during the years 1944 and 1945. For years, he owned and operated a florist shop and greenhouse adjacent to Allan Barker's Funeral Home on MacArthur Street. He was also very active in R.A. Masonry, served as the Past Principal of Maple Chapter #116, and Grand Superintendent of R.A.M. Eastern District. Mervyn was a 32° Mason, member of the Perceptory Knights Templar, and Shriner of Ramases Temple before the Tunis Temple of Ottawa was formed. In addition to his Masonic and municipal contributions, Mervyn was a long time member of St. James Anglican Church and one of its church wardens.
- 1948 Harold C. Skinner worked in Findlay's Foundry for a number of years. He was the First Principal in Maple Chapter #116 of R.A.M., Carleton Place and a long time member of the Zion United Church, Carleton Place, until after his retirement, when he moved to Renfrew.

- 1949-1950** Arnold Illingworth is regarded as the Dean of P.D.D.G.M.s in the Ottawa Districts. He served as District Deputy Grand Master in the large Ottawa District for the Masonic year 1953-54. He worked for many years as sales manager for Findlay Furnace Limited. He was the First Principal in R.A.M., Maple Chapter #16, Carleton Place. He was an active elder in both Zion and Zion-Memorial United Churches. He is an Honourary Elder and Trustee at Zion-Memorial United Church, Carleton Place.
- 1951-1952** Floyd J. Vout was a school teacher at Carleton Place High School. It was Floyd Vout who handcrafted three pieces of Masonic furniture presently exhibited in the lodge when degree work is conducted.<sup>17</sup> He later moved to Smith Falls where he passed away in late 1992.
- 1953** Robert Caldwell (Cald) Wilson was a veteran who served in Europe during World War II and also as a member of the Scottish Rite (18°). He operated an American Motors Garage located at the corner of High and Moffatt Streets, and for many years, he was also the Chief of the Ocean Wave Fire Department. As well, he was a member of Maple Chapter #116 where he served as First Principal.
- 1954** Austin A. Wright was also a veteran of World War II. After his military duties, he returned to work at Mississippi Motors with W. Bro. Cald Wilson. As this writer remembers Austin, he was an expert ritualist, especially in the third degree. He compared favourably to only six such ritualists I have had the pleasure to hear in my 25 years as a member of St. John's. Wor. Bro. Wright was also a member of the Scottish Rite.
- 1954-1955** Fred A. McTavish has been a valuable, long serving member of St. John's. He is a 32° member of the Scottish Rite Masonry. He served for 18 years as Secretary of St. John's and an additional 14 years as Treasurer. He worked for Sears in Ottawa and was an apiarist for many years. In 1962, he was appointed Grand Steward for his outstanding work for the good of St. John's and Craft Masonry in general. He was honoured in 1990 for his contributions to Masonry in Carleton Place and the Ottawa District. V. Wor. Bro. McTavish is a valued source of information and advice to the ruling Masters of St. John's. He is also one of the originators of the Six Lodge Annual Visitations which involves six Masonic lodges in Eastern Ontario who meet on the second Wednesday of the month.

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<sup>17</sup>See Chapter VI on the memorabilia and furniture of St. John's.

- 1956-1957** G.M. (Max) Gladish was employed at Findlay's for most of his life. After Findlay's closed, he worked as an insurance salesman. He has been active in the congregation of St. James Anglican Church and has served as Church Warden. Throughout his life, he has been a great preserver of the Scots' heritage in Carleton Place and further afield in Eastern Ontario. He is a veteran of World War II.
- 1958** Reginald (Reg) Issac Cross was a long term member of St. John's and Maple Chapter #116. He reached the 32° by way of the York rite and the Perceptory. About one year before his passing, he served as Grand Superintendent for this District of R.A. Masonry. In his business life, he worked for Burns and Company, Hull. In this area, the customers did not want him to retire. He took personal pride in the fact that he had been the Installing Master in St. John's for 17 years. He was also involved with the Marching Saints Band for many years. He played coronet himself and was very pleased that his son, Bill, played trombone with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra. One humorous incident occurred the night Reg thought it was time this writer learned to play Russian Billiards in my recreation room. The snooker table had previously belonged to St. John's. The lodge needed the space and money because of a cash drought in 1975-76. Reg was unaware that I was very familiar with this superb, but tight pocketed, 5' x 10' snooker table. It was a good thing for Reg that a no gambling rule exists in my home. Otherwise, Reg would have gone home very threadbare. He took the incident with good natured humour. At the moment of his billiards truth, the expression on his face was priceless. An incident of personal pride for Reg was the night a group of Past Masters from St. John's accompanied Reg to initiate his son Gordon into Masonry at Renfrew Lodge. On that occasion, Reg was the Acting Master of the St. John's Degree Team.
- 1958-1959** Howard McNeeley Morris was an enamel finisher at Findlay Stoves Limited. Not only was he Master of St. John's Lodge, but he was also a Past First Principal of Maple Chapter #116.
- 1959-1960** Donald H. Menzies is the son of V. Wor. Bro. Harry Menzies. Donald worked as a secondary school teacher as long as this writer has been a resident of Carleton Place. If my memory serves me well, he retired at the same time I did, i.e. six years ago.
- 1960** Ned Root has had two careers. He became an United Church Minister later in his life. He was an active member of the Maple Chapter #116 R.A.M.
- 1961** G. (Charlie) Crampton died suddenly of a heart attack on Christmas Day while still in office as W. Master. Wor. Bro. Ned Root, as I.P.M., completed the Masonic Year as W.M. of St. John's.

- 1962-1963 W.J. Armstrong worked with Steele Trucking Company. He was also a member of Maple Chapter #116 R.A.M.
- 1963-1964 Finlay Kirney McEwen has been a life long resident of Beckwith Township. He has lived on the same property deeded to his great-great-grandfather shortly after the Napoleonic Wars. Finlay has many facets; he is a farmer as well as saw mill owner/operator. He is a graduate of Guelph Agricultural College and has a fascination with steam engines. Any piece of steam, gas or diesel equipment which appears "unfixable", presents a challenge he cannot resist. Finlay can always be relied upon to fill in "work" on very short notice with "accuracy and precision". He and his wife Mary have a son, Paul. Finlay has also served as First Principal of Maple Chapter #116 R.A.M.
- 1964-1965 J. (Art) Hobbs worked as a Canadian Pacific Railway telegrapher. During World War II, he served in the Canadian Navy in active duty. He also worked for many years as a station agent at Smith Falls and is also a life member of Maple Chapter #116 R.A.M.
- 1965-1966 Cecil R. Ruttle, P.G.S. was the immediate Past Master the year this writer came to Carleton Place. Although he joined the Masonic fraternity late in life, he was one of the most respected ritualists in St. John's. He could write any part of the Work on five minutes notice. He used to say, in his quiet way, that the cattle in his barn were the only animals in Lanark county fully conversant with all three degrees of Craft Masonry. As a tribute to Cecil, this writer recalls saying to Bro. Gilles at his wake that I never heard Cecil say anything ill of anyone. To which Bro. Gilles remarked, "and I've never heard anyone speak ill of Cecil R. Ruttle". That, I believe, speaks volumes of this highly respected Past Master of St. John's.
- 1966-1967 George M. Nobes, B.A., B. Ped. has recently observed 50 years in the Masonic fraternity. He began his teaching career during the Great Depression when dedication to the education of children was not necessarily commensurate with the teachers' salaries. He served as a navigator in the Royal Canadian Air Force bomber crews in the European conflict of World War II. On his return to civilian life, he taught the children of the Kingston area. He obtained his B.A. degree at Queen's University and continued his studies in education for his Bachelor of Ped. degree at the University of Toronto. In 1953, he was appointed Inspector of Public Schools and acted in that capacity until his retirement in June, 1973. He has been the Honourary President of S.J.O. for Lanark County Branch for many years. As well as being an active Past Master of St. John's, Wor. Bro. Nobes has been the First Principal of Maple Chapter #116 R.A.M. in Carleton Place and was also First Principal of Granite Chapter in Almonte when that chapter was in danger of "going into darkness" due to the shrinking number of members. He is also a member of the Scottish Rite Masonry and a Shriner of Tunis Temple.



- 1967-1968** Thomas (Harold) James was a farmer in Ramsay Township. His father, Ed James, was prominent in R.A.M. in Maple Chapter and a Past Principal in that Branch of Masonry. Harold served as First Principal in Maple Chapter #116 and was Senior Warden in Canada's Centennial Year when St. John's made a fraternal visit to Canesota Lodge in New York State.
- 1968-1969** Clarence E. Cassibo is also a member of R.A.M., i.e. Maple-Granite and Past V. Ex. Comp. of R.A.M. He was honoured by Grand Lodge when appointed a Grand Lodge Steward. He is a 32° Mason and a member of Tunis Temple of Ottawa. As "Pops" the clown, he has made as many as 103 appearances in one year for the welfare of the Shriner's Hospital and the Burn Centres. His command of "the Work" has been an example of a superb ritualist who is a model for others. He has often said that his little dog, like V. Wor. Bro. Cecil Ruttle's cattle, is fully conversant with "the Work" of the Craft Lodge, the R.A.M. Chapters, and the Eastern Star. This writer also extends thanks for the way in which V. Wor. Bro. Cassibo has put his craftsmanship to work in preserving and framing lodge memorabilia for our 150th anniversary activities.
- 1969-1970** W. Howard Edwards joined St. John's in 1946 after being discharged from the Royal Canadian Navy. He was the fourth or fifth generation of Edwards to become a member of St. John's and its constituent bodies. In 1956, Rt. Ex. Companion Howard Edwards served as the Grand Superintendent for the R.A.M. in this part of Eastern Ontario. Those who knew him in Chapter remember a ritualist who had few equals. He was also active in the Eastern Star with his wife Margaret. During his year as Master, he was in failing health. His two sons have also made outstanding contributions to the community. John is an architect who specializes in restoring heritage homes in the province of Ontario and Shane is a lawyer practicing in Carleton Place. His daughter, Valerie, has been very active in Eastern Star circles.
- 1970-1971** G.A. (Sandy) Docker was raised in Middlesex County and joined Dufferin #364 in Melbourne, Ontario, one week after graduating from London Normal School in May, 1953. A graduate of the University of Western Ontario with a B.A. and M.Ed. from the University of Toronto. Affiliated with St. John's in February, 1968, and served as Junior Warden in September, 1968. It was my privilege to become the District Secretary when Rt. Wor. Bro. Raymond E. Shane served as the District Deputy Grand Master in 1975-76. In 1980-81, this writer again agreed to act as W.M. of this, my chosen lodge. The Ottawa District has been our home for 27 years. I was privileged to be appointed Grand Steward in 1976. This writer is a Past Principal of Maple Chapter, a member of the Scottish Rite 32°, and a charter member of Tunis Temple Shrine. After working 34 years in the field of education, I have been retired for the past six years and am able to enjoy other interests in music, oil painting, and wood carving. It is my wife, Hilda's, fervent hope that I



complete this history so she can have some space in the recreation room of our home, 218 Lyndhurst Street, Carleton Place.

- 1971-1972** Raymond E. Shane affiliated with St. John's after joining Canada Lodge in London, England. He served with the Royal Canadian Navy during World War II and worked with External Affairs until his retirement. He has the distinction of having the Hon. George A. Drew, former Premier of Ontario, as his sponsor into Canada Lodge G.R.E. Rt. Wor. Bro. Shane brought dignity and social humour to Ottawa District #1 during his year as District Deputy. Rt. Wor. Bro. Shane convinced the brethren of St. John's to incorporate the business side of St. John's to a Temple Corporation. After his term as D.D.G.M., interest in Masonry took on new vigour in Carleton Place.
- 1972-1973** Ward Crampton is the son of W. Bro. Charlie Crampton and has been devoted to R.A. Masonry. He is presently a V. Ex. Companion and is the Secretary of the newly constituted Maple-Granite Chapter #61. For years, his knowledge of audio equipment has been a great benefit to the Craft and Chapter branches of Masonry.
- 1973-1974** Andrew (Andy) J. Dickie was a member of the Canadian Merchant Marine during the latter part of World War II. Following discharge, he became a civil servant in Ottawa. Andy was a devoted family man. He served as Secretary of St. John's, Past Principal of Maple Chapter #116, as well as V. Ex. Companion of the Grand Chapter. In his community contributions, he was the Clerk of Session at Zion-Memorial United Church for many years.
- 1974-1975** Dieter R. Jeschor was one of the fortunate people to leave East Berlin before the infamous Berlin Wall was erected. He arrived in Canada in 1953, at the age of 18, and quickly mastered the English language. He originally joined the Rideau Lodge and then affiliated with St. John's. W. Bro. Jeschor is a Past Grand Superintendent who is still very active in the newly constituted Maple-Granite Chapter of R.A. Masonry. This writer is impressed with his vast knowledge of R.A. Masonry and his expertise in the world of electronics. He and his wife, Lena, are members of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. They have two sons.
- 1975-1977** Clarence E. Cassibo
- 1977-1978** John O. Tennant served as Master after P.M. Clarence E. Cassibo had served another two years as Wor. Master. W. Bro. Tennant was also a Shriner and member of the Shriners' Klowns. His sudden demise left St. John's and the Shriners poorer by his absence.

- 1978-1979** J.E. Douglas Gibson has been a member of St. John's since he affiliated with this lodge in February, 1962. He is still a stationary engineer at the Carleton Place District Hospital.
- 1979-1980** Victor (Vic) A. Gilmour joined St. John's February 9, 1972. It should be noted that he is the great-great-nephew of Daniel Shipman, the founder of the present town of Almonte. Daniel Shipman was one of the charter members of St. John's in 1843. Wor. Bro. Gilmour is a World War II veteran of the Royal Canadian Air Force. He was a member of the bomber crews who, at the end of World War II, flew mercy missions to the Netherlands to drop food to the Dutch population who were starving. He and other flight crews were received by Queen Julianna on two occasions. Wor. Bro. Gilmour has two beautiful silver bowls awarded at both royal receptions. Vic served as Secretary of St. John's for several years.
- 1980-1981** G.A. (Sandy) Docker
- 1981-1982** Harry L. Morris joined St. John's in 1977 and is a member of the Maple-Granite Chapter. He is employed as an insurance adjuster and underwriter. His outstanding contributions to the Mentor Programme for new candidates to Freemasonry in St. John's led to his Grand Lodge appointment as Grand Steward. W. Bro. Morris has served as the Installing Master on several occasions, much to the benefit of the Master elect and lodge officers.
- 1982-1983** Gary Murphy was a beginning teacher when this writer came to Carleton Place as Supervising Principal in 1966. W. Bro. Murphy has been very active in the work of this lodge, particularly in the area of benevolence. He also coordinated the Ticket Committee for the 150th Anniversary Gala Ball. In his professional life, he is Principal of Comba P.S. in Almonte. W. Bro. Murphy also served as Church Warden for a period of eight years.
- 1983-1984** Ian Doig has been connected with the Canadian military as well as the Governor General's Footguard.
- 1984-1985** Mervin Bonney affiliated with St. John's subsequent to his membership with Catarqui Lodge, Kingston. After serving as Master of St. John's, he was transferred by the Federal Government to British Columbia and then to Alberta. He manages to keep his contacts with his affiliated lodge, St. John's. Following his term as Master, W. Bro. Bonney served as Secretary to St. John's for several years.
- 1985-1986** Fraser Ellis was initiated into St. John's September 2, 1978. Fraser is well known throughout the Masonic districts. A willing worker in craft lodge, he is often assigned to chair Committees of Inquiry for initiation or affiliation.

- 1986-1987** Roy T. Coker was initiated into St. John's November 11, 1981. In his professional life, he was in charge of helicopter maintenance. He now works in a supervisory capacity and is required to travel from coast-to-coast for the Ministry of Transport Canada. Today, he is responsible for providing input for new airplane and helicopter regulations. W. Bro. Coker has been Secretary of St. John's for three years. Prior to working with Transport Canada, he served for five years with the Canadian Navy and in private industry.
- 1987-1988** Ian Bowen was initiated into Freemasonry and St. John's on March 10, 1982, at the age of 22. At that time, his occupation was listed as Quality Inspector for Digital. He also brought with him his skills as a pipe major. Since that time, he has received a promotion in his line of work. W. Bro. Bowen has been blessed with what appears to be a photographic memory for "the work" of the lodge. He is also a member of Maple-Granite Chapter #61.
- 1988-1989** Brent Reid affiliated with St. John's May 8, 1985. He is employed in a supervisory capacity with the Ministry of Natural Resources. He has held the office of W.M. in both Corinthian Lodge, North Gower, and in St. John's #63. He presently occupies the office of Senior Warden in Corinthian Lodge #476. He is also the First Principal of Maple-Granite R.A.M. Chapter, Carleton Place.
- 1989-1990** Albert Lackey is a locksmith by trade. He and his wife have been very active in the Order of the Eastern Star, Carleton Place.
- 1990-1991** Harry Baker entered Masonry in 1982 and this writer is proud to be one of his sponsors. He is a teacher by choice and is now employed as Principal of the new Beckwith Public School. He and his wife, Lois, are very active in the Order of the Eastern Star. W. Bro. Baker is also a member of the Scottish Rite. Harry and Lois have two daughters who happen to be the apples of V.W. Bro. Fred McTavish's eye.
- 1991-1992** Robin Rogers is presently the Immediate Past Master of St. John's. He is a graduate of the School of Forestry at the University of Toronto and is working with the Carleton Place branch of the Ministry of Natural Resources. His administrative abilities became evident during his year as Master of St. John's.
- 1992-1993** J. Gary Nicholson entered the Masonic fraternity in St. John's Lodge in 1986. He has served throughout Canada at various postings with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. While in Newfoundland, he was Aide-de-Camp to the Lt. Governor. Inspector Nicholson recently completed 35 years service with the Force and is currently the Officer-in-Charge of Transport Management Branch at Headquarters. Gary has brought a rich administrative and planning background to our lodge. He is co-chairing events of the 150th Anniversary Committee. Since arriving in Carleton Place in 1984, he and his wife, Valerie, have been involved with the Historical Society and within their church, Zion-Memorial United.





## Chapter VIII

# Celebration and Future Outlook

Since 1975-76, there has been a rapid increase in the membership of St. John's. From 1974 to 1993, the register shows that 114 new members were initiated or affiliated. In the past 10 years, our lodge has lost many of the members initiated or affiliated since the late 1940s. Three years ago, we lost 13 elder and non-elder members. At present, our lodge has a membership of 180 Masons. Since the population of Carleton Place is currently over 7,000, the reason for the increased interest in Freemasonry is evident.

On the night of our one hundred and fiftieth anniversary, January 20, 1993, there were 92 Masons present in St. John's lodge room. This number included two Past Grand Masters, M.W. Bro. Howard O. Polk, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and M.W. Bro. (Sam) Leach, former Grand Master of Saskatchewan, as well as approximately 12 past and present Grand Lodge of Canada Officers. Many of the visitors had travelled many miles to celebrate our 150th anniversary. At this meeting, the Past Grand Master presented St. John's with a portrait taken during his two year term as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada. He has been an honorary member of St. John's since elected Deputy Grand Master of our Grand Lodge. District Deputy Grand Master Percy Barr travelled from Milton to celebrate the 150th anniversary of his mother lodge.

This writer was asked to give a short summary of "The History of St. John's #63". After lodge closed, a catered banquet was enjoyed by members and visitors.

Our 150th Anniversary Committee has been meeting monthly since May, 1991. Several projects celebrating this lodge milestone include a Gala Ball, replacement of lodge draperies, a lapel pin, church parade, the anniversary night banquet, recommending a lodge member for the William Mercer Wilson Medal, the writing of this history, and a display of lodge artifacts at the local museum.

The Gala Ball was held April 10, 1993, and was a huge success. The present Grand Master, Norman E. Byrne, and his wife Nancy, were present with another 350 visitors, members and their favourite ladies. That evening, the Worshipful Master Gary Nicholson received, on behalf of the Lodge, five certificates which give recognition to the 150 year anniversary. Contributors included the Prime Minister of Canada, Brian Mulrooney, the

local Member of Parliament, Paul Dick, the Premier of Ontario, Bob Rae, the constituents of Lanark County and the Mayor and Council of Carleton Place. The certificates now hang proudly in our lodge.

Plans are underway to have the brethren attend a church parade at St. James Anglican Church June 20, 1993. This is the date closest to St. John the Baptist Day which is connected with the naming of the lodge. St. James Church was where the first Divine Service was held by the brethren of 1843.

There is no doubt, St. John's has had a rich and colourful past. From inception to the present, it has evolved as a friendly, outgoing country lodge. Its roots are embedded in a rural background that continues to this day. As Lodge Historian, I am proud to be a member of St. John's and to author this work. My reading of all the minute books and the research conducted of other publications has been time consuming, but personally rewarding.

The narrative in this manuscript has been captured on computer disk. One copy has been enclosed with other memorabilia in a time capsule contained in a cavity of the oak altar within the lodge. A second copy is available for updating this history at an appropriate time.

Since 1843, brethren of St. John's have contributed substantially to the growth and social fabric of this community and its environs. The Masonic legacy left to present day brethren is a gift to be cherished and nurtured. I harbour no doubts concerning the bright future of St. John's and expect the next writing of the lodge history will corroborate my conviction. *Ø*





## Appendix A

# St. John's #63 Lodge Roll

**1800**

1.	McNeely	Brice	Tanner, Charter Member	Jan 20 43
2.	Rea	William	Charter Member	Jan 20 43
3.	Robinson	James	Charter Member	Jan 20 43
4.	McNeely	James	Charter Member	Jan 20 43
5.	Carmichael	Peter	Charter Member	Jan 20 43
6.	McGregor	Peter	Charter Member	Jan 20 43
7.	More	John	Charter Member	Jan 20 43
8.	McIntyre	John	Charter Member	Jan 20 43
9.	Paul	Andrew	Charter Member	Jan 20 43
10.	Bell	James	1st Initiated	Jan 20 43
11.	Rea	Robert E.		Jan 20 43
12.	Ramsay	W.B.		Jan 20 43
13.	Houston	William		Apr 19 43
14.	Shipman	Daniel	Found Almonte Lumberman	a.
15.	McEwan	John		
16.	Nolan	Manny	Tavern Keeper	
17.	Neilson	Johnston	Teacher & Poet	
18.	McGregor	Archibald		
19.	Mansell	Alfred T.		
20.	Stewart	John		
21.	McWhinnie	John		
22.	Cameron	Ewan		
23.	Lowe	John	Mason	Jun 20 45
24.	Glendenning	Thomas	Captain	
25.	Wilson	William	Surgeon	
26.	Miller	William		
27.	Ralston	John		
28.	Hughes	Patrick		Feb 7 44
29.	Willis	Henry		
30.	Bond	Joseph	Shoemaker	May 21 45
31.	McNabb	David	Miller	Dec 17 45

32.	Clarke	Moses			
33.	Hamilton	Norris			
34.	McDonald	Angus			
35.	Peden	William			
36.	Bolton	Richard			
37.	Ritard	Samuel			Nov 24 59
38.	McIntosh	John			
39.	Masters	John			
40.	Sellery	John			
41.	Russell	Gavin			
42.	McCaffery	Absolom		Hotel Keeper	Mar 11 46
43.	McArton	John		Farmer	Apr 8 46
44.	Clark	Thomas			Oct 20 47
45.	Black	William			
46.	Williamson	Thomas			
47.	Griffith	Thomas			
48.	Wilson	Andrew			
49.	Leckie	David			
50.	Gilroy	John			
51.	Campbell	Duncan			Aug 18 58
52.	McLeod	Hugh			Aug 18 58
53.	Anderson	M.			Sep 22 58
54.	Bell	A.			Sep 22 58
55.	Lang	John			Nov 17 58
56.	Dunlop	James	29	Carpenter	Dec 15 58
57.	Poole	James	32	Printer	Jan 12 59
58.	Bagsley	William A.			
59.	Bragg	H.			
60.	Hurd	Dr. W.H.		Physician	Oct 20 58
61.	Tennant	Wesley			Jan 12 59
62.	Mostyn	William			Feb 16 59
63.	Coulter	Thomas			Mar 31 59
64.	Scrimgeour	William			Apr 13 59
65.	Cram	Joseph		Farmer	May 14 59
66.	Kinch	John			Sep 3 62
67.	McNeeley	Nathaniel			May 26 59
68.	McLeod	William			Apr 13 59
69.	Bell	Andrew W.			Jun 23 59
70.	Haight	Frederick			Jul 1 59
71.	Paisley	William			Nov 24 59
72.	Acres	M. Standish			Dec 7 59
73.	Shipman	J.B.			Dec 7 59
74.	Oatway	Richard			Aug 29 60
75.	Buskey	J.B.			Sep 26 60
76.	Pickup	John W.		Physician	Mar 4 63

77.	Moore	William			Mar 4 63
78.	Kinch	Samuel			Oct 8 67
79.	Bond	Joseph		Tinsmith	Apr 5 71
80.	Lee	Nelson D.			Apr 5 71
81.	Barrie	Peter		Shoemaker	Apr 5 71
82.	Austin	John		Miller	Apr 28 71
83.	White	Archibald	23	Druggist	May 3 71
84.	McNeely	Drummond	32	Millwright	May 31 71
85.	Carley	William	26	Merchant	Jun 28 71
86.	Williams	John Fletcher	22	Druggist	Jul 26 71
87.	Stuart	Irwin	22	Teacher	Jul 26 71
88.	Halpenny	Robert Wesley	26	Merchant	Aug 9 71
89.	Heath	Henry	27	Civil Engineer	Aug 31 71
90.	Patterson	William	31	Cabinet Maker/Undertaker	Dec 20 71
91.	Caril	Joseph George	33	Foreman	Feb 22 72
92.	Paul	Andrew G.	22	Tinsmith	Feb 22 72
93.	Mills	Joseph	24	Sadler	Jun 19 72
94.	Bannerman	Robert	33	CPR Agent	Jun 19 72
95.	Cram	Joseph			a.Jul 17 72
96.	McEwen	Douglad			a.Jul 17 72
97.	Church	Clarence R.	26	Physician	Sep 11 72
98.	May	William	28	Labourer	Sep 11 72
99.	Bell	Samuel	32	Agent	Sep 18 72
100.	McLean	James	25	Carder	Nov 13 72
101.	Schofield	Miles			a.Dec 11 72
102.	Turner	William S.			a.Dec 11 72
103.	Sykes	Hiriam	48	Farmer	Dec 11 72
104.	Burroughs	George A.	21	Merchant	Dec 11 72
105.	Shore	Thomas A.	22	Wagon Maker	Jan 8 73
106.	Davidson	David	30	Blacksmith	Feb 12 73
107.	Adams	George D.	25	Painter	Mar 12 73
108.	Bell	William J.	39	Carpenter	Mar 12 73
109.	Douglas	Thomas		Shoemaker	Apr 2 73
110.	Gillies	David	24	Lumberer	Jul 9 73
111.	Coleman	James	30	Clerk	Jul 9 73
112.	Sibbitt	Alex	40	Merchant	Aug 6 73
113.	Code	William	30		Sep 3 73
114.	Williamson	Thomas Jr.			a.Sep 3 73
115.	Shilson	James			a.Sep 3 73
116.	McNeely	Drummond			a.Dec 27 73
117.	Wilson	William Jr.	29	Merchant	Mar 11 74
118.	Forde	Samuel M.	23	Harness Maker	Apr 15 74
119.	Douglas	George	29	Shoemaker	May 27 74
120.	McLaren	John	30	Butcher	Jul 23 74
121.	McEwen	Dougald Jr.			a.Oct 21 74

122.	Struthers	George	28	Farmer	Nov 19 74
123.	Raney	Rev. William	38	Clergyman	Dec 16 74
124.	Moffat	William	28	Carpenter	Apr 14 75
125.	Moffat	Samuel	28	Mill Owner	Apr 14 75
126.	Scott	Richard Bolton	32	Sawyer	Apr 14 75
127.	McLaren	Duncan			a.May 19 75
128.	Miller	David B.	24	Cloth Finisher	May 19 75
129.	Young	Abraham	21	Foreman	May 19 75
130.	Teskey	Franklin	34	Mill Owner	Aug 11 75
131.	McGinnis	William R.	24	Merchant	Sep 15 75
132.	Cowan	James	37	Merchant	Oct 13 75
133.	Stackhouse	C.G.			a.Oct 13 75
134.	Weir	William			a.Dec 8 75
135.	Williamson	Thomas Jr.	21	Carder	May 3 76
136.	Hutchings	Thomas			Jul 5 76
137.	Code	John	24	Clerk	Jul 5 76
138.	Wilson	James		Farmer	Feb 21 77
139.	Shirley	Thomas S.	26	Painter	Jan 29 78
140.	Hutchings	Eli	33	Grocer	Feb 13 78
141.	McEwen	Peter	30	Farmer	Mar 13 78
142.	Code	Benjamin	27	Carriage Maker	Apr 17 78
143.	Cram	Andrew	21	Farmer	Apr 17 78
144.	Hughes	Robert	25	Shoemaker	May 15 78
145.	Bolton	Fred W.	26	Spinner	May 15 78
146.	Harvey	Peter	29	Clerk	Jul 18 78
147.	Winkers	George			a.Aug 7 78
148.	Tighe	Stearn	43	Clergyman	Nov 6 78
149.	Edwards	Dennis E.	25	Farmer	Jan 8 79
150.	Menzies	William			Aug 27 79
151.	Code	Elias		Farmer	Jan 21 80
152.	Proud	Albert E.	25	Loom Fixer	Jun 16 80
153.	Preston	Richard F.	30	Physician	Sep 15 80
154.	Code	John Jr.	30	Manufacturer	Feb 9 81
155.	Sinclair	John B.	24		Feb 9 81
156.	Latimer	William F.	30	Designer	Feb 9 81
157.	Robertson	William	40	Tanner	Nov 30 81
158.	Mitchell	Samuel			a.Mar 1 82
159.	Conn	Hugh S.	29	Merchant	Aug 23 82
160.	Baird	Robert		Merchant	Nov 22 82
161.	McGregor	A.P.			a.Nov 22 82
162.	Leith	Benjamin	29		Mar 21 83
163.	Donald	Frank Sr.			Dec 12 83
164.	Johnson	Lacey R.			Dec 12 83
165.	Raine	John R.			a.Apr 9 84
166.	Brown	Rev. W.T.		Clergyman	a.

167.	Hudson	A.T.	38	CPR Clerk	May 9 84
168.	Moore	Richard			a.Jun 4 84
169.	McIntosh	James G.	28	Clerk	Jun 4 84
170.	Willis	John	24	Carpenter	Jun 24 84
171.	Ferguson	Hugh	29	Carpenter	Nov 29 84
172.	Bell	Andrew W.			a.May 27 85
173.	Jarvis	Rev. A.W.		Clergyman	May 27 85
174.	Sutherland	William			Jun 24 85
175.	McFadden	Hiriam		Engineer	Sep 23 85
176.	Shanks	William	35	Road Master	Sep 23 85
177.	Scott	James	24		Oct 15 85
178.	Williamson	William R.	25	Plasterer	Oct 15 85
179.	Cameron	John	27	Dyer	Oct 21 85
180.	Douglas	William	38	Foreman	Mar 17 86
181.	Greer	William	30	Carpenter	Mar 17 86
182.	Knox	David	35	Carpenter	Mar 31 86
183.	McIlquham	Walter	41	Hotel Keep	Mar 31 86
184.	Best	Edward	44	Carpenter	Jun 24 86
185.	Cliff	William Wesley		Editor	a.Jul 14 86
186.	Winthrop	James		Weaver	a.Sep 8 86
187.	Cavanagh	George E.	22	Conductor	Sep 8 86
188.	Brownlee	John H.	22	Merchant	Dec 8 86
189.	Shepherd	D.E.		Teacher	a.Feb 2 87
190.	Dunham	William M.	37	Merchant	Feb 16 87
191.	Turner	Thomas	42	Foreman CPR	Feb 16 87
192.	Morgan	Robert			a.Mar 9 87
193.	Hawkins	Joseph	41	Clerk	Apr 6 87
194.	McIntosh	Duncan H.	22	Medical Student	Jun 1 87
195.	McGregor	Archibald	33	Farmer	Jun 24 87
196.	Knox	Richard R.	23	Carpenter	Aug 31 87
197.	McCallum	John	30	Carpenter	Aug 31 87
198.	McEwen	Hugh	28	Medical Student	Aug 31 87
199.	Simpson	William R.		Loom Fixer	Sep 7 87
200.	Nichols	Abner	52	Merchant	Oct 26 87
201.	Curtain	John			a.Oct 26 87
202.	Willoughby	William			a.Oct 26 87
203.	Rushworth	John			a.Oct 26 87
204.	Montgomery	Samuel H.J.		Clerk	Nov 9 87
205.	Warren	Joseph E.	23	Clerk CPR	Jan 25 88
206.	Stark	Andrew C.	27	Foreman CPR	Mar 21 88
207.	Morgan	Robert J. Jr.	25		Mar 21 88
208.	Taylor	John D.	23	Clerk	Jun 20 88
209.	Edwards	Alexander H.		Lumberman	a.Jul 18 88
210.	Olmstead	Daniel	35		Aug 15 88
211.	Stewart	Joseph			a.Feb 13 89

212.	McNeely	James	23	Farmer	Mar 13 89
213.	Houghton	John	30	Farmer	Apr 10 89
214.	Jenkins	William	31	Baker	Jul 10 89
215.	Lane	James S.	22	Clerk	Jul 10 89
216.	Van Alstine	Walter	24	Conductor	Sep 4 89
217.	Brown	James M.	26	Miller	Dec 4 89
218.	Williamson	James	33	Plasterer	a.Apr 30 90
219.	Blaine	A.C.	36	Harness Maker	Apr 30 90
220.	Phillips	J.S.	28	Hotel Manager	Apr 30 90
221.	Fisher	Frederick	27	Veterinarian	Oct 22 90
222.	Robinson	James	26	Clergyman	Oct 22 90
223.	Holmes	Robert J.	32	Agent	Nov 5 90
224.	Nesbitt	David A.	36	School Master	Nov 5 90
225.	Dixon	Allan	26	Mechanic	Nov 26 90
226.	Fraser	Thomas	26	Mechanic	Jan 12 91
227.	Allen	Thomas A.	28	Merchant	Feb 18 91
228.	Campbell	James A.			a.Feb 18 91
229.	McArthur	Hugh A.	21	Clerk	May 6 91
230.	McCullough	John	38	Agent	May 6 91
231.	Edwards	R. Gordon C.	24	Clerk	May 20 91
232.	Pickup	E.G.P.	23	Barrister	Jun 17 91
233.	Edwards	E. Dennis			a.Jun 17 91
234.	Pewtress	J.B.			a.Jul 15 91
235.	Irwin	John		Carpenter	Sep 16 91
236.	Flegg	William	35	Boiler Maker	Sep 30 91
237.	McIntosh	Colin	26	Barrister	Sep 30 91
238.	Coveney	Stephen	35	Carder	Sep 30 91
239.	Cherry	William Wesley	40	Blacksmith	Jan 13 92
240.	Hill	William Jr.	31	Farmer	Jan 13 92
241.	Blair	Archibald	34	Agent	Feb 10 92
242.	Conn	W.T.B.	25	Merchant	May 8 92
243.	McNie	John C.	34	Clerk	Jun 8 92
244.	Wedge	George			a.Jun 8 92
245.	Smith	John	29	Engineer	Jul 6 92
246.	Salter	Peter P.	33	Hotel Keeper	Aug 15 92
247.	Sinclair	Peter A.	24	Tailor	Aug 15 92
248.	McDiarmid	Duncan			a.Aug 31 92
249.	Mansell	Caleb R.	31	Dentist	Aug 31 92
250.	McKay	Joseph	34	Baker	Sep 16 92
251.	Barrie	Thomas	40	Blacksmith	Aug 31 92
252.	Sinclair	John M.		Physician	a.Oct 5 92
253.	Hockenhall	George	33	Mechanic	Oct 14 92
254.	Miller	James	33	Livery Keeper	Oct 14 92
255.	Stewart	Starr E.	28	Engineer	Jan 25 93
256.	Bois	John			a.Mar 1 93



257.	MacAuley	J.R.			a.Apr 26 93
258.	McNair	Robert	34	Minister	May 10 93
259.	Griffith	W.H.	26	Fireman	Jun 14 93
260.	Morris	J.B.	28	Conductor	Aug 9 93
261.	Carr	John	31	Engineer	Aug 9 93
262.	Schwerdfeger	Henry N.	30	Barber	Mar 14 94
263.	Gorrell	A.S.	24	Physician	May 9 94
264.	Muirhead	Daniel A.	27	Physician	May 21 94
265.	Warwick	Wm. J.	30	Watch Maker	May 21 94
266.	McCormick	Robert W.			a.Jun 13 94
267.	Simpson	James C.	40		Jun 27 94
268.	Stewart	Archibald E.	23	Clerk	Jul 11 94
269.	Leach	William J.	30	Stonecutter	Jan 9 95
270.	Garvin	James	30	Spinner	May 16 95
271.	Doherty	William	32	Farmer	May 16 95
272.	Strong	Zen	22	Barber	May 16 95
273.	Pattie	William	52	Builder	Jul 10 95
274.	Wilson	G.A.	29	Butcher	Aug 14 95
275.	Garvin	Peter A.	28	Moulder	Sep 11 95
276.	Hudson	Thomas C.	22	Machinist	Sep 11 95
277.	Nichol	William A.	25	Clerk	Oct 9 95
278.	Munro	James H.	28	Fitter	Oct 9 95
279.	Stewart	Thomas A.			a.Jan 8 96
280.	Greig	James	30	Farmer	Jan 8 96
281.	McFarlaine	John	46	Engineer	Jan 8 96
282.	Wilson	John	38	Engineer	Mar 2 96
283.	Fanning	Edward	32	Fireman	Mar 2 96
284.	Keyworth	Albert	22	Machinist	Mar 17 96
285.	Morrison	George R.A.	24	Carder	Oct 14 96
286.	Brown	William F.H.	27	Clerk	Aug 4 97
287.	Strong	Oscar Fred	22	Barber	Oct 13 97
288.	James	R.W.	26	Teacher	Feb 9 98
289.	McIlquham	William	37	Livery Keeper	Mar 9 98
290.	Brown	Clarence H.	24	Student	Jul 13 98
291.	McDonald	George		Dentist	a.Dec 14 98
292.	Boucher	M.W.	23	Machinist	Mar 8 98
293.	Small	Henry C.	27	Barrister	Mar 8 99
294.	Bate	J.S.	33	Machinist	Mar 8 99
295.	McLaren	John A.	24	Moulder	Mar 8 99
296.	Wilson	Wilfred A.	24	Medical Student	Apr 12 99
297.	Taylor	Charles Franci	22	Clerk	May 10 99
298.	Hodgins	Thomas	56	Agent	Oct 11 99

299.	Muirhead	William John	30	Merchant	Jan 26 00
300.	Alexander	John Silas	35	Conductor	Jan 26 00
301.	McLaren	Peter	29	Fireman	Jan 26 00
302.	Switzer	John C.	32	Druggist	Feb 14 00
303.	Hamilton	John R.	29	Brakeman	Feb 14 00
304.	Bradford	William Edgar	25	Brakeman	Mar 14 00
305.	Towns	Miner	31	Brakeman	Apr 25 00
306.	Chapman	Hubert C.	33	Engineer	May 9 00
307.	Watson	Charles	25	Banker	May 9 00
308.	Thompson	David			a.Jun 13 00
309.	Sinclair	Herbert Edwin	29	Tailor	Jul 11 00
310.	McGowan	Moses	42	Fitter	Jul 11 00
311.	Lockhart	William A.	37	Conductor	Jul 25 00
312.	Patterson	Robert C.	41	Barrister	Jul 25 00
313.	Williams	Hugh M.	39	Lumber Dealer	Aug 8 00
314.	Smith	Alexander	31	Conductor	Aug 8 00
315.	McLaren	James	28	Clerk	Aug 22 00
316.	Woodside	George A.	29	Clergyman	Sep 12 00
317.	Strong	Norman Hurlbar	23	Brakeman	Oct 24 00
318.	Broom	Aaron	38	Engineer	Oct 24 00
319.	Patterson	Joseph W.	21	Moulder	Nov 14 00
320.	Clark	Harold A.	22	Machinist	Dec 27 00
321.	McCallum	Wm. Heber	29	Machinist	Jan 9 01
322.	McEwen	Hugh A.	26	Moulder	Jan 9 01
323.	McDiarmid	J.H.	22	Clerk	Mar 13 01
324.	Torrance	Samuel A.	42	Agent	Mar 13 01
325.	Moffatt	J. Frank	25	Bank Clerk	Apr 10 01
326.	Fowsley	C.F.	24	Fireman	Apr 24 01
327.	Woolley	Richard	31	Brakeman	Apr 24 01
328.	Findlay	David	40	Stove Manufacturer	May 8 01
329.	Szwierschke	Amil	22	Barber	May 8 01
330.	Wilson	James Wesley	33	Butcher	Jun 24 01
331.	Steele	Thomas C.	31	Engineer	Sep 11 01
332.	Dunham	Henry	31	Conductor	Oct 31 01
333.	Morrison	James R.	40	Fitter	Nov 13 01
334.	Laplant	Frederick	36	Tinsmith	Jan 8 02
335.	Simpson	James Kidd	40	Physician	Feb 12 02
336.	McDiarmid	Frederick C.	25	Merchant	Feb 12 02
337.	Dack	James A.	32	Jeweller	Feb 12 02
338.	Gillies	George A.	23	Student	Mar 12 02
339.	Weller	George	38	Electric Plater	Apr 9 02
340.	Findlay	George H.	38	Barrister	Jun 11 02
341.	Campbell	Kenneth C.	26	Dentist	Jul 9 02

342.	Downey	William	25	Machinist	a.Oct 8 02
343.	Robinson	Frederick G.	36	Clergyman	Oct 8 02
344.	Jamison	George	30	Fitter	Oct 8 02
345.	Poff	J.R.	34	Tailor	Nov 12 02
346.	Rigby	Thomas	45	Machinist	Dec 10 02
347.	McNally	W.J.	26	Commercial Traveller	Jan 14 03
348.	Moffat	David	53	Contractor	Mar 11 03
349.	Bain	David A.	29	Machinist	a.Mar 11 03
350.	Dummert	H.W.	32	Machinist	Jun 26 03
351.	Newman	James W.	26	Clerk	Jul 8 03
352.	Caldwell	David W.F.	21	Manufacturer	Jul 8 03
353.	Leach	William C.	34	Marble Cutter	Aug 12 03
354.	Trotman	Henry	43		Sep 9 03
355.	Hooper	William H.	21	Soldier, Postmaster	Nov 11 03
356.	MacPherson	Max	21	Clerk	Jan 13 04
357.	McAllister	Alexander	24	Merchant	Jan 13 04
358.	Rand	W.E.	36	Teacher	a.Feb 10 04
359.	Gourley	George	34	Clerk	Mar 9 04
360.	Hunter	Alfred	33	Fireman	Jun 8 04
361.	Wilson	William A.	26	Moulder	Aug 10 04
362.	Bain	William H.	27	Clerk	Aug 24 04
363.	Simpson	Roland	32	Farmer	Sep 14 04
364.	Smith	William	36	Farmer	Sep 14 04
365.	Carley	W.S.	31	Train Dispatcher	Oct 28 04
366.	Smythe	David	34	Harness Maker	Oct 28 04
367.	Ferguson	R. Henry	39	Harness Maker	Oct 28 04
368.	McAllister	"Nat" C.	23	Painter	Nov 30 04
369.	Jelly	James	45	Road Master	Jan 11 05
370.	Rogers	George E.	26	Brakeman	Feb 8 05
371.	Lawson	W.S.	24	Engineer	Feb 8 05
372.	Penny	John M.	23	Engineer	Mar 8 05
373.	Willes	Frederick	38		a.Mar 8 05
374.	Hudson	R.W.	25	Conductor	May 10 05
375.	Cram	Albert E.	38	Merchant	May 10 05
376.	Merriam	Charles A.	40	Conductor	May 31 05
377.	Powell	Abraham F.	26	Moulder	Jun 14 05
378.	Wildgust	Herbert	37	Musician	Jul 12 05
379.	Burgess	George Arthur	38	Manager	Sep 15 05
380.	Code	George Stanley	26	Farmer	Oct 11 05
381.	Lowe	John	28		Nov 8 05
382.	Moore	James R.	23	Moulder	Dec 13 05
383.	Rogers	James A.	29	Conductor	Jan 10 06
384.	Edwards	Joseph H.	38	Farmer	Feb 28 06
385.	DeRenzy	H.W.	26	Dentist	Mar 14 06
386.	Hudson	Albert E.	31	Engineer	Oct 10 06

387.	Donald	Francis C.	30	Clerk	Oct 10 06
388.	Galbraith	Robert A.	40	Civil Engineer	Oct 10 06
389.	Reynolds	Rev. G.S.		Clergyman	a.Oct 14 06
390.	Hawkins	William	36	Train Engineer	Jan 9 07
391.	McNeely	Daniel R.	39	Stone Cutter	Mar 13 07
392.	Johnston	James W.	44	Carpenter	May 8 07
393.	McGregor	John J.	37	Veterinarian	Oct 9 07
394.	Elliott	Robert	29	Stone Cutter	Oct 9 07
395.	Tetlock	Cecil L.	26	Moulder	Oct 9 07
396.	Fletcher	William H.	33	Foreman CPR	Apr 8 08
397.	Fraser	John Andrew	30	Train Engineer	May 13 08
398.	Ellison	Thomas	38	Fitter	May 13 08
399.	Hodgins	Herbert E.	29	Agent	Jun 10 08
400.	Fuller	James G.	33	Bank Clerk	a.Nov 11 08
401.	Tighe	Rev. Stearns	72	Clergyman	Dec 28 08
402.	Warren	William J.	25	Commercial Traveller	Jan 13 09
403.	Patterson	Robert A.	33	Clerk	Apr 14 09
404.	Barber	Ernest	31	Printer	May 12 09
405.	Thomas	James W.	35	Conductor	Jun 9 09
406.	McAllister	Robert J.	25	Salesman	Oct 13 09
407.	Berryman	Samuel J.	63	Carder	a.Jan 12 10
408.	Cram	William B.	25	Moulder	Mar 9 10
409.	Findlay	John K.	41	Commercial Traveller	Mar 9 10
410.	Neilson	James A.	36	Dairyman	Apr 13 10
411.	Lewis	Thomas A.	47	Farmer	Oct 12 10
412.	Coles	Arthur	54	Stone Mason	Dec 14 10
413.	Howson	George A.	25	Bank Manager	a.Jan 11 11
414.	Porter	William J.	38	Machinist	Mar 8 11
415.	Wethey	E.J.	34	Teacher	a.Mar 8 11
416.	Kettles	James	43	Farmer	Jun 14 11
417.	Hughes	William J.	31	Druggist	Jun 14 11
418.	Monds	John J.	38	Clergyman	Jun 14 11
419.	Cameron	William M.	52	Lime Manufacturer	Jul 12 11
420.	McFarlane	James	27	Moulder	Sep 13 11
421.	McNeeley	John S.L.	40	Lawyer	Sep 13 11
422.	Steele	Milo H.	42	Dentist	a.Nov 8 11
423.	McNabb	Hugh M.	51	Carpenter	Dec 27 11
424.	Moffatt	William L.	29	Moulder	Feb 9 12
425.	Allen	George W.	36	Merchant	Feb 14 12
426.	Tucker	James H.	32	Merchant	Feb 28 12
427.	Coles	John S.	34	Mason	Mar 13 12
428.	Kirkpatrick	George M.	38	Moulder	Mar 13 12
429.	Keays	Richard E.	33	Merchant	Apr 10 12
430.	Porterfield	Wilbert J.	30	Commercial Traveller	Apr 10 12
431.	Shiels	Ramsbury H.	31	Farmer	Apr 10 12

432.	Armstrong	Herbert E.	24	Cable Splicer	Jun 12 12
433.	Fleming	Albert O.	24	Polisher	Jun 12 12
434.	Gordan	Robert W.	31	Polisher	Jun 12 12
435.	Gordan	Gilbert G.	28	Metal Worker	Jul 10 12
436.	Lamb	William J.M.	22	Stove Moulder	Jul 10 12
437.	Campbell	Wilmer L.	22	Clerk	Oct 9 12
438.	Box	Robert E.	49	Commercial Traveller	Oct 9 12
439.	Oliver	D.B.	38	Bank Manager	a.Dec 11 12
440.	Burgess	Charles F.	43	Merchant	Mar 12 13
441.	Bailey	William J.	51	Liveryman	Mar 12 13
442.	Wilson	Hugh M.C.	53	Policeman	Mar 12 13
443.	Cook	Richard W.	49	Farmer	May 14 13
444.	McFadden	Joseph H.	45	Machinist	Jun 11 13
445.	Williamson	Arthur P.	21	Polisher	Jun 11 13
446.	Armstrong	Thomas E.	52	B.T. Co. Mgr.	Jun 11 13
447.	Bates	Roy W.	25	Foreman	Jun 11 13
448.	Box	Harold K.	23	Dentist	Jun 11 13
449.	Rath	William J.	27	Clerk	Aug 13 13
450.	Bond	John H.	42	Barber	Aug 13 13
451.	Smith	William H.	21	Student	Aug 13 13
452.	Merkel	Ernest	22	Machinist	Sep 10 13
453.	Brooks	Henry	40	Foreman	Sep 10 13
454.	McIlquaham	Walker R.	23	Student	Sep 10 13
455.	Thompson	David G.	42	Painter	Nov 12 13
456.	Shail	Manford E.	25	Barber	Dec 10 13
457.	Tweed	Hugh L.	42	Merchant	a.Jan 14 14
458.	Arden	Herbert	29	Clerk	a.Jan 14 14
459.	Siple	Michael E.	53	Clergyman	Feb 11 14
460.	Illingworth	William	43	Knitter	Feb 11 14
461.	Turner	Louis E.V.	29	Dentist	Feb 11 14
462.	McIntosh	Ernest D.	21	Student	Jun 10 14
463.	Cornish	Robert G.	29	Clerk	Apr 29 14
464.	Simpson	Albert	54	Clerk	Aug 14 14
465.	Davis	F.A.J.	40	Publisher	a.Sep 11 14
466.	Jeffrey	James T.	30	Commercial Traveller	a.Sep 11 14
467.	Lusher	Charles E.	43	Glass Blower	a.Sep 11 14
468.	Campbell	David G.	40	Tinsmith	Oct 9 14
469.	McIlquaham	James H.	22	Machinist	Oct 9 14
470.	Williams	James E.	24	Butcher	Nov 13 14
471.	Simpson	Thomas	31	Moulder	Dec 11 14
472.	Lowe	Harold H.	22	Student	Apr 9 15
473.	Lapdell	James	40	Clerk	Apr 9 15
474.	Comrie	Daniel	53	Bridgeman	Sep 10 15
475.	Edwards	Stearns Tighe	22	Student	Oct 29 15
476.	Firth	Clement	26	Clerk	Nov 12 15

477.	Brown	Arthur Roy	21	Student	Nov 22 15
478.	McEwen	John A.	32	Physician	a.Dec 10 15
479.	Pierce	Frederick A.	27	Telegrapher	Jan 14 16
480.	McRostie	Peter F.	41	Merchant	Mar 10 16
481.	Johnson	Wallace M.	25	Dentist	Apr 14 16
482.	Smith	Morley T.	26	Physician	Apr 14 16
483.	Sinclair	Herbert E.	24	Merchant	Aug 11 16
484.	Williamson	Arthur E.	22	Civil Servant	Oct 13 16
485.	Camelon	David	45	Farmer	Nov 10 16
486.	Bowland	Byron B.	26	Farmer	Dec 8 16
487.	France	George R.	31	Stove Moulder	Jan 12 17
488.	Cram	Wilson D.	24	Civil Servant	Mar 11 17
489.	Steele	Isaac Peck	51	Foreman CPR	Apr 13 17
490.	Watters	William	59	Drummond	Apr 13 17
491.	White	John Lorne	36	Baker	Jun 8 17
492.	Cumming	William Justin	45	Farmer	Jun 8 17
493.	Tighe	Frederick J.	41	Soldier	a.Jun 8 17
494.	Williamson	Alexander J.D.	22	Farmer	Dec 27 17
495.	Craig	Joseph Herbert	21	Bank Clerk	May 10 18
496.	Saunders	Melvin Hillard	32	Stove Plate Buffer	Sep 13 18
497.	McLaren	Robert John	32	Engineer	Sep 13 18
498.	Abdallah	Hassan	30	Merchant	Oct 11 18
499.	Hodgins	Thomas H.L.	31	Clerk	Oct 11 18
500.	Abel	Louis	43	Foreman	Oct 11 18
501.	Houston	Neil Roy	28	Medical Student	Feb 14 19
502.	Maguire	William Thomas	47	Merchant	Mar 14 19
503.	McDiarmid	Frank Carleton	26	Merchant	Mar 14 19
504.	Pattie	William Preston	31	Druggist	Mar 14 19
505.	Pattie	Carleton McGee	29	Brakeman	Mar 21 19
506.	Watt	Roy Alexander	36	Carder	Mar 21 19
507.	While	Wilbert Lloyd	32	Tinsmith	Mar 21 19
508.	Edwards	James Howard	43	Merchant	Mar 21 19
509.	McDiarmid	Alexander Dobbie	34	Machinist	Apr 11 19
510.	Reynolds	Ernest	34	Contractor	Apr 11 19
511.	McFarlane	George Ross	27	Returned Soldier	Apr 11 19
512.	Edwards	John Albert	40	Clerk	Apr 18 19
513.	Tetlock	Lloyd M.	33	Tinsmith	Apr 18 19
514.	Langtry	Francis G.	30	Machinist	Apr 18 19
515.	Thompson	Harold	25	Machinist	Apr 18 19
516.	Switzer	Hiriam	53	Farmer	May 9 19
517.	Hughton	Basil Johnson	24	Farmer	May 9 19
518.	McFadden	Abraham	50	Furrier	May 9 19
519.	Colborne	George Oscar	30	Traveller	May 23 19
520.	Patterson	Wilbert Roy	26	Bank Clerk	May 23 19
521.	Doucett	George Henry	23	Farmer	May 23 19



522.	Miller	Albert Graham	35	Cheese Maker	Jul 11 19
523.	Galbraith	Daniel M.B.	24	Clerk	Jul 11 19
524.	MacPherson	Earl	25	Barber	Jul 11 19
525.	Sheils	James Harold	29	Farmer	Sep 12 19
526.	Sinclair	William Harold	26	Merchant	Sep 12 19
527.	McNeeley	James Duff	35	Engineer	Nov 21 19
528.	Maguire	Howard Charles	35	Accountant	Nov 21 19
529.	Gobeil	Joseph Eliahim	45	Commercial Traveller	Nov 21 19
530.	Morphy	John Warren	22	Clerk	Nov 21 19
531.	Miller	Herbert M.	35	Engineer	Dec 26 19
532.	Adamson	Francis Herbert	35	Bank Manager	Dec 26 19
533.	Barclay	William	28	Tel. Operator	Jan 9 19
534.	McCallum	George Clyde	23	Foreman	Feb 13 20
535.	Heaslip	Harold Edgar	30	Foreman	Mar 12 20
536.	McDiarmid	Leo James	35	Accountant	Apr 9 20
537.	Box	Wilmer Stacey	24	Bank Clerk	Apr 9 20
538.	Hinchsliff	Albert	32	Machinist	May 14 20
539.	Thompson	Richard Alexander	27	Manufacturer	May 14 20
540.	Brown	Charles Coller	30	Superintendent	May 14 20
541.	Menzies	Henry Edward	22	Clerk	Jun 11 20
542.	Dowdall	Charles Gardiner	29	Mechanic	Jun 11 20
543.	Adams	Merritt Able	68	Gentleman	a.Nov 12 20
544.	Scroggie	George Everett	31	Bank Manager	a.Dec 10 20
545.	Morris	Willard	28	Foreman	Jan 14 21
546.	Halpenny	Ernest F.C.	25	Clerk	Mar 4 21
547.	Steel	Harry Nicholson	35	Accountant	Mar 4 21
548.	Douglas	Arthur Stewart	31	Telegrapher	Apr 8 21
549.	Leach	George Garland	29	Farmer	Jun 24 21
550.	Turner	Harold George	38	Farmer	Nov 11 21
551.	McDougall	Frank Archibald	25	Student	Dec 9 21
552.	Bennett	John Herbert	27	Electrician	Apr 14 22
553.	Budge	Noel Hedley	24	Bank Clerk	Apr 14 22
554.	Umphrey	Harry David	24	Clerk	May 12 22
555.	McNeeley	Alfred	52	Carpenter	May 12 22
556.	Bunndige	Ivan Wilbert	23	Clerk	May 12 22
557.	Nichols	Thomas Ernest	21	Clerk	Jun 9 22
558.	McGihou	William John	48	Labourer	Oct 13 22
559.	Abbott	Richard F.C.	25	Student	a.Oct 13 22
560.	Arnitt	David	29	Mill Worker	a.Dec 15 22
561.	Gates	Clarence Frederic	21	Bank Clerk	Jul 12 23
562.	Walroth	Ernest John	24	Dentist	Jul 12 23
563.	Warren	John Franklin	50	Station Agent	Mar 9 23
564.	Newman	Melbourne Carleto	21	Dyer	Mar 9 23
565.	Bryce	Arthur Forbes	24	Clerk	Apr 13 23
566.	Turner	George	54	Blacksmith	Jun 23 23

567.	Atlunson	John George	38	Accountant	a.Jan 11 23
568.	Broder	Wise	30	Electrician	a.Feb 8 23
569.	Spicer	John Campbell	57	P.S. Inspector	Feb 8 23
570.	Krux	Willard R.	37	Shipper	Feb 8 23
571.	Campbell	Lorne John	38	Grocer	Mar 14 23
572.	James	Ivan William	26	Physician	Mar 14 23
573.	Ferguson	Harry Ross	21	Mechanic	Mar 14 23
574.	Patchell	Robert Alexander	32	Barrister	Apr 11 24
575.	Craig	James Laurie	27	Jeweller	Apr 11 24
576.	Baird	William Forbes	31	Dentist	Apr 11 24
577.	Dobson	William Aird	41	Clergyman	Apr 11 24
578.	Armstrong	Murray	40	Bell Employee	Jan 9 25
579.	Dack	James Howard	21	Bank Clerk	Mar 13 25
580.	McLaren	John Pattie	21	Student	Apr 10 25
581.	Flack	Ulyssis J.	59	High School Principal	a.Apr 12 25
582.	Nichols	William Carleton	27	Bookkeeper	Jun 24 25
583.	Pollack	William Weir	25	Barrister	a.Dec 11 25
584.	Buriese	William Henry	22	Student	a.Jan 8 26
585.	Horst	Frederic	53	Clergyman	a.Mar 12 26
586.	Hennry	Frederick G.	48	Musician	a.Mar 12 26
587.	Patterson	Trevor Charles	44	Banker	Mar 10 27
588.	Bond	Robert Gadou	21	Clerk	Mar 10 27
589.	Pye	Lawrence E.	32	Customs Collector	Apr 18 27
590.	Crain	John Arthur F.	21	Clerk	Jan 11 28
591.	Rogers	Morton Webster	34	Manager	a.May 11 29
592.	Base	John Edwin	38	Commercial Traveller	Feb 8 28
593.	McGregor	Neil McDiarmid	27	Bank Clerk	Feb 8 28
594.	Reynolds	William Ernest	21	Carpenter	Mar 14 28
595.	Lord	James Herbert	37	Motor Mechanic	a.Oct 10 28
596.	Thomson	Arley I.	49	Overseer	Oct 10 28
597.	Swayne	J. Allan H.	27	Accountant	Feb 13 29
598.	Cooper	A.	32	Painter	Apr 10 29
599.	Box	Edward Milner	27	Dentist	Sep 11 29
600.	Findlay	John Nairn	28	Traveller	Sep 11 29
601.	Tighe	Frederick James	53	Musician	a.Sep 1 29
602.	Cane	William George	25	Motor Mechanic	Dec 11 29
603.	Smythe	John Desmond	26	Druggist	Mar 12 30
604.	Allan	Douglas George	24	Salesman	Mar 12 30
605.	Robertson	George	24	Section Foreman	Apr 9 30
606.	Browe	Allan Taylor	23	Student	Apr 9 30
607.	Menzies	Charles Archibald	27	Service Station Manager	May 14 30
608.	Marshall	Edward Clare	42	Telegrapher	a.Apr 9 30
609.	McAdam	James Douglas	37	Teacher	a.Apr 9 30
610.	Gillespie	John Franklin	35	Bank Manager	a.Jul 8 30
611.	Thompson	Roy	27	Machinist	Jun 24 30

612.	Patterson	Joseph Gordon	23	Embalmer	Jun 24 30
613.	Bond	Percy Allan	22	Clerk	Oct 8 30
614.	Henderson	Kenneth Daniel Ja	25	Beekeeper	Nov 21 30
615.	Henderson	Cecil Herbert	27	Beekeeper	Jan 14 31
616.	Wilson	Robert Allan	21	Clerk	Feb 11 31
617.	Houston	Walter Arthur	22	Machinist	May 8 35
618.	Wooley	John Gordon	30	Bank Clerk	Mar 18 31
619.	Fee	Ernest Roy	33	Farmer	Mar 18 31
620.	Haskins	Emund Everett	38	Salesman	Apr 22 31
621.	Dunlop	Andrew Earl	34	Baker	Mar 13 31
622.	Simpson	James Garland	25	Farmer	Jun 10 31
623.	Wilson	Alfred	32	Milk Driver	Jun 24 31
624.	Crawford	William Henry	39	Government Employee	Sep 9 31
625.	Moulton	Thomas Joseph	22	Machinist	Nov 11 31
626.	Kent	John Stanton	44	Banker	a.Nov 11 31
627.	Patterson	James Archibald	24	Clerk	Dec 9 31
628.	Bellamy	Wilfred Sinclair	35	Confectioner	Dec 9 31
629.	Ledgerwood	Robert Duncan	34	Telegrapher	Sep 31
630.	Reynolds	Arthur Joseph	21	Clerk	Mar 9 32
631.	Dowe	Thomas Earl	34	Accountant	May 13 32
632.	Stark	James Stewart	39	High School Teacher	Sep 14 32
633.	Craig	James Gibson	51	Bank Manager	a.Nov 9 32
634.	McLaren	William David	22	Bank Clerk	Apr 12 33
635.	Cooper	John Harold	29	Bank Clerk	Apr 12 33
636.	Moulton	Melvin Samuel	21	Machinist Apprentice	Dec 13 33
637.	McConan	Wallace	31	Physician	Mar 11 36
638.	Porteous	Frank Moir	40	Superintendent	Mar 13 36
639.	Cassidy	Alton Everett	29	Teacher	Jan 13 37
640.	Montgomery	Robert Roy	35	Merchant	Nov 10 37
641.	Eades	William George	42	Merchant	Apr 13 38
642.	Campbell	David Ronald	26	Office Clerk	Apr 13 38
643.	Cruise	Robert	41	Dairyman	Jan 11 39
644.	Buffam	George Alexander	26	Superintendent	Oct 11 39
645.	Steele	Thomas John	41	Transport Driver	Apr 10 40
646.	Sheilds	Thomas Crawford	35	Telegrapher	Jan 8 41
647.	Morris	Mervin Pryce	36	Florist	Feb 12 41
648.	MacPherson	Eldred Cochrane	27	Newspaperman	May 14 41
649.	Illingworth	Arnold John	33	Salesman	Oct 8 41
650.	Skinner	Harold A. Clarkso	31	Toolmaker	a.Nov 12 41
651.	Laskaris	James	51	Merchant	Dec 10 41
652.	Montgomery	Henry Burnett	45	Farmer	Dec 10 41
653.	McArton	Harry Simpson	51	Farmer	Apr 8 42
654.	Patterson	Thomas Hugh C.	27	Teacher	Apr 14 43
655.	Wilson	Robert Caldwell	31	Mechanic	Apr 14 43
656.	Fleming	Edwin Samuel	38	Funeral Director	Nov 10 43

657.	Wright	Austin Argyle	32	Soldier	Apr 12 44
658.	Thompson	Roy	42	Carder	Mar 8 44
659.	Barr	Percy Arnold Boyd	23	Service Station Operator	Mar 8 44
660.	Maxwell	Chester Phelan	45	Signal Mntce.	May 10 44
661.	Motherwell	George William	31	High School Teacher	Sep 13 44
662.	Garvin	Lorne George	46	Steel Worker	Sep 13 44
663.	Carnahan	James	36	R.C.N.	Oct 11 44
664.	Harrison	Melville Gordon	43	Construction Supervisor	Nov 8 44
665.	Vout	Floyd James	35	High School Teacher	Jan 10 45
666.	Comba	Gemmill Wesley	48	Furniture Dealer	Jan 10 45
667.	Allsopp	John Edwin	39	Clergyman	a.Mar 14 45
668.	Haley	Thomas George	39	Printer	Apr 11 45
669.	Blaine	William Moffatt	22	Stove Mounter	Jan 9 46
670.	Cross	Reginald Isaac	37	Salesman	Jan 9 46
671.	New	Gerald Ashfield	25	Machinist Apprentice	Mar 13 46
672.	Fulton	William	31	Funeral Director	Mar 13 46
673.	Morris	Willard Harold	29	Mechanic	Mar 13 46
674.	Edwards	William Howard	23	Clerk	Mar 20 46
675.	Cable	Gordon Henry	36	Line Foreman	Mar 20 46
676.	McGregor	Leonard Hugh	22	Telephone Splicer	Mar 20 46
677.	Jenson	Alexander Peter	30	Government Employee	Mar 20 46
678.	Sinclair	Herbert John	25	Bank Clerk	Apr 17 46
679.	Richards	Ernest Thomas	31	Clerk	Apr 17 46
680.	Kirk	Glenson Alexander	33	Civil Servant	Apr 17 46
681.	Steele	James Roy	49	Machinist	Apr 17 46
682.	Foote	Edward	33	Engine Artificer	May 8 46
683.	Stephen	Albert	39	Organist/Choirmaster	Jun 19 46
684.	Langtry	John Francis	29	Bank Clerk	Jun 19 46
685.	McTavish	Frederick Alexend	35	Apiarist	Jun 19 46
686.	Moulton	James Roy	26	Weaver	Jun 19 46
687.	Rubino	Samuel	32	Fruit Wholesaler	a.Oct 9 46
688.	Kerr	Ashley Raymond	52	Clerk	Oct 11 46
689.	Bracewell	John	35	Salesman	Oct 11 46
690.	Toop	Arthur Williard	32	Wood Dealer	Oct 11 46
691.	Milford	Clifford	36	Electrician	Oct 11 46
692.	Finlayson	Edgar John	40	Farmer	Nov 18 46
693.	Comba	Stuart Wesley	27	Furniture	Nov 18 46
694.	Gladish	George Max	24	Blacksmith	Nov 18 46
695.	Irwin	William	36	Bowling Alley Proprietor	Dec 11 46
696.	Featherson	John	43	Clerk	Dec 11 46
697.	Young	David Robert	69		a.Jan 7 47
698.	Vrailu	Arthur Thurston	25	Service Station Attendant	Jan 8 47
699.	Coleman	Horace Korry	25	Butter Maker	Jan 8 47
700.	Davidson	George Arthur	30	Salesman	Jan 8 47
701.	Garland	Herman Elwin	34	Railway Employee	Feb 14 47

702.	Steele	David Thomas	21	Lineman	Mar 14 47
703.	Neu	Dugald James	56	Labourer	Mar 14 47
704.	Miller	James	40	Garage Owner	Apr 9 47
705.	Craig	Daniel John	49	Salesman	Apr 9 47
706.	Gilmour	Roy Max H.	34	Merchant	a.Apr 9 47
707.	Roulston	Thomas	65	Retired	Mar 14 47
708.	Humphrey	William George	46	Textile Worker	Mar 14 47
709.	Dowdall	Harold Gibson	25	Bookkeeper	Jun 11 47
710.	Whyte	Walter William	30	Clerk/Gardener	Oct 8 47
711.	Armstrong	William John	49	Labourer	Oct 10 47
712.	Bogaerts	Peter John	52	Creamery Inspector	Oct 10 47
713.	Wylie	Hugh McBride	35	Bench Moulder	Jan 14 48
714.	Flint	Robert George	32	Radio Service Man	Jan 14 48
715.	McFarlane	James Lorne	47	Farmer	Feb 13 48
716.	Blair	Delbert John	44	Roadmaster	Feb 13 48
717.	Scott	William Donald	28	Teacher	Mar 10 48
718.	McNeely	Howard A.W.	38	Barber	Mar 10 48
719.	Houston	Edward Merrill	37	Accountant	Apr 16 48
720.	Gardiner	Thomas Francis	22	Telephone Lineman	Jun 9 48
721.	Wilson	Jack	25	Bricklayer	Jan 12 49
722.	Raeburn	George Bertram	21	Clerk	Mar 9 49
723.	Throop	Ernest Lloyd	27	Telephone Foreman	Apr 13 49
724.	McIntyre	Melvin	24	Mill Hand	Apr 13 49
725.	Bogaerts	Donald Leo	21	Health Inspector	May 11 49
726.	Rose	Ernest John	33	Telephone Foreman	a.May 13 49
727.	Lunn	Ernest George	71	Retired	Sep 14 49
728.	Munro	Donald Campbell	51	Minister	a.Oct 12 49
729.	Lowe	Jamieson	67	Retired	a.Oct 12 49
730.	Wright	William Arnold	36	Clerk	Nov 12 49
731.	Morris	Howard McNeely	53	Enamel Burner	Nov 12 49
732.	Stanzel	G. Manford	36	Butcher	Jan 11 50
733.	Legate	J. Edgar	32	Policeman	Feb 8 50
734.	Flint	Melville J.	28	Telephone Company	May 12 50
735.	Baindall	C. Robert	21	Salesman	Sep 13 50
736.	Peckett	John Stanley	25	Engineer	Oct 11 50
737.	Menzies	Donald Henry	21	School Teacher	Jan 10 51
738.	Pearson	John Angus	54	Shovel Operator	Jan 10 51
739.	Griffith	Charles Roy	45	Millwright	Mar 14 51
740.	Peckett	Harold Lloyd	40	Contractor	a.Apr 11 51
741.	Root	W. Edwin Seaman	30	Shoe Repairman	a.Apr 11 51
742.	Snedden	Ernest	38	Service Station Owner	Apr 11 51
743.	Munro	Richard	41	Customs Officer	Apr 11 51
744.	Mason	Walter Henry	40	Salesman	Apr 11 51
745.	Rubino	Mark Anthony	32	Wholesaler	Apr 11 51
746.	Avery	William George	62	Store Manager	Apr 11 51



747.	Hawkins	Hugh Beresford	40	Stock Clerk	May 16 51
748.	McCall	Ross James Wilson	23	Shovel Operator	May 16 51
749.	Hammel	George Oliver	37	Farm Agent	May 16 51
750.	Fournier	Stuart Milton	32	Bookkeeper	May 16 51
751.	Taber	Gordon Edward	45	Bus. College Principal	Jun 13 51
752.	Mattingly	Aubrey Arthur	38	Metal Worker	Jun 13 51
753.	James	Edwin McNeely	49	Farmer	Sep 19 51
754.	Walsh	Keith Meredith	40	Welder	Sep 19 51
755.	Baker	Franklin Chas.	31	Blacksmith	Oct 14 51
756.	Thomas	Thomas Rodger	24	Farmer	Oct 14 51
757.	Ferguson	Melvin Ross	59	Farmer	Jan 9 52
758.	Brodie	Ian	39	Feed Dealer	a.Jan 4 52
759.	Watkins	Paul Stanley	31	Salesman	Feb 13 52
760.	Scott	Albert	58	Farmer	a.Feb 13 52
761.	McGregor	Donald Gillespie	30	Electrician	Mar 12 52
762.	Hawkins	John William	21	Airman	Apr 18 52
763.	Pollard	Glenn Scott	38	Field Representative	Apr 18 52
764.	Crampton	George Charles	39	Electrician	Apr 18 52
765.	Cooke	Clifford Roy	52	Stove Mounter	May 14 52
766.	Lloyd	Llewellyne Wiscot	42	House Painter	May 14 52
767.	Allnot	Stanley John	42	Civil Servant	Sep 10 52
768.	Napier	William Donald	21	Office Clerk	Oct 3 52
769.	Shane	John Donald	21	Telephone Installer	Oct 3 52
770.	Hendry	Wilfred James	43	Farmer	Oct 8 52
771.	Hamilton	Ivan Willard	34	Salesman	Nov 12 52
772.	McEwen	Finley Kearney	26	Farmer	Jan 14 53
773.	Gordon	James Ellard	36	Merchant	Jan 14 53
774.	McTavish	Donald Butler	32	Apiarist	Feb 11 53
775.	Covell	Melbourne Mervin	40	Jeweller	a.Mar 11 53
776.	Moulton	David Franklin	24	Tool & Die Maker	Mar 11 53
777.	Shackleton	John Watson	34	Merchant	Apr 10 53
778.	Miller	Robert James W.	32	Farmer	Apr 10 53
779.	Cumming	William Gordon	43	Merchant	Oct 9 53
780.	James	Thomas Harold	24	Farmer	Oct 9 53
781.	McManus	James Herbert	37	Merchant	Oct 13 53
782.	Davis	Ross Ingram	36	Publisher	Nov 11 53
783.	Moulton	Benjamin Edgar	21	Tool & Die Maker	Jan 13 54
784.	Harthen	Joseph	51	Caretaker	May 12 54
785.	Shane	Arthur Edward	31	Dairyman	Oct 8 54
786.	Jackson	Howard Edwin	21	Body Mechanic	Oct 13 54
787.	Willard	John William	28	Teacher	a.Oct 13 54
788.	Harthen	Louis	39	Stationary Engineer	Jan 12 55
789.	Hewitt	Robert William	27	Store Manager	Feb 9 55
790.	Smith	Ross Lloyd	27	Surveyor	Mar 9 55
791.	Reid	William Donald	74	Clergyman	a.Mar 9 55



792.	Stacey	Robert John	21	Clerk	Apr 13 55
793.	Lloyd	Thomas James	24	Brake Operator	May 11 55
794.	McFarlane	George C.	65	Retired	a.Sep 14 55
795.	Stanley	Henry James	22	Farmer	Nov 9 55
796.	Hobbs	Craig Ashton	23	Telegrapher	Jan 6 56
797.	Saunders	Jack Charles	35	Accountant	Jan 6 56
798.	Brunton	Stanley Scott	30	Farmer	Jan 6 56
799.	Hobbs	Jonathan Arthur	43	Telegrapher	Jan 6 56
800.	Gardiner	Samuel John	51	Electrician	Jan 11 56
801.	Coyles	Denzil Keith	25	Service Station Operator	Mar 12 56
802.	McCaffrey	Robert Earl	36	Trainman	Mar 12 56
803.	Cathcart	Robert Earl	37	Farmer	Mar 14 56
804.	Gillespie	Godfrey Park	65	Retired Railwayman	May 9 56
805.	Lyttle	Harold Nelson	34	Hospital Attendant	Jun 11 56
806.	Kerr	George Ormond	45	Electronic Technician	a.Jan 9 57
807.	Miller	John Robertson	40	Farmer	Jan 9 57
808.	Hamilton	Keith Glenson	25	Surveyor	Jan 9 57
809.	Dowdall	Harold Alexander	43	Barber	a.Feb 13 57
810.	Rea	Levi	61	Service Station Operator	Mar 13 57
811.	Baker	James Wesley	45	Civil Servant	May 16 57
812.	Ruttle	Cecil Richard	53	Farmer	Nov 13 57
813.	Reece	Harold	48	Street Comm'r	Feb 12 58
814.	Welsh	Robert Henry	61	Retired, Navy	a.Feb 12 58
815.	Saunders	Percival Rollett	46	Civil Servant	May 14 58
816.	Black	Clifton	37	Service Station Operator	Nov 12 58
817.	Guthrie	Robert Bruce	24	Surveyor	Dec 10 58
818.	Rathwell	Lloyde Samuel	33	Hospital Attendant	Jan 14 59
819.	Guerard	Douglas Henry	28	Insurance Agent	Feb 11 59
820.	Taylor	Harold Albert	38	Mechanic	Oct 14 59
821.	Cassibo	Clarence Edward	32	Supervisor	Jan 13 60
822.	Jordan	Ernest	67	Retired	a.Jan 13 60
823.	Hawkins	William Fraser	21	Machinist	Mar 9 60
824.	Ferguson	William Stewart	40	Lineman	Apr 13 60
825.	Nobes	George Minard	45	School Inspector	Apr 13 60
826.	Simmington	Allan Henry	27	Operator	Apr 13 60
827.	Glaze	Russell Ernest	47	Bank Manager	Oct 12 60
828.	McConnell	Russell Roderick	30	Clergyman	Oct 12 60
829.	Brebner	Harry James	55	Steel Worker	Dec 14 60
830.	Davis	William John	70	Retired	Jan 11 61
831.	Humble	Archibald Marshal	68	Retired	Feb 8 61
832.	Williams	Thomas Lewis	37	Army Officer	Mar 8 61
833.	Saunders	Milton Garnet	21	Civil Servant	Mar 15 61
834.	Tennant	John Orval	29	Hospital Attendant	Mar 15 61
835.	Aitken	Alexander S.	45	Hospital Attendant	Oct 11 61
836.	Bogart	Kenneth Whitney	51	Salesman	a.Nov 8 61

837.	Townend	Gerald Arthur	42	Merchant	Feb 14 62
838.	Gibson	James Edward D.	31	Stationery Engineer	a.Feb 14 62
839.	Marshall	Gordon George	47	Boiler Fireman	Mar 14 62
840.	Miller	Leonard Scott	43	Equipment Operator	a.Mar 14 62
841.	Doucett	Allan Irwin	37	Farmer	Apr 11 62
842.	Baird	William Donald	23	Electronic Inspector	May 9 62
843.	Giles	Clarence Ormond	33	Product Clerk	Dec 12 62
844.	Ryan	William Herbert	26	Supervisor	Dec 12 62
845.	Stanzell	James Harold	66	Retired Railwayman	Jan 9 63
846.	Kingston	Walter Christopher	22	Hospital Attendant	Oct 9 63
847.	Menzies	John Charles	24	Civil Servant	Nov 13 63
848.	Stunden	George James	65	Superintendent	a.Jan 8 64
849.	Reilly	Donald Leroy	31	Teacher	Apr 8 64
850.	McKittrick	Roy Nelson	54	Clerk	Sep 9 64
851.	Montgomery	Donald Robert	33	Feed Dealer	Sep 9 64
852.	Gilmour	Wayne Donald	24	Sales Clerk	Nov 11 64
853.	Crampton	Morris Ward	21	Television Serviceman	Jan 13 65
854.	MacIntyre	Gordon Elridge	35	Insurance Agent	Apr 14 65
855.	Menzies	Robert John	33	Highway Patrolman	May 12 65
856.	Gardiner	Allan John	36	Electrical Contractor	Sep 8 65
857.	Steele	William Thomas	27	Printer	Feb 9 66
858.	Fokuhl	Albert Heinrich C.	64	Professional Engineer	Apr 13 66
859.	McShane	James Raymond	24	Teacher	Oct 12 66
860.	Docker	G.A. (Sandy)	36	Supervising Principal	a.Feb 8 67
861.	Leach	Percy Roberts	66	Farmer	Feb 8 67
862.	Rintoul	Donald William	21	Office Manager	Mar 8 67
863.	Menzies	Wellington D.	21	Banker	Apr 12 67
864.	Jackson	George Cecil	26	Mechanic	May 10 67
865.	Horsman	Robert Freeman	16	Insurance Underwriter	Sep 13 67
866.	Woodcock	William Roy	40	Baker	May 8 68
867.	Whalen	Morley Reaburn	46	Brick Layer	Dec 11 68
868.	Shane	Raymond Elvin	42	Clerk	a.Jan 8 69
869.	Chapman	Melvin Harold	30	Labourer	Apr 9 69
870.	Stanzel	Ronald Gordon	24	Steel Worker	Oct 8 69
871.	Murphy	Garry Robert	27	Teacher	Sep 9 70
872.	Francis	John Earlen	76	Retired	a.Oct 14 70
873.	Hughes	James Campbell	33	Merchant	Feb 10 71
874.	Dickie	Andrew John	41	Civil Servant	Feb 10 71
875.	Perry	Robert Thomas	53	Traffic Manager	May 21 71
876.	Cosham	Edward Arthur	50	Technician	Sep 8 71
877.	Burgess	Nicholas Anthony	27	Tinsmith	Nov 10 71
878.	Webb	George William	51	Contracts	a.Jan 17 72
879.	Lynn	Charles Campbell	54	Retired	a.Jan 12 72
880.	Lewis	H. Frederick	50	Retired	a.Jan 12 72
881.	Jeschor	Dietor Ralf	38	Supervisor	a.Feb 9 72

882.	Gilmour	Victor Argyle	51	Retired, Air Force	Feb 9 72
883.	Craig	Andrew Graham	40	Manager	a.Sep 13 72
884.	Doherty	William George	37	Traffic Technician	Nov 22 72
885.	Power	Edward Keith	29	Social Worker	a.Feb 14 73
886.	Johnson	Kenneth Ronald	41	Building Cleaner	Apr 11 73
887.	Patterson	John Allan	36	Electrician	Jan 9 74
888.	Craft	Frederick Grenvil	67	Retired	Jan 9 74
889.	Hill	Harry Francis	65	Retired	a.Mar 13 74
890.	Ferguson	John McEwen	48	Farmer	Mar 13 74
891.	Devlin	George Cecil	64	St. Engineer	Oct 9 74
892.	Lowe	Donald Linton	31	Technologist	Nov 13 74
893.	Southwell	John Wallace	36	Executive	Oct 8 75
894.	Gavin	John Cecil	51	Civil Servant	Nov 10 76
895.	Hanham	William James	45	Doctor	Feb 9 77
896.	McCauley	William George	65	Retired	Mar 9 77
897.	Porteous	Theil Borden	37	Supervisor	Mar 9 77
898.	Morris	Harry Lloyd	36	Insurance Underwriter	Apr 13 77
899.	Rogers	Robin Michael	31	Forester	Apr 13 77
900.	Rintoul	Kelvin	47	Supervisor	a.Apr 13 77
901.	Costello	William Brian	33	Material Control	May 11 77
902.	Coleman	Leonard G.	59	Contractor	May 18 77
903.	Sanderson	Forrest Arnold	40	Civil Servant	May 18 77
904.	McRae	Donald Murray	47	Farmer	May 25 77
905.	Irwin	Donald	43	Manager	Jun 8 77
906.	Reynolds	Wesley Ernest	48	Self-Employed	Oct 19 77
907.	Head	Henry William	38	Designer	Oct 19 77
908.	Watson	Blair Wesley	24	Letter Carrier	Nov 9 77
909.	McEwen	James Norman	70	Retired	a.Dec 14 77
910.	Worthington	John	79	Retired Teacher	a.Dec 14 77
911.	Fitzgerald	Michael Richard	42	Electrical Designer	Jan 11 78
912.	McOrmond	Victor	48	Storekeeper	Feb 8 78
913.	Rylott	Gary David	39	Policeman	Mar 8 78
914.	Pretty	Elwin James	51	Civil Servant	a.Mar 8 78
915.	Tennant	John Ormond	21	Mechanic	Apr 12 78
916.	Horton	Charles Richard	38	Postmaster	May 12 78
917.	Doig	James Ian	41	Salesman	a.May 12 78
918.	Drummond	Gerald	50	Bookkeeper	Sep 20 78
919.	Ellis	Fraser	37	Painter	Sep 20 78
920.	Dorman	James Moulton	39	Sheet Metal Worker	Sep 20 78
921.	Graber	Norman	63	Retired Policeman	a.Oct 11 78
922.	Doe	Ross Wayne	36	Plumber	Nov 15 78
923.	Clifford	George Robert	65	Retired	Jan 10 79
924.	Stapleton	Robert	48	Insurance Adjuster	Feb 21 79
925.	Armstrong	Allyn	38	Manager	Feb 21 79
926.	Dowdall	William Gardiner	44	Garage Owner	Mar 21 79

927.	Birchall	John Vipond R.	43	Public Servant	Oct 10 79
928.	Gardiner	Thomas Albert	42	Contractor	Nov 14 79
929.	Narbonne	Roger Fernand	38	Stamp Dealer	Nov 14 79
930.	Graham	George James	35	Police Officer	a.Jan 9 80
931.	Jussup	William Joseph	66	Retired	a.Jan 9 80
932.	Bonney	Alfred Mervyn	51	Personnel Officer	a.Feb 13 80
933.	Doucett	Richard Allan	31	Real Estate Broker	Mar 12 80
934.	Cooke	Kenneth Douglas	23	Ambulance Attendant	Mar 19 80
935.	Polk	Howard Olin		Past G.M.	Mar 12 80
936.	Gormley	John	38	Salesman	May 14 80
937.	Larmour	Edward Charles	36	Printer	Sep 10 80
938.	Harvey	Albert Joseph		Self-Employed	Feb 11 81
939.	Watt	James Murray	48	Technician	Apr 8 81
940.	Redmond	Sean	25	Self-Employed	Sep 9 81
941.	Coker	Roy Thomas	47	A.M.E.	Nov 11 81
942.	Mercier	Beve Blaine		Policeman	Nov 11 81
943.	Maheral	Allan E.	37	Branch Manager	Jan 13 82
944.	Mittler	Walter P.	58	Minister	a.Feb 10 82
945.	Kilpatrick	George Cleland	33	Manager	Feb 10 82
946.	Fee	Alan Roy	49	Maintenance	Mar 10 82
947.	Baker	Harry Joseph	33	Teacher	Mar 10 82
948.	Bowen	Ian Alexander	22	Quality Inspector	Mar 10 82
949.	Mercier	Sterling Willard	51	Stationery Engineer	Mar 17 82
950.	Lackey	Albert Thomas	43	Locksmith	Mar 17 82
951.	Major	David Peter	43	Civil Servant	Sep 8 82
952.	Gordon	Robert Byron	34	Sales Agent	Sep 8 82
953.	McEwen	John Gary	35	Truck Driver	Nov 10 82
954.	Hirst	Kenneth Arthur	35	Funeral Director	Jan 12 83
955.	Doucett	Brian	33	Insurance Agent	Mar 9 83
956.	Speck	Ronald A.	34	Store Manager	Apr 13 83
957.	Todd	Paul Edward	36	Firefighter	Apr 13 83
958.	Scott	James Roland	40	Professional Engineer	Dec 21 83
959.	Weston	Alexander Henry	59	Technical Writer	Dec 21 83
960.	McNair	James	67	Retired Builder	a.Mar 14 84
961.	Beresford	John McKillop	67	Retired	a.Mar 14 84
962.	Thompson	Ronald Warren	49	Lawyer	a.Sep 12 84
963.	Thurston	Donald Geoffrey	30	Travel Agent	Sep 19 84
964.	Shipley	John Willard	32	Bar Manager	Oct 10 84
965.	Brown	Norman E.	41	Salesman	Nov 28 84
966.	Goodyer	James Austin	38	Policeman	Nov 28 84
967.	Reid	J. Brent	35	M.N.R.	a.May 8 85
968.	Gordon	James Roland	42	Firefighter	Jan 16 85
969.	Sullivan	David Earl	35	Recreation Director	Jan 16 85
970.	Giles	Stephen Ormond	27	House of Commons	Nov 13 85
971.	Matthews	Alan	34	Firefighter	Nov 13 85

972.	Nicholson	James Gary	46	Peace Officer	Feb 12 86
973.	Willet	Andy	40	Liquor Inspector	a.Sep 10 86
974.	Gales	Gerald	65	Retired	Sep 10 86
975.	Seabrook	Kenneth	46	Mechanical Sup.	Dec 10 86
976.	MacDonald	MacAvoy	59	Supervisor	Dec 10 86
977.	Nash	Arthur Charles	60	Personnel Consultant	Jan 14 87
978.	Hughes	Trevor Arthur		Manager	Feb 11 87
979.	Kipp	Steven	39	Bell Telephone	Mar 11 87
980.	More	Stephen Joseph	34	Ambulance Officer	Jan 13 88
981.	Wilson	Gregory	28	Ambulance Officer	Jan 20 88
982.	Plunkett	Timothy	29	Policeman	Apr 20 88
983.	Perry	Eric Neville	36	Police Officer	Apr 13 88
984.	Martin	Gary John	37	M.N.R.	Sep 14 88
985.	Birtch	James	35	Police Officer	Dec 14 88
986.	Rothwell	Steven	25	Mechanic	Feb 8 89
987.	Woods	Alan	28	Labourer	Feb 8 89
988.	Snedden	Alan H.	36	Marketing Rep.	Apr 12 89
989.	Billings	Clayton Bryce	57	Commerce Officer	Apr 12 89
990.	Page	Laurence Edmund	70	Retired	Dec 13 90
991.	Kirkendale	Miles Richard	35	Bricklayer	Mar 14 90
992.	Farrish	James Irwin	41	Manager	a.Apr 4 90
993.	Earle	John W.	63	Retired Teacher	a.Dec 12 90
994.	Hamilton	Henry James	51	Funeral Director	a.May 5 91
995.	Irvine	John Ronald	29	Police Officer	May 15 91
996.	Reynolds	Lesley Ernest		Businessman	Sep 18 91
997.	Craig	Daryl		Police Officer	Sep 18 91
998.	Raeside	William M.	31	Systems Engineer	Nov 13 91
999.	Marshall	Allan Wilbert	72	Retired	a.Feb 12 92
1000.	Hodgins	Ronald Allan	36	Electrician	Mar 11 92







## Appendix B

# PAST MASTERS ST. JOHN'S LODGE 1843 - 1992

1843-49	Brice McNeely (The Tanner)	1905	W.J. Muirhead
1850-59	Wm. Houston	1906	G.H. Findlay
1860	David McNabb	1907	J.R. Hamilton
1861	Brice McNeely	1908	W.H. Hooper
1862-63	James Poole	1909	J.R. Moore
1864-65	James Dunlop	1910	N.C. McAllister
1866-71	David McNabb	1911	A.H. Edwards
1872	John McArten	1912	J.A. McLaren
1873	Nelson Lee	1913	J.W. Patterson
1874-75	David McNabb	1914	R.C. Patterson
1876	William Weir	1915	H.W. Dummert
1877	David McNabb	1916	F.C. McDiarmid
1878	C.G. Stackhouse	1917	W.J. Porterfield
1879	James Shilson	1918	J.S.L. McNeely
1880	C.G. Stackhouse	1919	A.O. Fleming
1881	David McNabb	1920-21	J.A. McEwen, M.D.
1882	George Douglas	1922	J.H. Bond
1883-85	R.F. Preston, M.D.	1923	W.P. Pattie
1886-87	William F. Latimer	1924	H.A. McFadden
1888	William Sutherland	1925	H.E. Sinclair
1889	William Shanks	1926	F.C. McDiarmid
1890-91	Frank Donald	1927	H.E. Menzies
1892-93	W.M. Dunham	1928	W.J. Hughes
1894	J.D. Taylor	1929	H.N. Steet
1895	W.R. Williamson	1930	C.G. Dowdall
1896	E.G.P. Pickup	1931	L.J. McDiarmid
1897	R.J. Morgan	1932	W.W. Pollock
1898	D.H. McIntosh, M.D.	1933	T.E. Nichols
1899	A.S. Gorrell, M.D.	1934	J.C. Spence
1900	Thomas Fraser	1935	J.W. Morphy
1901	Thomas Barrie	1936-37	W.F. Baird
1902	T.C. Hudson	1938	M.W. Rogers
1903	P.A. Garvin	1939	J.S. Stark
1904	J.C. Switzer	1940	J.G. Patterson

1941	W.S. Bellamy	1988-89	Brent Reid
1942	J.G. Simpson	1989-90	Albert Lackey
1943	W.R. McIlquham	1990-91	Harry Baker
1944	E.R. Fee	1991-92	Robin Rogers
1945	J.D. McAdam	1992-93	J. Gary Nicholson
1946	T.J. Steele		
1947	M.P. Morris		
1948	H.C. Skinner		
1949-50	A.J. Illingworth		
1951-52	F.J. Vout		
1952-53	R.C. Wilson		
1953-54	A.A. Wright		
1954-55	F.A. McTavish		
1955-56	W.W. Whyte		
1956-57	G.M. Gladish		
1957-58	R.I. Cross		
1958-59	H.M. Morris		
1959-60	D.H. Menzies		
1960-61	W.E.S. Root		
1961-62	G.C. Crampton		
1962-63	W.J. Armstrong		
1963-64	F.K. McEwen		
1964-65	J.A. Hobbs		
1965-66	Cecile R. Ruttle		
1966-67	G.M. Nobes		
1967-68	T. Harold James		
1968-69	Clarence Cassibo		
1969-70	W. Howard Edwards		
1970-71	G.A. Docker		
1971-72	R.E. Shane		
1972-73	M. Ward Crampton		
1973-74	Andrew J. Dickie		
1974-75	Dietor R. Jeschor		
1975-76-77	Clarence Cassibo		
1977-78	John Tennant		
1978-79	Douglas Gibson		
1979-80	Victor Gilmour		
1980-81	G.A. Docker		
1981-82	Harry Morris		
1982-83	Garry Murphy		
1983-84	Ian Doig		
1984-85	Mervin Bonney		
1985-86	Fraser Ellis		
1986-87	Roy Coker		
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