

Osgoode Township Historical Society & Museum

at the

Old Vernon School

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1914-1918

1939-1945

The granite stones above stand on the grounds of the Osgoode Township Municipal Offices in the village of Metcalfe bearing the names of those young men who gave their lives in World Wars I and II

President's Report - December 2000

When you receive this newsletter Christmas will be just around the corner. As we approach the Christmas Season, it will likely bring several of you fond memories of the community Christmas Concert which used to be an important part of almost every rural area's Christmas Celebrations.

This fall has been an exceptionally busy season at the Museum. Since its founding in 1972 the Society has seen its collection continue to grow at an exciting rate. Over the past few weeks members of the community have donated numerous articles and artefacts related to the history of the Township of Osgoode. One of the many interesting collections we are most fortunate to have received is a large tool box containing all the barn building tools of Joe Taylor. Joe left Ireland in the late 1840's and brought his tools with him. He came to live in Osgoode where he built many barns right through to the early 1900's. One of the most unique barns he built was the round barn he built in about 1905 on lot 36 of the 1st concession. That barn still stands on Doug Shepherd's farm. All of the new acquisitions are being catalogued.

Work is underway on the mezzanine level in the Agriculture Museum and the structural work should be completed in early December. We will then have to seek advice on a suitable lighting system.

Service of Remembrance

On Saturday, November 4th the Royal Canadian Legion-Osgoode led the regular Service of Remembrance at the Vernon Cenotaph (in front of the Museum) followed by a reception in the Museum hosted by the Historical Society. The service was well attended and many people took the opportunity to look through and sign the "Roll of Honour 1914 - 1918 and 1939 - 1945: The Flowers O' the Forrest" which contains photographs of the Museum and the Vernon Cenotaph and contained information on every man whose name is on the Vernon Cenotaph. This was produced for us by Neil Kennedy of Blairgowrie, Scotland.

November Meeting

At the November meeting Dr. David Shanahan, a professional historian, gave a most interesting talk on "The Influence of the Irish on Canadian History". He covered the period from the early 1800's through to the 1900's. His talk was followed by an expansive question and answer period which further stimulated the interest of the audience. Refreshments were served following the meeting.

December Meeting

At the regular meeting on at 800 PM on Tuesday, December 5th Dr. George Hobson gave an illustrated talk on "Historic Sites on the Northwest Passages." (Note: there are several passage routes). George Hobson served as Director of the Canada's Polar Continental Shelf Project from 1972 to 1988. In 1991, he received the Northern Science Award for his outstanding contribution to arctic research. This past summer he was an active participant in the St. Roch II Voyage of Rediscovery - a recreation of the original St. Roch's record setting circumnavigation of North America. We saw many sites and markers related to Franklin's voyages. His talk gave us all an excellent insight into historic events surrounding the Northwest Passages.

Following the meeting we took the opportunity to congratulate Lorne and Alice Craig on 60 years of marriage; they were married on Wednesday, December 11, 1940. There was a large cake and the Historical Society presented them with a certificate to mark the occasion.

Members of the museum will be participating in a special farewell to the Township of Osgoode planned for Sunday, December 31, 2000. The new City of Ottawa will come into being on January 1st. We will have a suitable display of items reflecting on the history of the Township. With the creation of the new city the historical societies in the distinct areas of the city will have to diligently pursue the preservation of local history. We look forward to the challenge.

The museum is now closed for the winter. Don't forget to call and leave a message on our answering system if you have any special questions, or email, or write.

As you renew your memberships for 2001 it would be appreciated if you could include your email address in your returns so that we may keep you informed of ongoing developments should the need arise.

Best wishes for 2001,

Doug Hughes

MUSEUM NOTES

✓ The Historical Society Annual General Meeting will be held on February 4th 2001, hear reports and give your votes.

✓ For a visit during the winter - phone (613)821-4062 and leave a message or e-mail oths@magma.ca

✓ Visit our website at www.magma.ca/~oths

✓ Memberships \$10.00 for the year are now available

Wishing our supporters and members a very Merry Christmas

LEST WE FORGET

10:45 a.m November 11, 2000 Remembrance Day Ceremony was hosted by Max Keeping, well known TV personality in Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec.

The ceremony to honour six local veterans was held on the "Bell-Bruin Bridge overpass, Highway 416, recently named "Veterans Memorial Highway".

The six veterans -

Trooper Derek Atkins: Canadian Army World War II

Dorothy Atkins: Royal Canadian Air Force, World War II

Lieutenant-General Charles H Belzile: CM, CMM, CD, Canadian Army, Korean War, Cold War and Peacekeeping

Wing Commander J.O. Maitland: Royal Canadian Air Force, World War II, Post-WWII

Leading Air Craftsman Clinton J McEvoy: Royal Canadian Air Force, World War II

Leading Wren Patricia Toner: Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service, World War II

The veterans were escorted to the dais by the Canadian Forces Color Party.

Program - Piper plays the Lament, Bugler plays the last post, Ecumenical prayer, period of silence, Fly Past of Canadian Forces CF-18's, In Flanders Fields, song of peace, profiles of local veterans read by local students, closing remarks followed by singing of O Canada. A reception followed.

PROFILE OF LEADING AIR CRAFTSMAN CLINTON J McEVOY

Born in Osgoode on April 8, 1921, L.A.C. Clinton J. McEvoy joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in June 1942. He trained on Prince Edward Island before enrolling in the No. 9 Service Flying Training School. He was posted overseas in January 1943, where he served with the No. 6 Bomber Group, followed by a Commando Group in Liverpool. Mr McEvoy was then transferred to the 39th Reconnaissance Wing at Eindhoven, Holland, where he helped provide a service to the army that is now provided by satellites: airborne photographic reconnaissance.

Always close to the front, Mr McEvoy was part of the first Air Force ground unit to cross into Germany. He survived the devastating Battle of the Bulge, the last major German offensive and the largest land battle of World War II, involving over one million troops from December 16, 1944 to January 28, 1945. Later in 1945, Mr McEvoy was among the first Allied military personnel to witness the horrors of the Belsen concentration camp, as his Wing was responsible for the first reconnaissance work at the death camp. After his Wing ended the war at Luneberg, Germany, Mr McEvoy's last task was driving the equipment for the Bluebirds aircraft to Denmark.

Mr McEvoy was the proud recipient of the 1939-45 Star, the France and German Star, the Defence Medal, the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and Clasp and the Victory Medal.

He continued to work for the R.C.A.F after his return to civilian life, and was later transferred to the Department of Transport where he received a Service Award for 25 years of service. He ended his career working in the Department of Indian Affairs.

Pamphlet - Remembrance Day 2000

Leading Aircraftsman Clinton McEvoy whose roots run deep in Osgoode Township was the second son born to Joseph McEvoy and Evelyn Blanchfield. His older brother Oliver, an R.C.A.F Flight Sargent, born Nov 30, 1919 was lost on a flight from Gibraltar to Malta Sept 29, 1942 (his last resting place unknown). His

name engraved in stone joins the list of other young men from our Township who gave the "Supreme Sacrifice", life itself that we and generations that come after us may live free from the horror of war.

The brothers are descendants of pioneer families of Osgoode Township. On their father's side, grand parents Richard McEvoy and Elizabeth Shearn, great grand parents of John McEvoy and Anastasia Power, great great grand parent Edmond McEvoy and Catherine Kennedy. The McEvoy's from Co Kilkenny came to Canada settling in Quebec in 1827. Edmond died Dec 12, 1834. His body was laid to rest in the Pioneer Cemetery at St Scholastica, Province of Quebec.

His wife Catherine Kennedy with three sons moved into Osgoode Township in the 1840's. Son Thomas and his wife Mary O'Rourke settled on lot 17, Con. 3. Son Michael and his wife Mary Costigan settled on lot 29, Con. 2. Catherine with son John and his wife Anastasia Powers settled on lot 20, Con. 3. Catherine died Feb 27, 1861. Her body was laid to rest in St. John's Cemetery, Enniskerry where her three sons and many of their descendants have been entered.

On their mother's side, Evelyn Blanchfield, was the daughter of James Blanchfield and Elizabeth Daley, great grandsons of John Blanchfield and his wife Mary Durning of Co Carlo, Ireland, great great grandsons of Patrick Blanchfield, born 1792 Co Carlo, Ireland and died June 26, 1874. His wife Mary born 1795, Ireland died July 8, 1875. Both were entered in St John's Cemetery.

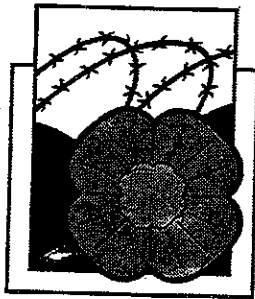
Great grandsons of Thomas Daley and Mary McGee, great great grandsons of Michael Daly and Elizabeth McGuire. Michael born 1796, Kings Co, Ireland died January 1, 1841. Lived at lot 14, Conc 3, buried in the Catholic Cemetery in Osgoode (at Metcalfe Corners.) His wife Elizabeth McGuire, native of Kings Co. Ireland died January 15, 1880 at age 92 years, buried in St Johns Cemetery, Enniskerry. Great great grandsons of Patrick McGee born 1802 Co. Armagh, Ireland died March 21st 1969. His wife Mary Hughs, born 1792, Co. Armagh, Ireland died May 1870. Both are buried in the Catholic Cemetery, South Gloucester.

As one wanders amidst the tombstones in this pioneer cemetery in Enniskerry, and listens to the wind sighing through the pine trees that stand like sentinels, their shadows ever reaching to embrace all those entered beneath them, and in turning back as it were, the pages of time, one cannot help but visualize the hard life these courageous people - our ancestors - lived, clearing land acre by acre, building first a shelter, schools and a place to worship their God, along with other pioneers they helped to open this country and gave us a safe and happy environment in which to live.

Reading the inscription on the tombstones, one notices the words "Native of County Antrim, County Cariou, Kings County, County Cork, County Mayo, County Sligo, County Wexford," etc. The following are a few of the family names engraved on their tombstones, ravaged by the mists of time:

*The Clelands and the Canglys
Likewise the Daleys too
The McEvoy's, they number quite a few
The Buckles, Burns, and the Blanchfields
The Herberts and the Jordans too.*

*With names like Dewan, Doyle and Devereaux
Fitzpatrick and O'Briens, O'Byrne, O'Boyle
O'Rourke, O'Connor, O'Callaghan and Leahys too
The Shields and the Maniles, Terrys, Tobins
Turner and Sul;ivan too. Sure n'tis
Little wonder the name was changed to Enniskerry*



The name was changed from Dawson to Enniskerry. The name Enniskerry derives from its namesake situated 12 miles from Dublin City, gateway to some of the loveliest scenery of County Wicklow, the Garden of Ireland.

Michael Daley

IN SEARCH OF THEIR ROOTS

To: Osgoode Township Historical Society
From: C. Skura
Re: Your guest book



My grandfather Peter Anderson and his wife Barbara Shepherd came from Lonmay, Aberdeenshire, Scotland in 1909 and lived on a farm around Russell or Kenmore, Osgoode Township. My mother Jessie Anderson born 1912, went to school at what they called the Little Scotch Schoolhouse. Her siblings were Barbara, Edward, Charlie, Henry, Alec, Anna, Peter, Jim, Billy, John, Bella and Ina.

I've often heard about the fun they had as youngsters in Osgoode Township. If you or any of your family knew them I would like to hear from you. My mom at the age of 88 is the only child still living.

C. Skura, Pickering - <caf93@hotmail.com

REGRETS HON. FRED CASS & A BRIEF WORD ABOUT OUR BEGINNINGS

In December, 25 years ago, Our Osgoode Township Historical Society became an incorporated organization - "Not For Profit."

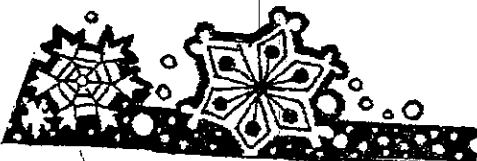
In November 1972, three years previously, ten "Seniors" had applied for and received a "New Horizons Grant" to research and study the past history of our township. We hoped that by 1977 we could write a short history of the first 150 years.

It was in 1975 that the provincial government first became interested in preserving the stories and other artifacts of our communities. A one-time offer was made to museums to reimburse any society for expenses incurred during the 2-year period ending in 1975. Our unincorporated historical group decided to apply for the new grant. Miss Arlowa Ferguson presented the statement of our expenses during the period in question. We went to the **Hon Fred Cass** of Winchester for our legal help. We would like to express our sincere gratitude for his great professional advice.

On Dec 2 last, a memorial was held for him. Mr Cass had always been a great supporter of what we were doing. He supervised the "Incorporation," helped write our statement of purpose, wrote to the Township for their permission to use the "Osgoode Township" name, gave advice on Parliamentary Procedure and other pertinent matters. We are greatly indebted to him. He refused any payment.

At the time there had been a very long postal strike. Eric Ferguson drove to Toronto with the documents to meet the deadline. When we were asked by the Transition Board whom we report to, I could reply only "We answer only to our members."

Elizabeth Stuart



PINK & BOLSTON,

METCALFE,

DEALERS IN

DRY GOODS, GROCERIES,

BOOTS and SHOES, HARDWARE, &c.

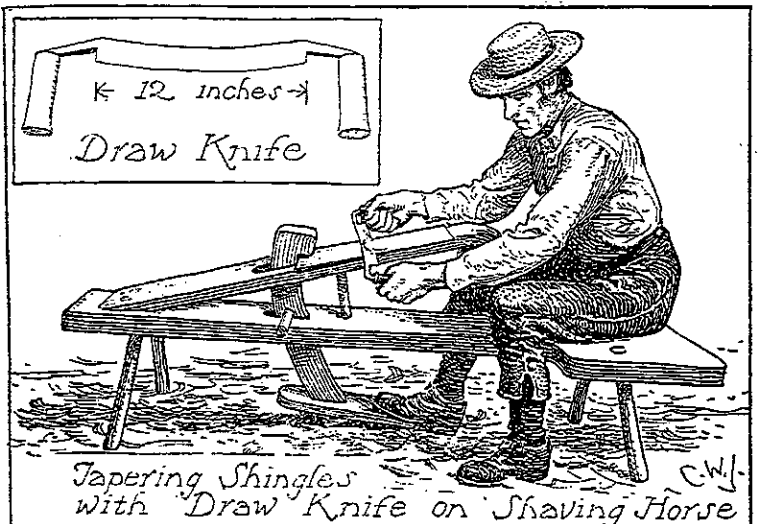
From the City of Ottawa, Central Canada Directory 1876

Metcalfe -

A village known as Osgoode post office is situated on lots 20 and 21 in the 7th concession of the Township of Osgoode, and County of Russell, 20 miles from the city of Ottawa and 10 miles from Osgoode Station on the St L. & O. Railway. It contains 4 churches, a drill shed, a town hall, a saw mill, 2 tanneries, several stores, hotels and a population of about 400.

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Albert Joseph, Labourer | McKeown Robert, shoemaker |
| Allison J R, pumpmaker | McLaurin Daniel, insptr of licenses |
| Ault J.B, clerk | McMillan Z, issuer of licenses |
| Baker Adam J, M P P | & post master |
| Belanger Felix, carpenter | McPherson Alex, blacksmith |
| Blair George, blacksmith | McPherson Charles, blacksmith |
| Blair Wellington, blacksmith | Mahew, Benjamin, cooper |
| Borthwick D J, engineer | Mallory O H, tinsmith |
| Bradshaw George, carpenter | Mathews Hugh, pensioner |
| Byrns Miss, school teacher | Mimons James, sch. teacher |
| Cameron Mrs P, boarding house | Morgan Ira, president |
| Campbell, W F, merchant | agric. Assoc. Ont |
| Carson Wm, carpenter | Morgan W W, hotelkeeper |
| Crerar Alex, blacksmith | Pink & Rolston, dealers in dry |
| Dewar John S, blacksmith | goods, groceries etc |
| Doctor W R, farmer | Rainey John, carpenter |
| Dow James, shoemaker | Raney, Rev W, pastor Wes |
| Fleming & Irving, carriage makers | Methodist church |
| Gill L, labourer | Roche W P, M.D |
| Grant James, labourer | Rowley Nelson, tinsmith |
| Hall James, farmer | Scott James, farmer |
| Henderson James, clerk | Scott John, farmer |
| Higgins John, carpenter | Soper, Wm E, carriage maker |
| Imley A P, shoemaker | Stanley James, farmer |
| Iveson Frank, telegraph operator | Stringer William, farmer |
| Iveson Timothy, saddler | Sutherland Wm, clerk |
| Kennedy John, farmer | Sweeney Michael, shoemaker |
| Kennedy J S, agent etc | Wallace James, merchant |
| Lafrance Francois, labourer | Wallace Wm, merchant |
| McCrostie James, farmer | Wilson James, saw mill owner |
| McDonell, Alex, coroner | Wright Rev W, pastor Ch of Engl'd |
| | York Mrs W, hotel keeper |

submitted by Murray Little



MISS ANNIE CAMPBELL'S BOOK

Among our archives is a small red book, originally belonging to Miss Annie Campbell (Jan 28, 1846-Sept 8, 1920) of Vernon. Annie was the daughter of John Campbell and Betsy McAlpin, & wife of Robert Stewart (1844-1920). Her small booklet (2 ½ x 4 inches) was a method of keeping facts and notes, important to her only. In it she keeps note of various prices from Landsdown in Ottawa to Uxbridge and Toronto. She noted egg sales in 1871 and 1872, sales of butter in 1872-75 and clothing expenses in 1879 and also important dates were noted of people who had passed on.

DETHS (sic)

Mrs Andrew Garland died Apr 6, 1867
 Mrs John Campbell (Betsy McAlpin died 9 Apr, 1868 age 62 yrs & 9 mos
 Mr Hugh McDiarmid died 21 Aug 1868
 Mrs Duncan McMartin died 4 Nov, 1868
 Mary Ann McDiarmid died 18 Sept, 1869
 Mrs Archie McDiarmid died Apr 10, 1869
 Mr Peter McEwen died Oct 2, 1869
 James McDonald died 18 Mar 1869
 W. Duncan McMartin died 4 Nov, 1869
 Alex McDonald died Sept 18, 1870
 William McDonald died May 23, 1871
 Miss Jennie McDiarmid died Dec 4, 1871
 Peter John Campbell (her father) died Mar 2, 1872
 John McAlpin died 2nd Mar 1872 (Callender)
 John McEwen died 4 Apr, 1872
 Peter Campbell died 9 April 1872
 Donald Campbell died 11 April, 1872
 Annie McAlpin died 17 June 1872
 Mrs John Ferguson Sr. died June 1872
 Archibald Fisher died 26 June 1872
 Mrs John McDiarmid died 7 Dec, 1872
 Peter McMartin died 15 Dec, 1872
 Mr John Campbell died 24 Feb 1876 age 82 years
 Mrs Archie Campbell died 22 Feb, 1876
 Robert Stewart Robertson died Feb 21, 1881
 Jessie Gordon died May 17, 1881
 Mrs Joseph M Campbell died 18 May, 1881
 Mrs John Campbell died Aug 11, 1881
 Rosanna Mary Jane Campbell died 11 June 1884
 Josephine McPhail died Dec 1886
 Archibald Campbell died Mar 5, 1887
 Betsy McDiarmid died June 22, 1887
 Mr James Johnston died July 1891
 Mrs James Johnston died 24 Dec, 1891
 Mrs George Johnston died June 13, 1894
 Jamie Johnston died Mar 26, 1895 age 4 years
 Russell McEwen died Mar 20, 1895 @ 10 years
 Archie Campbell died Mar 5, 1887
 Alex Stewart - Elder died 15 Jan 1885
 Mrs Alex Stewart died 19 May, 1890
 Whitham Robertson died 2nd Feb 1892 age 12 days

March 1872

Miss Campbell writes that in that month they sold 141 doz eggs at average of .15 cents/doz for a total of \$23.86 (17 entries)

1872 Butter - sold 285 lbs @ average .16 cents

March 1873 eggs

(6 entries) 128 doz at .17 cents for a total of \$17.59

Butter - @20 ½ cents for 192 lbs for a total of \$338.65 plus 12 lbs cheese @ .10 + \$4.25

Sold in 1874

1 milk cow - \$20.00; 1 steer - \$16.50; 1 tub butter - \$26.00

Sold butter 1875

550 lbs @ 20 cents for a total of \$109.90

Sold in 1879 - cow - \$17.00

DIARY ENTRY

June 15, 1872 - *Visiting the Methodist Church at Toronto was showed through the entire building went up to the top of main tower about three hundred feet high and wrote my name their (sic). Miss Ann Campbell, Osgoode and the guide Rob't McAlpin from Uxbridge.*

June 5/2 (1872?)

Visited the Lunatic Asylum Toronto seen some of it. Inmates and men in cages walking around airing themselves women in their cage, some singing others lecturing for their rights and seemingly very insane some walking out among through shade trees. Some visiting and some winding yarn, some cutting grass among the flower pots.

Visited the Normal School and had a look at the picture gallery and the museum and the images astonishing. I had for my guide an old country man, the name of Rob't McAlpin.

HAIR TONICK (sic)

Tincture of hartshorn 1 oz
 Borax ½ oz
 Alcohol 1 oz
 water 1 oz
 Tincture canthrids 1 oz

Nurse Ellis' Prescription prepared by W.E. Gibson, Kemptville

CURE FOR CATARRH

1 ½ oz sulphur to a pint of whiskey. Take a tablespoon before breakfast for 3 mornings then omit for 3 mornings.

HOME DISTEMPER CURE

1 tablespoon of turpentine to be rubbed behind the head every other morning.

DOSE (FOR COWS)

1 tablespoon of salt peter, 1 lb of hog fat, 1 pt of soft soap and white of 6 eggs, 1 tablespoon of black pepper, 1 pint of salt, 1 quart of suet to be dried in oatmeal. Give 9 balls to each cow then 3 balls every other morning.

NOTE- due on sewing machine on 7 Feb, 1874 \$35.00 - paid

BIRTHS (cousins)

Elizabeth Cath'ne Campbell born 10 June 1864
 John Edward Campbell born June 18, 1866
 William Alpin Campbell born June 25, 1868
 George Hugh Campbell born June 28, 1871
 Joseph Simon Campbell born Aug 21, 1873
 Daniel Cary Campbell born Dec 3, 1875, died Oct 24, 1876
 Archie Manard Campbell born June 2, 1877
 May Campbell born 6 May, 1881
 Lorne Robertson Campbell born Feb 22, 1879
 Lovina Jane Campbell born Mar 11, 1883
 Aramenella Campbell born July 26, 1884
 Frank Arthur Campbell born Nov 22, 1885
 Jennie Ethel Henderson born July 1890
 Augustia Hell— born Nov 23, 1891
 Catherine Elizabeth ___ born 28 Sept 1893, died Sept 1894
 Eward Campbell Henderson born 8 Feb, 1895

EXPENSES - May 18, 1879

1 Black straw hat	.75	1 1/4 yard blk ribbon	.29
1 flowers wreath	.35	1 pr corset	1.90
1 pr gloves	.25	½ yd ribbon	.16
Black cap	4.25	Fur cape	4.75
Pr cloth shoes	1.25	1 collar	.20
1 fancy dress	1.08	Spool	.05
Buttons	.12	Slippers	.90

Other entries were in pencil and too faint to make certain. Miss Campbell's expenses to Toronto, including train schedules isn't legible enough to include here. Also several pages are in another hand, her father's as I believe. It concerns a Farmers Institute meeting Jan 17, 1884 which she mentions earlier in another entry. These notes concern farming methods and are also in pencil. In this tiny booklet are an additional 15 pages without writing, which shows how conservative paper usage was at that time.

Presented by Joseph F Campbell, PhD uncle of Annie, son of Joseph McAlpin Campbell, brother of Annie.

Compiled by Ann Leighton-Kyle

OSGOODE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

The following articles are from the estate of Stuart Hill of Vernon. He held the papers over a long period of time for the Osgoode Agricultural Society. As records keeper he filed by way of a pasteboard box, bachelor style. These remained in his keeping until his niece Vivian Sorg (Hill) sorted them out with his other effects. Some valuable information was found therein. A letter important to the Agricultural Society is repeated in part -

Ontario Department of Agriculture
Office of the Representative
Carp, Ont
Nov 14, 1917

Dear Sir:

Officials and prominent stockmen of the various Eastern provinces of the Dominion were recently called together by the Food Controller and informed that the food situation in Europe is very serious, especially with reference to the supply of fats and meats, so much so, that if something is not done at once to relieve the situation we might lose the war through lack of food. As a result of the seriousness of the food situation, a Dominion wide campaign has been instituted to increase to the largest extent possible, Canada's hog production. Hog raising forms the quickest means of increasing our supply of meats and fats.

We all know that the hog industry in the past has been somewhat uncertain influencing the Ontario farmers against increasing their swine herds. The flour mills will be forced to sell their by-products without profit and every effort will be made to see that farmers get a fair share of their output. In future farmers going into the hog business may be assured of a supply of suitable food for their hogs.

The situation in Europe is so serious that the Food Controller refrains from having it published in the press for if this information should in any way reach the enemy the result may be serious. It has been decided, therefore, to endeavor if possible to bring this matter as forcibly as possible to the attention of the farmers of Ontario, through personal contact. On account of the seriousness of the food situation, it was decided to hold County Conferences in each County to carry the information direct to farmers.

The Hog Conference for the Township of Osgoode will be held in the Town Hall, Metcalfe Nov 28th at 8:00 p.m. You are urgently requested to attend this Conference, your name having been suggested by your township delegate at the County Conference.

I trust that you will not let anything interfere with your presence as the situation demands that every effort be put forth.

Yours very truly
W.L. Jackson (signed)

RULES AND BY-LAWS OF OSGOODE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

The object of the society is to improve the agricultural stock in the township by keeping purebred sires in cattle, sheep and swine for the use of members at lowest possible cost.

- (1) Membership fee, one dollar (\$1.00)
- (2) Each member is entitled to the use of a pure bred bull for eight cows for two dollars (\$2.00) per year.
- (3) The use of a pure bred ram for fifty cents (\$.50) each service. The membership fee to count in the above charges.

The society furnishes animals on the following conditions:

- (a) A bull to any section that will secure ten members at two dollars (\$2.00) per year for three years and feed and care for bull properly.
- (B) A hog to any section that will secure twenty members for three years, each member to breed not less than one sow twice in the year, the member who cares for the hog

to receive half of the services' fee and ten dollars (\$10.00) a year.

(C) A ram to any two members who will pay one dollar (\$1.00) a year for three years and feed and care for the animal.

Jas. Ferguson
President
A.M. Stewart
Sec. Treas.

PARTIAL LIST OF MEMBERS

Jas. Fisher	Kenmore	1.00
Wallace Johnston	Kenmore	1.00
A. McNab	Kenmore	1.00
D.A. McLaren	Kenmore	1.00
Park Little (Sottle ?)	Kenmore	1.00
West Thomas	Vernon	1.00
J.B. Sully	Metcalfe	1.00
S. Henderson	Metcalfe	1.00
David James	Metcalfe	1.00
Alf Morris	Metcalfe	1.00
W.P. Jeacle	Metcalfe	1.00
Chas Howes	Metcalfe	1.00
Geo Tuttle	Metcalfe	1.00
W.J. Boyd	Metcalfe	1.00
A. Blair	Metcalfe	1.00
Joseph Hunt	Metcalfe	1.00
Wilson Blair	Metcalfe	1.00
Robert Boyd	Metcalfe	1.00
L.T. Stanley	Metcalfe	1.00
J.W. Blair	Metcalfe	1.00
William Ryan	Metcalfe	1.00
Geo Sully	Metcalfe	1.00
James Stanley	Metcalfe	1.00
David Harrison	Metcalfe	1.00
James Lee	Metcalfe	1.00
J.H. Boyd	Metcalfe	1.00
Dan Cameron	Metcalfe	1.00
John Morris	Metcalfe	1.00
Paddy Shanahan	Metcalfe	1.00
James O'Connor	Metcalfe	1.00
Anderson Bailey	Metcalfe	1.00
C Stewart	Dalmeny	2.00
J.C. Stewart	Dalmeny	2.00
D.M. Stewart	Dalmeny	1.00
Tomas Campbell	Dalmeny	2.00
Alien Tousant	Dalmeny	2.00
David Logan	Dalmeny	2.00
J.W. Kennedy	Dalmeny	1.00
Harry Stewart	Dalmeny	1.00
A.M. Stewart	Dalmeny	1.00

LIST OF OFFICERS OSGOODE AG SOCIETY IN 1917

President - A Blair, 1st Vice President - P. Anderson, 2nd Vice President - A G. Kennedy, Secretary - R.S. Hill
Directors: Colin Stuart, D. Stuart, C Dempsey, T. Dalglish, G McEwen, P. Little, Joseph York, W.P. Jacles

NOTES IN 1918

Receipts	
1917 balance brought forward	157.23
Oct 25 Government grant	68.00
Dec 10 Price of bull	60.00
Dec 24 Price of hog	25.00
Jan 14, 1918 Membership fees & service of stock	\$28.00
Total	\$338.23

Payements (sic)	
For purchase & maintenance of stock	226.50
Cashing of cheque, postage & stationery	.50
Total	\$227.00

During the year we lost one ram. We bought 4 rams. We bought one hog. The stock we have at present consists of 9 rams and one boar.

Men in charge of stock:

Ram: Wm Jeacle, Geo Tuttle, Daniel Cameron, Ace Bigford, David James, Jas. Sully, Wilson Blair, Geo Sully.
Boar: A Blair

McDONELL FAMILY

The name McDonell is the most common on early Osgoode Township deeds - about 35 of that name by the time the township began to be settled. But the best known is that of Archibald McDonell who wrote to the Lieut. Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, Sir John Colburn on Dec. 6th, 1832.

The Petition of Archibald McDonell, late Captain in the 1st Regiment of Stormont Militia, and Ass't Adjutant General of Militia during the late war with the United States of Americas, most humbly sheweth:

That your Petitioner moved into the Bounty of Land granted to him in consideration of his services, in the Township of Osgoode, County of Russell, Ottawa District in the year 1827, then twenty miles from any settlement.

That your Petitioner devoted much of his time and means to the opening of roads through the Township, which facilitated the way for many others to follow ...and your Petitioner flatters himself with the hope of seeing, in a short time, this Township the most flourishing settlement in the District.... (U.C. Sundries, Public Archives)

The Osgoode Township Papers indicate indeed that Archibald McDonell devoted a great deal of his time to help new residents in times of trouble of every kind. He even signed a petition in 1834, along with sons Alexander and Duncan, which asked that a Glebe be set aside for the "Church of their Fathers" - Presbyterian - lot 38, Con 3.

Edwin McDonald from St Andrews West has supplied us with data from the church records there. Archibald McDonell married Catherine McDonell on Sept 26, 1805. Children - Alexander born Aug 22, 1808; Duncan born July 23, 1810; Margaret Amelia born March 20, 1812; Mary born March 28, 1816; John born May 5, 1818; Catherine born Sept 9, 1820; Donald born Sept 7, 1822; Allan Samuel born Sept 22, 1824. From other sources we learn that there were at least George, Janet, Charles, Susan, born later.

Catherine McDonell, wife of Archibald had been granted land in 1823 along with brother John and sister Janet because they were children of a Loyalist, Alexander McDonell - "commonly called the King's son." That John got lot 19, con 6, Catherine got lot 20, con 6, and Janet got lot 21, con 6, was to receive prominence in the early history here. Archibald's 'bounty' consisted of 800 acres and he got an additional 200. In 1834 these 1000 acres were put up at Public Auction - lots 18, 20 21 in con 7, and lots 25, 26, in con 8 and sold to the highest bidder, Philip VanKoughnet, M.P.P for Cornwall for 150 pounds. When Archibald voted in the first election in which Osgoode took part (1834), he stated as his property, lot 20, con 6. In 1851 when the Agricultural Census was taken, he gave this again as his property. This is the lot west of Highway 31 where the turn is made into Metcalfe.

It was on part of this lot that the first Roman Catholic Church was built in the Township in 1838-39. In 1840, Archibald and his wife made a gift of 5 acres of the property to the church. Here too was the first R.C cemetery with a special plot for the family. Here Archibald died, intestate in Nov 2, 1853, age 73. Catherine later sold the property to James Murray. The family burying ground, 35' x 25' was reserved. When the 1842 census was taken, Archibald McDonell Esq stated that he had been born in Scotland and that he had been in this province 56 years. It would seem that he came out with his parents about 1785.

Catherine was living with son George in 1861. Her obituary, supplied by a grand daughter of Margaret Amelia, stated that she died at the residence of her son

Allan S on March 11, 1869. Her headstone in the Metcalfe Cemetery has disappeared.

The oldest son Alexander, married Catherine Tobin, daughter of Peter of Cornwall. She died 1877, and Alex on Dec 27, 1880. He mentioned 10 children in his will: Joseph A, John A, James, Duncan, Anna, Margaret, Mary, Angus A, Allan Peter, the administrator and Ira Morgan.

Allan Samuel died 29 Feb, 1892 naming in his will brothers Duncan, John, Daniel, Charles and sisters Mary Pape, Janet Baker (wife of Adam Baker) of Brandon Man. And Susan McKay. Margaret Amelia Rattray had died April 1875.

I am married to Ronald son of Malcolm of Osgoode. We are anxious to learn more of this large scattered family.

Frances MacDonell, 819 Stanstead Rd., Ottawa

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ARCHIVIST/CURATOR'S REPORT

Once again we have had a busy season. Many visitors have been through the museum and agricultural building. A large number were here to do genealogical research. For some this was their first visit. We welcome everyone and encourage the use of our collection of research material.

We continue to receive telephone and e-mail enquiries and are always happy to have new members join.

The number of donated artifacts have increased a great deal.

From Barry McKeracher we have received the following - decorative long mirror; 2 toasters (flips open at the sides); baking powder can; cookie tins; ink blotters; hand mirror with comb and manicure set; several framed pictures; buffalo rug; rolling pin; wicker corner clothes hamper; cheese box.

Ross McDiarmid has donated eyeglasses, one of interest is a pair of child's glasses that belonged to Jessie Campbell; books (hymn book, music books, cook book); irons; stick pin broach; watches.

During the summer and fall season we have received so many valuable artifacts that it is not possible to list them all. When we re open in the spring, I hope you will come and see for yourself the wide variety of interesting artifacts.

Donna Bowen



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