

Porteous Store © 1922

Porteous Store - site of early Post Office

Recently it was believed that Vernon Post Office had joined the ever diminishing businesses in Vernon and would continue only as a locked box detail someplace on Highway 31. With the effort of many, new housing of the postal outlet was agreed to by Canada Post, and will be at the vacated Petric Dealership at the northern edge of Vernon on Hwy 31. Grateful Vernonites will not need to leave the village to do postal business.

According to "Vernon Then and Now" a 1950 publication by Belle MacMartin and Beatrice Porteous, these pioneers received their mail once a week at Metcalfe Cross-Roads Post Office in the home of Daniel Cameron who was appointed Postmaster in 1842. Later, Vernon received two daily mails which came from Winchester via Vernon to Osgoode in the morning and returned in the evening. Rural mail was picked up only at the Post Office until mail courier Ezra Biccum began his Vernon to Metcalfe and Vernon to Osgoode Route.

The Post Master General awarded a Post Office to Vernon in January 1862. William Campbell of Metcalfe built a store which records at the Osgoode Township Historical Society indicate was located at Concession 8, Lot 39 which would be the north-east corner of Highway 31 and Lawrence Street, at the present day flashing lights. The first Postmaster was J.W. Imlay who was appointed on Mar. 1, 1862 and he continued his duties until Dec 26, 1865. A vacancy in this position was then filled by Duncan MacDonald on Aug 1, 1866 up to Apr 23, 1875. This building and another on the same site were destroyed by fire sometime in the 1870's.

A store across the street at Concession 7, Lot 40 was built by Joseph Taylor. Thomas Bow was the operator of the Post Office and this General Store which he called the Glasgow Trading Post. Thomas Bow was appointed on July 21, 1875 and ended on Mar 24, 1904. He was replaced by J.K. Porteous on April 1, 1904 who served up to Mar 22, 1913. This building was best known for many years as the Porteous Store. From then, William Dockstader took over and served up to Mar 3, 1920; J.D. Campbell June 17, 1920 to May 7, 1921; Alex Hubert Mayer from Aug 8, 1921 to April 10, 1921; Bertram McKercher from April 1, 1923 to Sept 1, 1939; Mrs Bessie McKercher from Sept 1 served in an acting role; Howard Wellington Porteous was Postmaster from Oct 2, 1939 until he retired Jun 17, 1966 a appointment following his military service in WWI..

The Porteous Store with Bill & Roy Porteous took over at that time and continued until the business was sold to Ken Kim in November 1989,

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at the

Old Vernon School

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when the store name was changed to the Vernon Foodland. Ken Kim closed this business in Nov, 2002 and the Post Office was moved down the street to the Vernon Variety Store under Farid El Kayal. His contract ended in Nov. 2007, though the Kayal's continue to offer service until the premises at Petric make their official opening.

Researched by Alec Ball (National Archives of Can.) & Kay Porteous in "Vernon Then & Now," and "History of the Porteous Store"

MUSEUM & ARCHIVE HAPPENINGS

★ The Museum and Archives remain open Tues. to Sat. from 9:00 to 5:00 p.m. Staffed by James Stevenson, Pat Trudel and new part-timer Anne Robinson.

★ Algonquin Students in Museum Studies Program are working on student programs which will become part of the displays at OTHS.

★ The Military Display of November will be replaced by a historical Christmas display.

DECK THE HALL AT THE MUSEUM 

a Christmas Craft for children on Sat Dec 15, 2007 from 2 - 4 p.m. Invitation for children to come and make a historic decoration and light refreshment to follow.

HOLIDAY CRAFT EVENT

Sat 22nd Dec, 2007 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Five Historic Craft Workshops for elementary aged children.
Tin Lantern, Silhouette Portrait, Seed Necklace, Balancing Acrobat.

Storyteller and light refreshment to follow

MY BUDDY & I - A croquinoie tournament. 

A father/parent child against other father/child teams. Prizes for the best players.

For more info call the museum at 613-821-2301 or OTHSM@magma.ca

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MUSEUM & ARCHIVE HAPPENINGS Cont'd

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

★ Dec 4, 2007 - combined tree lighting of village trees and caroling with Vernon Community Assn. Everyone welcome

★ Jan 8, 2008 - speaker to be announced

★ Feb.5, 2008 - Annual General Meeting. For selection of Directors and Officers for coming year. Nominations and volunteers gladly accepted.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

For Sale

St Catherine's Cemetery, Metcalfe \$7.00

Our Lady of Visitation, South Gloucester \$8.50
 researched by Alec Ball

In Our Defense: The Veterans and Military Heritage of Historic Osgoode Township - Vol. I & Vol. II
 Researcher/Author Coreen Atkins-Sheldrick
 \$35.00 each or both for \$60.00

Pioneer Families of Osgoode Township Vol XXII - 10 Families featured- James Allan; Phair; Booth; Alexander Taylor; John Cameron; Hugh Black Cameron; William McKeen; Alexander Little; William Morrison \$4.00
 researched by Ann Leighton-Kyle
 (additional shipping & handling will apply)

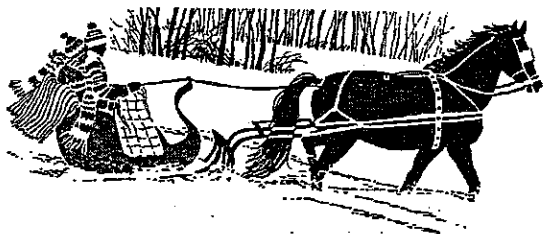
For Reference

4 CD's- photos of cemetery stones of Our Lady of Visitation Cemetery
 Nancy & Maureen McEvoy
 Van Camp Cemetery, Van Camp
 St Luke's Cemetery, Finch
 A Detailed Glimpse of Osgoode Township in 1879
 researched by Alec Ball

★ Don't forget your memberships. \$15.00 for the year. Note your due date on upper right corner of your address label.

**OSGOODE TOWNSHIP
 HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM
 NEWSLETTER**

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EXCERPT FROM PHILEMON WRIGHT PAPERS - The Raft Books 1806 - 1825

- compiled by Norma Morrison. A series of entries from small notebooks detailing business transactions and personnel on rafts between the Chaudiere (at Hull) and Quebec City. All underlined names had a relationship with the Osgoode Campbell family in one way or another. Note: Jerius/Jarius Campbell = Jeremiah Campbell was the oldest brother of Thomas Campbell, great grandfather of the author Norma Morrison.

- 1810- diary of June trip to Quebec and stay in Quebec City
- 1812 - Raft Book of Philemon Wright - 1st raft started 4 June among hands on board - Ephraim Chamberlin who "commenced work on the raft at 10/day till the same arrives at the foot of the rapids near the city of Montreal" and Benjamin Chamberlin who was to earn one dollar a day.
- 1813 - 1 raft from Hull, Grand River Lower Canada in May to Quebec 2 rafts started from Hull, head of the Grand Shadire Falls, 10 July and bound for city of Quebec.
- 1814 - Raft started from the Grand Chaudiere Falls 4 July. Among Officers and men on board - Jarius Campbell, Mate, who "left the raft at the foot of the rapids at Long Sault morning of 4 August."
- 1816 - Raft book No. 1 - June
- 1816 - Raft Book No. 3 - Quebec to Hull - 5 Nov.
- 1817 - Petty Cash Book commenced 24 Jan 1817 (also contains 4th Raft Book bound for Quebec 10 July 1819. 1st Raft Book for 1817 Anno Domini. The first Raft Book for 1817 started from Grand Chaudiere Falls the 4th of June, being the King's birthday, in good order and condition. All hands on board well so God send the said Raft to its port in safety. Amen.
- 16 June - paid George Ferrand bill as pilot at Long Sault £4.10. Paid Jerius Campbell bill at Long Sault £25.
- 1818 - 2nd Raft Book (only) left Hull 1 Aug. 27 Aug - Jerius Campbell - 1½ days labour, 12 days labour of your son David £4.1.8
- 1819 - 1st Raft Book - 23 May to Quebec
 4th Raft Book - see 1817 above - 10 July to Quebec
 5th Raft Book - 31 July Quebec
- 1821 - 1st Raft Book - 26 May "now laying below the Chaudiere Falls ready to sail for Quebec Market" 2nd Raft Book - 30th June
 3rd Raft Book - 7 July Among men on board James Campbell "came on the raft 14 July at the head Sault and left it on the 16th at night. 26 July came to this raft at night and left on 2 Aug at the end of Montreal Island at night, which his work amounts to 12 days at \$3 per day, which is equal to £9. Francis Willman worked 28 July to 14 Aug.
- 1822 - 1st Raft Book - June to Quebec
 2nd Raft Book - 29 June, Hull to Quebec
- 1823 - 2nd Raft Book 1 July
- 1824 - 1st Raft Book - April
 3rd Raft Book - 19 July - also contains Petty Cash Book (many mentions of payments to Jarius Campbell).
- 1825 - Raft Book and expenses

PHILEMON WRIGHT PAPERS CONT'D

Vol 115 Raft Books mention Joseph P. Ferrin as #1 or #2 man

Notes: Of the 3 boxes of Raft Books in Wright Papers, I checked for Jeremiah Campbell. The James Campbell mentioned in 1821 was likely Jeremiah's brother. It is interesting to note that Jeremiah's son David was also mentioned as working on a raft with his father in 1818 when David would have been 17 years of age. I checked the Raft Books for the year 1836 when Jeremiah was killed but there were none for that year. That year Jeremiah was on a raft belonging to Messrs Rodger and Thompson of Perth.

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prepared by Norma Morrison

CAMPBELL AMONG THE MISSING AT RAPIDS

-first submitted in Newsletter Vol XXII #2, 1995
At that time Norma Morrison wrote - "Jeremiah's name kept cropping up when researching her great grandfather, Thomas Campbell in Argenteuil County, Quebec where the Campbell's lived in the 1790's. After Jeremiah's untimely death, younger brother Thomas left for Plantagenet and later for Osgoode and Mountain Townships."

**EXCERPT FROM THE MONTREAL GAZETTE
Saturday evening, Oct 22, 1836**

Point du Lac, Tuesday, October 18, 1836

Between 6 o'clock last evening and six this morning, a gale was experienced from S.E upon Lake St Peter so violent that 4 rafts have been completely broken up and caused the loss of 25 lives. One of the rafts, the property of Messrs. Rodgers & Thompson of Perth was this morning found scattered upon the beach and all of th crew, 13 in number, have perished. Eight of the latter crew were found this morning upon the shore, amongst was the pilot, Jeremiah Campbell, one of the oldest and most experienced pilots on the river.

**IN SEARCH
OF THEIR
ROOTS**

These researchers have had answers to their queries by the archival staff. For further info or to contact the writer, contact the museum at OTHS@magma.ca

via e-mail

I see by your website that you have a family file on the McCallums. I am trying to find more information on my ancestor James McCallum, his wife Jane and their son Robert, and possibly daughter Mary. I believe James immigrated about 1841 from Antrim, Ireland settling in Osgoode Township.

Bev Lohm

My family line in Osgoode is Murray. My great grandfather was Arthur Murray who married Florence Burke (a home child). They had children: Howard (m. Elizabeth Daly); Ethel (m. Philip Daly); Edna and May. Arthur's father was Joseph who married Mary Ann Wallace and Joseph's father is

believed to be James Murray. Elizabeth Daly and Philip Daly apparently had their farm in Metcalfe.

Donna Daly

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Michael Daley

My name is Una Wogan from Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow, Ireland. I've just read the piece you wrote "How Enniskerry Got It's Name". I'd love to know how Enniskerry, Ontario got its name back in 1899.

HOW ENNISKERRY GOT ITS NAME

Ms. Wogan;

The name Enniskerry came about slowly to this settlement. As early as 1834, the Bytown Prescott Stagecoaches passed this way, settlement was well underway. The parish of St. John the Evangelist was established in 1854. A small frame church had been built, as a mission to "Our Lady of The Visitation" in 1860. Father Thomas O'Boyle, native of Co. Mayo, Ireland, was appointed as the first resident priest in this Irish settlement which became known as the Prescott Road Parish. He died here Jan 7, 1866, his body was entered in the parish cemetery. On July 17, 1870 Father Aeneas MacDonnell was appointed pastor, and remained until 1879. A post office was established April 1, 1875 at the McEvoy homestead, with John McEvoy as first Postmaster. It was called Dawson post office, a name that honored Father Dawson, a rare presence among us as the successor to Father O'Boyle.

The parish became known as St John's of Dawson. Father Dawson was born 1810 in Red Haven Banffshire Scotland, of Scottish parents. His ecclesiastical studies were at Paris and Douai, returning to Scotland in 1835 and ordained to the priesthood. He was invited to Canada in 1852 and received from Pope Pius IX acknowledgement of his eminent church services and the privilege of reciting the Church Office. He was briefly accredited to Bytown and the charge of Uppertown, and Roman Catholic Chaplain to the Queen's Forces. Other honours were bestowed on him, appointment of Vicar-General of the Diocese of Alexandria, Doctor's Gown as LL.D from Queens University, Doctor of Letters from Laval University and Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

On November 1, 1899, the name Dawson was replaced by the name Enniskerry because mail was getting mixed up with Dawson in the Yukon. In April 4, 1914, rural routes came in, the small post offices were closed and mail was delivered from Osgoode station. Enniskerry, fell by the wayside, the hamlet became known as St Johns. The once thriving community of farmers, cheese factory, post office, a general store with gas, feed store were now but a memory.

In November 1980, I received a phone call from Dr Arnold Taylor, chairman of the Osgoode Township Planning Board, informing me they were going to designate St Johns as a hamlet and how should they spell it, St. John, or St. John's. I told him I wanted it called "Enniskerry". Well that threw him. He asked me to get the church hall for a meeting of the local people, which I did. A lively meeting was held (I had all the right people there). The name Enniskerry was reinstated. The signs went up in 1982.

HOW ENNISKERRY GOT ITS NAME CONT'D

The name Enniskerry is derived from its namesake situated 12 miles from Dublin City, gateway to some of loveliest scenery of County Wicklow - the Garden of Ireland.



As one wanders amidst the tombstones in this Pioneer cemetery, reading their inscriptions one notices the words Native of County Antrim, County Carlow, Kings County, County Cork, County Mayo, County Sligo, County Wexford, little wonder the name was changed to Enniskerry.

Michael Daley

Dear Michael Daley

This is in reference to your "School Days in the 1930-40's & Christmas Concerts" in Newsletter Vol XXXIII No 4, Dec. 2006. Yours brings to my attention as a young boy in Osgoode Village, the school fire at S.S.#22.

It was in the late 1930's or early 1940's before Christmas, we were preparing for our annual Christmas concert which was usually held at the Orange Hall. I remember in order to practice, we would leave our special clothes at the school. There were two buildings housing the grades 1 - 8. One was a cement block for grades 5 - 8 (since torn down) and a frame building for grades 1 - 4. It was the frame building that burnt (including our special clothes)!! And I'm sure it was in December. Subsequently a building (frame) was moved into the village to take its place. That building as far as I know still stands and is used for garage repairs (cars). It is my recollection the fire started in the late night or early morning.

Chances are the "museum" would have on record, the date and other detail.

George McLellan

Ed. Note: "From Then To Now" by Margaret Robb "This building S.S.#22... in early hours of a cold morning burned down in 1944, from an overheated stove."

IF BILLS WERE ITEMIZED

Intercolonial Gas Journal of the late 1920's
Total light bill for your home for a month \$5.67

Light consumed in hunting for the dime that your small son lost	\$.34
Light consumed in the parlor on the ten evenings that Jim Perkins called on your daughter, Mary. (Mary doesn't came much for Jim)	2.25
Light consumed in the parlor on the fifteen evenings that John Moore called on your daughter, Mary. (Mary likes John)05
Light consumed while you tried to figure out an overcharge of fifteen cents on last month's light bill18
Light consumed when you forgot to turn off the light in the cellar50
Light consumed while you tried to repair leak in the water pipes60
Light consumed while plumber (whom you were finally forced to call in) told about his war experiences and explained how he would repair the leak	1.20
Light consumed during actual work of repairing leak10
Light consumed while eating, bathing, shaving, housecleaning, figuring up household bills and accounts, etc.40

Light consumed while spending a nice, quiet evening at home with your family65

from FUELING PROGRESS One Hundred Years of the Canadian Gas Assn. in the archives of OTHS

AN IRISH COMMUNITY

As I turn back the pages of time as it were, in search of family history and other aspects of local history, I come upon family names often heard mentioned by my grandparents Michael Daley & Catherine Keough. In the twilight years of their lives they would by sit by the box stove in the dining room in the long winter evenings. My brother, sisters and I would be sitting around the kitchen table in the pale glow from the coal oil lamp, doing our homework. When finished my homework, I would crawl under the dining room table and with only the glow from the box stove lighting the room I would listen as they spoke of earlier times. They spoke of the struggles, of sadness, joy and pride surrounding the lives of those pioneer families. And of their friends and relatives and of those who had gone before them. This couple lived together for 69 years Michael passed away July 4th, 1947 age 96 years, Catherine died May 3rd 1948.

The years slip by. January 1973. my wife informed me she wanted to take her parents- Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thompson, to Ireland. They were both over 80 years of age. My arguments that we couldn't afford the trip and I couldn't leave the cows were futile. I was still saying no when she brought the airline tickets home. But that was the spark that created the urge to learn of my forefathers and the land from which they came. On March 15th of 1973, leaving snow on the ground, we left Montreal Airport flying across that vast expanse of water to Shannon airport, Co. Limerick Ireland. We were greeted by a soft spring rain falling gently on lush green fields. We had returned to the land our forefathers had left so many years before.

Returning from that enchanting, Emerald Island, I was propelled even deeper into the fascinating world of history and genealogy. My mind went back to those earlier time, to names of those my Grandparents had off times mentioned. Names like the Dooly, Darcy, Keagan, Kenney, Keough, Molamphy's, Fanning, Thompson, etc. came alive.

Picture with me for a moment if you will, prior to the coming of modern machinery, farmers working in their fields would listen to hear the church bell ring the Angelus at 12 o'clock at dinner time and 6 o'clock in the evening. Time to quit. Even the horses, working in the fields knew it was time to quit. The bell heard ringing at odd times could mean a death in the community. By the nature of the tolling, one knew that the death was that of a man, a woman, or a child. As one wonders amidst the tombstones in this pioneer cemetery, and listen to the wind sighing through the pine trees that stands like sentinels. Their shadows ever reaching to embrace all those interred beneath them and turning back as it were, the pages of time, one cannot help but visualize the hard life these courageous people our ancestors lived. Clearing acre by acre, building first a shelter, schools, and a place to worship their God.

Michael Daley

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT- 1889

This is the Last Will and Testament of **JOHN SAXON CAMPBELL** of the Township of Osgoode in the County of Carleton and Province of Ontario, Farmer, made this twenty-seventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

I revoke all former Wills or other Testamentary Dispositions by me at any time heretofore made and declare this only to be and contain my last Will and Testament. I direct all my just debts funeral and Testamentary expenses to be paid and satisfied by my Executors, hereinafter named as soon as conveniently may be after my decease. I give, devise and bequeath all my Real and Personal Estate of which I may die possessed in the manner following, that is to say:

To my son **JOHN CHESTER CAMPBELL** the west half of Lot number seventeen in the twelfth Concession of the Township of Mountain, County of Dundas and Province of Ontario, containing by admeasurement one hundred acres, more or less, with the exception of thirty feet to be reserved in width for a road running along the west side of said lot to be used as ingress and egress to the south-east quarter of Lot sixteen of the said Township; also I give and bequeath to him the east half of the south-east quarter of Lot Number sixteen in the twelfth Concession of the Township of Mountain, County of Dundas, Province of Ontario, containing by admeasurement twenty-five acres.

I give and bequeath to my son **DANIEL JOSIAH CAMPBELL** the north-east part of Lot number forty-three in the fourth Concession of the Township of Osgoode, County of Carleton, Province of Ontario, with all buildings erected thereon, containing seventy-five acres, with the following conditions, that is, my beloved wife **ELLEN** is to have to her sole use and benefit of the south side of the Hall of my present dwelling house containing in the lower part a sitting room and one bedroom, and two bedrooms upstairs and a closet, and free use of the stairs leading thereto, and she is to have the use of the kitchen as she requires it, and to have free access to any part of the house and premises as she may wish or desire to do. She is to be properly maintained, fed and boarded with whatever nourishments she requires to the rooms and that part of the house allotted to her is to be heated and properly warmed as required by her. All furniture and bedding that may be in these rooms she is to use and dispose of as she may deem best and to her advantage. And she is to be paid on the first day of March in each and every year as long as she may live, by my son Daniel Josiah, fifty dollars. And if she requires it, she is to have two milch cows to her own use and benefit and they are to be properly pastured and fed throughout winter and summer. She is also to have a horse and vehicle to go and come, as she may wish or require. If she requires medical attendance, that she is to receive free of any charge.

To my son **JAMES SAXON CAMPBELL** I give one dollar as I have gave him a deed of his portion of land.

My son **DANIEL JOSIAH** is to make the following payments and pay to my daughter **MALINDA MAMELIA** two hundred dollars, the same to be paid to her as follows - one hundred dollars one year after my decease and the balance one hundred dollars two years after my decease. She is to have her maintenance and clothing necessary as she requires it and to have and occupy the bedroom she has always occupied upstairs in the north-east corner of my dwelling house so long as she remains unmarried. She is to have her bed and bedding and all bedroom furniture in said room. She is also to get two milch cows and three sheep, one feather bed and two straw ticks, four feather pillows, eight blankets and ten quilts; those articles she is to receive at the time of her marriage, if it should occur and to have free access, going to and fro, in my house and premises.

To my niece **SARAH ELLEN BOWEN** my son Daniel Josiah is to pay to her one hundred dollars three years after my decease. My wife **ELLEN** will see she is to be protected and give her bed and bedding as she may in her judgment consider suitable and necessary for her. My daughter **BARBARA JANE**, wife of **JAMES SIMPSON**, is to be paid fifty dollars. My daughter **SARAH ANN**, wife of **JAMES SIMPSON**, is also to be paid fifty dollars, the same to be paid by my son Daniel Josiah five years after my decease. To my niece **HARRIET LUCINDA** daughter of my deceased daughter **HARRIET LUCINDA**, wife of **DANIEL KENNEDY**, is to be paid ten dollars one year after my decease.

My son **DANIEL JOSIAH** is to have all my stock, horses, cows or any other cattle, farming utensils, carriages or any other chattel property that I may be in possession of at the time of my decease. I also give and bequeath to my son **DANIEL JOSIAH** the west half of the south east quarter of Lot number sixteen in the twelfth Concession of the Township of Mountain, County of Dundas and Province of Ontario, containing by admeasurement twenty-five acres, be the same more or less.

In addition to my former bequests, I give and bequeath to my daughter **ELLEN ELLMIRA**, wife of John Bowen, one hundred dollars to be paid to her by my son Daniel Josiah, fifty dollars one year after my decease and the balance fifty dollars two years after my decease. I devise and bequeath unto **HARRIET MATILDA**, **CHARLOTTE ELIZABETH**, **EDGAR ANDREW JOHN JAMES** and **BETSY HELENA**, sons and daughter of my late daughter, **MATILDA HARRIET**, wife of **JAMES SIMPSON**, one dollar each.

And I nominate and appoint my beloved wife **ELLEN** my executrix, and my friend and son-in-law **DANIEL CAMPBELL** and my son **JOHN CHESTER CAMPBELL**, to be executors of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day and year first written above.

(Signed) John S. Campbell

Signed published and declared by the said John Saxon Campbell the Testator as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who both present together at the same time in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses. Ira Morgan, Esq. & Archie Clark, farmer - both of Township of Osgoode, County of Carleton submitted by Norma Morrison great granddaughter of John Saxon Campbell

SOUL & INSPIRATION

An ode to Elizabeth Stuart by Tom Gilliland on the occasion of her 100th birthday this past summer. Elizabeth originated and promoted the formation of the Osgoode Township Men's Choir.

We don't know how you did it
Took a group of men
Gave them the courage to sing
Put joy back into singing again, lady

You're our soul and our heart's inspiration
You were the one who started us
You're our soul and our heart's inspiration
Without your passion we wouldn't be

You were our spark of fire
Our first breath of life
We would not be without your
Saying a men's choir is what we need, lady

You're our soul and our heart's inspiration
You were the one who started us
You're our soul and our heart's inspiration
Without your passion we wouldn't be - We wouldn't be

Lady, we wouldn't be here without you
And I'm tellin' the truth
That you're our reason for laughin' and for bringin'
Our souls to our singin', Lady

We are so proud to know you
And we all want to wish you
A most wonderful birthday, we swear it,
We all love you dearly

You're our soul and our heart's inspiration
You were the one who started us
You're our soul and our heart's inspiration
Without your passion we wouldn't be - We wouldn't be

NINETEENTH CENTURY EDUCATION

Remember when our grandparents and such said that they only had grade 8 education? Could any of us passed an 8th grade examination?

Grammar

1. Give 9 rules for the use of Capital Letters.
2. Name the Parts of Speech and define those that have no modifications.
3. Define Verse, Stanza and Paragraph.
4. What are the Principal Parts of a verb? Give Principal Parts of lie, play and run.
5. Define Case, Illustrate each Case.
6. What is Punctuation? Give rules for principal marks of Punctuation.
7. Write a composition of about 150 words and show therein that you understand the practical use of the rules of grammar.

Arithmetic

1. Name and define the Fundamental Rules of Arithmetic.
2. A wagon box is 2 feet deep, 10 feet long and 3 ft. wide. How many bushels of wheat will it hold?
3. If a load of wheat weighs 3042 lbs., what is it worth at 50 ¢/bushel, deducting 1050 lbs for tare?
4. District No. 33 has a valuation of \$35,000. What is the necessary levy to carry on a school seven months at \$50 per month and have \$104 for incidentals?
5. Find the cost of 6720 lbs coal at \$6.00 per ton.
6. Find the interest of \$512.60 for 8 months and 18 days

at 7 percent.

7. What is the cost of 40 boards 12 inches wide and 16 feet long at \$20 per metre?
8. Find bank discount on \$300 for 90 days (no grace) at 10 percent.
9. What is the cost of a square farm at \$15 per acre, the distance around which is 640 rods?
10. Write a Bank Cheque, a Promissory Note and a receipt.

Orthography

1. What is meant by the following: Alphabet, phonetic, orthography, etymology, syllabication?
2. What are the following and give example of each: Trigraph, subvocals, diphthong, cognate letters, linguals?

PIONEER COOKING & GETTING BY HINTS

BEAT BISCUITS

4 quarts of flour 1 tablespoon of salt
1 cup lard

Mix until lard is consumed in flour. Add cold water to make a stiff dough. Knead. Place on a stump and beat 15 times with the flat of an axe. Bake in a mud oven according to the size of the bun.

STICK BANNOCK

Make a bowl like depression in your sack of flour. Add a pinch of salt, 2 teaspoons of baking powder and a cup of water. Stir until the dough forms a stiff ball. Roll and stretch out into a rope about 12 inches long. Wind around a stick and bake over campfire coals.

HUCKLEBERRIES FOR WINTER

Weave bullrushes together to make mats. Spread huckleberries on mats in sun to dry. Store in flour bags for winter.

SLAUGHTERING CHICKENS

If a number of chickens are to be slaughtered, wait until the snow is deep and the temperature low. Chop off their heads, and toss the bodies into the garden (well fenced to keep out varmints) to freeze solid. Then bury in snow. Dig them up as required and thaw.

DANDELION SALAD

Dig up young dandelion plants before they have bloomed. Wash well around upper root and the leaves. Cut up and toss with wild onion in a vinegar salad dressing. Young plantain and clover leaves are also good.

BOOT GREASE (Indian)

Cook bear grease and pitch in a pot. Stir good all the time. Take off fire to cool. Stir all the time. Heat up shoes by the fire. Put on lots of grease to keep out water.

From "Buckskin Cookery" at the Archives

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Keep in mind for Feb.6, 2008 that
NOMINATIONS FOR FOR OFFICERS &
DIRECTORS are welcomed.
Drop off your volunteer ideas or nominations for our
energetic board.

Seasons Greetings to all our members & supporters

