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MONTREAL

Old notes of family history -

David Rof. the Advocate General -  
- at - came from Tayke, Scotland  
in "The Black Watch" in Wolfe's  
Army. His Cousin John Rof  
also was at the taking of Quebec.  
After the war, they both settled  
in Quebec for a short time -  
John decided on going to the  
U. S. A. - He lived in Frederick  
Maryland. and the Rof cousins  
there, are descended from him.



David Rof came to Montreal  
where he was very successful  
in his profession. Built the  
large house, which is still stand-  
ing near the Champs de Mars,  
in about 1820. Besides many  
valuable lots in Montreal. His  
Garden was on St Urbain Street  
& St Catherine, where he grew  
famous melons. The Gardener's  
house, was to be seen on St Catherine  
a few years ago. My grandfather had  
a v. long illness. & where he died the  
estate was not rich enough to hold on  
to the land. The present Queen's Park  
among other things. Mr. Rof was the  
first Colonel of the M. Royal Artillery Regt  
which he himself raised. One of the  
stained glass windows, facing St C's is in  
his memory in the Christ Church Cath-  
edral



Odd Notes of the Family  
History

Mr. Webster's father was  
Robert Cruickshank, a United  
Empire Loyalist - and among  
the first of those to settle in  
Montreal - His house was on  
the North side of Notre Dame St -  
the fashionable part of the  
town - quite close to the first  
Christ Church Cathedral,  
and the present R.C. Church  
of Notre Dame -  
The old Chippendale chairs,  
tables &c - were imported for  
this house -



Mr. Cruickshank's portrait  
by Opie - now hangs in the  
dining-room here - It was  
painted on the occasion of  
my great-grandfather's last  
visit to his old home in England  
- He died in Bristol, as he was  
about to sail for Canada - and  
was buried there -

(A.R.C. must inherit his  
Tastes, as his great, great,  
Grandfather was evidently fond of  
good things, as his set of buckles  
- gorgeous waistcoats, &c. which I  
have shown Emily C.



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December 28<sup>th</sup>, 1926

With the "Family Tree" dear to  
Marion, I am sending you  
your great-grandmother's  
work box, with my love, and  
best wishes. I hope you will  
like it, and find it useful.

Yours devotedly

Harry



# Tracing our 9 generations of Canadian descent

1. Alexander "Fraser"  
Capt in the "Fraser Highlanders".  
(now known as the 8th Regt)  
He came to Quebec in Wolfe's Army in  
1759.  
Capt Fraser was a cousin of Lord Lovat.  
Head of the Fraser clan.  
When the war was over, the Captain  
retired from the Army. Settled in  
Quebec, acquired two Seigneuries,  
Beaurivage and Beauclaus.  
His Claymore is in the Manor House  
Beaurivage. Prov. Que.  
Capt Fraser, married  
Jane  
daughter of Mr. McCord of  
Quebec -



2. Their daughter Jane Fraser married The Honble Arthur Davidson Clerk of His Majesty's Court.
3. Their daughter Jane Davidson married David Rop K.C. and Advocate General. which title has not been in use since his death. He also came to Quebec in Wolfe's Army. in the famous "Black Watch".
4. Their eldest child, Arthur Rop, Esquire of Beauport - married Elizabeth Isobel Webster. daughter of Arthur Webster and Elizabeth Cruickshank, whose home was "Meadow Bank" on Isle Jesus. Pro. Que.



5. The youngest child of Arthur and Isobel Rop. was Emily, who married John Nelson Crawford of Verdun House.
6. Their son, Arthur Rop Crawford married Lillias Graham.
7. Their daughter being Marion Isobel Crawford who married William Adams Ramsay in May 1926

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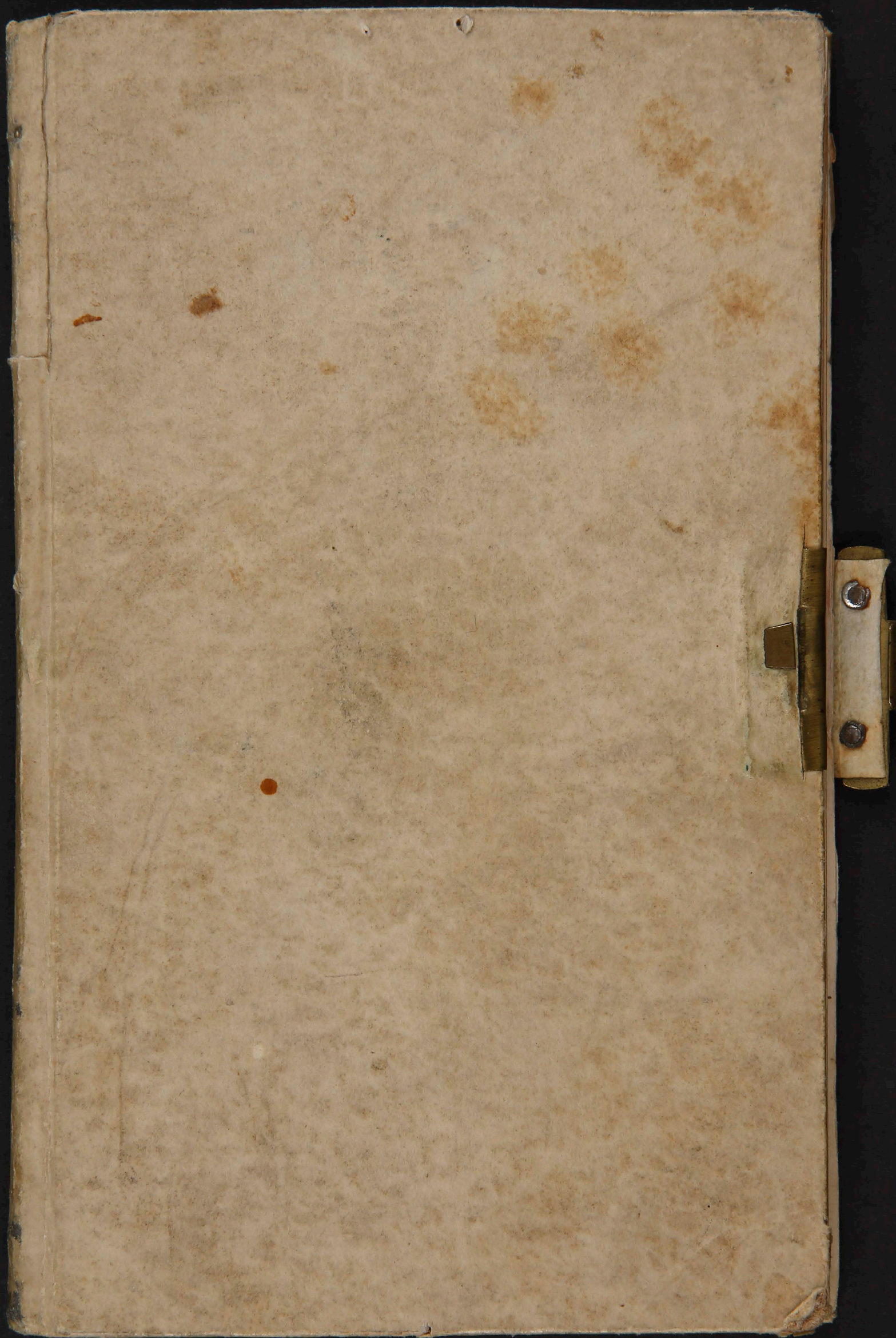
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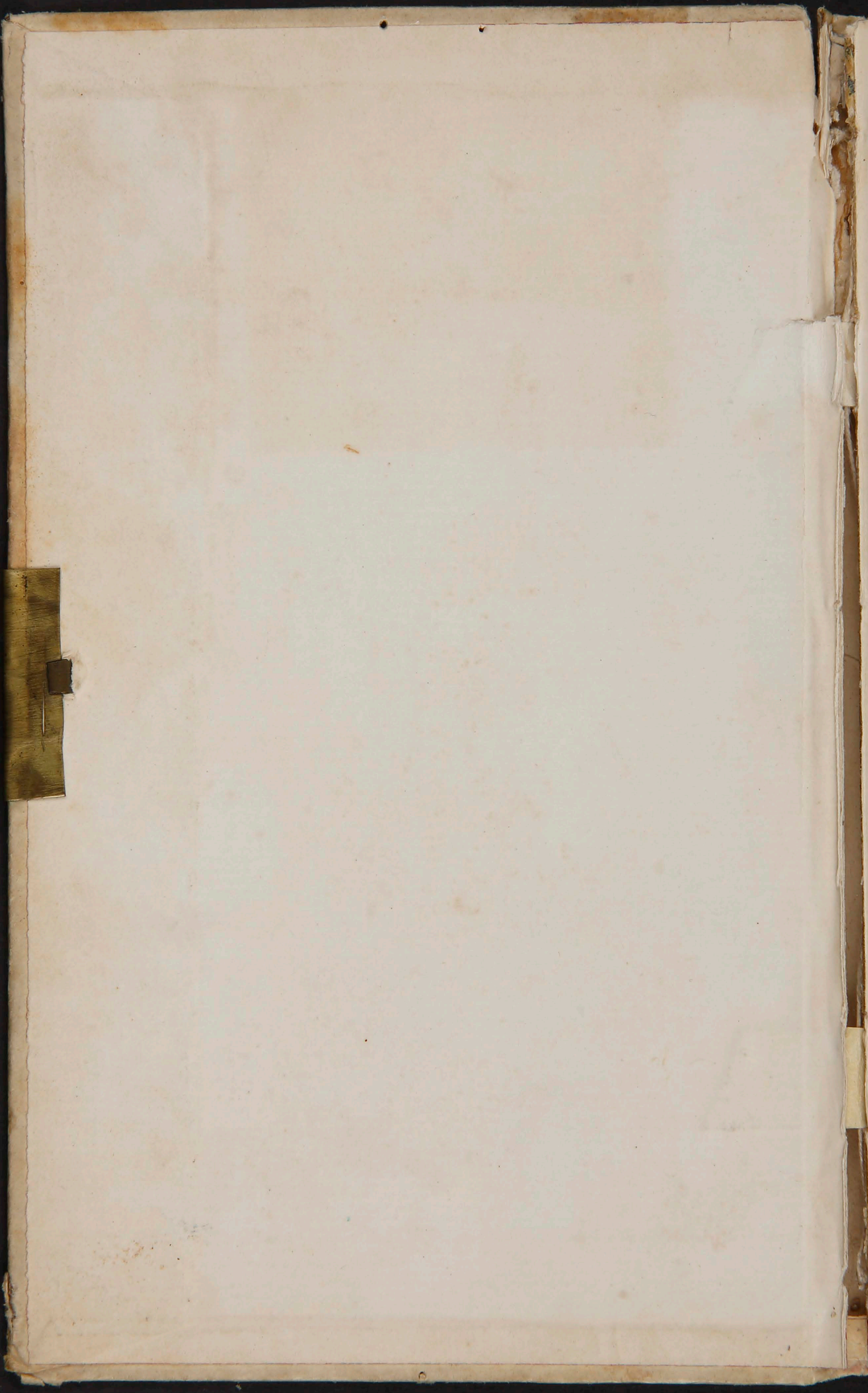
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List of Governors General since  
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Viscount Monck, 1867-1868.

Baron Lisgar, 1868-1872.

Earl of Dufferin, 1872-1878.

Marquis of Lorne, 1878-1883.

Marquis of Lansdowne, 1883-  
1888.

Baron Stanley of Preston, 1888-  
1893.

Earl of Aberdeen, 1893-1898.

Earl of Minto, 1898-1904.

Earl Grey, 1904-1911.

Duke of Connaught, 1911-1916.

Duke of Devonshire, 1916-1921.

Baron Byng, 1921-1926.

Viscount Willingdon, 1926.



# Tracing our 7 generations of Canadian descent

1. Alexander Fraser  
Capt. in the Fraser Highlanders  
He came to Quebec with Wolfe's  
Army in 1759 -  
His claymore is in the Manor  
House - Beauvoirage - Pro. Que
2. Judge Davidson - who  
married Capt. Fraser's daughter  
Jane
3. David Ross - K.C. - who  
married Jane Davidson
4. Arthur Ross - Seigneur of  
Beauvoirage - Son of David Ross
5. Emily Ross Crawford -  
daughter of Arthur Ross
6. Arthur Ross Crawford
7. Marion Isabel Crawford  
Stuart Lindsay " "
- 6 Lucy Wornley Ross " "
- 7 Marion Sheila Ross Ramsay
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## Approaching Marriages.

Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Crawford, the Lin-  
 ion, for the marriage of their daugh-  
 ter, Marion Isobel, to Mr. William  
 Adams Ramsay, son of Mr. and Mrs.  
 W. M. Ramsay, of "Ailsa Craig,"  
 Montclair, N.J., formerly of Montreal.  
 The ceremony will take place at the  
 residence of the bride's uncle and  
 aunt, Lord and Lady Atholstan, 538  
 Sherbrooke street west, on Saturday  
 afternoon, May 22, at half-past four  
 o'clock.

May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1926

## Entertaining Bride-elect.

Among those entertaining this week  
 for Miss Marion Crawford, a bride-  
 elect of Saturday are Miss Gertrude  
 Dick, who was a luncheon hostess  
 today; Miss Constance Dawes is en-  
 taining at dinner tonight; on Wed-  
 nesday Lady Shaughnessy will also  
 be a dinner hostess, entertaining that  
 evening at the Forest and Stream,  
 and on Thursday Miss Nancy Esdalle  
 is giving a luncheon. Last week Mrs.  
 John C. Webster gave a luncheon at  
 the Royal Montreal Golf Club in  
 honor of Miss Crawford.

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Miss Crawford to Wed on May 22.  
*Special to The New York Times.*

MONTCLAIR, N. J., May 12.—Invi-  
 tations have been issued for the mar-  
 riage of Miss Marion Isabell Crawford,  
 daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross  
 Crawford of Montreal, to William  
 Adams Ramsay, son of Mr. and Mrs.  
 William M. Ramsay of Montclair. The  
 ceremony will take place on May 22 at  
 the home of the bride's uncle and  
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 Montreal. Miss Crawford, who belongs  
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 ada, is a cousin of Lady Shaughnessy.

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This afternoon at half-past four o'clock at the residence of Lord and Lady Atholstan, Sherbrooke street west, their grand-niece, Miss Marion Crawford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Crawford, will become the bride of Mr. William A. Ramsay, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ramsay, of "Ailsa Craig," Montclair, N.J. Six little children will act as attendants of the bride, four of whom are her cousins, the Hon. Margaret Shaughnessy, the Hon. Hazel Shaughnessy, Hon. Anne Shaughnessy and the Hon. Billy Shaughnessy, children of Lord and Lady Shaughnessy, the other two attendants being little Miss Enid Montgomery and little Miss Eleanor Randle, of Montclair, N.J., niece of the groom. Mr. Baisley Ellebash, of New York, will act as best man for Mr. Ramsay, and the ushers will be Mr. Duncan Hodgson, Mr. Bernard Hallward, Mr. Thomas Randle, of Montclair, N.J., and Mr. John Halpin of New York. The Very Rev. Dean Carlisle will perform the ceremony.

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are reported. There has been some business put through in the trade and such sales as have been made have been at no further expense in prices. It may be that the full force of the recent "unofficial prediction" to the effect that the market is in for a further sensible decline has not yet been felt in any event, it is the general opinion on Summer Street that the market is very close to and probably right at the bottom even now.

#### Domestic.

##### Ohio and Pennsylvania fleeces—

Delaine, unwashed .....	57	@	58
Fine, unwashed .....	52	@	53
1/2-blood, combing .....	57	@	57
3/8-blood, combing .....	56	@	57
Wisconsin, Missouri and average			
1/2-blood, combing .....	52	@	53
1/2-blood, clothing .....	50	@	52
1/4, 3/8-blood, clothing ....	46	@	48
Low, 1/4-blood, combing..	40	@	42
Common and braid .....	35	@	36

##### Michigan and New York fleeces—

Delaine, unwashed .....	55	@	56
Fine, unwashed .....	49	@	50
1/2-blood, unwashed .....	55	@	56
3/8-blood, unwashed .....	55	@	56
1/4-blood, unwashed .....	51	@	52
Low 1/4-blood, combing..	40	@	42
1/2-blood clothing .....	48	@	50
1/4, 3/8-blood, clothing ....	44	@	46
Common and braid .....	35	@	36

##### New England—

1/2-blood ....	52	@	53
3/8-blood ....	54	@	55
1/4-blood ....	50	@	51
Common and braid .....	34	@	35
Black, burry, seedy clots.	34	@	35

##### Southern fleeces—

Ordinary mediums .....	48	@	50
Choice mediums .....	50	@	51

##### Kentucky, West Virginia and similar—

3/8-blood, unwashed .....	57	@	58
1/4-blood, unwashed .....	54	@	56
Common and braid .....	35	@	36

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## CRAWFORD

**RACIAL ORIGIN**—Scottish.

**SOURCE**—A locality.

Here is a family name which surely sounds English, but it is distinctly Scottish. It is a place name, and one derived from Gaelic instead of Saxon words, its present ending "ford" representing merely the influence of English speeches through a number of centuries and the confusion between the word "ford" and a Gaelic word of similar sound.

In reality the place name signifies "bloody pass." How it came to bear that name is an episode on which available history sheds no definite light, though it is logical to assume that it must have been the scene of at least one desperate encounter.

Among the Scots the name of Crawford is borne principally by those tracing their ancestry back to the Clan Lindsay. There are those among the Scottish historians who do not admit this clan into the classification of the Highland clans, since its first chiefs were of Norman origin. Yet, its holdings were on the edge of the Highlands, it played an important part in the history of the Highlands, and there can be no doubt that while its leaders were originally of Norman extraction the bulk of its membership represented Gaelic blood. The name is explained as a combination of the words "cru" and "ford."

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## The Crawford Family -

I have been asked by my boys  
to write for them, what I know,  
or have been told of the history  
of their fore-bears. I shall begin  
with the Crawford family -

It must be remembered  
that the notes which follow, will  
of necessity be very fragmentary.  
However, when I am gone, it  
may be of interest to know  
what is really authentic of  
the past generations -

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The Craufords  
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- ed to Ireland. According to the  
researches made by Rev Angus  
Crauford (about 1880) the family  
are descendants of Flora  
Macdonald -

The 1<sup>st</sup> to own the Ballinew  
House property, of Banbridge  
- County Down - was a George  
Crauford. who built a cottage  
in the garden of the present  
house. Later on erecting the  
comfortable "Ballinew House"  
which is reached from the main  
road, by a pretty little Suspension  
Bridge, over the River Ban, which  
leads to a short Avenue with  
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George William Crawford.  
Son of the former owner. was  
next to come into possession  
of Sallicvery. Having lost  
heavily in a linen speculation  
in the West Indies, he sold the  
place to a cousin. Procured  
a sailing vessel in which he  
crossed the Atlantic to Canada,  
with his wife, 2 daughters,  
6 sons - and - his pack of  
hounds!

M<sup>rs</sup> Crawford, before her marriage  
was a Miss Hayes.

The voyage took 3 months to accom-  
plish. Rather oddly, the first  
Crawford home was the  
Esplanade, place, on the lower  
Leekine Road.

"John Crawford" of Verdun House  
was one of the younger sons, & was  
about 14, when he left

Ireland - in 1828.

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\* The Bank was the Banque  
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At one time he was a Vice President  
(afterwards) in The Nations Bank.  
Resigning from that position, as he  
did not agree with the policy of  
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W. Crawford of Verdun House  
was born February 20<sup>th</sup> 1814.  
He started when very young  
to carve out his own career  
in the world, which proved  
a most successful one.  
He was for many years in the  
\* (Guolsons Bank) where he re-  
signed his position there, he  
was presented by the Bk. with  
a very handsome piece of plate  
which was unfortunately  
lost, when the first Verdun  
house was burnt in 1862 -

W. Crawford was one of the  
original members of the Montreal  
Stock Exchange. He was at one  
time President of the Montreal  
Street Railway, acceptance

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Company - when that was ac-  
complished he resigned -

The cars were then drawn  
by horses -

But it is probably as the wonder-  
ful Mr. F. H. that Mr. Crawford  
is best known - by all the  
hunting men of Canada  
and others further afield -

He was Master of the Hunt  
for 20 years or more - On many  
occasions he tried to resign

but the members would not  
accept his resignation - On  
one occasion they presented

him with a very handsome  
"Loving Cup" - "Gypsy" won several  
Silver Cups at the Hunt Races -

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reins thrown loosely on his neck.  
If it was too warm on one  
side, he walked calmly into the  
shade. (This was before the time  
of the Cope traffic men!)

"Forester", was another of  
Mr. Crawford's well known  
hunters. He was ridden at  
most to the time, when he was  
sent to the "happy hunting  
grounds", for a well earned rest,  
when he was 28 years old.

His master of the said, he  
understood how to manipulate  
a difficult hunting field, as  
well as he did. And so of the  
left it to Forester to choose his way.  
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Club, and hangs now in their  
rooms.

The Mr. F. H. was always a charm-  
ing picture, in his pink riding  
top, of an Irish Squire. His  
riding was remarkable  
& admired by every one. A poor  
working man, once told his  
son, he would gladly give fifty  
pounds; any day, to see his father  
ride down St. James Street.

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Season was always at Verdun House  
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The Master & Mr. Greenford  
at the door of the house, wel-  
coming every one - No formal  
indications were allowed to be  
given, so that one was free to go -

the more obscure they were  
- the warmer was the reception.

The breakfasts were consid-  
- ered exceptionally fine. The  
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-lains in those days) were so  
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complained they were not always  
driven home by a very straight  
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"Belmont Hall", was built  
by W. Nelson, it was the  
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in Montreal - on Sherbrooke  
St<sup>h</sup> and at the corner of St<sup>h</sup>  
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Relatives and Many Friends  
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Many friends and relatives of Emily Ross, widow of Lieut.-Col. J. Molson Crawford, paid her their final tribute yesterday afternoon at the funeral service held in her home, 1523 Bishop street. The service was conducted by the Rev. Canon Gower-Rees, of St. George's Church.

The chief mourners were Stuart L. Crawford, a son; William Ramsay, a son-in-law; Lord Atholstan, Kenneth Young and J. S. Robertson.

Among the others who attended the service were Miss E. S. Crawford, a sister-in-law; Miss Lucie Crawford, a granddaughter; Bishop Farthing and Mrs. Farthing, Lord and Lady Shaughnessy, Canon Abbott Smith, Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Young, G. R. Tylee, Mrs. T. Graham, Miss Graham, Mrs. W. deM. Marler, J. S. Robertson, Mrs. J. C. Heriot, Miss Laight Johnson, Miss Johnson, Mrs. E. B. Busteed, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smythe, Mrs. D. L. Crawford, Mrs. Ostell, Miss Dorothy French, Rev. Arthur French, Mrs. G. W. S. Henderson, John Brodie, M. M. Hannaford, B. M. Hallward, Brig.-Gen. W. O. H. Dodds, O. F. Edwards, J. Blackwell, A. Simpson, Leon Garneau, K.C., F. J. Shields, C. J. Caron, G. R. Boulter, Miss Robertson, W. Gardner, J. D. Molson, D. M. McGoun, F. Creighton Nash, John Creighton Nash, Mrs. Alexander Rosamond, Miss Elsie Cotton, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hague, R. H. Jamieson, Major H. G. Brewer, Prof. H. Armstrong, F. A. Monk, Mrs. N. T. Cronk, Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Birkett, L. McL. Spackman, A. E. Francis, C. W. Tyre, Dr. F. H. Mackay and C. E. Spragge.

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for four thousand dollars -  
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The place originally belong-  
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Mr. Crawford, of Vordun House  
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good health & was in his 90<sup>th</sup> year  
had ridden in the autumn of  
1903 to a meet at the Asbury  
Farm, looking remarkably  
turned out in his pink riding top.

Mr. Crawford married (in 1837)  
when he was about 23, Miss Motson  
their children were  
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their father married Miss Margaret  
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They had 4 children, Florence, Lily,  
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John Molson Crawford  
was educated in Chambly, by  
the Rev. Mr. White, Rector of  
that place, who also had a  
small boarding school for boys.  
From there he was sent to  
study French at Berthier -

In 1862 he was taken to  
England & Ireland with  
the rest of the family for nearly  
a year. Returning home before  
the others, he returned to the then  
well known firm of Leslie & Co.  
whole sale grocers. He was  
also for a short time in his  
father's office, who had retired  
from the Bank & was a stock broker.  
- He however always preferred  
an out door life, & eventually  
became a gentleman farmer  
being for very many years known  
as such - living at Verdun  
House & managing his father's  
farm. He was several times  
elected Mayor of Verdun -  
was also a member of the Old  
Montreal Turnpike Trust.

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Lt Col. Crawford  
was an enthusiastic member  
of the Canadian Militia, and  
loved his Regiment, the  
Victoria Rifles of Canada -  
entering it as private, he  
left it as Lt Col - He and  
Col. Whitehead were elected  
as Officers on the same day,  
after only one year in the ranks

In 1870, the Fenian raid  
occurred, at Eccles Hill.  
Captain Crawford was in  
Command of No 3 Company -

The then Prince Arthur of  
Connaught, who was in the  
Rifle Brigade in Montreal  
was also there - years after-  
wards, when he became Gover-  
nor General of Canada, in  
speaking to Col Crawford at  
a dinner at Government  
House, Ottawa, His (Excellent)  
Royal Highness recalled the

incident & said he remembered  
the Col. perfectly, & also the

member of his Company,





We regret to state that Major John M. Crawford, of the Victoria Rifles, met with an accident on Friday last by being thrown from his horse while jumping a fence on his farm at Verdun. He was thrown on a stump, breaking several ribs. Dr. Hingston was summoned and attended to his injuries, which are not considered dangerous, and it is to be hoped he will soon be in the saddle again.

The Late Major MAJOR John M. John M. Crawford. Crawford was the officer in command of No. 3 Company of the Vics. at Eccles Hill in the Fenian raid of 1870. He subsequently commanded the Victorias, retiring as lieutenant-colonel.



The accompanying cut is a reproduction of a photo taken 30 years ago of Colonel John M. Crawford, retired, and formerly lieutenant-colonel of the Victoria Rifles. A cut of the colonel's father, the late John Crawford, was published in Thursday's Star by mistake for that of Col. Crawford. Colonel (then Major) Crawford was in command of No. 3 Company of the Vics. at Eccles' Hill, in the Fenian raid of 1870.

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In 1885, the Col. took his  
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24<sup>th</sup> May - His handsome  
old charger, "Bonanza",  
(who no one else could ride)  
became excited on the Parade  
ground. The Col managed him  
wonderfully, & the crowd  
cheered wildly, making  
things worse. But the perfect  
riding was spoken of to us  
many years afterwards  
in Ottawa, when we were  
living there.

During the Col's command  
a Bazaar was held to raise <sup>funds</sup>  
to build the Victoria Armory  
in Cathcart Street. Everything  
for the Staff Table. was imported  
by us, direct from Japan, and  
proved a great success. A net  
sum of \$5000<sup>00</sup> was made.

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The Col. retired with his rank  
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as the medal, with clasp, for the  
African War. - hobbies were fish-  
ing & yachting. He & Mrs. S. Green-  
shields were never so happy  
as when off on an excursion  
in the latter's yacht. - The  
Eslanda - cruising in the  
Richelieu on St. Lawrence.

In 1905, we left for our first  
trip abroad - spending the  
summer in Capri - the summer  
in Venice & Switzerland -  
Pend our first visit to the George  
Crawford's, at Ballievey House  
Returning home after almost  
a years absence. - In after years  
we spent many winters abroad  
as well as going twice direct to  
Scotland. - The last time was in 1913.  
Before leaving for home we went to  
Oxford to see Sir W. Osler - who  
sent us to Harrogate, for the

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Photo taken by our friend Miss Cora R. R. R.  
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Went with Col. W. Oswald, in a sailing vessel from New York round the world, going through the Indian & Pacific oceans. The trip took from July to January. They landed in Yokohama in the latter month. They cabled from Japan in January, no news had been previously heard from them since July. The head of the famed Albatross was brought home. The bird having been caught from the vessel in the Indian ocean, with a large fish hook on heavy tackle.

On November 20<sup>th</sup> 1877 -  
At the Ch. of St. James the Apostle  
John Nelson Crawford was  
married by Canon Ellgood  
to Emily, youngest child of  
Arthur Rop. (Seigneur of  
Beaurivage) and  
Elizabeth Isabel Webster -  
daughter of Arthur Webster, of  
Meadow Bank

Arthur Rop Crawford was born, 15<sup>th</sup>  
August 1878. Christened in October  
by Canon Ellgood, at St. James'  
Church. His god parents being  
A. Davidson Rop and Geo Rop  
Eliza S. Crawford -

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Saturday - March 7<sup>th</sup>  
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### A Veteran's Memories

No longer does Colonel Crawford lead the Victoria Rifles on his charger, as he did, as head of the popular regiment, for many years; nor does he, as was his wont, ride to hounds, like his father (the late Mr. John Crawford) before him; but he is fresh and hale because of the impossibility of dis-

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Police headquarters in Alexander-  
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Colonel Crawford comes of an old and honored family in the County Down, Ireland, and it was only a few years ago since he visited the old home, Ballivey House, on the shores of the Bann, noted in history as the scene of a great fight back among the mist of time.

The Colonel was born at the head of St. Lawrence and Sherbrooke streets, in a cottage close to Belmont Hall, the home of the Molson family. That was eighty years ago. His father bought the well-known Verdun House property, close to the Lachine Rapids which became for many years the gathering place of the Montreal ladies and gentlemen who rode to hounds, when the world was gay and happy, and was had not entered the thought. It was there that the Colonel learned himself to ride to hounds. His father rode almost, as one might say, to the day of his death, and he was nearly 80 when he died—straight as a poplar—that John Crawford, who, in the politest way imaginable, kept on importing bank presidents to grant quarterly dividends with such generosity as to obtain his point at last, as the unfortunate widow in the Scripture obtained her request—not from love, but from boredom.

Colonel Crawford has many interesting memories; but he could not set them down in chronological order. He recalls the cholera visitation, in connection with which he saw many corpses—victims of the dread plague. He was "out" twice in connection with the Fenian raids. "That reminds me, that when I was dining some two years ago at Government House, Ottawa, the Duke of Connaught said to me that he recollected me quite well," said Colonel Crawford. He had met me at Eccles Hill, in the Eastern Townships, and had inspected my men, who were "out" to meet the Fenians. The Duke of Connaught was then captain in the 60th Rifle Brigade, and was stationed at Montreal. I have the Fenian medals, of course.

The Colonel was for twenty-five years with the Victoria Rifles. He enlisted as a private, as did the late Colonel Whitehead, and passed through the usual grades, until he became Colonel of the regiment, in which he took a deep interest. He was a familiar figure on his charger for many years in connection with the public appearances of the regiment. At the time of the Riel Rebellion, he was ready to proceed with his regiment to the northwest, but the regiment was not ordered out. Subsequently, at the time of the smallpox outbreak, the "Victorias" were ordered on guard at the exhibition grounds in the north end. It was supposed that the St. Louis quarry men were coming down to raise a riot, because the authorities insisted on vaccination, to which certain of the French people were opposed. There was also on their part an indisposition to have their relatives removed to the hospitals. The French people thought nothing of the disease, and went about visiting as usual. The quarrymen did not appear; there was no riot, but one of his men shot and killed a fellow soldier by pure accident. The men had received packages of cartridges, but were ordered not to break the packages open to load their rifles. One soldier disobeyed, broke the package, put in a cartridge, and the trigger, on a wet night, going off in some way, the bullet lodged in the hip of his fellow-soldier, and killed him almost instantly.

The Colonel recalls old St. James street, which was largely residential. "I remember old 'Dolly,' as he was called, sitting out in front of his restaurant on St. James street, sunning himself in the summer. He wore knee breeches, and silk stockings; and was quite a character. The officers of the various British regiments used to patronize Dolly, who had the reputation for grilling the most succulent steaks in the world. There were drinkables, too, as well as eatables, and prohibition was a long way off. Then there was Mr. Hogan, of the St. Lawrence Hall, where the officers used to assemble, as did also the volunteer officers, for social purposes. It was the British officers who started the Tandem Club in Montreal—an institution which continued to flourish long after the British regime had passed. That tandem turnout was one of the sights of the city at the time. In his early days, Colonel Crawford recalls that Sherbrooke street was all country. Back of the Belmont Hall was farm land. So was Cote St. Antoine, as it was called. The snipe were shot on the swampy land close to which the English cathedral was built on St. Catherine street. The old Cathedral was burned on Notre Dame street. The Colonel did his best to save articles of value.

With Montreal it was then the day of small things, but the situation was incomparable, and besides, there was the ocean navigation. "Had we always been governed with ability and probity we would not have the debt we have today." The growth, in the estimation of the Colonel, has been marvellous, and is destined to show great acceleration. "Think of all about the city before the war. There was not a farm that was not sold in the immediate neighborhood. Fabulous prices were given for farm land—in one instance, to my knowledge, \$4,000 per acre. This subdivision went on furiously for a time, until even lands that were far out of the city were sold at unbelievable prices. Of course, when the war came there were many liquidations; and the lands have been thrown back upon the original owners. No doubt, there was speculation; but, on the other hand, there was sincere belief in the marvellous growth of the city. And no doubt values will recover, and Montreal will spread out in all directions. I recall the time we used to drill on the old Logan's Farm. All about that farm, which is now called Latontaine Park, are streets of houses, row on row. I remember when my regiment received their colors at the hands of certain ladies of the city, on the ground back of the Church of St. James the Apostle—then a cricket field. Look at it now. And one might go on to indicate the growth of the city, which is destined to become a mighty metropolis. But, even in the smaller day, life in the city was always interesting."

Stuart Lindsay Crawford  
was born, May 10<sup>th</sup> 1881-  
in June Canon Ellwood came out  
to Rivermeade to christen him.  
His god-parents were  
Arthur Webster (his last name Cousin)  
Clarence Whitney of Toronto -  
and Fanny Macpherson Ross -  
of Fredericton, N.B. - U.S.A.  
his last cousin -

My boys' dear father died  
in Montreal on April 9<sup>th</sup>

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Mr. Crawford was a grandson of John Crawford, who in the early part of last century was known as a capitalist of importance in Montreal. He had entered a business house in Quebec as a bookkeeper, and afterwards worked as a teller in a bank, making such a success of his business career that he ultimately was the biggest stockholder in the Bank of Montreal and strongly interested in many other successful business ventures. His father was Lieut.-Col. John Molson Crawford, well known in Montreal. Before joining the firm of Redpath & Company, Mr. Crawford was associated with The Star for many years. He was a member of St. James Club and Beaconsfield Golf Club, had a wide circle of acquaintances and was a kind, friendly man.

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Circle of Friend  
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## SIMPLE SERVICE

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## SIMPLE SERVICE IS HELD AT HC

Mourned by a wide circle of friends, the late Mrs. Molson Crawford was laid to rest today in Mount Royal cemetery. Missed by many in and philanthropic and social circles her funeral service was conducted in simple, but impressive ritual of the Anglican Church by Rev. Carl Rees, at the family residence, 1523 Bishop street.

Mrs. Molson Crawford was the wife of the late Lieut.-Colonel Crawford of the Victoria Rifles of River Mead House, Lower Lake Verdon. Mrs. Crawford was a sister of Dr. George Ross, vice-McGill University, and on her mother's side was grand-daughter Webster, of Meadowbank, Isle Jesus, on the Ottawa River, and on side was grand-daughter of David Ross, who was made a K.C., an Advocate-General in 1812. He raised the 1st Canadian Royal which he was Colonel.

David Ross, about 1812, built the first stone residence in Montreal, which faced the Champ de Mars. This was later sold by the Ross family to the Government. Mrs. Crawford was the daughter of the late Arthur Ross, of the Seigneurie of St. Giles of Beau-rivage.

### ACTIVE INTERESTS.

Mrs. Molson Crawford is a direct descendant of Captain Alexander Fraser, lieutenant in the Fraser High-landers, who served with Wolfe and also a descendant of the Seigneurs of Beauchamp and Beauvillage.

Mrs. Crawford was 1st vice-president of the Soldiers Wives' League and up to the time of her death kept up an active interest in many other affairs of the philanthropic and social life of the city. She was 1st vice-president of the Canadian Handicrafts Guild of Montreal for many years. She was on the board of the Protestant Infants' Home, of which her grandmother was one of the founders.

She is survived by two sons, Arthur Ross Crawford and Stuart Lindsay Crawford; two grand-daughters, Miss William Ramsay and Miss Lucy Crawford, and a great grand-daughter, Sheila Ramsay.

Chief mourners were: Arthur Ross and Stuart Crawford, sons.

Those of the immediate family present at the funeral were: Miss E. S. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. K. Young, Mrs. A. Simpson, Mrs. L. Rowley, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Robertson.

### NOTED FIGURE RECALLED

The funeral of Mrs. Crawford recalls to an older generation of Montrealers, John Crawford, her father-in-law, who for almost three-quarters of a century was a noteworthy figure in the business and social life of Montreal.

A courtly and dignified personality, he occupied a position of prominence in the financial life of Canada that terminated only with his death at the age of 89 years in April 1903. Those who were not familiar with him in business knew him well as an ardent sportsman, particularly as a lover of horses and of the hunt, and as late as 1894—when he was 80 years of age—he was to be found astride his famous hunter "Forester" when the bugle sent the hounds on the chase.

John Crawford was born in County Down, Ireland, in 1814 and 15 years later came to Canada. His early life was spent in business and financial houses in Montreal. As teller in the City Bank for many years he gained that intimate knowledge of banking and an enthusiastic interest in it which survived throughout his life. He accumulated a considerable fortune, became a large stockholder of the Bank of Montreal, of Molson's Bank and many other Canadian financial institutions. He was for many years vice president of Molson's Bank and president of the Montreal Street Railway Company and in the eighties and nineties no annual meeting of a bank was considered complete unless Mr. Crawford was in attendance.

### URGED BANK BRANCHES.

His presence was always manifest by a keen interest in reports and it is still recalled of him that he fought unsuccessfully for many years to have banks pay their dividends in quarterly instalments, instead of half yearly as was done then. With the growth of the community from a village to larger proportions he advocated the wisdom of establishing branch banks uptown. This idea, too, was frowned upon and when a Toronto bank finally established a branch on a site on St. Catherine street opposite to what is now the T. Eaton store Mr. Crawford's opponents of expansion freely predicted a bad end for that bank.

Recalling these things today, H. Gordon Strathy, veteran member of the Montreal Stock Exchange, ruminated on the smile Mr. Crawford would enjoy today if he could see the banks struggling with chain stores and drug stores for the best corner locations, even in residential areas.

But while Mr. Crawford took an intense interest in financial matters it was not to the exclusion of the social and recreational sides of life. For a great many years he was a most conspicuous figure in the hunt and for very considerable time was Master of the Montreal Fox Hounds.

His home on the lower Lachine road—Verdon House, it was called—was the rendezvous of hunters and frequently all members of the Club enjoyed their starting breakfast at his commodious table.

In political life he was also prominent. Until 1896 he was a strong Conservative but in 1896 turned to Laurier on the ground that Conservative expenditures were reaching totals incompatible with the country's growth and resources.

His death was sincerely regretted by a very wide circle of friends.

### AT FUNERAL.

Among those present were: Lord Atholstan, Bishop Farthing, Mrs. Thomas Graham, G. R. Tylee, Mrs. J. C. Herriot, Miss Johnson, Miss Leright Johnson, Mrs. Ostell, Mrs. D. L. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smythe, John Brodie, Mrs. G. W. S. Henderson, N. N. Hannaford, Mrs. E. B. Busted, J. S. Robertson, Leon Garneau, K.C., O. F. Edwards, A. Simpson, S. J. Shields, C. J. Caron, G. R. Boulter.

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Meadow Bank was the home  
of the Websters formerly.  
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charming old place on  
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in its own large garden, the  
Ottawa river flowing past  
to join the St Lawrence  
at the end of the Island.

Arthur Webster, who was  
born & educated in Dundee,  
much later arrived in Canada  
about the year 1801. Before  
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Charles Webster - died 24. Feb. 1820  
Aged Ten Years eight months and twelve days





DAY, JULY 3, 1824.

In our paper of the 19th ultimo, we published an extract of a private letter from London, of May the 10th, which mentioned, that the loss of the Helen, Capt. Erskine, had just been announced at Lloyds. Since then we have received the following additional particulars relative to this melancholy event:—

Customhouse, Tobermory, April 29, 1824.

I have to communicate to you the loss of the brigantine Helen off and from Dundee, bound to Quebec and Montreal, with a general cargo, which occurred on the morning of the 19th instant, about 200 miles west off St. Kilda Island; she struck on a rock under water on the morning of the 18th inst. "Rock All," then bearing by the compass W. by  $\frac{1}{2}$  S, distant six miles. The crew and passengers continued at the pumps for thirteen hours, but being overcome with fatigue, were necessitated to endeavour to abandon the vessel, as the leak was rapidly gaining on them, the water at that period being within three feet of the hold beams. When lowering the long boat, she unfortunately was stove in pieces against the vessel, with a tremendous sea. The crew at that period, twelve in number, embarked in two small boats, with one passenger, and shortly after leaving the vessel she sunk, when melancholy to relate, sixteen passengers on board perished. Among the number were a Miss Webster from Dundee, with six women, three men and six children. The crew were providentially picked up at sea by the bark "Flora," Capt. Baker, from Dantzic to Liverpool, and safely landed on the Island of Tiree, one of the Hebrides Isles.

The sunken reef, hitherto unknown, on which the vessel struck, is in 57 deg. 38 min. north latitude, and 14 deg. 13 min. west Longitude, and is about 300 miles W. by S from the Butt of the Lewis. The passengers drowned were—Miss Webster, and her maid; Robt. Robertson, his wife, and children; Donald Robertson, his wife, two children, and a sister in law; Malcolm Macpherson, his wife and two children; a woman named Thompson. Miss Webster was particularly entreated to enter one of the boats; but she preferred encountering death, or finding deliverance in the ship's cabin. Robt. Robertson was twice before on the eve of setting off to America, once he was arrested by an aged uncle; who had made him his heir as the condition of his staying at home, and the last time by the death of a brother. Mrs. R. who was scarcely recovered from childbirth had a strong presentiment against the voyage; & was so ill on the day of embarking that she was borne to the vessel in a chair. The value of the cargo, all of which is lost, was upwards of £13,000, the property of merchants and traders belonging to Dundee and Perth.

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My mother was Elizabeth Isabel  
Webster, was called after her  
god-mother Isabel, who being  
left the last of the Websters  
in Dundee - sailed for Canada  
to join her brother Arthur Webster  
in Montreal. She took all her  
worldly possessions, her pearl  
- house - linen, &c in the same  
S. ship as herself - which was  
most unhappily lost at sea -

The grandfather clock, in  
the hall at 261 - was in another  
ship, which crossed the ocean  
safely -

There was always a romantic  
story in the Webster family which  
was handed down from father  
to son, but never told to the  
women. Some years ago  
I heard of this from the last



The Grandfather Clock  
now in 261. Bishop Street  
which came from "Meadow  
15 Court" and by which my  
Grandfather, Arthur White  
used to be sent school, in  
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told by his father, I only know  
it was something connected  
with the family of the Dukes of  
Sutherland. The papers re-  
lating to this - were sent to  
Qu' Appelle, and unfortunately  
burnt. When Arty Webster's  
house was destroyed while he  
was in B.C. He had written to his  
agent to leave the iron box con-  
taining these documents  
put in the bank - but everything  
was burnt, the day before  
these orders reached the man.

Arty also said, if he ever  
reached Edinburgh - he was  
going to the Office of the "Writer  
to the Signet" to see the papers  
which are there, & try to solve  
the mystery. That is all I know  
- I would give much to know  
more -

#### MARRIED,

At Meadow Bank, Isle Jesus, on the 6th instant,  
by the Rev. Dr. Bethuna, Arthur Ross, Esq., of  
this city, to Elizabeth Isabella, eldest daughter of  
Arthur Webster, Esq., of the former place.

On the 21st ult., by the Rev. Dr. Wainwright,  
at St. John's Church, New York, Colin Miller,  
Esq., Assistant Commissary, to Jane, daughter of

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The first history of a Canadian province was Haliburton's "Historical and Statistical Account" of Nova Scotia printed and published in Halifax, nearly one hundred years ago. Rather striking ideas are embodied in the opening sentences. "The history of every country in Europe commences in the region of fable. At what time they were severally discovered, and by whom settled, is equally uncertain, and the accounts which are given of the early ages of

all, are at best but plausible conjectures. The situation of America is in this respect just the reverse. The discovery of this immense Continent is an event of modern occurrence, and was accompanied by the infant art of printing, which by multiplying the copies, preserved the Journals of those who explored and settled the new world." Haliburton reverts to this idea in "The Old Judge" (ch. VII) and shows a certain shame-faced pride in the "antiquities" of his native province.

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Our history is only beginning. Whether Canada will only be an incident in the history of the United States, like the Louisiana Purchase, or whether Canada will develop a distinct and saner and stronger civilization, who can say? In either case, we have made history, and we are busy putting it on record. For instance, what does the world at large know or care about the County of Lennox and Addington? Yet here is a man, who has compiled a stout and handsome and well-printed volume of over four hundred pages on the subject, with eighty-three illustrations. It is the work of Mr. Walter S. Herrington, K.C., F.R.S.C., a son of the county who must have spent years in the compilation; but the work is done,

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My Grand-father, the first  
Arthur Webster  
married in 1802. at Montreal  
Elizabeth Cruickshank  
only child & heiress of  
Robert Cruickshank, who was  
a United Empire Loyalist.  
Coming from the U.S.A. at the  
time of the Rebellion. He was  
a Charter Member of the  
Montreal General Hospital -  
a banker & silver-smith which  
was of ten a combination in those  
days. Some of the Montreal old  
flat silver. marked R.C.  
Montreal. we still have.

He was a man of means, owning  
two or three houses in the then  
residential, Notre Dame St.  
These houses were in a block  
on the North side. Next to the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Christ Church Cathedral - which  
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When he was taken ill, and died,  
and was buried there -

His handsome portrait having  
been painted by Oppel, was  
sent to Montreal, & is still in pos-  
-session of the family - The very  
good set of paste buckles and  
brooches, together with his won-  
derful waistcoats - show he  
was fond of nice things -

The Chippendale chairs,  
Sheraton table & all the things  
which came from Meadow Bank  
were, as far as I know - im-  
-ported by Mr. Cruickshank for  
his home in Montreal -

The beautiful old Adam side-  
board is unfortunately at  
the Manor House - Beauvoirage.

The four children of the

1<sup>st</sup> - Arthur Webster & Eliza Cruickshank

were, Arthur Cruickshank - born 1804

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and Charlotte, (who died young)

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A.C. Webster, married Annie,  
daughter of Chief Justice Bowen  
of Quebec.

Their children were -

Annie - who married  
Colonel W.H. Parker -

Charlotte, married

Colonel King  
and Arthur - who died & is  
buried in Vancouver, B.C.

About 1907 -

My Uncle, A.C. Webster, was consid-  
-ered in his day, to be one of the  
handsome men in Montreal  
When having a famous law-  
suit - with Sir A.J. Gall, <sup>he</sup> was  
told by the Judge, he was <sup>one of</sup> the  
most obstinate men he had  
ever met! He rode wonderful-  
-ly, & was passionately fond of  
shooting & fishing - He was  
educated in England.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Arthur Webster  
was a wine merchant.

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iron safe. In the morning  
safe & money had disappeared  
-ed. The iron chest was found  
broken open & empty on the  
ice near Stockholm. My  
dear old Grandfather was so  
disgusted with the loss, he  
disposed of his business & bought  
"Meadow Bank", the 300  
acre farm. Where he es-  
tablished himself in a most  
extensive way. And where he  
lived for the remainder of his  
life, as a well known & ad-  
vanced gentleman farmer.

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Married the Scotch cook,  
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where he started the success-  
ful firm of Moody - makers  
of Farm Implements &c —  
Mr. Webster died in 1866  
at Meadows Bank. He, and  
his family, are all buried  
in the Mount Royal Cemetery —  
in the original Webster lot  
Section F. No 408 — It now  
stands in name of E. R. Crawford  
having been transferred to  
her by the heirs in England.

Annie Parker, and her three  
nieces the Kings — daughters  
of Colonel King (17<sup>th</sup> Regt) and  
Charlotte Webster, only sister  
of Mr. Parker — and Arthur  
Webster III.

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(In the Montreal General Hospital)

— This Tablet —  
has been erected by friends & colleagues  
in memory of

George Ross - M.A. - M.D.  
who for many years was connected  
with this Hospital as resident  
and Attendant Physician, and  
Secretary of the Medical Board.

He was Professor of Medicine and  
Clinical Medicine in McGill University  
and Vice Dean of the Faculty.

Noted for his accuracy of Diagnoses  
and his acute powers of observation,  
he was unrivalled as a Clinical  
Teacher.

His death at the zenith of his powers  
was a great loss to the

Hospital, the University, and  
the whole Profession.

— About 1892 —      Oct 47 —

(My dearest brother died  
November 5<sup>th</sup> 1892 — aged 45)

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## The Ross Family

John Ross, was the son of a  
banker, residing in Fair  
Ross-shire, Scotland - where  
he was born about 1735 - He  
came to America in  
Colonel Montgomery's Regiment  
the 77<sup>th</sup> First Highland Battalion  
enrolled in 1757. They were  
at Pittsburg 1758 - & wintered  
there - In 1759 with  
Amherst at Ticonderoga and  
wintered there - In 1761 at  
Dominique - 1762 Martinique  
& Havana - Captured St. Johns  
Newfoundland the same year  
wintered in New York 1762-63  
when the Regiment was disbanded  
- & they were stationed at Anna-  
polis, U.S.

John Ross then parted with his  
cousin William Ross, who was in  
the same Regt. After exchanging  
"Scotch bonnets" - William went  
to Lancaster Pa. U.S. where he

settled & married Mary Hanna  
who came out



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Anna May 21. 1807 - Mrs McCord - 30<sup>th</sup> April 1870

Eliya " 26 1810 - (unmarried) 23. Sept 1874

George Powell 10 Mar 1812 - May 1820

Eleanor 5<sup>th</sup> June 1813 - Mrs Cotton. 22 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1891

John 19<sup>th</sup> May 1815 - (in Quebec) 9<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1862

Mary Jane 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 1819 - Mrs Tyler - 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 1885

David 1817 - 12<sup>th</sup> Mar 1881

Thomas 8<sup>th</sup> June 1821 -

William Gerard 21<sup>st</sup> Jan 1823 - June 14<sup>th</sup> 1899

Isabella 15<sup>th</sup> March 1827 - August 1<sup>st</sup> 1827

Jane Davidson Poo<sup>x</sup> was born Dec<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 1785. died March 25<sup>th</sup> 1866 -

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from Ireland to marry him -  
 His descendants now reside in  
 Frederick - Maryland - see Page X  
 John Ross came to Quebec in  
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 in 1766 to visit his father & family  
 in 1767. settled in Quebec, where  
 he married the same year,  
 Ann Story of Boston who died  
 on March 30<sup>th</sup> 1798 -

John Ross died in Quebec, exact  
 date is unknown - tho' it could  
 be found from his tombstone in  
 Mount Hermon Cemetery, Quebec.  
 He was alive in 1807 -

David Ross, was the son of John  
 & Ann Story Ross. He settled in  
 Montreal, & became a lawyer -  
 being made a K.C. and the  
 first Advocate General -

In 1812, at the time of the Rebellion  
 he raised the 1<sup>st</sup> Can. Royal Artillery  
 of which he was Colonel. His eldest son  
 Arthur Ross, was after his death also  
 Col. of the same Regt. being followed  
 by his brother-in-law R. S. Tylee -

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David Ross - Married - Jane Davidson  
 Born Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 1804 -  
 Died 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871  
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 Anne Ross - Married - Jane Davidson  
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Arthur Davidson (father of my  
Grand Mother, Jane Davidson Ross)  
was born in the parish of Kenoth-  
-mont, Co. of Aberdeen, on 12<sup>th</sup> November  
1743. Went to King's College, Aberdeen  
in 1758. Where he took his degree of  
M.A. in April 1766. He sailed from  
London in May 1766 to Quebec. Where  
he settled & studied law in the office  
of Henry Kneller, Advocate. He pass-  
-ed for the bar & practised law, assist-  
-ing Mr. Pownale (afterwards Sir George)  
as Clerk of the Council in Quebec. Having  
twice revisited London & he went to  
reside in Montreal in 1780 to practise  
law & was also Secretary of the Province.  
He took out also a Commission as Notary.  
He married Capt. Alex<sup>r</sup>. Fraser's daughter  
Jane, on March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1785. She died on  
~~March 11<sup>th</sup> 1790~~ leaving 3 children -  
Jane, Eliza (W<sup>m</sup>. MacKay) & Walter, who  
inherited Beauvoirage from Capt. Fraser.  
He married Miss Birnie (of Carrick Forge  
Ireland) March 9<sup>th</sup> 1799. Received his Com-  
-mission as Judge of King's Bench on  
12<sup>th</sup> February 1800. at a salary of  
£500. later increased to £750 -

(August 11<sup>th</sup> 1790)

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My Grand-father - the K.C. built  
about 1810. the 2<sup>nd</sup> cut-stone  
residence erected in Montreal  
a large, handsome house, it still  
stands, facing the Champs de Mars  
It was sold by the Estate to the  
Government - A family tradition  
says - the only disagreement  
Mr. & Mrs. Ross ever had - was as to  
the wisdom of building this house  
My Grand Mother thought it too  
expensive an undertaking.  
But - it was built - & furnished  
from things sent over from England  
- carpets, Crown Derby, China -  
mirrors (one abt 251) & furniture  
Miss McCord has many of the bills  
- which show how prices have changed

The Ross Garden is now St. Urbain  
Street - it started at St. Catherine St.  
going almost to Craig St. This is where  
the famous melons grew. The  
small gardener's house on St. C. Street  
was standing till lately - is now  
owned by the D'Amat Callum Est.  
The K.C. evidently loved property  
as he owned much, the present  
Star Office - 60 North American  
etc. etc.



May 4<sup>th</sup> 1807 - The following obituary appeared in the "Canadian Courier" -  
"On Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 1807, died at his house in this City - (Montreal) the Honorable Arthur Davidson, one of the Justices of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, for the District of Montreal. The gentleman was long a practitioner in the Courts of this Province, in which office he faithfully discharged the arduous duties of his profession with clemency, unsullied integrity, & honor. Having been called by His Majesty's gracious pleasure to the most elevated station of Judge, he there again for many years previous to his death, distributed with uprightness & science justice to whom it was due - In his private character, he was, as a husband & father the most kind & affectionate, in his friendships unchanging - Charitable to the poor, and to say all, a truly pious Christian."

The Judge was 64 when he died.  
His monument stands in the Mount Royal Cemetery. It was made in 1811 by a man <sup>Amount.</sup> called Arthur Gilmor - <sup>Date.</sup> costing £ 62. 14. 6 <sup>Amount.</sup>

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but the Estate was not wealthy  
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David Ross died in 1837  
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which was of course lost, when the  
Church was burnt. The wording  
on which was as follows -

In memory of David Ross Esq  
one of the Committee under whose  
Superintendence the Church  
was erected. A humble & pious  
Christian, he departed this  
life the 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov. 1837, aet. 67  
years. Esteemed and respected  
as a husband, father and  
friend, he died beloved and  
regretted.

The Stained Glass Window in the  
present Christ Church Cathedral  
on the left side, as you enter the  
large door from St Catherine Street  
is in loving memory of David Ross

It was given by his family when  
the Church was built -

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Jane Fraser - born 1767 - Died Aug 11<sup>th</sup> 1790  
Married Arthur Davidson born Nov 12<sup>th</sup> 1763 - Died 4 May 1807  
Jane Davidson - born 170<sup>th</sup> Dec 1785 - Died April 25<sup>th</sup> 1866  
Married David Ross K.C. Ackworth General  
" " Born March 9<sup>th</sup> 1770 - Died Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1837  
Their son Arthur Ross - born 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 1804 - Died 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan 1871  
" " Married Elizabeth Sater Webster - died 1871  
" " Daughter Emily Ross - born 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 1806 - Died June 24<sup>th</sup> 1888  
" " Married John Morrison Gray and host 20<sup>th</sup> 1877  
" " Their son Arthur Ross " " Born Aug 15<sup>th</sup> 1878  
" " Married Elias Sutherland  
Their daughter married Jacob Gray Dal  
J.H.C.'s & E.R.'s other son was Susan Lindsay Grafton  
Born 10<sup>th</sup> May 1881



Arthur Ross  
 Esquire of St Giles  
 St Bransford -

My Father, Arthur Ross  
 was only about nine years  
 old, when he was sent to  
 England to school. Where he  
 remained for some years -  
 going from there to Trinity  
 College - Cambridge -  
 After finishing his studies  
 at Trinity - he spent a consid-  
 erable time in Paris, studying  
 French - He always loved the  
 language, & became so profic-  
 ient in it, he told me, he  
 "often thought in French" -  
 Before returning home, he  
 travelled on the Continent,  
 living for some time in Rome  
 meeting many friends there  
 and seeing a good deal of society  
 of deep admiration for all

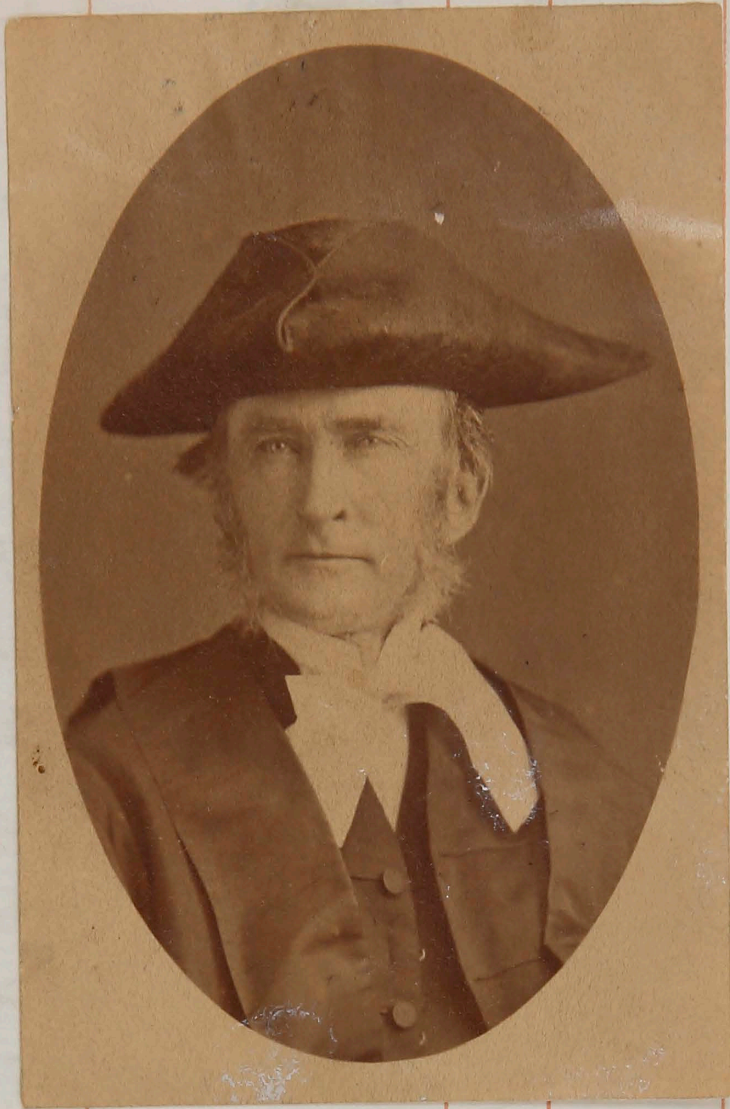
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 Married. Jane MacCormack - born 1730 - died 1799





Judge Mackay of  
Montreal -

who was a first cousin of  
my father's - His mother was  
Eliza Davidson, daughter  
of Judge Davidson, whose sister  
was Jane Davidson, wife of  
David Ross K.C.

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even forgive the untidy way  
of the Italians, it was all  
so picturesque. Even their  
beggars could appeal to me.

The Governor, as we often  
called him - made really  
interesting & life-long friends  
in England - whom he must  
have missed on his return  
to Canada when he must  
have been about thirty - two -

In Montreal he passed  
his years as a lawyer - but  
very soon gave up the prac-  
tice of his profession - as he  
did not like pleading in  
cases, he knew to be wrong.

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These two sisters, Jane and  
Eliza, inherited the Squirey  
of Beaurivage, from their  
brother Walter, only son of  
Judge Davidson —  
Walter, whose wife was a  
Miss Birnie of Ireland — They  
had several children — all  
of whom died in infancy and  
are buried in a small private  
Cemetery in St. Giles, Providence  
which was close to the old Manor  
House, which was burnt by  
lightning many years ago —  
We used all to live there in the  
Summer — & where I spent  
many hours, admiring the  
very charming pictures of  
Venice — with which the walls  
of the large square drawing  
room were papered —  
The pictures were in soft, grey  
colors, with a white background  
My father acquired half the  
Squirey from <sup>his</sup> brother — The other half  
was purchased from Judge Jackson  
& his brother in New York —

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of the sufferers of the Great  
Conflagration which devas-  
tated the city of Montreal  
on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of July 1852 -  
Associated with him in  
this work was the Rev. Father  
Dowd, of St. Patrick's - During  
their combined visits to the  
stricken people they became  
fast & life-long friends -

Arthur Rop was later made  
City Treasurer of Montreal -  
Which position he held for  
several years - When he re-  
signed, he became Secretary  
to the English firm of  
Brassey, Potts & Co who  
were building the Victoria  
Bridge - He is considered  
one of the wonders of the  
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**\* MRS. ANN GRAHAM ROSS. \***

**Death of a Woman Distinguished for  
Her Good Deeds.**

[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.]

FREDERICK, MD., Nov. 17.—Mrs. Ann Graham Ross, widow of the late Worthington Ross, who was a distinguished member of the Frederick bar, died at her home, on Church street, this morning at 7 o'clock, aged sixty-nine years.

Mrs. Ross was the eldest daughter of the late Col. John McPherson and a great-granddaughter of Thomas Johnson, the first Governor of Maryland. The only surviving member of the immediate family is Mrs. Dennis, wife of Col. George R. Dennis, Urbana, Frederick county.

Mrs. Ross was prominent in church work in connection with the Protestant Episcopal. For over thirty years she was president of the board of managers of the Orphans' Home of the Episcopal Church of this city. She was also president of the Home of the Aged of Frederick, which she organized and endowed with a gift of \$5,000, and was a liberal contributor to every charitable organization here.

She was president of the woman's auxiliary of her church, one of the oldest of King's Daughters, teacher of the Bible class and connected with every chapter in the church guild.

Her funeral will take place Thursday, at 2 o'clock, from All Saints' Church.

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In 1837 - When David Ross, K.C.  
 & Advocate General died -  
 his eldest son Arthur Ross,  
 was left to look after his  
 many brothers & sisters -  
 So assisted three of his brothers  
 (David, John & William)  
 he entered with them into  
 the lumber business, ship-  
 ping timber from the S. E.  
 Newy & elsewhere to England.  
 Prices went down, & this firm  
 failed - My father personally  
 assumed the loss - & was  
 allowed by the Court, to pay  
 off by degrees - the three in-  
 enormous sum of \$80,000 -  
 Just before his death in 1871  
 he paid off the last penny &  
 he owed to the different cred-  
 -itors - Can one easily imagine  
 what privation this entailed  
 to my brave father & mother -  
 They at once gave up their  
 large house, 11 St. Denis  
 Street - and staff of servants

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# SKETCH OF COL. THOMAS ROSS:

(From the Ottawa Citizen of Jul 8th, 1899.)

It may not be generally known that Ottawa boasts as a citizen a man who belongs to a family, some member of whom has been a soldier in the Canadian militia ever since the conquest of 1759. Six generations have been within the lines and on the tented field. Col. Ross today celebrates his seventy-eighth birthday. Within two years of the limit of age set by the Psalmist the Colonel yet looks the soldier he has always been. He represents the fourth generation and the proud record inherited by his ancestors he bequeathed to his descendants, and his sister's sons and their children are at present ready for the roll call should they be needed.

The maternal great-grandfather of Colonel Ross was a member of the 78th Highlanders, and was present at the taking of Quebec. Colonel Ross' grandfather on his father's side served in the imperial army, was with the ill-fated Braddock and present at Ticonderoga and ~~the~~. The last service of his regiment was at the taking of Havana in 1762, after which it was disbanded and he settled in Quebec, afterwards becoming a captain in the Canadian militia and being present at the defeat of Montgomery.

Colonel Ross' father, David Ross, went to Montreal and married Jane Davidson, grand-daughter of Captain John Fraser, referred to above, and daughter of Hon. Arthur ~~Fraser~~, judge of the Court of King's Bench, in 1803, by whom there was born eleven children. The father of the subject of this sketch served in the war of 1812 as a member of the Montreal artillery. His oldest son, Arthur Ross, joined the Montreal artillery in 1828, and remained in it many years. The

second son, John, was an officer of the Montreal Rifles in 1837-38. The third son, David Alexander, was a gunner in the Montreal artillery in 1836 and subsequently joined the Montreal cavalry, remaining on the roll till the regiment was disbanded in 1854. Thos. Ross, the present colonel, joined the Montreal Rifles in 1837 and from that time till 1886, when he resigned from the Governor-General's Foot Guards, he was continuously a member of the militia force in active service. During that time and while in command of the G.G.F.G., a regiment, by the way, which he had the honor of bringing into existence in 1872, he took them twice to Montreal and once to Toronto. In 1885 he commanded the team at Wimbledon. During the whole time of his service with the Guards the regiment held a high place in the militia of Canada and received well-merited praise from competent judges both at home and abroad. A guard of the regiment was detailed daily at Rideau Hall during its occupancy by Princess Louise, whose praises were often freely bestowed on the regiment and its gallant colonel.

Colonel Ross had three sisters, whose sons entered the service and their grand children also, making, as has been stated, six generations since the courageous Captain John Fraser on that September morning under the immortal Wolfe clambered the height leading to the plains of Abraham, to battle for the possession of a continent and the destinies of a people. The Canadian militia has many men of whom she is justly proud, and not the least among them is the venerable ex-Colonel of the Guards.

*Governor Genl Foot Guards  
Retired Can. Militia  
Nov. 1837 - Dec. 1886*

*The Gov. Genl Foot  
Guards during his  
Command were a  
most distinguished  
Battalion in the Rifle  
Matches held in that  
period.*

*Davidson*



sitting in house in Molson's  
 Terrace. I hear the river,  
 (Where I was born) - But never  
 did I hear my dear little  
 mother once complain. She  
 tales of former grandeur  
 I heard from our faithful  
 "Bridget Power", nurse  
 and friend, beloved of us all  
 till the day of her death -  
 She never left her mistress  
 in comparative poverty, &  
 in better times - for several  
 years, while I was a baby -  
 the only maid - in our large  
 & happy household - She  
 married a huge policeman  
 "Richard Power" & they lived  
 in our house - when I was old  
 enough to go to children's  
 parties, he escorted me  
 back & forth - in uniform  
 (I imagine a present  
 day flapper) enduring  
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The Court held such a high  
opinion of my father's honor  
they allowed him to retain  
the Sui Generis - which might  
otherwise have been seized  
- But the whole burden of  
reparation fell on my father -

From Leobore's Terrace  
we moved up to a much new  
house in the then good Strail  
Haverover St. When I was about  
4 yrs old - My mother bought in <sup>1859</sup>  
a large new house, in 38

McGill College Avenue - Con-  
sidered a most fashionable  
position - when Leobore  
was a Garrison town, the St.  
was a great favorite with  
the married <sup>officers</sup> Sir Henry

Havelock - son of the Indian  
hero - lived next us - In the  
Terrace nearer Sherbrooke <sup>St</sup>  
during the American war

between the North & South  
several houses were occupied

by the Southern Refugees  
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Notably the Masons of  
Mason & Shidell, James - who  
became special friends  
of the family - We all were  
brought up to be staunch  
sympathisers with the  
Secessionists - Their Pres-  
ident, Jefferson Davis,  
was also a visitor at  
Violet House - being  
allowed to ride "Forester"  
as he was an marvellous  
horse-man -

Suddenly on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 1871  
I suffered my first great  
sorrow - when my father  
died - he was only 67.

A year afterwards we moved  
to the very large house on the  
corner of Place d'Armes Hill  
& Craig Street. My brother George  
the 1<sup>st</sup> & only Vice-Chancellor of  
McGill University started  
practice of medicine -  
In 3 years he was able

to himself build a  
very charming house -

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John Ross -

1<sup>st</sup> of the family in Canada

John Ross, son of a banker resid-  
ing in Paisley - Ross-shire - Scotland  
- where he was born about 1735  
He came to America in Colonel  
Montgomery's Regiment - the  
77<sup>th</sup> Line Highland Battalion  
- enrolled in 1758 - They took  
Fort Duquesne - (Pittsburg) in  
1758 & wintered there. In  
1759, with Amherst at Ticonder-  
oga at Crown Point. In 1761  
Dominique - 1762 Martinique  
& Havana - & captured St John  
- Newfoundland the same year -  
wintered in New York 1762 & 63.

When the Regiment was disbanded  
- 80<sup>th</sup>, they were stationed at Anna-  
polis. John Ross then parted with  
his cousin William Ross, who was in  
the same regt - After exchanging  
Scotch bonnets - William went to  
Lancaster, Pa - W.S.A. where he settled  
& married Mary Hanna - who came  
out from Ireland to marry him. Their  
descendants now reside in Frederick  
Maryland. John Ross came to  
Quebec in 1763. He returned to Scotland  
in 1766 to visit his father & family. In

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 next to Dr. Palmer Howard  
 the then Medical Officer -  
 Mrs was 47 - Dr. Lee Callum's  
 was 45. All these houses  
 were bought by Henry Morgan  
 Co. & now form part of this  
 huge shop -

In 1877 I was married  
 from 49 Union Ave. In 1888  
 my dear mother died there  
 In 1893 Dr. Geo Ross died there  
 The next year "Aunt Fannie"  
 moved to 9 Simpson. Three  
 years afterwards she bought  
 261 Bishop St. To my great  
 loss she died there in 1915  
 on September 20<sup>th</sup> -

Dr. Geo Ross also built 111 Crescent Street  
 it was an ideal house for a medical man  
 - Unfortunately he passed away before  
 it was quite finished - It was then  
 sold by Aunt Fannie -

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1767 settled in Quebec - where he  
married the same year Anne Story  
of Boston - She died, March 30<sup>th</sup> 1798.  
Date of John's death uncertain, but  
he was alive in 1807 -

The Regiment to which John  
Ross belonged - later, was the  
famous "Black Watch" -  
which was with General Wolfe  
at the taking of Quebec -

- The Fraser Clan -

Captain Alexander Fraser  
Lieutenant in "The Fraser  
Highlanders" which Regiment  
was later the "78<sup>th</sup> Highlanders  
(as it still exists)" came to Quebec  
in General Wolfe's army - He  
belonged to a branch of the Frasers  
of Lovat - The family are  
direct descendants of his  
through Jane Davidson Ross  
whose mother was Jane Fraser.

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born in 1739 - died in 1767. They  
had two daughters - Margaret,  
who married John Reid Pro-  
thonotary of King's Bench - To this  
daughter he left the Seignevy  
of Beauchamp. Mrs Reid died  
in 1807 - Jane married in 1785  
Arthur Davidson, advocate.  
who in 1800 - became a Judge  
of King's Bench.

Alexander Fraser acquired  
the Fief of St. Giles de Beauvillage  
in 1784 - from Louis Etienne  
Baggot de Beauvillage and  
Giles Baggot de Beauvillage - sons  
of Giles Baggot de Beauvillage,  
first grantee in 1739. The  
Seignevy of St. Giles was left  
to Walter Davidson, son of  
Arthur Davidson, under a

provision of entail, if the  
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40 years. Capt Fraser died  
19<sup>th</sup> April 1799 -  
His Executors were, John Mac Cosq  
Wm<sup>d</sup> Alex<sup>d</sup>. Sparks. Peter Stuart  
and Colonel John Mairn \*

The property was substituted -  
-ed to A. Fraser of Strickren, Son  
of the late Lord Strickren in  
North Britain -

\* His will was proved 7<sup>th</sup> April  
1800. To be found in the Reg<sup>t</sup>  
A. p 66. 1789 to 1824 - (in  
Quebec)

The attainder upon the Barony  
of Lovat, put upon Simon,  
10<sup>th</sup> Lord Lovat in 1747 - (for  
political reasons) was removed  
& the Barony granted to Thomas  
Alexander Fraser of Strickren,  
who was created a Peer of the  
United Kingdom in 1837 who  
established his right to the  
Ancient Barony of Lovat

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## Malcolm Fraser

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Malcolm Fraser entered His Majesty's service as an ensign in the 78<sup>th</sup> Regt of Foot in July 1757. Was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in 1761. Regiment was disbanded in 1763. On 14<sup>th</sup> June 1775 was made Captain in 1<sup>st</sup> Batt<sup>n</sup> 84 Regt Foot in which he served till 24<sup>th</sup> June 1784 when the Batt<sup>n</sup> was disbanded. Malcolm Fraser was present at the 1<sup>st</sup> Battle of Quebec on 13<sup>th</sup> Sept 1759. When he was wounded. Served in the Garrison of Quebec in 1759 & 60. Was present at the 2<sup>nd</sup> battle of Quebec on 28<sup>th</sup> April 1760. when again wounded. Went with the Army from Quebec. Commanded by General Murray wh. joined that under General Lord Amherst. To whom the town of Montreal & all Canada surrendered, Sept 1760. On duty during the blockade of Quebec by the rebels, as Capt of the main-guard, alarmed the Garrison in the A.M. of 31<sup>st</sup> December 1775 of the intended attack of the enemy.



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— This account is taken from a Memorial  
presented by Capt. Malcolm Fraser to  
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Malcolm Fraser, lieutenant in  
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### *Duffus—Ross.*

A quiet wedding took place in the Church of St. James the Apostle at three o'clock yesterday afternoon when Miss Alice Rosina Ross, only daughter of the late William Gerrard Ross, of Quebec, was married to Mr. J. Norwood Duffus, eldest son of the late James B. Duffus, of Halifax. The Rev. A. P. Shatford performed the ceremony. The bride, who was unattended, was given away by her cousin, Mr. Charles D. Tylee. She wore a blue cloth travelling costume with black hat and carried a shower bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. The bridegroom's sister, Mrs. Wood, of Halifax, wore a black and white tailor-made suit with a purple hat. Other relatives present at the ceremony included Miss Ross, Miss Shaw and Miss Mitchell, of Quebec; Col. and Mrs. Molson Crawford, Mrs. Clayton, and Mrs. McLimont, of Ottawa; Mrs. Ogilvie, of Halifax; Mrs. Rosamond, of Almonte; and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Crawford. Mr. and Mrs. Duffus have left for a trip to New York before taking up their residence in Halifax.



# COOK BEAT MAN, PATIENTS SMOKED, NURSES WERE LAX

Interesting Sidelights on  
Hospital History in  
'Visitors' Book

CENTURY OLD

Contains Names of Many  
Visiting Directors—Curious  
Comments

How patients fared in the Montreal General Hospital one hundred years ago and many interesting facts about the early days of Montreal's oldest hospital may be gleaned from an old Visiting Directors' Book which forms part of the McCord Collection in the David Ross McCord National Museum. The book was that in use in at the hospital from 1823, the year following the hospital's corporation up to 1828.

In it the visiting directors signed their names during their periodical visits and entered any comments they had to make on the condition of things at the hospital. Their comments were conscientiously studied by the Board of Management, suggestions being adopted where deemed practicable and complaints remedied.

The book constitutes a kind of unofficial "Who's Who" of the Montreal of a hundred years ago, some of the city's oldest families figuring in the list of directors. Regularly inscribed, showing constant and conscientious visits, is the signature of John Molson, senior, grandfather of the present heads of the Molson family in this city, and William Molson. Regularly, too, appears the signature of Beniah Gibb, founder of the Art Gallery, who gave the first site for the old art gallery on the corner of St. Catherine street and Phillips Square, and many pictures for the gallery. His house stood on the site where now stands the Princess theatre. Other names constantly recurring are those of Thomas Torrance, John Fry, Rev. John Bethune, then Dean of Montreal, and first principal of McGill; Hon. John Richardson, Major H. Gates, Dr. William Bingham, Thos. Thain, William Lunn, Jos. Chapman, F. A. Laroque, C. Bancroft, Jos. Shuter, Dr. H. Esson, George Moffatt, Samuel Gerrard, A. L. McNider, Jn. Forsyth, F. W. Ermatinger, Jas. Miller, Angus Shaw, ~~Dr.~~ Ross, grandfather of David Ross McCord; Thos. Phillips, Thos. Busby, Hon. Judge Reid, Jabez De Witt, Hon. C. W. Grant, Dan Fisher, Hon. W. McGilivray, George Auldjo, Thomas McCord, T. Desrivieres and others.

John Molson's name occurs first in an entry in January, 1823, in a footnote explaining failure to visit the hospital in his turn. The note ex-

plains that "Mr. Molson was at St. John's Island and could not come to Montreal in consequence of the state of the river." William Molson's absence around the same time is explained by the fact that he "did not arrive until the beginning of January 7, his business every year calling his attention at Quebec all summer and part of the winter." The explanation is entered and signed by John Molson.

## GOOD REPORTS

Then, as now, the hospital was well reported upon few complaints were entered by the visiting directors, most of them reporting that they found the hospital in its usual good order and the patients highly satisfied. The directors, however, kept a sharp lookout for causes of complaint, and patients or members of the staff who broke a regulation seldom escaped a "call-over."

Patients were just as troublesome a hundred years ago as now, and they broke regulations when they found opportunity.

The visiting directors had cause to complain in 1823 of patients who broke the regulations by smoking in hospital, hiding their pipes hastily in their straw mattresses "to the great danger of the building when the matron or some other person in authority came along." The complaint was "attended to as far as is practicable" by the Board of Management.

"July 13, 1823" was a black day for the nurses at the hospital, for on this day the then Dean of Montreal, Rev. John Bethune, paid an early visit and caught them unaware. Floors at the hospital were supposed to be washed by 8 o'clock, but when the Dean arrived at 11 o'clock on that unlucky day they were only just finished. The Dean wrote a formal complaint in the book opposite his signature with this damaging addition: "I should not have noticed it had it been a solitary instance of negligence on the part of the nurses, but the matron complains of it as a frequent practice, and indeed of the conduct of the nurses generally."

A brief footnote, "Nurses reprimanded by the committee of management" gives the tragic end of the story.

## CRUEL COOK.

Then as now, patients tried to "smuggle" things into the hospital. On January 4, visiting director Dan Fisher reports catching a man "secretly conveying a loaf of bread into the ward." Hospital employees, too, did not always live in harmony. On October 13, one hundred years ago, Joshua, the handy man at the hospital, and the cook fell out. Cook complained to the director visiting that day that Joshua had beaten her, but investigation showed that the cook had beaten Joshua who refrained from turning the other cheek, and had beaten her soundly in turn.

The quaint night lights used at the hospital 100 years ago are instanced in a report of November 29, 1824. Wards were lighted by burning a floating light on oil in a tumbler. Dr. Ross and John Torrance report this method as "abounding in many inconveniences. The patients get at it during the night, move it about and often put it out and it is feared attempt to light pipes and cigars at it!"

"We suggest that the inconvenience now experienced will be removed by a glass lanthorn fixed to the wall to receive the lamp, with a small lock on

the door of the lanthorn," the directors wrote.

The hospital was much troubled by shortage of water supplies in those early days, judging by frequent entries in the book. Under the date of April 8, 1828 it is stated that "patients have to be deprived of the use of warm baths."

The habitual thoughtfulness for the patients by the visiting directors is evidenced throughout the book. Many are the suggestions made for the greater comfort of the sufferers, as for instance a recommendation by John Molson that benches be placed on the upper gallery for the use of convalescents.

Directors frequently visiting the hospital in the years 1826 to 1828 included James McGill, founder of McGill University; George Gregory, John Fry, David Handyside, Robert Froste, William Bingham, Henry Corse, Archibald Ferguson, Robert Armour, Hon. L. Guty and Alex Skakel.

The last entry in the book, Saturday, April 29, 1828, bears this happily characteristic report, signed by Dr. Essen: "I have visited the wards of the hospital and I find everything in perfect order as usual and the patients satisfied."

*X David Ross - father of Arthur  
Ross.*



# CHARM OF REAL MAHOGANY INCREASES WITH ITS AGE

## *Juxtaposition of Rich Brown Wood and Blue Draperies Produces Restful Atmosphere in Room*

Mahogany is one of the few woods which become more beautiful with age. Like old masters and old lace, its presence shows refinement and good taste. Even after it has served your purpose, future generations will still admire its beauty after the manner in which you admire the mahogany of a century and a half ago, which reflected on its polished surface the powdered hair, patches, small-clothes, and brocades of that period.

The carpenter on Sir Walter Raleigh's ship in 1595 first noticed the appropriateness of mahogany for furniture, but it was not until the second decade of the eighteenth century that it was extensively used in cabinet-making. Dr. William Gibbons did much to popularize the wood about 1720. His brother brought some mahogany to England, and Dr. Gibbons employed a cabinet-maker named Woolaston to work it into furniture. Sir Robert Walpole removed the duty on mahogany logs in 1733, and mahogany furniture immediately became the rage. America, however, extensively used mahogany for furniture as early as 1705.

San Domingo mahogany was most highly prized by first-class cabinet-makers. Articles made of it are extraordinarily heavy, its weight being about 6 pounds to the square foot, 1 inch thick. Mahogany from Mexico and Honduras weighs but little more than a third as much, is softer, and of coarser grain. Altitude rather than geographical locality makes the difference in the wood.

Mahogany on exposed summits grows more slowly, is tougher, and of finer grain, while that at sea level

is more loosely knit. One reason why the fine color of old San Domingo cannot readily be matched today is because of modern logging methods. The old wood floated for months in the salt water before it reached its destination, and it was the chemical reaction of this water on the fibres which went far towards giving the beautiful mellow tone.

The four master furniture builders of the Georgian period—Chippendale, Adam, Hepplewhite, and Sheraton—and their contemporaries, used mahogany to the exclusion of other woods. One great charm of mahogany is its distinctiveness. It lies beyond the skill of any cabinet maker to make two mahogany articles exactly alike in appearance. The design may be the same and the wood taken from the same log, but the wonderful diversity of grain is such that no two tables, chairs, or desks ever look exactly alike. No other wood possesses such individuality.

If a room is furnished throughout in mahogany it will be discovered that the juxtaposition of blue and the rich brown fire of mahogany produce a most peaceful atmosphere. No other colors will produce exactly this effect. Mahogany also has the power of toning unpleasant greens, as well as metallic hard blues.

When buying mahogany look for the beautiful characteristic grain. The grain and color of real mahogany is so typical that it needs to be seen but once to be always recognized. Imitation mahogany fails to show the open pattern and the delightful mellow tone of the real stuff. Do not buy furniture that is stained so dark that the true mahogany finish is obscured.



## St. John the Evangelist

Anglicans of Montreal and of Canada as a whole have cause for pride and rejoicing in the event that will take place tomorrow at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, when its congregation will gather to render thanks for the manifold benefits received during the past three-score and seven years. The celebration of the Solemn Eucharist in the morning; which, has been the church's great act of worship and thanksgiving for more than half a century, coupled with the other services throughout the day will be the commemoration of the opening of the edifice for public worship on Trinity Sunday, 1878. Its history during the years which preceded the opening of the present building is to many members of the Church of England in Montreal too little known, yet it is one of the most colorful episodes in the annals of the Anglican Church in Canada.

The efforts and sacrifices which the little band of church people who gathered round its rector-founder, the late Rev. Edmund Wood, made in order to erect the first church building, if re-told today, would astonish not a few Anglicans as well as members of other denominations. The names of Father Wood and St. John the Evangelist cannot be thought of apart. There are few, if any, more romantic figures in the Anglican Church in Canada; his love for all men, the beauty and simplicity of his mind, his towering strength which held out against all the persecutions of the cause for which he stood—the Catholic faith—are some of the features of his character which old Montrealers remember best. Nor is his fame confined to Montreal, or even Canada; the name of Father Wood is still revered by many churchmen both in England and the United States. He was the pioneer of the expression of Catholic endeavour in the Church of England in Canada; and what was accomplished for the faith at his death on September 26th, 1909, has in no way fallen back. The two priests who followed to the rectorship have, during their tenure, revealed minds similar to that of their noble predecessor, and today St. John's stands out as one of the centres of the Catholic faith in Canada.

Like so many of the churches of its kind in England, St. John the Evangelist has within its borders an impoverished and cosmopolitan area, and here it is carrying on its work, tending the poor and needy. To further this service, it has recently, coincident with the celebration of its jubilee year, opened a mission house on Dorchester street west. It is to be sincerely hoped that this effort will be crowned with a measure of success befitting the importance of the work in hand. Under the name of St. Michael, the mission stands within a stone's-throw of the site where the church found its birth. It was in the old mortuary chapel on what is now known as Dufferin Square that Father Wood, on Christmas Eve, 1859, officiated at the first choral evensong, and from this small beginning the nucleus of the congregation was formed. In 1861 the first church building was erected at the corner of Dorchester and St. Urbain streets. Under the guidance of Father Wood the development continued until in 1878 the present edifice opened, and St. John's stands today as the only Anglican, and, moreover, the only English-speaking church in the district.



## SOCIAL AND

A lovely wedding took place on Saturday afternoon at half-past four o'clock at the residence of the uncle and aunt of the bride, Lord and Lady Atholstan, 533 Sherbrooke street west, when Marlon Isobel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ross Crawford, The Linton, became the bride of Mr. William Adams Ramsay, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ramsay, of "Ailsa Craig," Montclair, N.J., formerly of Montreat. The Very Reverend Dean Carlisle officiated. The wedding music was played by the Ritz-Carlton orchestra. Quantities of early summer flowers decorated the rooms, pink snap-dragon and blue larkspur predominating. The ceremony was performed in the library, the bride and bridegroom standing in front of the fireplace, which was banked with larkspur, pink snap-dragon and greenery, two flower-decked pillars being placed at either side, and stools with white satin cushions arranged in front of the fireplace.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white bridal satin made on simple lines and caught at one side with orange blossoms. The neckline was cut v-shaped, the sleeves were long and close fitting, reaching below the wrists, and the court train of satin was lined with ivory chiffon. A Limerick lace veil, belonging to Mrs. J. Stewart Robertson, a relative of the bride, was worn and arranged in cap fashion over a tulle veil edged with the same lace, which was caught with two strands of orange blossoms with clusters of orange blossoms at either side, the veil falling to the hem of the train. The only ornament she wore was a string of pearls, and her shower bouquet was composed of lilies-of-the-valley and white orchids. There were six bridal attendants, the Hon. Margaret Shaughnessy, the Hon. Hazel Shaughnessy, cousins of the bride; Miss Enid Montgomery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Montgomery, and the Hon. Ann Shaughnessy, cousin of the bride. There were two little train-bearers, Miss Eleanor Randle, niece of the bridegroom, and the Hon. William Shaughnessy, cousin of the bride. With the exception of the train-bearers the bride's attendants all wore frocks made alike of georgette in a soft shade of pale rose pink, cut on simple lines and tucked at the waistline. They wore pink mohair hats with bows of velvet ribbon, and carried pink sweet peas and forget-me-nots. The two train-bearers wore Kate Greenaway costumes. Little Miss Eleanor Randle's pink satin made with a long skirt and high waistline and finished at the neck with a white fichu, and she carried a basket of rose petals; while the Hon. William Shaughnessy wore a pink satin suit with a white frilled collar. Mr. Baisley Ellebash, of New York, was the best man, and the ushers were Mr. B. M. Hallward, Mr. Duncan Hodgson and Mr. John Halpin, and Mr. T. Randle, of Montclair, N.J.

A reception followed the ceremony, the orchestra playing softly throughout the afternoon. Mrs. Crawford, mother of the bride, wore a French blue gown of crepe roman with a black mohair hat trimmed with blue grosgrain ribbon to match her gown; Mrs. Ramsay, the bridegroom's mother, wore grey crepe Elizabeth with a front panel of grey lace, and a black mohair hat; Lady Atholstan, aunt of the bride, wore a gown of beige georgette and lace with a mohair hat to match; Mrs. T. McLeay Graham, grandmother of the bride, was gowned in black crepe Elizabeth, beaded in white and wore a black hat; Mrs. J. Molson Crawford, the bride's grandmother, wore black crepe Elizabeth cut on straight lines with black Chantilly lace flounces arranged at either side, a small cape of the same lace, and a black mohair hat with glycerined feather mount; Miss Violet Ramsay, the bridegroom's sister, was gowned in beige chiffon trimmed with lace, made in long waisted style, the skirt being inset with godets, and a beige Milan hat trimmed with brown velvet ribbon; the Hon. Mrs. Hallward, cousin of the bride, wore a satin gown of a soft blue shade, trimmed with real lace, and a hat of cream color; Lady Shaughnessy wore a French model gown of nude chiffon and a brown mohair hat; Miss Graham, aunt of the bride, wore a gown of black flat crepe with a black hat; Mrs. Lorne Rowley, the bride's cousin, was in a gown of beige georgette and lace, with a brown velvet hat trimmed with velvet ribbon; Mrs. T. Randle, the bridegroom's sister, was gowned in flowered chiffon with an orchid mohair hat and a corsage bouquet of orchids. Later Mr. Ramsay and his bride left for a short motor trip and will sail from Quebec on Wednesday by the Empress of Scotland, to spend their honeymoon abroad. Going away the bride wore a navy blue Lanvin model of crepe marocain with touches of white, flesh-colored stockings and green kid shoes, a navy blue bangkok hat with navy blue velvet trimming, and a navy blue wrap of French cord, made on long straight lines with touches of white on collar and pockets. The bride also carried a green handbag to match her shoes. They will remain away for several weeks, and on their return will reside in Montclair, N.J. Among the out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ramsay, the bridegroom's parents; Miss Ramsay and Mrs. T. Randle, sisters of the bridegroom, and Mr. Randle, all of Montclair, N.J.; Mrs. Lorne Rowley, of Jamaica, L.I.; Miss Lydia Thompson, Mr. John Halpin, Mr. and Mrs. Hobane and Mr. Baisley Ellebash, all of New York.

Mrs. T. R. McCarthy and Miss Mc-



## "I REMEMBER."

Fresh and vivacious, Miss de Rocheblave is full of memories of the old social and military regime in Montreal in bygone days.

"Not, mind you, that I am indifferent to the present, either," she will tell you, between her twinges of rheumatism, which is the only thing she suffers from.

"That and the lengthening days might well depress one, you know, but I will not let them. I will not let them," she repeated with energy.

"I will laugh to the last. What is the good of giving way to depression? The best way is to look on the bright side of things, no matter what happens.

"Oh, the dear military. Of course I knew everybody worth knowing when I was young. We had good times. We enjoyed a round of dances and parties, and there was rarely a dull moment.

"I lived, where do you think? Where St. Patrick's Church now is. All that block which the church corporation owns, and which is bounded by Dorchester, Lagauchetiere, Alexander and Beaver Hall Hill, belonged to my father. My father, you may know, was a great fur trader, and was generally away in the North-West, making piles of money. My mother could not induce him to retire altogether from business. He was so fond of activity and planning; but while he was at home from the West one time he bought this property, and built our mansion upon it. I suppose it was the most conspicuous private house in the city. It stood upon the hill, you know, and commanded a glorious view, to which there was no interruption. One could see, then, right down to the river, along McGill street, and then away miles across the south shore. The house was four storeys, and built of stone. My father superintended the building of it himself. The place all about, where the grounds of the St. Patrick's Church now are, was laid out in gardens. We kept two gardeners, besides indoor servants and the place was expensive to maintain. But it was a notable place at the time and was the resort of many well-known Montrealers. There was nothing but a fence then separating our property from Beaver Hall Hill.

"Of course the land had nothing like the value it has to-day. But even then it was valuable.

"We had a happy life there, with my brothers and sisters, of whom there were seven in all. I had the dearest little pony in the world, which could do everything but talk. I had him shot when it came that I had to part with him, as I could not bear his going to others.

"In due course my father died, and my mother and the family were left with the big place. She found it very exacting, very expensive. We kept it on, however, for years. There was nothing all about us but the open country, although the streets I have mentioned were marked out. Beaver Hall Hill had only a few houses. Alexander street was not built up. The network of streets, now densely crowded, intervening between Lagauchetiere and Craig and McGill, did not exist. There was a clear view to the river. It is hard to believe that. The big warehouse on McGill street had no existence. There was no port of Montreal. As we now see it. The

wharves were in a state of nature.

"I well remember many a time enjoying the glorious view from my window.

"We had flowers the year round, first in the open and then in the conservatory.

"When my father died, the decision was come to, after long debate, to sell; and the corporation of St. Patrick's bought the property, the grounds, and everything. I forget the price now, but it did not represent the present-day value, of course. But only part of our mansion was taken down at the time. You may remember that only recently were the old stone wall removed to give more space in connection with the meetings of the Eucharistic Congress.

"My people owned other property in the city, at the corner of Craig and Cote streets; in the neighborhood of Sanguinet street; on Ste. Famille, and on St. Denis; if they had held on to the lands till the present day—that is, could they have lived to see the present day with the wonderful real estate values—they would have made about ten million dollars. That is in accordance with the advance which has taken place during the past decade or so. They sold out, bit by bit, getting, of course, the market price at the time. The districts I refer to were, in my people's time, all in the country. The most far-seeing could not have expected the advance we now see.

"My father, my mother, my sisters, and my brothers died, and I was left. I have known trouble; but I have not fallen under it. What's the use? I have happy recollections of my youth, when we had gay times in the city; and I would not part with them for a good deal.

"We had theatricals nearly all the time at the Theatre Royal, on Cote street. We had dances and balls there—the place being specially fitted up for those occasions. And we had the military bands always in attendance.

"The officers were agreeable to a lot of young people, of whom I was one. People did not then think that the sole thing in life was to get money. They had time for social enjoyment. We had our social rivalries, our coquetries—ah, yes, my friend, we were young ones! It is all gone, to be sure, and I am, for the moment, propped up in this bed with rheumatism; but I have still my faculties, my memory, and my pleasant retrospects; and, therefore, am not going to yield to the mollygrubs."



**WILLIAM KNOX.**

Q.—Can you tell me anything of William Knox, a poet?—Roxborough.

A.—William Knox was a Scottish minor poet, known personally to Sir Walter Scott, but to the world only by one poem, "Mortality," the first stanza of which is:

"Oh, why should the spirit of mortal be proud?  
Like a swift-fleeting meteor, a fast-flying cloud,  
A flash of the lightning, a break of the wave,  
Man passeth from life to his rest in the grave."

This was the favorite poem of Abraham Lincoln, who came across it in early manhood.

**BONNIE BANKS O' LOCH LOMOND.**

Q.—Please give the words of the Scottish song which begins, "By yon bonnie banks and by yon bonnie braes." I have forgotten the rest.—G. MacB.

A.—Following are the words of this beautiful old Scottish song:

"By yon bonnie banks and by yon bonnie braes,  
Where the sun shines bright on Loch Lomond,  
Where me and my true love were ever wont to gae,  
On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomond.

Chorus:

"Oh! ye'll tak' the high road an' I'll tak' the low road,  
An' I'll be in Scotland afore ye;  
But me an' my true love, we'll never meet again  
On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomond.

"'Twas there that we parted in yon shady glen  
On the steep, steep side o' Ben Lomond,  
Where in purple hue the Highland hills we view,  
And the moon comin' out in the gloaming.

(Chorus).

"The wee birdie sings and the wild flow'rs spring,  
And in sunshine the waters are sleeping,  
But the broken heart, it kens nae second spring,  
Tho' the waefu' may cease frae their greeting."

(Chorus).



The memory of David Ross Esq. Sec.  
of the Committee needed those superintendence. His  
Church has elected S. W. Noble and Mrs. Gleason.  
He departed this life the 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1837. at 67  
years. Esteemed and respected as a husband  
father, and friend he died beloved  
and regretted.



The 1<sup>st</sup> Christ Church  
Cathedral -

Which was on Notre Dame St  
& was burnt -



TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1926

## INTERESTING COPY OF MONTREAL NEWSPAPER FOUND IN LONDON

Dr. Edward Tremble, who has returned to Montreal after a post-graduate course in Europe, had an interesting experience one day in London. Browsing among the treasures of a dealer in old books he stumbled upon a newspaper dated "Montreal." He drew it out and found it to be four pages of a special illustrated section of the Montreal Herald of Saturday, September 1st, 1860, published in honor of the Canadian visit of H. R. H. Albert Edward, Prince of Wales.

"This interests me," he remarked to the bookman. "I am from Montreal and am going home again in a few days. How much do you want for it?"

"Well," said the dealer, "An American tourist offered me five pounds for it but I don't like to see our British stuff all going to the Americans, so I did not sell it to him. But if you will take it back to Montreal, I'll make you a present of it," and the bookman wrote across the top: "With John McMaster's compliments, 17 Pantons street, London, S. W. 1," and the date.

Dr. Tremble was delighted and he decided he would present it to the McCord Museum or the Chateau de Ramezay.

The illustrated supplement consists of four huge newspaper pages, each 29x24, with nine columns of type on each. In those days the Herald—even then in its fifty-second volume—was published by D. Kinnear and Company and the office was at 209 Notre Dame street, the full extent of which street then was from Dalhousie Square (near the present Place Viger Station) to McGill street. The Herald office was between the Court House and where St. Lawrence Boulevard now intersects and the production of so ambitious an illustrated section as this, set a new high-water mark for the newspapers of Lower Canada. Nothing had previously been attempted on so large a scale. The front page was devoted to a full-length picture of the Prince in uniform, 14 inches by 20, with a back-ground showing the citadel at Quebec. Inside were portraits of Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort. The new House of Parliament at Ottawa, the corner

stone of which was laid by the Prince on Saturday, September 1st, 1860, was illustrated as it would appear when completed and the rest of the issue was devoted to Montreal views, the chief of which was a panoramic view of the water-front.

The change that has taken place in the Harbor of Montreal in the intervening sixty-five years is well-nigh incredible. The completed Victoria Bridge, the last rivet of which His Royal Highness drove home on August 25th, 1860, is shown with great rafts of timber drifting under it. Near it is the block of buildings from which have grown the Canadian National Railway shops at Point St. Charles, and the railway station out there where the directors of the Grand Trunk Railway gave the luncheon that day to the Prince, among the six hundred guests being His Excellency the Governor General, Sir Edmund Head.

Showing distinctly is the Nuns' farm house, still standing and visible from Wellington street. Just east of the group of factories on the Lachine canal bank and the entrance to the canal is the Ocean S.S. Wharf and near-by the offices of the Ocean S.S. Company, now the Allans office. At the corner of Commissioners street and Custom House Square is shown the Montreal House, then one of the leading hotels, now the Montreal Sailors' Institute, with the Island wharf near-by. Above the warehouses of the river-front one sees the spires of Zion Church and St. Andrew's Church,—both on Beaver Hall Hill—St. Patrick's, the Scotch Church on Cote Street, and the twin towers of Notre Dame Parish Church. Next comes Jacques Cartier Square with the Nelson Pillar, towering at its head, and the Court House across Notre Dame street. But the City Hall is not yet its neighbor. Past Bonsecours Market and Bonsecours Church one reaches the Barracks on Water street and sees the uncompleted tower of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church on Visitation street. Just east of that is the mansion of Judge Reid, afterwards well-known to habitués of Sohmer Park. Then come the large holdings of the Molsons—the riverside residence of the Hon. William Molson, the Molson College, the Molson Terrace and the Molson Distillery. Below the jail are shown the farms that dotted the lower stretches of the Island—fertile fields that are now covered with hundreds of blocks of red-brick city dwellings.



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## FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE ATTAINED

Church of St. John the Evan-  
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### RECTOR'S RETROSPECT

Work of Ontario Street West  
Church Traced Back to  
1859—Three Pastors  
in History

Fifty years of service and witness of the Catholic faith in one of the poorest and most cosmopolitan districts of Montreal will be observed next Sunday by the congregation of the Church of St. John the Evangelist with special services throughout the day. The half century of witnessing to be marked by the Jubilee on Trinity Sunday does not however cover the entire span of the years of the church's existence. St. John the Evangelist, which is now known throughout Canada and also in England, found its birthplace in the now long demolished mortuary chapel which stood on what is now called Dufferin Square, Dorchester street, more than three score years ago. St. John's history dates back to Christmas Eve, 1859, when in that old chapel the Rev. Edmund Wood, the rector-founder, officiated at choral evensongs, perhaps the first service of its kind to be held in Canada.

Nor do the limits of the parish cover by any means the field of service which the church has under its care. Regular members of the church come from all corners of the Island of Montreal, and from the districts beyond.

The Church of St. John the Evangelist is one of the oldest Anglican churches on the island, and few, if any can reveal a more colorful history. Not a few times during the earliest years of its life did its rector and members suffer persecution for the cause for which they stood witness.

It will be a unique coincidence on Sunday morning when the Right Rev. Dr. A. C. A. Hall, Bishop of Vermont, mounts the pulpit to preach the sermon at the Solemn Eucharist to be held at 11 o'clock. It was on Trinity Sunday, 1878, that the bishop, then Father Hall, of the Society of St. John the Evangelist, stepped into the pulpit to give the sermon at the opening service. Bishop Hall will also be at the Solemn Evensong to be held at 7.15 p.m., but at this service he will not be the preacher. The Venerable Archdeacon Scott, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Quebec, will deliver the sermon in the evening. Archdeacon Scott also has an old association with St. John's, for during the years from 1884 to 1886 he was assistant priest.

The main celebration of the Jubilee of the church is to be deferred until the autumn when it is the custom for the congregation to observe its dedication festival. This will last for a period of two weeks from October 7—21.

#### LOOKS BACK TO 1859.

In commenting on the history of the parish, the Rev. W. H. Davison, the present rector, said yesterday, "The work of the church goes back to the time when the Rev. Edmund Wood came to Montreal from the Diocese of Durham, England, in 1859. He was assistant at Christ Church Cathedral, and had charge of the district which is now covered by the Church of St. John the Evangelist." After holding services at the mortuary chapel for some months a church was erected at the corner of St. Urbain and Dorchester streets. This was used until the opening of the present church fifty years ago. "For 51 years, Father Wood labored in the parish," said Father Davison, "and the influence of his ministry permeated not only his own diocese, but many parishes of the Canadian Church. He was a man of musical and other gifts and his devotion to the poor and needy was one of the features of his work."

"There was a remarkable demonstration of public sympathy," he went on, "among all classes of people on the occasion of his funeral in 1909. His ministry at St. John's was a remarkable illustration of faithful devotion and personal effort in the face of all kinds of conditions."

"Associated with him for over 30 years was the Rev. Arthur French, who came to St. John the Evangelist in the autumn of 1878, from the diocese of Litchfield, England. His work is well known to many in Montreal today and has left a real mark on the city. Father French was at the church until 1917, when owing to a breakdown in health, he was forced to resign."

The present rector is only the third to hold the position since the formation of the church 67 years ago. By a remarkable coincidence he was ordained to the priesthood in Father Wood's old diocese on the very day and almost at the very same hour at that which Father Wood passed away on the morning of September 25, 1909. It is also an interesting coincidence that he was educated at the same college as his predecessor, Father French, and like him also studied at Cuddesdon Theological College.

Quite a large number of old out of town members of the church are expected to be present on Sunday. W. R. Spence, a choir boy at the opening of the church, and later organist, will be present as well as three members of the choir who have been on the strength for over fifty years. They are S. E. Reiffenstein, J. F. Haskell and J. L. Dugan.

Occurring in coincidence with the jubilee commemoration year, a parish mission has during the last year been opened, under the name of St. Michael. It is situated in the centre of the parish on Dorchester street within a stone's throw of the site of the old mortuary chapel.

The Rev. Walter Lack is in charge of the work of the district, having recently taken residence at the mission, which as the rector described "is the social service arm of the work of the church."

Father Davison explained that a campaign to raise the sum of \$75,000 is being opened to provide for the rebuilding of certain of the parish buildings. This effort is part of the commemoration, he said, adding that the congregation which is making a special endeavor in the matter is hopefully looking to the aid of old members and friends of the parish for support.

Java is an island of comparatively recent volcanic origin.



# A Trip to Ottawa Sixty Years Ago

By W. S. HUMPHREYS

**M**Y FIRST visit to Ottawa was made just 60 years ago—on May 24, 1867—the object of my trip being to participate in the celebration of the birthday of Queen Victoria.

At that time I was a member of the Victoria Rifles Regiment of Montreal, and our corps had been invited to take part in the birthday review. I was a member of No. 6 company, commanded by Captain John Molson Crawford, who some years later became commander of the regiment. Our captain was at the time the most popular company head in the whole corps, and his company was always at full strength. He encouraged and helped his men as much as possible, and on drill nights his words generally were: "Now, boys, put in a good drill. There is a supper afterwards."

## BEEFSTEAK AND ONIONS.

Naturally we all endeavored to do our best, and when drill was completed our captain marched us to the Cosmopolitan Hotel on Place d'Armes Square, where a fine spread of beefsteak and onions, with copious draughts of beer, was served to us, and where a pleasant time was spent.

Colonel Hutton was commander of the regiment at that time, and among the members were James D. Crawford, who afterwards became Colonel of the Royal Scots; Angus R. Bethune, who later became Colonel of the Victorias; John Dunlop, later a Judge of the Superior Court; James G. Sidey, head of the firm of J. G. Sidey & Co.; Charles G. Geddes, at that time agent of the Canada Life Assurance Company in Montreal, and others. My right-hand man was Robert Pinkerton, for many years connected with the insurance business in this city. The sergeant-major of the regiment was Lindsay Sims.

The Victoria Rifles Armory our drill hall in those days was situated in the upper storey of the old Bonsecours' Market, and there, on the morning of May 23, 1867, the regiment assembled to secure rifles and accoutrements, knapsacks, haversacks, etc., for we had to go on heavy marching order. When fully equipped, we proceeded to the Champ de Mars, where we were paraded and addressed by Colonel Hutton. We then marched through St. James and Bonaventure streets to the Bonaventure station, where a special train was awaiting us to convey us to Lachine.

## A SLOW TRIP.

The trip was not made as expeditiously as is the same journey today, as stops had to be made to take on fuel, for the engine, for this was before the days of coal, the engine being driven entirely by wood.

Arriving at Lachine, we found the steamer Prince of Wales awaiting us, and we had a very pleasant trip as far as Carillon, where we had to take the train again as far as Grenville, and this train was even slower than was the Lachine one, owing to the many stoppages for wood fuel.

Arriving at last at Grenville we found another steamer awaiting us, and this took us safely to Ottawa, where we arrived on the morning of the 24th.

## LANDED IN MUD.

On disembarking we found the landing-stage in a very muddy condition, and this somewhat disappointed us, as we had tried to make ourselves as "spick and span" as possible for our entry into Ottawa.

However, we tried to avoid the mud as much as possible, but one of the staff officers, for whom horses had been provided, was thrown from his steed, and had to be very carefully cleaned before he could join in the march.

A detachment of the Civil Service Corps awaited us, to escort us to the grounds surrounding the Parliament buildings, then recently completed.

In arriving there, we were invited to stack our arms, relieve ourselves of our knapsacks, and were given our freedom for an hour.

We spent the hour in resting and in sprucing ourselves up for the review, which was scheduled for 11 o'clock, and shortly before that time the different units commenced to arrive, and we got ourselves in readiness to fall in.

The review, which was the biggest that had taken place in Ottawa up to that time, was participated in by Her Majesty's 100th, or Prince of Wales Royal Canadian Regiment, the Ottawa Brigade Garrison Artillery of four batteries, the Civil Service Rifle Regiment of Ottawa, and the Victoria Rifle Regiment of Montreal, the reviewing officer being Colonel (afterwards General Sir Patrick) McDougall, Adjutant-General of Canadian Militia.

## GUNS BOOM AT NOON.

The whole force was put through various evolutions up to the noon hour, when the guns of the batteries boomed out, quickly followed by the various regiments, which had been drawn up into line, with a "feu de joie." After a few more evolutions the men were dismissed with a few complimentary words from the reviewing officer.

The other regiments marched away to their various armories, leaving us alone on the Parliamentary grounds. We soon divested ourselves of our rifles, knapsacks and other accoutrements, and proceeded to the Russell House, where a substantial dinner had been prepared for us, and to which we did full justice, as we had had but a

poor apology for breakfast on the steamer that morning. After dinner we were given the freedom of the city until 5 o'clock, and we spent the time in viewing the various points of interest. At the hour named, we were all back in Parliament grounds, where we quickly gathered our belongings and equipped ourselves for the homeward journey.

The streets were lined as we marched through them to the wharf, where the steamer awaited us. We were in jolly mood, and sang many of our regimental songs as we marched along, such as "Vive la Compagnie," "Alouette," "Go 'long, Eliza Jane," etc., our escort of the Civil Service Corps joining us in the various choruses.

## ARRIVE HOME, HUNGRY.

Our return journey was made over the same route as that by which we had come—boat from Ottawa to Grenville, train from Grenville to Carillon, then boat to Lachine. On arriving at the latter place early in the morning of the 25th, we had to wait a couple of hours for the train. We were all rather hungry, and we stormed the only two hotels that the town then possessed, looking for refreshment. We soon cleaned them out, until there was not even a drop of milk or an egg to be had. However, the train at last arrived, and we were soon whisked to Montreal—a rather dusty crowd, I am afraid.

We marched directly to the Champ de Mars, where we were drawn up, and listened to a few words of congratulation from Colonel Hutton, after which we proceeded to our armory, divested ourselves of our accoutrements, and soon dismissed, some to put in a few hours' work, others to seek a much-needed rest.

I remained with the Victoria Rifles until 1870, when I had to retire on accepting a position in Burlington, Vt. On my return to Canada, my business would not permit of my rejoining the regiment, but I have always had a strong affection for it.

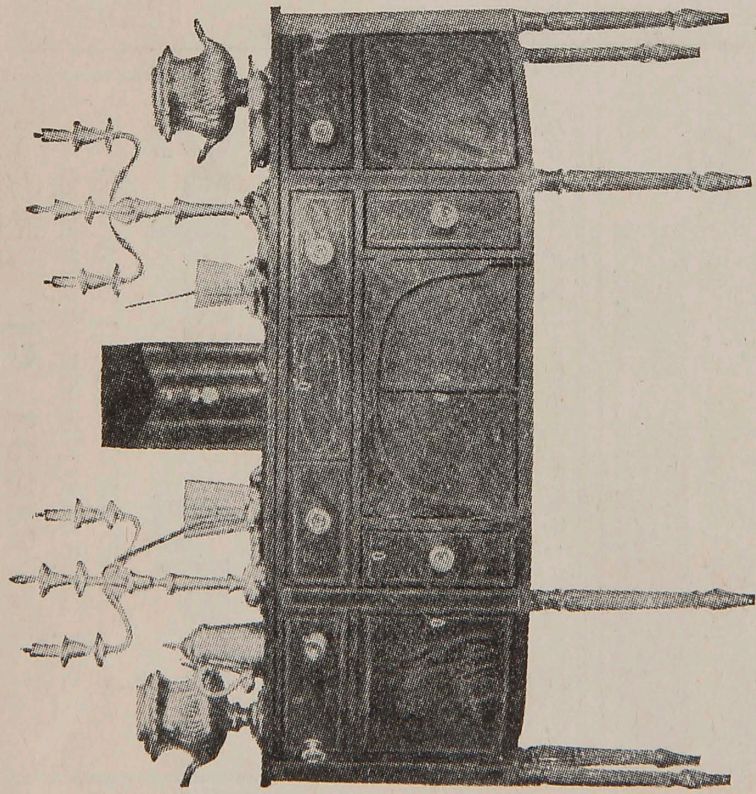
While in Burlington I saw the Fenian Raid on Canada from an American standpoint, and was able, with two other Canadians, to send a telegraphic message to Colonel Osborne Smith, at Montreal, on May 24, 1871, warning him of the approaching danger. This secured my companion and myself the enmity of some of the Fenian leaders, and we had a narrow escape at the time—but this is another story, as Kipling says.





Beautiful Montreal Homes.—“Temple Grove,” the residence of David Ross McCord, K.C. Built by his father, the Hon. Mr. Justice McCord, in 1837, it is probably the oldest house in that section of the city of Montreal.—Photo by Rice Studio.





ON THE left is shown a beautiful example of the type of design made famous by Sheraton. It is of mahogany, inlaid with lines of holly-wood. The lasting beauty of such a sideboard proves that masterpieces may be produced in furniture as well as in any other kind of original work. It is needless to point to the glaring ugliness of the example on the right. Such machine-made wares will soon become rare if once a little thought is expended in making selection.

A picture of the "Sheraton Bank" Side-board - Now in the

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MONTREAL, August 28th, 1918.

My dear Mrs. Crawford:-

After three trials I have condensed our little report of a great regiment twice. I enclose you a copy of the result that I submitted to Mrs. Hodge. I have had her acknowledgment of receipt this morning. I trust it will be satisfactory. Please show the Colonel.

Your friend  
G. W. Emerson Taylor

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The Victoria Rifle Company was formed from members of the Beaver Lacrosse Club who selected Lieut. W. O. Smith, late of the 16th Regulars, as their Captain, on the 20th September, 1861. On the 13th December, 1861, they signed up new members and formed six companies, which was then a full battalion comprising three hundred men. On January 10th, 1862, the regiment was formally organized with Capt. Smith as Lieutenant-Colonel commanding. On the 30th August the same year, the colours were presented to the regiment by the ladies of Montreal. The presentation took place in the old cricket field, corner St. Catherine and Guy Street. The colours were consecrated by Bishop Pulford, and were received by the regiment under command of General Lindsay, (who was also Brigadier for Eastern Canada), ~~xxxxxx~~ the garrison of regulars and volunteers were ordered out for a march to Lachine. After their arrival there athletic sports were started. There were 32 prizes which had been provided for by the officers of the garrison. 19 of these events fell to the men of the Victoria Rifles, although there were many professionals from England, Scotland and Ireland in the garrison. The 100 yards was taken by C. R. Radiger; the quarter mile by E. A. Whithead and the mile by Maltby. On 1st December, 1864, the first company of the regiment to go on active service left Montreal from Windsor under command of Capt. McGraw. In 1865 Co.. W. Osmond Smith received the staff appointment of D. A. C. for the district and Lt-Col. Augustus Howard, who had been Senior Major of the regiment, succeeded him and commanded the regiment during the Fenian troubles of 1866. Major S. S. MacDougall succeeded Co.. Howard in November 1866. He shortly retired to organize a Corps which was afterwards known as the Royal Guides, composed of members of the Hunt Club, mounted on their own hunters. He was succeeded in command by Major W. H. Hutton, who had also been 1st Adjutant of the regiment. In 1870 the service Company under Capt. J. H. Crawford left for Eccles Hill on the 24th May. During their occupation of the district, Capt. Crawford and his other brother officers entertained Lord Alexander Russell, Colonel of the Rifle Brigade, accompanied by His Royal Highness Prince Arthur. The regiment left the next day in the afternoon for St. Johns under command of Major A. R. Bethune, who like nearly all the officer commanding regiments in the district, for the most part for over ~~thirty years~~ a year, had not had their promotions gazetted. Col. Bethune was succeeded in command by Lt. Col. Jones Handyside who resigned in favour of Major E. A. Whithead who commanded the regiment during the Ship Riots in Quebec in 1878. His successor was Lt-Col. J. H. Crawford who assumed command in 1884 and it was during his command that the corner stone of the Victoria Rifles Armoury was laid by Sir A. P. Caron. He was succeeded by Major C. P. Davidson, afterwards Chief Justice Sir Charles Davidson in 1887, whose successor was Lt. Col. Fred Henshaw. Lt-Col. G. R. Starke received his promotion in command of the regiment in 1892 and was succeeded by Lt-Col. Busted on the 10th August, 1897. Lt-Col. Geo. Hamilton took command of the regiment on the 23rd July, 1900 and it was during his command that the colours of the regiment were given an abiding resting place in the Church of St. James the Apostle.

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Colonels of the 3rd Victoria Rifles of Canada since 1903:

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he took overseas and went with them to the front.  
Lieut.-Col. John Gunn, who raised the 24th and took them overseas.  
Lieut.-Col. W. W. Burland who went over 2nd in command of the 14th.  
Lieut.-Col. Fred Gascoigne raised the 60th and took them overseas.  
Lieut.-Col. F. C. McCrobie, raised the 24th and took them overseas.  
Other officers who went overseas were with rank junior to Lieut.-Col.  
who won their promotion and commanded regiments at the front were  
Gault Lacombe who went over with the 14th and commanded a company  
and when wounded for the second time and sent back to England was the sole  
remaining officer of the original officers of the 14th. W. B. Evenas went  
over as Major in the 60th, and was afterwards transferred to the command  
of an Ontario regiment.  
Lieut.-Col. Peers-Davidson; the late Lieut. Co. Victor Buchanan;  
Major Harry Dennison; Lieut. Co. Montsereat; the late Major J. N.  
Warmington; and many other officers served in the ranks of No. 6.  
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# Scraps of Montreal Herald of 1824

## NOTICE.

**THORNTON** By a certain Cession or Assignment executed before and his Colleague Notaries Public at the 10th day of July 1822, the Subscribers and set over unto Messrs. JOHN I THOMAS TORRANCE, all and every debts and effects in trust for the benefit of the creditors who should accede thereto: And certain other agreement executed before Notary, and his Colleague at Montreal, the 28th day of January last, between and signed of the one part, and the said JOHN I THOMAS TORRANCE, and others, creditors of the other part, it was agreed that of the Estate debts and effects so as aforesaid and set over to the said JOHN BROWN I THOMAS TORRANCE, as then remained in, were not disposed of or converted into Cash, be returned to and become the property of the subscribers, upon the conditions therein mentioned, which said conditions have been duly complied with. Notice is therefore given to all persons yet to the Subscribers jointly or severally the amount of their respective debts to JAMES who is duly authorised to receive the same.

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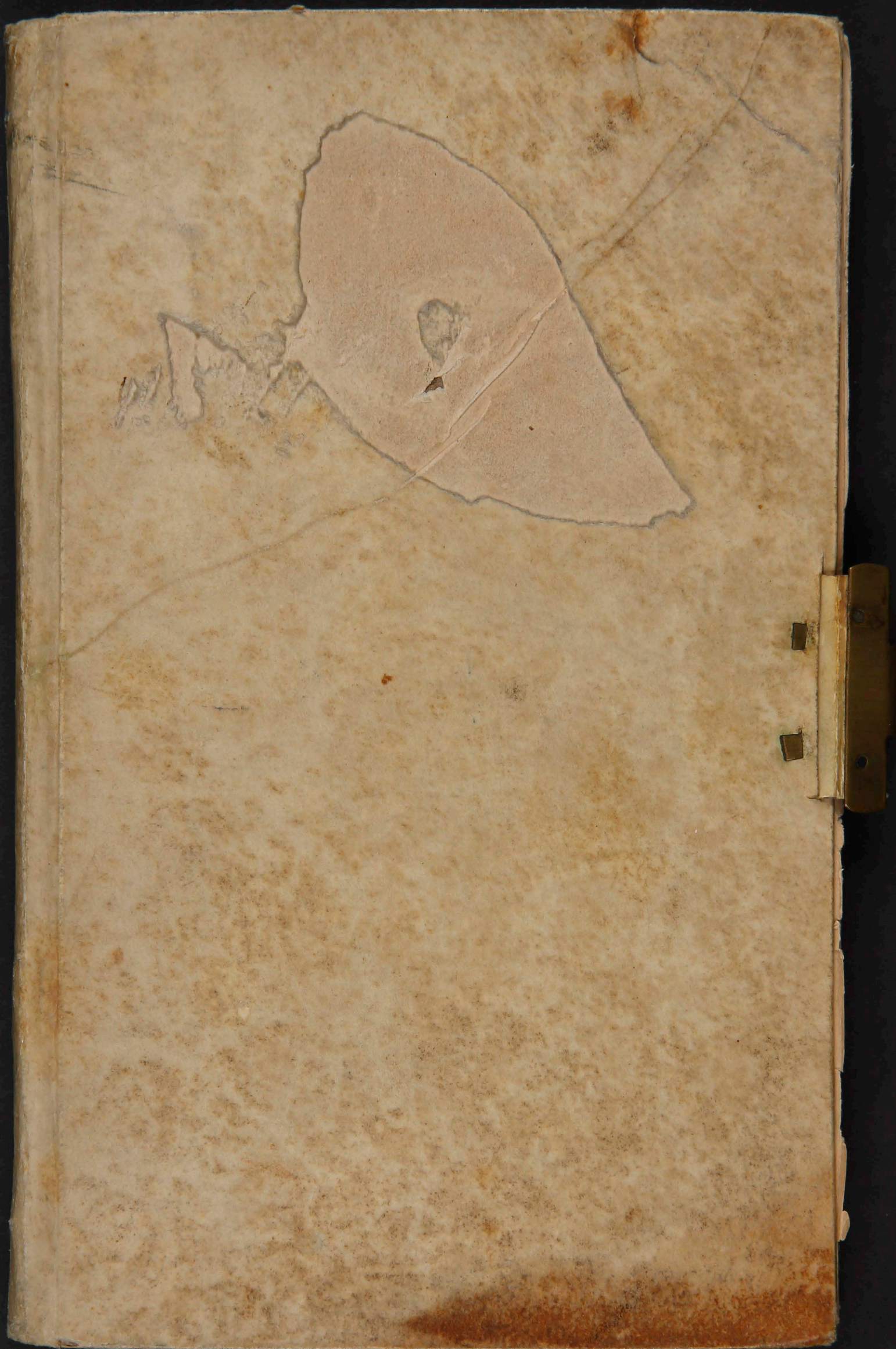
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Taken from notes of Mrs. Emily Ross Crawford.

"I have been asked by my boys to write for them, what I know, or have been told, of the history of their forebears. I shall begin with the Crawford family.

It must be remembered that the notes which follow will, of necessity, be very fragmentary. However, when I am gone, it may be of interest to know what is really authentic of the past generations."

July 1925, at Ballievey Cottage, Cap a L'Aigle, Below Quebec.

THE CRAWFORD FAMILY

The Crawfords originally came from Scotland, at the time when so many Scotch people, on account of religious persecutions, crossed to Ireland. According to the researches made by Rev. Angus Crawford (about 1880), the family are descendants of Flora MacDonald.

The first to own the Ballievey House property of Bonbridge, County Down, was a George Crawford, who built a cottage in the garden of the present home, later on erecting the comfortable "Ballievey House," which is reached from the main road by a pretty little suspension bridge over the River Bon, which leads to a short avenue with Holly and Azalea trees.

George William Crawford, son of the former owner, was next to come into possession of Ballievey. Having lost heavily in a linen speculation in the West Indies, he sold the place to a cousin, procured a sailing vessel, in which he crossed the Atlantic to Canada, with his wife, two daughters, six sons, and his pack of hounds. Mrs. Crawford, before her marriage, was a Miss Hayes.

The voyage took three months to accomplish. Rather oddly, the first Crawford home was the Esplin place on the lower Lachine Road.

John Crawford of Verdun House was one of the younger sons and was about 14 when he left Ireland in 1828. He was born February 2, 1814. He started, when very young, to carve out his own career in the world, which proved a most successful one.

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He was for many years in the Banque du Peuple (Molson's Bank). At one time he was vice-president in the Molson's Bank, resigning from that position as he did not agree with the policy of the bank. When he resigned his position there he was presented by the bank with a very handsome piece of plate, which was unfortunately lost when the first Verdun House was burnt in 1862.

Mr. Crawford was one of the original members of the Montreal Stock Exchange. He was at one time president of the Montreal Street Railway, accepting that position in order to retrieve the money difficulties of the company. When that was accomplished, he resigned. The cars were then drawn by horses.

The Banque du Peuple was later over by Mr B. G. M. as was Molson's Bank — see History B. G. M. by Merrill Deane.



But it probably as the wonderful M.F.H. that Mr. Crawford is best known by all the hunting men of Canada and other further afield. He was Master of the Hunt for 20 years or more. On many occasions he tried to resign, but the members would not accept his resignation. On one occasion they presented him with a very handsome Loving Cup.

His horse "Gypsy" won several silver cups at the Hunt Races. His hunter "Jerry" was trained to wait for his master in St. James Street, the bridle reins thrown loosely on his neck. If it was too warm on one side, he walked calmly into the shade. (This was before the time of the traffic cops).

"Forrester" was another of Mr. Crawford's well-known hunters. He was ridden almost to the time when he was sent to the "Happy Hunting Grounds" for a well-earned rest, when he was 28 years old. His master often said he understood how to manipulate a difficult hunting field as well as he did, and so often left it to Forrester to choose his way.

The members of the Hunt Club gave Mr. Crawford his portrait (by Harris) on "Marquis," his last hunter. The picture was at once presented to the Club and hangs now in their rooms.

The M.F.H. was always a charming picture in his pink riding togs of an Irish Squire. His riding was remarkable and admired by everyone. A poor working man once told his son that he would gladly give fifty cents any day to see his father ride down St. James Street.

The second meet of the hunting season was always at Verdun House and looked forward to as a function by everyone. The grounds never looked so well as when the hounds were stationed on the lawn, while Billy the Huntsman, on his fine horse, stood sentinel over them.

The Master and Mrs. Crawford at the door of the house, welcoming everyone--no formal invitations were allowed to be given, so anyone was free to go, the more obscure they were, the warmer was the reception. The breakfasts were considered exceptionally fine. The coachmen were so well looked after, the ladies complained they were not always driven home by a very straight road.

Mr. Crawford married in 1837, Miss Mary Anne Molson.

Miss Molson had come out from England some years before to keep house for her uncle, the Hon. John Molson. "Belmont Hall" was built by Mr. Molson. It was the first cut stone house erected in Montreal, on Sherbrooke St., and at the corner of St. Lawrence Boulevard. Originally it stood in its own large garden. Mr. and Mrs. Crawford were married from this house, leaving from there on horse back to spend their honeymoon, returning afterward to a cottage in the garden, where their son, John Molson Crawford, was born on September 22, 1838.

About 1842 Mr. Crawford bought the Verdun House property on the Lower Lachine Road, at the foot of the Lachine Rapids, for four thousand dollars. In 1910 it was sold for three hundred thousand. The place originally belonged to the Chapman family. This house was a very characteristic old French stone house, which was unfortunately burnt to the ground in 1862. Only one piece of furniture was saved, the small Chippendale



sideboard, now at Coollegreau, which came from Belmont Hall and was given to Mr. Crawford by his sister. Amongst all his other things, Mr. Crawford lost a very handsome Indian Collection, which had been presented to his father. The horses were, of course, saved.

Mr. Crawford of Verdun House died in April 1903. He had always enjoyed exceptionally good health and although in his 90th year, had ridden in the autumn of 1903 to a meet at the Ogilvy Farm, looking immaculately turned out in his pink riding togs.

Mr. Crawford married (in 1837) when he was about 23, Miss Mary Anne Molson. Their children were: John Molson, Frederick (who died when he was 11 years old), Mary Anne, Elizabeth Louisa, and Eliza Sarah.

Their mother died, when only 45, in 1862. In 1864 their father married Miss Margaret Ellegood, a sister of Canon Ellegood. They had four children: Florence, Lily, Amy and Hayes.

Florence became first, Mrs. Townsend, second Mrs. Cousins. Amy is now Mrs. K. D. Young.

John Molson Crawford was educated at Chambly by the Rev. Mr. White, Rector of that place, who also had a small boarding school for boys. From there he was sent to study French at Berthier.

In 1862 he was taken to England and Ireland with the rest of the family for nearly a year. Returning home before the others, he entered the then well-known firm of Leslie & Co., wholesale grocers. He was also for a short time in his father's office, who had retired from the bank and was a stockbroker. He, however, always preferred an *iytdiir kufe abd evebtyakkt* became a *gebtkenab farnern beubg fir vert nabt tears jbiwb* as *sycgm kuvubg* at Verdun House and managing his father's farm. He was several times elected Mayor of Verdun, was also a member of the Old Montreal Turnpike Trust.

He was an enthusiastic member of the Canadian Militia and loved his regiment, the Victoria Rifles of Canada, entering it as a private, he left it as Lt. Colonel. He and Col. Whitehead were elected as officers on the same day, after only one year in the ranks.

In 1870 the Fenian Raid occurred and at Eccles Hill, Capt. Crawford was in command of No. 3 Company. The then Prince Arthur of Connaught, who was in the Rifle Brigade in Montreal, was also there years afterward, when he became Governor-General of Canada. In speaking to Col. Crawford at a dinner at Government House, Ottawa, His (Excellency) Royal Highness, recalled the incident and said he remembered the Colonel perfectly and also the members of his Company.

In 1885 the Colonel took his regiment to Ottawa for the 24th of May. His handsome old charger "Bonanza" (who no one else could ride) became excited on the Parade Ground. The Colonel managed him wonderfully and the crowd cheered wildly, making things worse, but the perfect riding was spoken of to us many years afterwards in Ottawa, when we were living there.



During the Colonel's command, a bazaar was held to raise funds to build the Victoria Armory in Cattedart St. Everything for the staff table was imported by us, direct from Japan, and proved a great success. A net sum of \$5000.00 was made, in those days considered an enormous sum.

The Colonel retired with his rank in 1887, having won the Long Service Order (25 years) as well as the medal with clasp, for the Fenian Raid.

The Colonel's two hobbies were fishing and yachting. He and Mr. S. Greenshields were never so happy as when off on an excursion in the latter's yacht, "The Escuda," cruising in the Richelieu or St. Lawrence.

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In 1905 we left for our first trip abroad, (~~John Molson Crawford~~) spending the winter in Capri, the summer in Venice and Switzerland. Paid our first visit to George Crawford's at Halliavey House. Returned home after almost a year's absence. In after years we spent many winters abroad, as well as going twice direct to Scotland, the last time was in 1913. Before leaving for home we went to Oxford to see Sir Wm. Osler, who sent us to Harrowgate for the waters.

In 1900 and 1901 the Colonel went with Col. W. Oswald on a sailing vessel from New York round the world, going through the Indian and Pacific Oceans. The trip took from July to January. They landed in Yokohama in the latter month. They cabled from Japan in January; no news had been previously heard from them since July. The head of the famed Albatross was brought home, the bird having been caught from the vessel in the Indian Ocean, with a large fish hook on heavy tackle.

On November 20, 1877, at the Church of St. James the Apostle, John Molson Crawford was married by Canon-Ellegood to Emily, youngest child of Arthur Ross, Seigneur of Beaurivage, and Elizabeth Isabel Webster, daughter of Arthur Webster of Meadow Bank.

Their children were Arthur Ross Crawford, born August 15, 1878. Christened in October by Canon Ellegood at St. James Church. His god parents being A. Davidson Ross and George Ross, his godmother his aunt Eliza S. Crawford.

Stuart Lindsay Crawford, born May 10, 1881. In June Canon Ellegood came out to Rivermede to christen him. His god-parents were Arthur Webster (his mother's cousin), Clarence Whitney of Toronto, and Fanny MacPherson Ross of Frederick, Md., U.S.A., a distant cousin.

At the time of his marriage, John Molson Crawford built a house, called Rivermede, on the Verdun property, in which he lived with his family until shortly before the Verdun property was sold. He then moved to Montreal, residing at 261 Bishop St. (later numbered 1523).

John Molson Crawford died at the Bishop St. home on April 9, 1923.



His wife, Emily Ross Crawford, died at the same home on January 29, 1929.

Arthur Ross Crawford dies in Montreal on March 2, 1931.



THE WEBSTERS OF "MEADOW BANK"  
and  
ROBERT CRUIKSHANK

Meadow Bank was the home of the Websters for many, many years. It was a charming old place on Isle Jesus. The house stood in its own large garden, the Ottawa River flowing past to join the St. Lawrence at the end of the Island.

Arthur Webster, who was born and educated in Dundee, must have arrived in Canada about the year 1801. Before that he had travelled to China, a rather wonderful feat in those days. We have several things from there by him. The valuable old Chinese prints, boxes and his dressing case, lacquer boxes with mother of pearl counters, the charming carved ivory fan, with his mother's initials in the center, M. W. (Margaret Webster). She was a Brand, a well known family, one or two of whom were English M.P.'s.

My mother was Elizabeth Isobel Webster. She was called after her godmother Isobel, who being left the last of the Websters in Dundee, sailed for Canada to join her brother Arthur Webster in Montreal. She put all her worldly possessions, her pearls, house linen, etc., in the same ship as herself, which was most unhappily lost at sea. The grandfather clock in the hall at 261 Bishop was in another ship, which crossed the ocean safely.

There was always a romantic story in the Webster family which was handed down from father to son, but never told to the women. Some years ago I heard of this from the last of the Websters, my cousin Arthur Webster, who had been told by his father. I only know it was something connected with the family of the Dukes of Sutherland. The papers relating to this were sent to Qu'Appelle, and unfortunately burnt when Arthur Webster's house was destroyed while he was in B. C. He had written to his agent to leave the iron box containing these documents in the bank, but everything was burnt the day before these orders reached the man. Arty also said if he ever reached Edinburgh he was going to the office of the "Writer of the Signet" to see the papers which are there, and try to solve the mystery. That is all I know. I would give much to know more.

The grandfather clock now in 261 Bishop St. which came from Meadow Bank and by which my grandfather, Arthur Webster used to be sent to school in Dundee, was made by James Ivory, well known clockmaker of Dundee from 1760 to 1790. Thomas succeeded his father, James Ivory, from 1795 to 1810.

My grandfather, the first Arthur Webster, married in 1802, at Montreal, Elizabeth Cruikshank, only child and heiress of Robert Cruikshank, who was a United Empire Loyalist, coming from the U.S.A. at the time of the Rebellion. He was a charter member of the Montreal General Hospital, a banker and silversmith, which was often a combination in those days. Some of the Montreal old flat silver, marked R.C., Montreal, we still have.

\* "Prune Face" "



He was a man of means, owning two or three houses in the then residential Notre Dame Street. These houses were in a block on the north side, next to the first Christ Church Cathedral, which was burnt about 1857. Robert Cruikshank was English. On the last visit to his home he was about to sail from Bristol for Canada, when he was taken ill and died and was buried there.

His handsome portrait, having been painted by Oppe, was sent to Montreal and is still in possession of the family. The very good set of paste buckles and brooches, together with his wonderful waistcoats, show he was fond of nice things. The Chippendale chairs, Sheraton table, and all the things which came from Meadow Bank were, as far as I know, imported by Mr. Cruikshank for his home in Montreal. The beautiful old Adam sideboard is unfortunately at the Manor House, Beaurivage.

The four children of the first Arthur Webster and Elizabeth Cruikshank were, Arthur Cruikshank, born 1804, Elizabeth Isobel, born 1806, Anne Caroline, and Charlotte (who died young).

Arthur Cruikshank Webster married Anne, daughter of Chief Justice Bowen of Quebec. Their children were Annie, who married Col. W. H. Parker of the 17th Reg., Charlotte, who married Col. King, also of the 17th Reg., and Arthur, who died and is buried in Vancouver, B. C. about 1907.

My uncle, A. C. Webster, was considered in his day to be one of the handsomest men in Montreal. When having a famous lawsuit with Sir A. T. Gall, he was told by the Judge that he was one of the most obstinate men he had ever met. He rode wonderfully and was passionately fond of shooting and fishing. He was educated in England.

The first Arthur Webster was a wine merchant and his home and office were in the houses left by Robert Cruikshank to his daughter, Elizabeth Cruikshank Webster. On one occasion he had collected a large sum of money to pay off a business debt. It was left at night in his iron safe. In the morning safe and money had disappeared. The iron chest was found broken open and empty on the ice near Hochelaga. My dear old grandfather was so disgusted with the loss, he disposed of his business and bought "Meadow Bank," the 300 acre farm, where he established himself in a most extensive way, and where he lived for the remainder of his life, as a well known and advanced gentleman farmer. He imported a Scotch ploughman, Moody, who married the Scotch cook, and retired to Terrebourne, where he started the successful firm of Moody, Makers of Farm Implements, etc.

Mr. Webster died in 1866 at Meadow Bank. He and his family are all buried in the Mount Royal Cemetery in the original Webster Lot, Section F, No. 408. It now stands in the name of E. R. Crawford, being transferred to her by the heirs in England, Annie Parker, and her three nieces, the Kings, daughters of Colonel King (17th Reg.) and Charlotte Webster, sister of Mrs. Parker, and Arthur Webster III.

#### THE ROSS FAMILY

John Ross was the son of a banker, residing in Tain, Ross-shire, Scotland, where he was born about 1735. He came to America in Colonel

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Montgomery's Regiment, the 77th First Highland Battalion, enrolled in 1757. They were at Fort Duquesne (Pittsburg) in 1758 and wintered there. In 1759 with Amherst at Ticonderoga and wintered there. In 1761 at Dominique, 1762 Martinique and Havana. Captured St. Johns, Newfoundland, the same year. Wintered in New York 1762-63. When the regiment was disbanded they were stationed at Annapolis, N. B.

John Ross then parted with his cousin William Ross, who was in the same regiment, after exchanging "Scotch Bonnets." William went to Lancaster, Pa., where he settled and married Mary Hanna, who came out from Ireland to marry him. His descendants now reside in Frederick, Maryland.

John Ross came to Quebec in 1763. He returned to Scotland in 1766 to visit his father and family. He returned to Quebec in 1767, where he married, the same year, Ann Story of Boston, who dies on March 30, 1798. John Ross died in Quebec, exact date unknown, though it could be found from his tombstone in Mount Hermon Cemetery, Quebec. He was alive in 1807.

David Ross was the son of John and Ann Story Ross. He settled in Montreal, became a lawyer, being made a K.C. and first Advocate-General. In 1812, at the time of the war with the U.S.A. he raised the 1st Canadian Royal Artillery, of which he was Colonel. His eldest son, Arthur Ross, was after his death, also Colonel of the same Regiment, being followed by his brother-in-law, R. S. Tylee.

My grandfather, the K.C., built, about 1810, the second cut-stone residence erected in Montreal, a large handsome house. It still stands, facing the Champs De Mars. It was sold by the estate to the Government. A family tradition says the only disagreement Mr. and Mrs. Ross ever had was as to the wisdom of building this house. My grandmother thought it too expensive an undertaking, but it was built and furnished from things sent out from England. Carpets, Crown Derby china, Mirrors (one at 261) and furniture. Miss McCord has many of the bills, which show how prices have changed.

The Ross garden is now St. Urbain Street. It started at St. Catherine St. going almost to Craig St., this is where the famous melons grew. The small gardener's house on St. Catherine St. was standing until lately. Is now owned by the Dr. MacCallum Estate. The K.C. evidently loved property, as he owned much. The present Star office, 60 Notre Dame St., etc. etc., but the estate was not wealthy enough to hold on to it all.

David Ross died in 1837. A memorial tablet was placed in the first Christ Church Cathedral, which was, of course, lost when the church was burnt. The wording on which was as follows:

"In memory of David Ross, Esq. one of the Committee under whose superintendence the Church was erected. A humble and pious Christian, he departed this life the 3rd of November 1837. Age 67 years. Esteemed and respected as a husband, father and friend, he died beloved and regretted."



The stained glass window in the present Christ Church Cathedral on the left side as you enter the large door from St. Catherine Street, is in loving memory of David Ross. It was given by his family when the church was built.

David Ross married Jane Davidson December 15, 1803. Their children were:

Arthur, born Dec. 22, 1804	died January 22, 1871
Anne, " May 21, 1807	" April 30, 1870 (Mrs. McCord)
Eliza, " May 26, 1810	" Sept. 23, 1874 (Unmarried)
Geo. Pownell, Mar. 10, 1812	" May 1820
Eleanor, June 5, 1813	" Jan. 22, 1891 (Mrs. Cotton)
John May 19, 1815	" Feb. 9, 1885, in Quebec
Mary Jane, Sept. 16, 1819	" Apr. 11, 1885 (Mrs. Tylee)
David 1817	" Nov. 12, 1881
Thomas June 8, 1821	" ?
Wm. Gerard June 21, 1823	" June 14, 1899
Walter Mar. 15, 1827	" Aug. 1, 1827

Jane Davidson Ross was born Dec. 10, 1785, died March 25, 1866.



ARTHUR ROSS, SEIGNEUR OF ST. GILES de BEAURIVAGE.

My father, Arthur Ross, was only about nine years old when he was sent to England to school, where he remained for some years, going from there to Trinity College, Cambridge. After finishing his studies at Trinity, he spent a considerable time in Paris, studying French. He always loved the language, and became so proficient in it, he told me, he often thought in French.

Before returning home, he traveled on the Continent, living for some time in Rome, meeting many friends there, and seeing a good deal of society. My deep admiration for all scenery in Italy, and Italian art, must have been inherited from my father. I could even forgive the untidy ways of the Italians, it was all so picturesque. Even their beggars could appeal to one.

The "Governor" as we often called him, made many interesting and life-long friends in England, whom he must have missed on his return to Canada, when he was about 22.

In Montreal he passed his exams as a lawyer, but very soon gave up the practice of his profession, as he did not like pleading in cases he knew to be wrong. In 1852 my father was chosen as sub-treasurer of the Montreal General Relief Committee, to administer and distribute the funds for the relief of the sufferers of the great conflagration which devastated the City of Montreal on the 8th and 9th of July 1852. Associated with him in this work was the Rev. Father Dowd of St. Patrick's. During their combined visits to the stricken people they became fast and life-long friends.

Arthur Ross was later made City Treasurer of Montreal, which position he held for several years; when he resigned he became secretary to the English firm of Brassey, Petto & Co., who were building the Victoria Bridge, then considered one of the wonders of the world.

In 1837, when David Ross, K.C. and Advocate-General, died, his eldest son, Arthur Ross, was left to look after his many brothers and sisters. To assist three of his brothers, David, John and William, he entered with them into the lumber business, shipping timber from the Seigneurie and elsewhere to England. Prices went down and this firm failed. My father personally assured the loss and was allowed by the Court to pay off by degrees, the then enormous sum of \$80,000. Just before his death in 1871 he paid off the last penny he owed to the different creditors. Can one easily imagine what privation this entailed to my brave father and mother? They at once gave up their large house in St. Denis Street and staff of servants, taking a house in Molson's Terrace, near the River (where I was born), but never did I hear my dear little mother once complain. The tales of former grandeur I heard from our faithful Bridget Power, nurse and friend, beloved of us all till the day of her death. She never left her mistress in comparative poverty and in better times. For several years, while I was a baby, she was the only maid we had in our large and happy household. She married a huge policeman "Richard Power" and they lived in our house. When I was old enough to go to children's parties, he escorted me back and forth (in uniform often). Imagine a present day "flapper" enduring this.



The Court held such a high opinion of my father's honor they allowed him to retain the Seigneury, which might otherwise have been seized, but the whole burden of reparation fell on my father.

From Molson's Terrace we moved up to a nice new house in the then good street, Hanover Street. When I was about four years old my mother bought a large new house (1859) No. 38 McGill College Avenue, considered a most fashionable position. When Montreal was a garrison town, this street was a great favorite with the married officers. Sir Henry Havelock, son of the Indian hero, lived next to us. In the Terrace nearer Sherbrooke St. during the American war between the North and South several houses were occupied by the Southern refugees, notably the Masons, of Mason & Slidell fame, who became special friends of the family. We all were brought up to be staunch sympathisers with the Southerners. Their president, Jefferson Davis, was also a visitor at Verdun House, being allowed to ride "Forester," as he was a marvelous horseman.

Suddenly, on January 22, 1871 I suffered my first great sorrow, when my father died. He was only 67. A year afterwards we moved to the very large house on the corner of Place D'Armes Hill and Craig Street. My brother George, the first and only Vice-Dean of McGill University, started his practice of medicine. In three years he was able to himself build the very charming house at 49 Union Avenue, directly opposite Bishop's Court, next to Dr. Palmer Howard, the then Medical Dean. He was 47, Dr. MacCallum's was 45. All these houses were bought by Henry Morgan Co. and now form part of his huge shop.

In 1877 I was married from 49 Union Avenue. In 1888 my dear Mother died there. In 1893 Dr. George Ross died there. The next year Aunt Fannie moved to 9 Simpson. Three years afterwards she bought 261 Bishop St. To my great loss, she died there in 1915 on September 20th.

Dr. George Ross also built 111 Crescent St. It was an ideal house for a medical man. Unfortunately, he passed away before it was quite finished. It was then sold by Aunt Fannie.

In the Montreal General Hospital a tablet has been erected to the memory of Dr. George Ross, bearing the following inscription:

"This tablet has been erected by friends and colleagues in memory of George Ross, M.A., M.D., who for many years was connected with this Hospital as resident and attendant Physician, and Secretary of the Medical Board. He was Professor of Medicine and Clinical Medicine in McGill University and Vice-Dean of the Faculty. Noted for his accuracy of diagnoses and his acute powers of observation, he was unrivalled as a clinical teacher. His death at the zenith of his powers was a great loss to the Hospital, the University and the whole Profession."

My dearest brother died November 8, 1892, aged 45 years.



JUDGE DAVIDSON

Arthur Davidson (father of my grandmother, Jane Davidson Ross) was born in the parish of Kenothmont, County of Aberdeen, on November 12, 1743. Went to Kings College, Aberdeen, in 1758, where he took his degree of M.A. in April 1766. He sailed from London in May 1766 to Quebec, where he settled and studied law in the office of Henry Kneller, Advocate. He passed for the bar and practiced law, assisting Mr. Pownale (afterwards Sir George) as clerk of the Council in Quebec.

Having twice revisited London, Eng., he went to reside in Montreal in 1780 to practice law and was also Secretary of the Province. He took out a Commission as Notary.

He married Capt. Alexander Fraser's daughter Jane on March 3, 1785. She died on August 11, 1790, leaving three children: Jane, Eliza (Mrs. Mackay), and Walter, who inherited Beaurivage from Capt. Fraser. He married Miss Birnie (of Carrick Forgy, Ireland) March 9, 1799. Received his commission as Judge of King's Bench on February 12, 1800, at a salary of £500, later increased to £ 750.

He died on May 4, 1807. The following obituary appeared in the "Canadian Courant:" "On Monday, May 4th, 1807, died at his house in this City of Montreal, the Hon. Arthur Davidson, one of the Justices of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench for the District of Montreal. The gentleman was long a practitioner in the Courts of this Province, in which office he faithfully discharged the arduous duties of his profession, clemency sullied integrity and honor. Having been called by His Majesty's gracious pleasure to the most elevated station of Judge, he there again for many years previous to his death distributed with uprightness and science, justice to whom it was due. In his private character he was, as a husband and father, the most kind and affectionate, in his friendships unchanging, charitable to the poor, and to say all, a truly pious Christian."

The Judge was 64 when he died. His monument stands in the Mount Royal Cemetery. It was made in 1811 by a man called Arthur Gilnor, costing £62-14-6.

Jane & Eliza Davidson inherited the Seigneury of Beaurivage from their brother Walter, only son of Judge Davidson. Walter, whose wife was a Miss Birnie of Ireland, had several children, all of whom died in infancy and are buried in a small private cemetery in St. Giles, Prov. Que., which was close to the old Manor House, which was burnt by lightning many years ago.

We used to live there in the summer, and where I spent many hours admiring the very charming pictures of Venice, with which the walls of the large square drawing room were papered. The pictures were in soft grey colors, with a white background.



My father acquired half the Seigneury from his mother. The other half he purchased from Judge Mackay and his brother in New York. Judge Mackay was a first cousin of my father's. His mother was Eliza Davidson, whose sister was Jane Davidson, wife of David Ross, K.O. Eliza Davidson married Col. Mackay, who won his title of Colonel for distinguished service in the North West.

#### THE FRASER CLAN

Capt. Alexander Fraser, Lieutenant in the Fraser Highlanders, which Regiment was later the 78th Highlanders (as it still exists) came to Quebec in General Wolfe's army. He belonged to a branch of the Frasers of Lovat. The family are direct descendants of his through Jane Davidson Ross, whose mother was Jane Fraser.

Capt. Alexander Fraser resigned from the army and settled at Beauchamp, near Quebec. He married Jane McCord, who was born in 1739, died in 1767. They had two daughters, Margaret, who married John Reid, Prothonotary of King's Bench. To this daughter he left the Seigneury of Beauchamp. Mr. Reid died in 1807.

His other daughter, Jane Fraser, married in 1785, Arthur Davidson, Advocate, who in 1800 became a Judge of King's Bench.

Alexander Fraser acquired the Fief of St. Giles de Beaurivage in 1784 from Louis Etienne Baggot de Beaurivage, first grantee in 1739. The Seigneury of St. Giles was left to Walter Davidson, son of Arthur Davidson, under a provision of entail if the donee should die before the age of 40 years.

Capt. Fraser died April 19, 1799. His executors were John McCord, Rev. Alex. Sparks, Peter Stuart and Col. John Nairn. His will was proved April 7, 1800. To be found in the Reg. A. p. 66, 1789 to 1824 (in Quebec).

The property was substituted to A. Fraser of Stricken, son of the late Lord Stricken, in North Britain.

The attainder upon the Barony of Lovat, put upon Simon, 10th Lord Lovat, 1747 (for political reasons) was removed and the Barony granted to Thomas Alexander Fraser of Stricken, who was created a peer of the United Kingdom in 1837, who established his right to the ancient Barony of Lovat.

Malcolm Frazer, cousin of Capt. Alex. Fraser, entered his Majesty's service as an ensign in the 78th Regt. of Foot in July 1757. Was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in 1761. The Regiment was disbanded in 1763. On June 14, 1775, he was made Capt. in 1st Batt. 84th Regt. Foot, in which he served until June 24, 1784, when the Battalion was disbanded.



Malcolm Fraser was present at the first battle of Quebec on Sept. 13, 1759, when he was wounded. Served in the garrison of Quebec in 1759-60. Was present at the second battle of Quebec on April 28, 1760, when again wounded. Went with the army from Quebec, commanded by General Murray, who joined that under General (Lord) Amherst, to whom the town of Montreal and all Canada surrendered Sept. 1760.

On duty during the blockade of Quebec by the Rebels, and as Capt. of the main guard, alarmed the garrison in the morning of Dec. 31, 1775, of the intended attack of the enemy in time to receive and repulse them. This account is taken from a memorial presented by Capt. Malcolm Fraser to Lord Dorchester in March 1791.

Malcolm Fraser, lieutenant in the 78th Highlanders was the first grantee of the Seigneury of Mount Murray on the North Bank of the River Malbaie in 1762.

Malcolm Fraser married in 1772, Margery McCord, twin sister of Jane McCord, who married Capt. Alex. Fraser. Margery was born in 1794, died in 1774. Malcolm Fraser died in 1817. 1715

Capt. Alexander Fraser, of the Fraser Highlanders, cousin of Lord Lovat, (Now 78th Highlanders).

Alex. Fraser born ? died Apr. 19, 1799.  
married Jane McCord, born 1739, died 1767.  
Jane Fraser, born 1767, died Aug. 11, 1790,  
married Arthur Davidson, born Nov. 12, 1743, died May 4, 1807.  
Jane Davidson, born Dec. 10, 1785, died Apr. 25, 1866.  
married David Ross, K.C., Advocate General, born Mar. 9, 1770,  
died Nov. 5, 1837.  
Their son Arthur Ross, born Dec. 22, 1804, died Jan. 22, 1871,  
married Elizabeth Isobel Webster of Meadow Bank, born  
Oct. 22, 1806, died June 24, 1888.  
Their daughter Emily Ross, born Sept. 11, 1850, died Jan. 29, 1929,  
married John Molson Crawford, Nov. 20, 1877,  
Their son Arthur Ross, born Aug. 15, 1878, died Mar. 2, 1931,  
married Lillas Graham,  
Their daughter, Marion Isobel Crawford, married Wm. Ramsay,  
John M. and Emily Ross Crawford's other son, Stuart Lindsay  
Crawford, born May 10, 1881.

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Tracing our 7 Generations of Canadian Descent.

1. Alexander Fraser, Capt. in the Fraser Highlanders, came to Quebec with Wolfe's Army in 1759. His Claymore is in the Manor House, Beaurivage, Pr. Que.
2. Judge Davidson, who married Capt. Fraser's daughter Jane.
3. David Ross, K.C., who married Jan Davidson.
4. Arthur Ross, Seigneur of Beaurivage, son of David Ross.
5. Emily Ross Crawford, daughter of Arthur Ross.
6. Arthur Ross Crawford, son of Emily Ross Crawford.
6. Stuart Lindsay Crawford, son of Emily Ross Crawford.



7. Marion Isobel Crawford, daughter of Artjur Ross Crawford.
7. Lucy Ross Crawford, daughter of Stuart Lindsay Crawford.
8. Marion Sheila Ross Ramsay, daughter of Marion Isobel Crawford Ramsay. 2nd daughter Jane Graham Adams & Kate Reed.