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FAMOUS MEN IN OLD PROVINCIAL HISTORY

Rev. Dr. Raymond Has Interesting Sketches of Men in Connection With the Settlement of Maugerville-Where the Early Settlers Were Located -- An Old-time Mill.

> W. O. RAYMOND, LL. D. CHAPTER XV. (Continued 5.,

THE FIRST ENGLISH SETTLEMENT.

Not all of the grantees of the Township of Maugerville were actual settlers. Of several we know little more than the names. This is the case with James Chadwell, whose name appears first in the grant, and with Moses Davis, Thomas Rous, Jonathan Parker, Hugh Shirley, Nathaniel Newman and James Vibart.

Two other non-resident grantees were men of influence and in their day made sufficient stir in the world to claim further notice. The first bore the imposing name of Joseph Frederick Wallet DesBarres. This gentleman is believed to have been a native of Switzerland. He obtained a commission in the English army and served with distinction under Wolfe at the siege of Quebec. At the time the being an excellent engineer, had lately been engaged by the Board of Admiralty to make exact surveys and charts of the coasts and harbors of Nova Scotia. In this work DesBarres was employed a good many years. Nearly two seasons were spent in making a careful survey of Sable Island-the grave-yard of the Atlanticwhere DesBarres tells us the sands were strewn with wreckage and thousands had already perished for want of known soundings. Some of the results of his prolonged labors may be seen in the three huge volumes of the Atlantic Neptune (each as large as a fair sized table) in the Crown Land office at Fredericton. Commenting on the length of time spent in his surveys DesBarres remarks:

"Interruptions from fogs and precarious weather, unavoidably made tedious performance in which accuracy is the chief thing desired, and rendered many years necessary to complete it for publication; but when the author reflects that the accuracy and truth of his work will stand the test of ages, and preserve future navigators from the horrors of shipwreck and destruction, he does not repine at it having employed so large a portion of his life."

The engrossing nature of his occupation as engineer did not hinder DesBarres from being an ambitious land speculator. In 1765 he obtained, in conjunction with General Haldimand and one or two others, a grant of the Township of Hopewell, comprising 100,000 acres on the Petitoodiac river. But he derived little beh from his lands, as he was unable to fulfil the conditions of settlement, and even

In 1784 Des Barres was appointed Lieut. Governor of Cape Breton, and afterwards Lieut. Governor of Prince Edward Island. He died at Halifax on the 27th October, 1824, and was honored with a state funeral at which the attendance was great and the interest felt was remarkable. This was due, in some measure, to the fact that had he lived another month he would have attained the remarkable

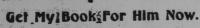
"Colonel DesBarres' scientific labors on our coasts, and his repute as one of the heroes of 1759 under Wolfe at Quebec, gave him a claim on the gratitude and rever-

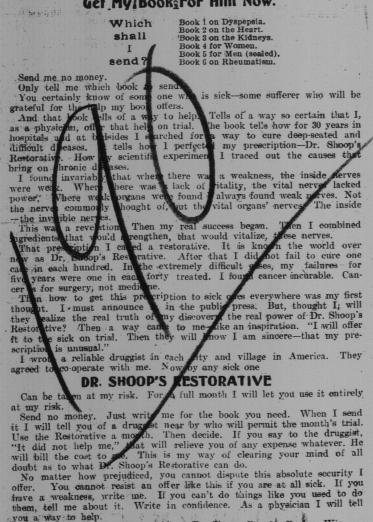
ence of all Nova Scotians." settled. Two Lots in the upper part of the Township of Maugerville were granted to Governor DesBarres and had he settled there he would have been the next-door neighbor of the Widow Clark, but there is nothing to show that he made any attempt to improve his lands in that quarter and so his connection with the settle-

Joshua Mauger, the other non-resident grantee to whom reference has been made, was an English merchant who came to America as a contractor under government for furnishing supplies to the army at Louisbourg. When Cape Breton was restored to France, in 1749, Louisbourg was evacuated and Mauger came with the troops to Halifax. Shortly after his arrival he and other merchants asked permission to build wharves on the beach for the accommodation of their business. In 1751 he was appointed agent for victualling the Navy. Grog was at that time freely dispensed in the army and and navy, and Mauger erected a distillery where he manufactured the rum required for the troops and seamen. As the business was lucrative he soon accumulated much property in and around Halifax, inculding the well known Mauger's Beach at the entrance of Halifax harbor. He had also shops at Pisiquid and Minas-or; as they are now called, Windsor and Horton-where he sold goods and spirits to the French and Indians. He returned to England in 1761 and was appointed agent for the Province of Nova Scotia in London. The year following he was elected a member of Parliament.

Joshua Mauger in his position as Agent for the province was able to render it essential service, and in the year 1766 the legislature of Nova Scotia voted the sum of £50 for a piece of plate as a testimonial of their appreciation of his "zeal and cation" in their behalf. As already mentioned, it was chiefly due to his energy that the Massachusetts settlers on the River St. John were confirmed in possession of their township. For his services in this connection, however, he was not inrewarded; not only was the township named in his honor, but the large island, since known as Mauger's or Gilbert's Island, was granted to him, together with ten lots at the lower end of the township. When the Loyalists arrived they looked with somewhat covetous eyes on there interval lands which were settled by tenants at a yearly rental of £3 for each lot. Mauger's Island was purchased by Colonel Thomas Gilbert, the well known Loyalist of Taunton, Massachusetts, and by him bequeathed to his eldest son, Thomas Gilbert, jr. The latter writes so entertairfinedy and so enthusiastically of his situation, in a letter to his sister and her

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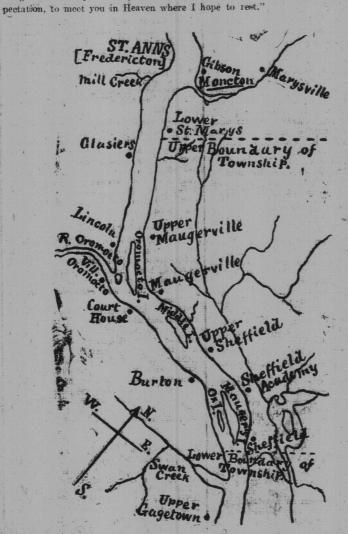
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events in order to give some extracts. "On Board Major's Island, Sept. 30, 1799.

Dear Brother and Sister,- * * * I have made great improvements on board their own good will*-in four weeks put me into a good framed house forty feet long

this fine country. We feel no war nor pay any tax. Our land brings forth abundantly; it is almost incredible to see the Produce; it makes but little odds when you plant or soy, at harvest time you will have plently. This last spring was late, the water was not off so that I could plant till the 21st of June, and so till the 26th we planted, and you never saw so much corn in any part of the States to the acre as life in this country. Last year I sold beef, pork and mutton more than I wanted for my family for three hundred Pounds, besides two colts for forty pounds apiece. A few deeps ago I sold four colts before they were broke for one hundred and ten pounds and I have sixteen left. I have a fine stock of cattle and sheep-butter and as plenty here as herrings are at Taunton-a tenant lives better here than a Landlord at Berkley. I am blesst with the best Neighbors that ever drew breath—they are made of the same stuff that our forefathers were that first settled New England. * * * * I live under the protection of the King, and I am stationed by his Laws on this Island, the finest farm in the Province. I don't intend to weigh my anchor nor start from this till I have orders from the Governor of all

things—then I hope to obey the summons with joy and gladness—with Great Ex-



Reference to the accompanying plan of the river will show the locations of the early settlers of Maugerville; they will be mentioned in order ascending the

The lower ten lots of the township and Mauger's Island were granted to Joshua Mauger. Just above were the lots of Gervas Say, Nehemiah Hayward, John Russell, Samuel Upton, Zebulon Estey, John Estey, Richard Estey and Edward Coy.

At the head of Mauger's Island were the lots of Matthew Wason, Samuel Whitney and Samuel Tapley.

Between Mauger's Island and Middle Island the lots were those of Jeremiah Burpee, Jonathan Burpee, Jacob Barker, Daniel Jewett, Ezekiel Saunders, Humphrey Pickard, Moses Pickard, Jacob Barker, jr., Isaac Stickney and Jonathan

Wason, Daniel Palmer, Richard Kimball, Joseph Garrison, Samuel Nevers, Peter Mooers, Richard Estey, jr., Jabez Nevers, Enoch Dow and Hugh Quinton. Between Middle and Oromocto islands were Thomas Christie, Elisha Nevers,

Jedediah Stickney, Stephen Peabody, Capt. Francis Peabody and William Mc-Opposite Oromocto Island were Israel Perley (at the foot of the island), Lt. Col. Beamsley P. Glasier, John Whipple, Nathaniel Rideout, Capt. Francis Pea-

body, Alexander Tapley, Phineas Nevers, Joseph Dunphy, William Harris, Ammi Howlet, Samuel Peabody and Oliver Peabody. Above Oromocto Island we find the lots of Asa Perley, Oliver Perley, George Munro, James Simonds, Joseph Buber, Joseph Shaw, Benjamin Brawn, Daniel Burbank, Thomas Hartt and the Widow Clark. Thence to the upper boundary of the township, a distance of two miles, there were at first no settlers, but in the course of time Richard Barlow, Nehemiah Beckwith, Benjamin Atherton,

Jeremiah Howland and others took up lots. The names of the majority of the Maugerville grantees appear in the account books kept by Simonds and White at their store at Portland Point and a lot of interesting family history might be gleaned from the old faded pages. There

In nearly all the early settlements made on the River St. John some en couragement was offered for the erection of a mill, and when the signers under Captain Francis Peabody met at Andover in April, 1762, previous to their leaving Massachusetts, it was agreed that each signer should pay six shillings towards erecting a mill in their township. The streams in Maugerville are so inconsider able that it may be presumed some difficulty would arise on this head. This is confirmed by the fact that in the grant of 1765 the point of land opposite Middle Island is called "Wind-mill Point." However an old deed shows that Richard Estey, jr., had on his lot No. 100 (opposite Middle Island) a mill built on what is called Numeheal creek, of which the first owners were Mr. Estey and his neighbor, Thomas Barker. This mill was sold in 1779 to James Woodman and was employed in sawing boards and other lumber for the Loyalists at St. John during the summer of 1783.

*He means that intercourse with the shore was cut off in consequence of floating ice but that his neighbors had seen the misjortune and, realizing the need of prompt action, of their own good will met together and began to prepare the frame and materials for a new dwelling.



OBITUARY,

Mrs. Thomas McClellan. Hopewell Hill, Feb. 28-Mrs. McClellan, at her home at Albert, after a few day at her home at Albert, after a few days' illness, of pneumonia, aged eighty-eight years. The deceased was a daughter of the late Joseph Turner, of Harvey, and leaves three sons—John A., Henry, and Peter, and one daughter, Miss Lucy McClellan, all residing at home, besides one brother, John W. H. Turner, of Caledonia, and a large circle of relatives. The family have the sincere sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

Hopewell Hill, March 1—The funeral of the late Mrs. Thomas McClellan took place this afternoon from her late residence at Albert. The services were conducted by

Albert. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Brown, pastor of the Baptist church, assisted by Rev. J. K. King, of the Methodist church, and were very largely attended. The interment was made in the Hill cemetery. The pall-bearers were Alex. Rogers, W. E. Calhoun, J. E. Peck, F. B. Ritchie, Asael W. Peck and lapt. Samuel Stevens.

Michael Martin.

Glassville, Carleton county, Feb. 29-Michael Martin, of Napan, Northumber land county, died at Love's hotel, Glass ville, on Saturday. He had been employed in the lumber woods for T. Lynch, where in the lumber woods for T. Lynch, where he became ill of pneumonia, and was brought into Glassville about two months ago, but was unable to proceed to his own home. He was about thirty years of age, and unmarried. A brother was with him at the time of his death, and accompanied the body to his home on Monday.

Daniel Dorgan died Tuesday morning at 11 Sewell street. He was in his fifty eighth year, and is survived by a number of children. The body was taken to

etersville, Queens county, for interment

Halifax, March 1-Word has been re ceived here of the death of J. H. Mac Donald, of Port Jolie, Queens county yesterday. Deceased had been to Liverpoo to his home by coach when he suddenly took an ill turn and expired at once. He leaves a widow and an aged mother, one sister and one brother, W. A. MacDonald, of Yarmouth.

Mrs. Goodhand Clarke.

Woodstock, March 1-Mrs. Goodhand Clarke died here this morning after quite a long illness; in fact, she has been in ame to Woodstock some twelve years ago and made her home with her daughter, Miss Mary Clarke, of the Western Union Telegraph office. Besides this surviving daughter, George, merchant, of Fredericton, and Eva, a trained nurse, of Newburyport, survive. The body will be taken

Fredericton, N. B., March 1.-Star Agnew, aged 79 years, died at his residence, Mouth of Keswick, last night. He had of diseases; but he was taken seriously i only on Thursday last.

He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mrs. Ernest Irvine and Miss Amber Agnew, both of Bangor (Me.) The funeral will take place on Thursday af-

Matilda Prince.

At the home of the late James Waddell, at Reed's Point, Kingston, Kings county, on Feb. 17, after suffering for months with blood poisoning, Miss Matilda Prince died, aged sixty-three years, leaving four brothers and three sisters out of a family of fourteen, also a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Paul Costigana

St. Martins, N. B., March 1.—Paul Costigant, formerly of P. E. Island, but for a number of years a resident of this place, died very suddenly in Portland, Oregon, to which place he removed a short time ago. The despatch to J. B. Hudsmith, stated that particulars would be furnished by mail. Mr. Costigan areas a member of by mail. Mr. Costigan was a member of the I. O. F.

Peter Edgett. -Greer Settlement, St. John county, March 1—Peter Edgett, of this place, died at his home Friday after a brief illness, aged 74 years. He formerly belonged to Albert county, and leaves a number of sons and daughters to mourn their loss. Some of them reside in the United States.

Hopewell Hill, Feb. 27—Martha, wife of J. M. Stevens, merchant of Harvey, died his morning at her home there after a ong illness. The deceased, who was a laughter of the late Mathias Steeves of James and Ja daughter of the late Mathias Steeves of Harvey, was about 55 years and leaves besides her husband, two sistens, Mrs. Norman Smith, of Harvey, and Mrs. Linell, of Boston, and R. P. Steeves, of Sussex, inspector of schools. The deceased was a consistent member of the Methodist church, and very highly esteemed by all her friends and acquaintances. Mr. Stevens and all of the relatives have the sympathy of the community in their

John R McKay. John R. McKay, aged 49 years, died yesterday at his home, 63 Highland street. He was born in Nova Scotia, and came to Worcester several years ago. He leaves a wife and two children.—Worcester Spy,

Master Eric Godl ffe Sussex, N. B., March 1-Eric J., child of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Goodliffe, died this morning, March 1st, aged one year. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved parents.

Alfred Garneau.

Montreal, March 3.—The death occurred today at his home, 46 St. Famille street, this city, of Alfred Ganneau, the well known author and chief French translator to the senate. Mr. Garneau's death was startling in its suddenness. He has been alling for some time, but there was nothing to cause his family envy immediate anxiety Mr. Garneau woke this morning at his usual hour, and for some time read his usual hour, and for some time read his breakfast. Sudenly he collapsed and lapsed Montreal, March 3.-The death occurred

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members of his famely, who were sumanoned hastily to the bedside. Mr. Garneau leaves a awidow and four children. Miss Garneau and Mrs. Robert Archer and Messes. Hector and Alfred Garneau, jr.

Rexton, Kent., March 3.-Thomas John

Wm. McLaughlin.

After an illness extending about two

morning at his residence, Harrison street, aged 76 years. He leaves his wife, but no family. Up to recently Mr. McLaughlia resided in Elm street, where he had lived for about thirty years.

Beverley Worden, farmer of Milkish. Kings county, died Wednesday afternoon respected by a large circle of acquaintances and will be greatly missed. His wife died some years ago. He leaves two daughters and three sons.

Levi F. Corcoran.

Levi F. Corcoran, a veteran of the civil war, died at his home in Cheslea, Tuesday night, of heart disease. He was born in Nova Scotia sixty-six years ago. He was a carpenter by trade and had lived in Chel-

sea many years. Two daughters and one son survive him.

Annie E. Salisbury. Annie E. Salisbury, wife of Frank E.

Salisbury, died at her home in Salem street, Malden, Tuesday, aged 37. She was oorn in New Brunswick.

Francis Hayden.

The death of Francis Hayden, which occured at his home at Gagetown, Monday, 29th day of Feb., after a lingering illness, 29th day of Feb., after a lingering illness, which he bore with patience, has cast a gloom over the whole place. The deceased was highly respected by all who knew him. He was kind and thoughful, ever attending to the wants of others, lending a helping hand where it was needed. He leaves a widow, five sons and two daughters, Edward and John, of Montana; Thomas of Minnesota; Mrs. McNeill, of Boston; Sergt. D. S. Hayden, of British Columbia; Frank and Jouisa, who reside at home. His sister, Mrs. J. Fitzpartick, and son, of Fall River, and Mrs. McNeill, daughter, reached home a few days before his death. The deceased was in the 68th year of his age.

A pretty little romance was brought in to notice Tuesday night when a murriage was quietly solemnized at the residence of Mrs. H. P. Kerr, 41 Sewell street. The happy couple who plighted their troth were Richard Hope and Miss Blanche

Some time ago Mr. Hope, who is twen y-five years of age, came from the old coun-try and established himself on a farm in Saskatoon (N. W. T.) He has done well and recently sent word to his sweetheart at home in Belfast (Ire.) to come to the as the fields are boundiess.

She came out on a steamer last week and her lover was here to meet her. Last night the young couple were united in marriage by Rev. Dr. W. O. Raymond, of St. Mary's church, the ceremony being witnessed by only a few newly made friends.

The bride of twenty-three was prettaly attired and on her breast wore the emblem of the land she had left—a jewel in the form of a "dear little shamrock."

Mr. and Mrs. Hope will leave in a day or two for their western home.

St. John Banks Decide to Take American Money at the

A bank manager, when aske Telegraph last night about th' chant avoids losing the quarter per cent discount which the bar been charging on American mon-at the same time the U. S. cu-kept in circulation here.

er of one per cent disco that in the long run they will I fited, and Canadian currency gain

At the meeting the Clearing Hou-ciation elected E. M. Shadbolt che W. E. Stavert, vice-chainman and Hazen secretary.

THE WHEAT SUPPLY.

There Are 8,000,000 Bushels Less Wh in Sight Than a Year Ago.

The real point about the position, however s not shown in the foregoing, namely, the real scarcity of good milling wheat. At For William, for instance, there are only 37,65 bushels of No. 1 hard Manltoba, the bulk of the wheat in store grading No. 3 northern The Fort William figures are:

The same story is told by the Port elevators, the different grades being tributed as follows:

It is the scarcity of good wheat the been responsible for the rise in the and while both the Lake of the Wood Ogilvie Milling Company have good on hand, they are nevertheless paying prices for anything that comes their

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