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TRINITY.

During the past few years a good deal of attention has been given to the improvement of our roads in Trinity; they have been widened, the corners taken off, and the results, on the whole, are good. Recently the subject of definitely naming the roads has been informally talked over with the Chairman of the Road Board, who is in favor of doing so as a town improvement. To some of our people, this suggestion of naming, and indicating the names of the roads, has provoked a smile, and we have been looked upon as "putting on airs," in what to them has been regarded as a new movement in our old town.

A copy of "the Records of the proceedings of the Commissioners of Roads at Trinity in 1885," constitute however, a local endorsement of the Biblical truth, that "there is nothing new under the sun"; for in those records, now before me, I find that, eighty-five years ago, every road in and around Trinity was known by a definite name, several of which have been forgotten. For instance, there was Fish Street, Hill Street, High Street, Garland Road, Church Road, Victoria Road, Trinity Road, and Prescott Road—plus Pie Corner.

Water Street was from the Church-yard gate along the water-side to Slade's premises, and Hill Street was a continuation of Water Street around Hog's Nose. High Street was from Garland's Lane; and Fish Street was from the head of Grant's Lane to Fisher's Cove. Garland Road was from the Dock Gate to Cook's Corner; and Church Road was from Cook's Corner to the Church gate, and through the Church-yard to Mr. Wm. Stoneman's. Victoria Road was from Trinity to the junction of the road at N.W. Arm, leading to King's Cove. The road from there to King's Cove was known as the Trinity Road; and that from there to Catalina was known as the Prescott Road. Pie Corner was somewhere on Water St.

At a meeting of "the Board of Commissioners of Roads," fifteen Road Surveyors were appointed, to represent the district from English Harbor to Kerley's Harbor. "These Surveyors, with the aid of the constables were to make out a correct list of all persons liable to perform statute labor on the public roads, and of the number of days labor which such persons shall be liable to perform." Then each Surveyor was given a piece of road to build or repair, and he was authorized "to select and summon so many men on certain days to work on the said roads until each and every man shall have performed his share of labor, as set forth in the lists." Such were the methods of road making in those days.

When Garland Road was ready for use in 1886, the foot-path leading through Garland's Dock was closed to the public; and when Water Street was opened from the Church gate towards Slade's premises, the road through the Church-yard was closed. Mr. William Stoneman objected to this, and he removed the fence that had been erected to close the road. A fine of five pounds was levied by the Magistrate and endorsed by the Attorney General and the Governor, after which the fence was not interfered with. A lane was then made along the southern side of the Church-fence, from Water Street down to Mr. Stoneman's property and Jessica's beach. At the same time the lane (known in my boyhood days as Grant's Lane) was widened to con-

nect High Street with the road in front of the Church-yard; and a road was opened from Fisher's Cove up to Bayly's Hill and connecting with Victoria Road from over the hill.

The little piece of land situated now between Mr. Hussey's field and the Church Road, was given to Mr. Garland in compensation for loss of land sustained by him in the alteration of the roads; on condition, however, that a right of way twelve feet wide be reserved from the Church Road to Mr. Sweet's meadow. This piece of land was given by Mr. Garland to St. Paul's Church; but the right of way is still there, though never used. The Commissioners laid down the law that no new buildings were to be erected within eight feet of any of the new roads. One man ignored the law and began to build outside the limits. He was summoned to appear before the Magistrate. He did not appear, and when the constable arrested him and brought him before the court he was intoxicated. He was promptly fined five shillings for being drunk, several other shillings for contempt of court, and a few more for attempting to build within the prohibited area; and "save 'em right." The Board of Road Commissioners was made up of the Justices of the Peace, viz., Benjamin Sweetland, William Kelson, George Skelton and Thomas Drawridge.

Long years ago two brothers Johnnie and Dickie—used to go fishing in the same punt out on Long Ledge. When fish were scarce Johnnie often got tired and wanted to come in, but Dickie would stay out all day. After several futile attempts to induce Dickie to consent to come in, Johnnie usually lost his temper, reeled up his lines, and said to Dickie:—"Well, I'm going in, you can stay out if you like." They came in.

Some Happy Events of Long Ago.

1765—Maurice Power and Mary Burke.
1766—John Richmond and Susanna Pottle, of English Harbor.
1767—Captain Martin Barnes and Elizabeth Dixon, of the Kingdom of Ireland.
1774—Maurice Connors and Elizabeth Walsh, both of the Kingdom of Ireland.
1775—Gerald Keefe, of the County of Waterford, and Mary Cavenot, of

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1777—William Snook, of New Perlean, and Elizabeth Etheridge, of Trinity.

1780—George Lambert, of Dorset, England, and Catherine Ivamy, of English Harbor.
1789—Giles Hoosier (agent to John Jeffrey) of Poole, and Grace, daughter of John Newell, Esq., of this Harbor.

Burials.

1769—Rachel Fowler, Spouse to Patrick Fowler, North Side, Trinity.
1771—Patrick Fowler, husband of Rachel's, North Side, Trinity.
1771—Mary Tavernor, Spouse to Mr. Jacob Tavernor.
1771—Mr. Jacob Tavernor, Sr., husband to Mary aforesaid.
1771—John Huscock, planter in Rider's Harbor, husband to Susannah.
1772—John Peter Stanley, in Mr. Mellony's employ. This man's corpse was brought abruptly into church, without any notice given of it.

1779—Sabirah, wife to John Hussey, deceased.
1782—Dennis Griffin, servant to Mr. Lester—a Roman Catholic.
1783—Morice Fitzgerald, servant to Mr. Lester—a Roman Catholic.
1784—Morice Scallin, servant to Mr. Lester—a Roman Catholic.

Several of the marriage entries made by Rev. William Bullock in the old Church Register, have a marginal note made by him—"Fee unpaid." Another by Rev. Benjamin Smith is unsigned by either the persons married or the witnesses, and in the margin is the following entry made by Mr. Smith: "The wedding party were in such a hurry to get away,

that they refused to wait long enough to sign the register."

Re Jonah and Robert Jones, Sons of Captain Robert Jones, and Mary Newell, who were married in 1793:

Since I wrote the outline history of the Jones family at Trinity East, I have been asked a good many questions about some of the details that I did not mention at that time, and this has caused me to examine the old records more carefully. In addition to the baptism of those two boys Jonah and Robert in 1790 and 1794 respectively, to which I referred a few weeks ago, I now give copies of entries of their marriage:

1817—"Jonah Jones, son of the late Robert and Mary Jones, (now Kittie) and Mary, daughter of John and the late Susannah Peckham, both of this Harbor."

1818—"Robert Newell Jones, master of the brigantine Dolphin, of Poole, and Elizabeth, daughter of William and Sarah Pittman of New Perlean in this district." I cannot find the record of any child having been born to Captain Jones and his wife Elizabeth, nor can I find how many years after their marriage it was, when he was taken prisoner by the French on his way to Poole, from Trinity. That, of course, would set me back in the Church Register. I have looked carefully through the Church Registers hoping to find what became of Capt. Robert Jones' widow, but I can find no reference to her after her marriage. There are several links necessary to consecutive history that I cannot find, and which, unless they can be supplied from other sources, must remain missing.

A new fence is being erected along the southern side of St. Paul's Church-yard, which will improve and protect the property. The old fence was placed there some fifty years ago, under the supervision of Mr. William Pittman.

Rev. E. Hunt, Incumbent of New Harbor, spent a few days with his parents in Trinity and returned last week. Glad to see you.

Rev. Ralph Fowlow, Incumbent of Random Mission, paid a visit to old friends at Trinity East last week, and returned by Friday's express. Always welcome.

A general cleaning up, and a generous use of lime on fences, etc., every day, are keeping up the reputation of Trinity as a clean and tidy town, as well as adding to its healthfulness.

Mr. George Gent is improving his house, by the addition of a new and more modern kitchen. The kitchen is a wife's kingdom, and the ideal husband shows his love and loyalty, by equipping it with every labor saving and useful invention under the sun.

Mr. Baxter Peckham, the Teller in the Royal Bank at Marytown, P.B., is spending his annual vacation at his home, Trinity East. Glad to see you, Baxter.

Mr. Bartlett of Redditch, Birmingham, England, registered at Garland Hotel last week, and called on his customers in the interests of English Hardware. In this business Mr. Bartlett has represented himself during the past forty years, and his customers are always glad to have him call.

Miss Swyers, the second teacher of the school at Trinity, has resigned. Both she and the Principal (Mr. Smith) have been painstaking in their work for the children's good; and in their dealing with those children who have done their individual parts, they have been decidedly helpful in the children's advancement. We wish them well.

With the sanction of the Chairman of the Road Board, practical efforts are being made to retain the old names of some of the principal roads in Trinity. A sign board with the words Garland Road on it has been placed in position. This will help people to remember, and will also familiarize a new generation with the name of those whom Trinity should ever delight to honor—viz., John Bingley and George Garland.

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Mortuary Chapel, Trinity, have passed the century mark of death records, viz., Rev. John Clinch, November, 1819; Hannah Clinch, February, 1822; Hannah Newell Pilgrom, July, 1822.

Rev. Chas. M. Stickings, Mr. Fred Morris and Mr. William White will

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Mr. Richard Jones and wife, who have been living in Montreal during the past year, have returned to the old home at Trinity East.

The "Marguerite Ryan" is ready for sea again, and will probably go to Labrador with freight, and take fish across the Atlantic.

A hundred chestnuts and acorns have been planted in and around the Church Cemetery.

The schooner "Lucille B. Cresser" that was purchased in Lunenburg by some Trinity people a short time ago, arrived from Sydney last week on her way to Bonaville with a load of

coal. She is 120 tons and is in charge of Capt. Flander.

Answers to Correspondents.

T.A.—God's Cove Plain is now the property of Mrs. John Colledge and family.

Naval.—The official Admiralty anchorage in Trinity, has always been of Mr. George Stoneman's wharf (now Mr. Hussey's).

Bonne Bay.—Thank you for kind report of the appreciation of your people of Trinity Notes. Glad to know that they boost the old town, in spite of changes.

R.A.S.—The death knell of Slade's premises at Trinity was sounded, when the owner, Mr. Bremner, leased the Brookings' premises at the other end of the town, and transferred business operations to those buildings.

P.B.—John Power, father of the late Arthur Power, was the master-cooper at Garland's. My father, and other well-known coopers of that day, served a five years' apprenticeship with him.

James J.—The cargo of ice that was sent from Trinity to the "Great Eastern" when she was in Heart's Content with the cable, was supplied by William Tilley, the tinmith. He had an ice house a few yards north of God's Cove Bridge, and he filled it with ice from God's Cove Pond. Peter Coleman took the ice to Heart's Content in the packet schooner.

—W.L.L.

Trinity, June 17th.

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