

1766. A head belonging to one of them is a prominent feature of the shore two miles from here. I have seen it stated that it was the belonging of Malachy, that notable member of St. Matthew's church Halifax, a Gaius-like fellow-helper of all of our Ministers in Nova Scotia, Presbyterian and Congregational, when Halifax was young. Admiral Cochran in one of these years got possession of Fort Ellis and its surroundings, and soon afterwards the up-river country became the home-land of the Woodworths, the McHeffleys, the Pollocks, the Moores, the Frames, the Darts, and Nelsons and many more, some from New England and Ireland by way of Horton and Windsor and some from Ireland direct, and the Parkers from England.

The midway country between Shubenacadie and Maitland Village was taken possession of by Scotchmen, Highlanders, and Lowlanders, some of the men veterans of the Army and Navy. Donald Rose, an Inverness-shire man was the first settler in Urbania, and his grand, great grand, and great great grand children still keep large possession of his name and inheritance.

George Main of the Army was a Scotch Lowlander with a Highland wife, she being a half-sister of Wm. McDonald of the Putnam place, whose barn was the usual summer-time church for the occasional services English and Gaelic held by Rev. Dr. McGregor, and afterwards of the services held by Rev. Mr. Dick, (William McDonald was great grandfather of Mrs. Lockhart Lawrence on her mother's side, great great grandfather of Maggie Lawrence in whose memory we have the beautiful baptismal font, of this church, its red granite pillars resting upon and supporting the marbles of Vermont and Italy). Mr. Main and wife lie for their long rest in the churchyard beside us. She, however, was not laid there until she travelled through one year more than a century.

The South Maitland church is on what was part of Mr. Main's farm, afterwards the Dow and Burgess property. The first of the McDougalls, a Scotch Roman Catholic, was also married to a McDonald.

The Camerons "Old Alex", and William always referred to as brother of "Old Alex" were later comers from Pictou County,