

Vanfone is without exception, the oldest person to take a walk very close to the five score and is returning to the place of birth to end her days. The lady was accompanied by her daughter, her granddaughters, grand-son and a great-grand-son, and despite her years, moved in the train with only little assistance.

The death occurred early Sunday morning at the home of her son, Mr. Trohon, Birch street, following an illness of less than a week. She was a highly respected and good many years. Besides her two sons and three daughters, she had two granddaughters, also two grand-sons, and several children. The funeral was held at the R. C. cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. Fr. Grace.

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**THE LATE PTE. AUBREY VIDITO**  
He Died in Palestine With Malaria Fever

Pte. Aubrey Vidito, whose death was reported in our last issue, passed away in Palestine, the cause of his death being Malaria fever. He was 21 years of age and leaves a sorrowing wife and one child residing in Digby. We have been asked to publish the following letter:

Palestine, Oct. 21, 1918

Dear Wife: We arrived in Palestine from France all O. K. and we are now busily engaged in bridge building. You will no doubt be surprised to hear that I transferred from the 2nd Batt. C. R. T., to the 1st Bridging Co. Canadian Railway Troops, Egyptian Ex Forces, and this Coy. was especially organized to do bridging work in this country.

We had a fine trip on the Mediterranean, the voyage taking nine days, stopping at the Island of Malta one day, then passing through the Suez Canal, 40 miles, we reached our destination and camped. In the journey from the coast we passed several towns of Bible history reading namely, Jerusalem, Nazareth, and saw the well where the Virgin Mary drew water. We are now camped close to the Sea of Galilee and in very unclimatic region where sickness and disease abound. I have kept in fairly good health, but the boys of this company are falling sick every day. We do not get very much war news here, but as much as we do hear, we are led to believe that the war is pretty near over. I hope so, any way, for this place is not fit for a white man to live in. There is nothing much of interest that I can tell you regarding the country outside of the above. The war as regards the Turks is finished, and we hope to get to a better place as soon as the bridges at this place are completed. If you receive this letter, it will undoubtedly have an old post mark for the transportation of mail is not very good. Do not send any packages or parcels for it is possible that I would not get it, at least not for months. I received the registered letter in France the day we left. I hope that you and Stanley are well as also mother and father and I hope to be back with you all soon. I am writing this letter from our little tent, and we have the Canadian Y. M. C. A. here. The Secretary, Sergt. Major Allen, is doing good work with the sick and is up day and night looking out for the welfare of the boys of the company.

Write soon as you receive this for I will be anxious to hear from you all, love to all.

From your loving husband,  
AUBREY.  
(Digby and St. John papers please copy)

**Died in Massachusetts**

Mr. R. Newell Slocomb, 46 years old, of 212 Main Street, Bradford District, passed away November 12th at the Gale Hospital following a surgical operation performed a week previously.

He was born at Port George, N. S., the youngest son of Capt. George and Abbie Walker Slocomb, but most of his life had been spent in Haverhill, Mr. Slocomb was a successful manufacturer of shoe findings and was widely known through his business and social connections.

He leaves a wife, Ola Angell Slocomb; two sisters Mrs. Harvey C. Hill and Mrs. Morton F. Perkins of Haverhill and two brothers, Capt. John Slocomb, of Philadelphia, Penn., and Howard Slocomb of Wakefield, Mass.

The funeral was held Thursday, November 14th, from the home and was largely attended, services being conducted by Rev. H. A. Arnold of the Bradford Congregational Church. Burial was in Elmwood cemetery.

**CENTRELEA**

Miss Edith Mullin, of Digby, is visiting at the home of Mr. Edgar Bruce.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brooks on the arrival of a daughter, Dec. 4th.

Mr. T. Troop Messenger spent the week end at the home of his daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Phinney, at Lawrencetown.

Mrs. James Durling and Mr. Millidge Daniels are visiting the home of their sister, Mrs. Edward Messinger.

Mrs. Johnson, our school teacher, resigned her school last week, to join Mr. Johnson who is on his way home from overseas.

A memorial service was held last Sunday in the Baptist Church in honor of the late Pte. Orrin Lantz. Much sympathy is extended to the family.

**"Some of the Crew Were Lost"**

Many score of times since the Hun began his dastardly campaign of terror on the high seas, the curt admiralty announcement has contained the above words. To anyone who KNOWS the tradition of the sea, who knows splendid heroism that men of the mercantile marine displayed in the face of certain death, little imagination is needed to read a glorious romance between the lines of these official bulletins. The men of the mercantile marine beat Von Tirpitz and his brutal plan to starve England. As much as soldier or sailor did, the peaceful mariner helped to smash the Hun. Unarmed and often unprotected, he carried troops, munitions, and more important than all, food, across mine and U-boat infested waters with utter disregard for personal safety. And because these heroes defied the Hun to do his worst, 15,000 brave souls perished. They left 60,000 women and children behind them.

Men of the mercantile marine fought passively for the cause, yet when they died no government granted pensions. They worked for almost peace-time wages, never very high, and received no added compensation in the shape of separation allowance or patriotic fund for their dependants.

These men died secure in the promise given forth by the Empire, which said of their dependants, "They Shall Not Want."

To implement this pledge the Navy League of Canada, Nova Scotia branch, during Sailors' Week, December 9th to 14th, is asking the people of this province to pay their share.

**VICTORIA BEACH**

Mrs. W. E. Goodwin has returned home from Halifax, where she has spent several months.

Miss Florence MacNeill, of this place, sent a sample of dress goods to a friend in France in June, 1916, and was returned to her after being in the trenches until October 1918. This sample of goods went through many a hard battle.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gatz and son left here on Monday, the 2nd, for St. John, where they will spend the winter. The Board of Health has ordered the school and church, closed and all public gatherings prohibited, until further notice. At time of writing there are forty-three cases of influenza in this place.

Thoro passed away at Victoria Beach, on Tuesday, Dec. the 3rd, Norman Weir, aged 18 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Weir. Death was caused by influenza. Besides his parents he leaves three brothers, prominent in the Baptist cemetery. Prayer was conducted at the grave by Rev. I. Brindley. Much sympathy goes out to the bereaved parents.

Some folks have no time to think because they talk so much.

**DEATH OF DAVID BORDEN PHINNEY**  
A Native of Granville Passes Away in California

We copy the following from the Hollywood, California, Citizen of Friday, Nov. 2nd:

The deceased was born in Granville, Nova Scotia, Canada, May 25th, 1829. His life was spent, very largely, in God's out-of-doors, in farming, in the land of his birth.

In January 26th, 1859, he married Miss Martha A. Newcomb, whose loving companionship he enjoyed for almost sixty years.

Soon after his marriage, he united with the Presbyterian church, at Bridgetown, Nova Scotia, 3 1/2 miles from his farm home. For 40 years he served that church as an elder.

About 9 years ago, he and his beloved wife, left the scenes amid which they had grown old together, and came to the gentler climate of California, making their home with their daughter, Mrs. Laura N. Goodwin, at 1807 North Harvard Blvd., where on November 18th, after a short illness, without suffering, he passed through "the valley of the shadow of death" into the realms eternal.

The victorious ending of the world war, and the seering of peace, was a great satisfaction to Mr. Phinney, all the more that to the hearts of the nations, there appeared the bright vision of the end of all war, to be guaranteed by "a league of nations." This was a great pleasure afforded this good man in the closing days of a long life. He might have prayed like Simeon of old, "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace."

Four of his children died in early life. Three survive their father, Mrs. Laura N. Goodwin, of Hollywood; Byron B. and Leonard N. Phinney of Nova Scotia.

The funeral services were held at the family residence, 1807 N. Harvard Blvd., Hollywood, on account of the absence of Dr. McCure, pastor of the Hollywood Presbyterian church of which Mr. Phinney was a member, the Rev. John MacAllister of Sunset Hills Presbyterian church, officiated. The text chosen for appropriate words, was the 15th verse of the 116 Psalm, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his Saints."

The grave selected as the last resting place for the body is in Hollywood Cemetery.

Mrs. T. A. Crocker has leased her Middleton residence for the winter to Col. Mumford, and is spending a few months in Clarence. Mrs. Mumford and her son and daughter have arrived from Wolfville and joined Mr. Mumford.

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