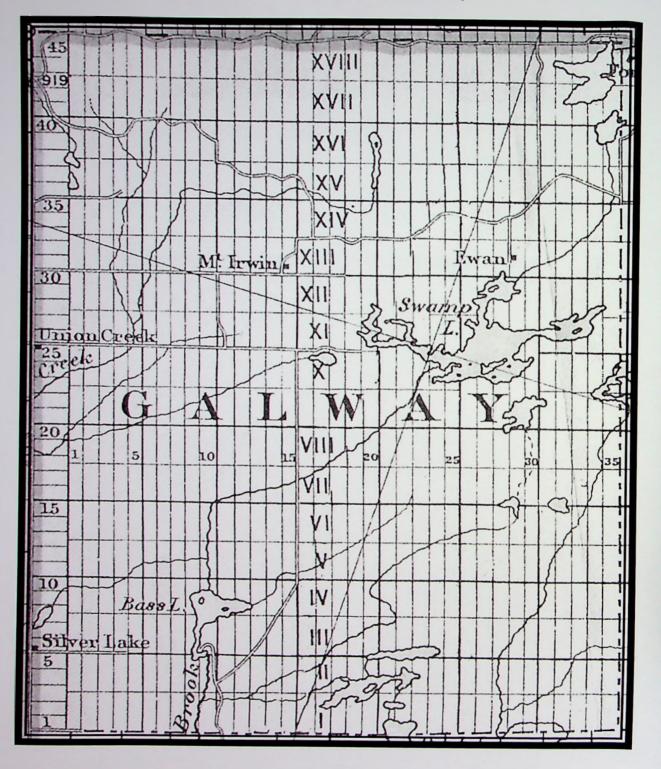


### Galway Township Early Map



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## **Early Pioneers**

Between 1857 and 1859 many early settlers made Galway their home, with the hopes and dreams of green and prosperous farms. Some of the earliest settlers included the Doherty, Allen, Henderson, Hartnett, Hickey, Casey, Sullivan, Cain, O'Brien, Craig, Molyneaux, Flaherty, Collins, Clark, Curtin and Sullivan Families, many of who's decedents are still residents today.

Galway was named after the Irish County and was similar as well by some of the stony hills and marshes that dotted the township. Those who came early were primarily farmers who attempted to clear and improve their land, and turned to logging to supplement their income. Upon arrival land was covered with red and white pine, four feet in diameter, rocks and wetlands with plentiful wildlife and fish. Several rock ridges made it more adaptable to cattle raising than grain farming.



Above-Mary (Allen) Definney

Left— Alex Black, Homesteader Lot 5 Con 18, Hwy 503

Sam & Catherine Pearson & Family on Homestead Circa 1910



Sarah Kennettle

On Right—1911 Minnie, Loretta & Maurice Hickey, With Children Pearl, Lester & Lawrence



Agnes (Flaherty) Ferren and Mrs. Faulkner



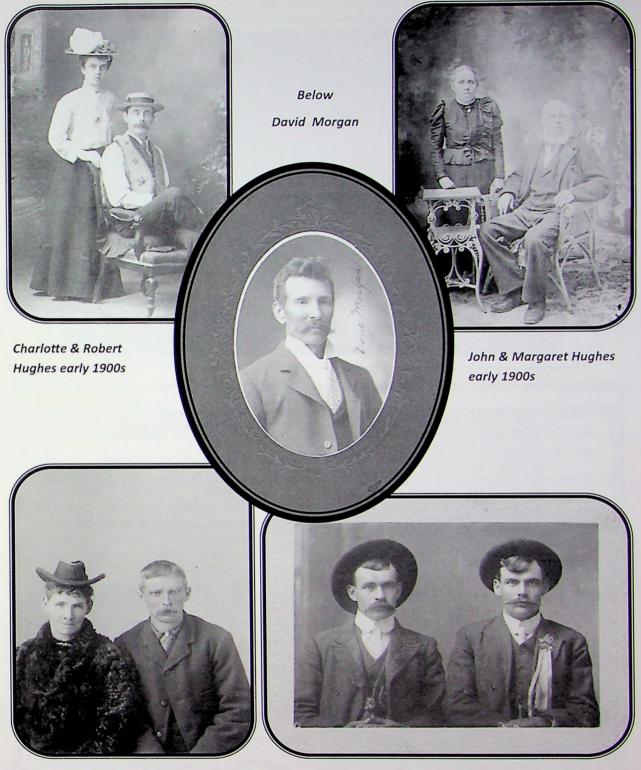
John & David Maguire-1920s



Jack Bright Homesteader Hwy 503



1900 - Molyneaux Family Reunion



Agnes (Molyneaux) and Henry Dudman Wedding day circa 1890

William & Joe Shaw



### Back Row-Left to Right:

- Maurice John Hickey was born in Galway in 1875, son of Maurice Hickey and Mary Foley. Maurice married Ellen Definney the daughter of Mary Allen and James Definney. Ellen was born January 24, 1884 and grew up in Kinmount.
- 2) James Allen Jr., born 6 November 1872, son of James Allen Sr. and Mary Sullivan. James Allen Jr. Married Emma May Collins (front row centre).
- 3) Thomas Owens was born 15 June 1873, the son of John David Owens and Catherine Cain, and grandson of Julia (Allen) and Michael Cain of Galway.

#### Front Row-Left to Right:

- 1) Unknown. However it may be Ellen Definney who later married Maurice Hickey in the back row.
- 2) Emma May Collins was born 1883, the daughter of John Collins and Catherine Hartnett of Galway Township. May married in 1902 to James Allen standing behind her in photograph.
- 3) Nora Allen daughter of James Allen Sr. and Mary Sullivan, was born 18 February 1885. Nora is a sister of James Allen Jr. in the back row

This photo may well have been an engagement photo.

May Collins and James Allen Jr. were married 28 October 1902





Back Row—Left to Right: George Ferren (born 1867), his wife Agnes Flaherty (born 1881), Agnes is holding her grandchild Agnes Cain (born 1926), Michael Cain (born 1907), son of Michael Cain and Elizabeth Harrington, Clara (Ferren) Cain (born 1907) daughter of George and Agnes (Flaherty) Ferren. Clara is holding her younger brother Ambrose. In this photo Michael Cain and Clara Ferren are recently married (1926).

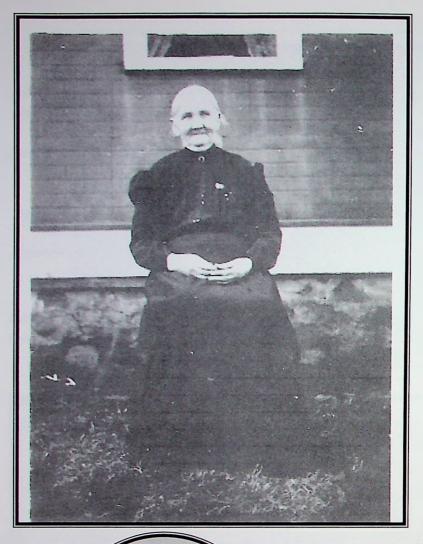
Front Row: Kate Ferren and Ann Ferren, daughters of George and Agnes Ferren and sisters of Clara (Ferren) Cain.

### Thomas Flaherty and Mary Cain

Thomas Flaherty, born in Emily Township, was the son of settlers Thomas Robinson Flaherty and Mary Hickey both in their early teens when their came Emily families to Township in 1825. Thomas married Mary Cain, daughter of Michael Cain and Julia Allen, children of Robinson both settlers when their families came in 1825. Thomas and Mary Flaherty had

14 children, four of whom did not attain adulthood. The Flaherty descendants of this couple were numerous in Galway Township and in other townships of Peterborough and Victoria Counties.

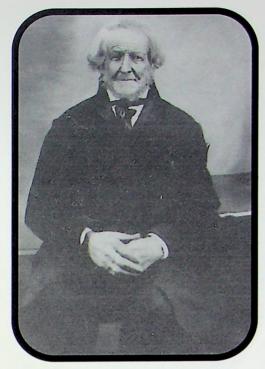




Ellen Savage Hartnett, wife of Maurice Hartnett. Ellen Savage was born about 1837 and died April 3, 1915. She was buried in the Hartnett Family plot in the old cemetery on the Galway Road. This picture was taken circa 1912 when she was about 75 years of age. She was a fine looking woman with beautiful silver hair, long slender hands and a beautiful serene countenance. Picture taken on Lot 1 Concession 12 Galway.

Prior to the early accessibility of cameras, many portraits were hand painted as per the two Galway Ladies below

Hand painted Portraits



Fred Dettman Sr.



White Family Ancestor



Christina Dettman



Margaret (O'Neil) Curtin



Emma Mae (Collins) Allen



Margaret O'Brien (Collins)



Margaret 'Maggie' (Doherty) Allen 'Maggie' & Robert had a family of 11 children



Robert Allen— Married 'Maggie' on Oct 1 1901 in the Immaculate Conception Church in Galway





Alfred Molyneaux

1910– Mary Dolan (Sister of Davia Curtin Sr.)



Mary Collins—Married Maurice Hickey



Daniel Pearson 1843-1888



Albert (a.k.a. Ab) White



Thomas White



John White (on right)



Joseph White and wife Maggie Crego



Eliza Jane White & husband David Madill



Maurice & Mary (Minnie) Hickey-Wedding Nov 10, 1901



Sisters Lizzie, Mary (Clark) & Maggie Doherty



1873—David Curtin on the left



Jack Mac, Owen Byrnes & Matt Hickey—Early 1900s



David Curtin (1854–1923) & wife, Ellen Cain (1864-1953)



Anne Hickey 1916



David Curtin—1939 Member of Peterborough County Council



Albert Collins & Bert Craig

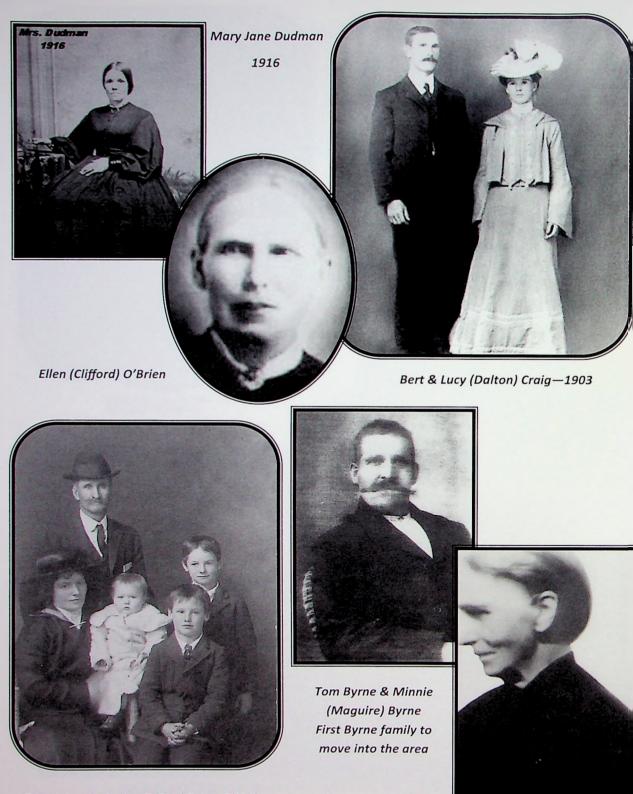


Celiea Hurst

Bridget Flaherty



Catherine (Flaherty), Baby Irene, Jack & Alman Ferren



Edward, Minnie, Joe T, Fred & Joe O'Neil





Frank & Edward Flaherty

Eliza Beech, Ellen DeFinney, Hannah Beech, Molly Hickey



John & Lawrence Maguire-1894



Hannah Henderson



William Henderson



Margaret (Allen) Byrne 1880-1955



John Ferren—Alman's Brothe





John Henderson Settled 1859 lot 33 Con A (From Monaghan, Ireland)

James Maguire, born 1807



John & Mary Molyneaux Circa 1880 John helped build the road from Bobcaygeon to Kinmount



Above—John Dudman







- Above Left-Michael Cain (Thresher Mick) 1820-1892 Born in Brigtown, Ireland. Came to Canada in 1825 with the Peter **Robinson Settlers**
- Left-Michael Sullivan and daughter Kitty.

Right-Maurice John Hickey & Ellen Mae (DeFinney) Hickey





Garfield Henderson & Mosson Schell



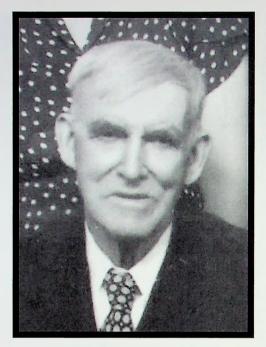
Kit (Hickey) Burke and Molly (Hickey) Maloney



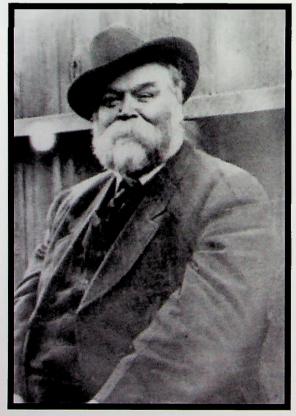
Margaret & Mary Flaherty



Levi Ferren & Mary Ellen Daly



James O'Brien 1873-1961





James Allen & Mary Sullivan



Above—Pat Collins & Maryann Hartnett 1913

Left—Martin Byrne Born 1842



Marguerite Scarlett



Mrs. (Hickey) Hartnett, May (Collins) Allen-1901



Michael & Mary Mansfield and son Oswald



Martha Flaherty 1892-1988



Sophia (Beamish) McMahon



W J McMahon





Peggy Pearson (McGinn) & Helen Pearson (Hickey) 1916

Sydney Switzer Jr.



Michael Cain & Jack Owens—Brother's in Law



Molly (Foley) Hickey & Maurice Hickey & Child



Annie Hartnett, Cecil Hartnett, Molly Maloney



Frances Hartnett & Patrick Brick



William & Christiana (Kennedy) Henderson



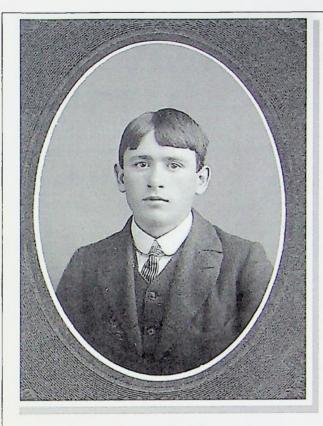
William, Emma & Hannah Henderson



lvy Gilmour, Lizzie (Kennettle) Gilmour, Myrtle Gilmour



Nora Allen, sister to Anne Pearson



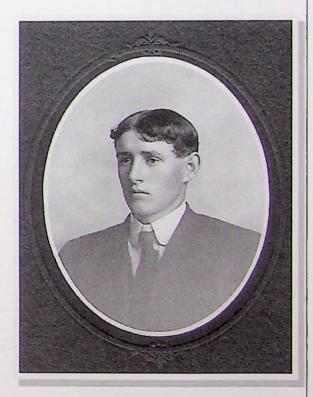
Wilfred Curtin 1899-1975



Tom Curtin 1884-1953



Mick Curtin 1885-1962



Bill Curtin-1888

# Logging in Galway

There were great stands of timber in Galway, more soft timber than hardwood and during the winter months, the young farmers were well compensated for their bush land.. While sawmills operated almost exclusively during the summer and fall seasons, the lumber camps filled up in the late fall and winter months. Once the ice melted the river drivers took up the challenge to move the lumber to market.

Lumber camps were called shanty's and became home to many of the Galway men for half of the year. The shanty men worked from dawn to dusk, 6 days a week with Sunday off for a day of rest. Horses worked right along with them becoming an essential member of the lumber crew. Life was not always grueling as evenings would be filled with songs and stories. Fiddles, guitars, tin whistles, banjos and spoons were the most common instruments, but a creative musician would fashion an instrument out of most anything.

The Lumber-Jack

I'm old and bent and grizzled, But I guess it is Nature's law That I be like that after forty years Of pulling a cross-cut saw, Of swinging a pick on the side-grade, Of humping a thousand packs, Or from hundreds of cords of wood I've split with a six pound tally axe.

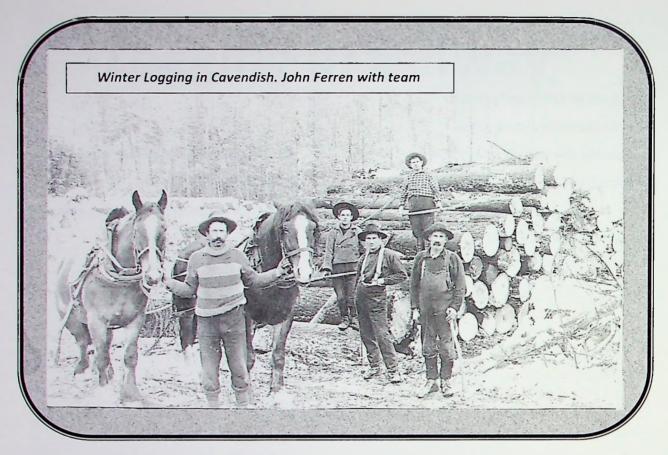
Working from dawn till darkness, Rolling the virgin pine All day on the end of a cant-hook, Or pulling a decking line. Then back to the tar-papered bunkhouse, Eating the coarsest of fare, Then wearily into the blankets Like a wounded beast to it's lair.

Driving the logs in the springtime, Thousands of logs from the hills; Breaking the jams on the river, Each one the treat of a kill. Then out on the lake on the warping crib, Everything going fine, But with hands that are numb to the elbow From coiling the wharping line. The foreman, striving to get more done, Prodding the workers on; Weaklings and slackers, he weeds them out, All that he keeps is brawn, And I've never met a foreman, Neither have you, I'll bet, But always thinks things are going fine As long as he smells your sweat!

As I said before, I am old and bent, Crippled and wrinkled and gray; My day in the lumber camp is o'er I'm too old to earn my pay. Yet when St. Peter bides the door To our bunks at the end of The Day, I'll be right there with the rest of the boys... I hope I'm not turned away.

-Theo Peacock

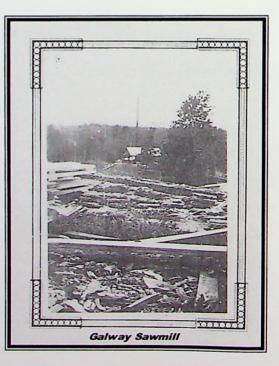
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Log Driver

John Ferren—Winter logging



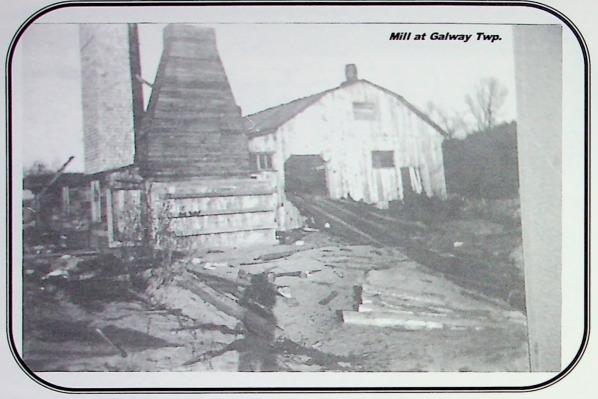
Galway Sawmill



Tools of the Trade - cant hook or peavey? Traditionally cant hooks were used around sawmills for turning cants. While peaveys were designed for and used for river drives. Both tools consist of a handle with a swing hook. The difference between the two is what is on the end of the handle and the way the tools grip a log.—Irondale gang 1890 at Devil's shoot



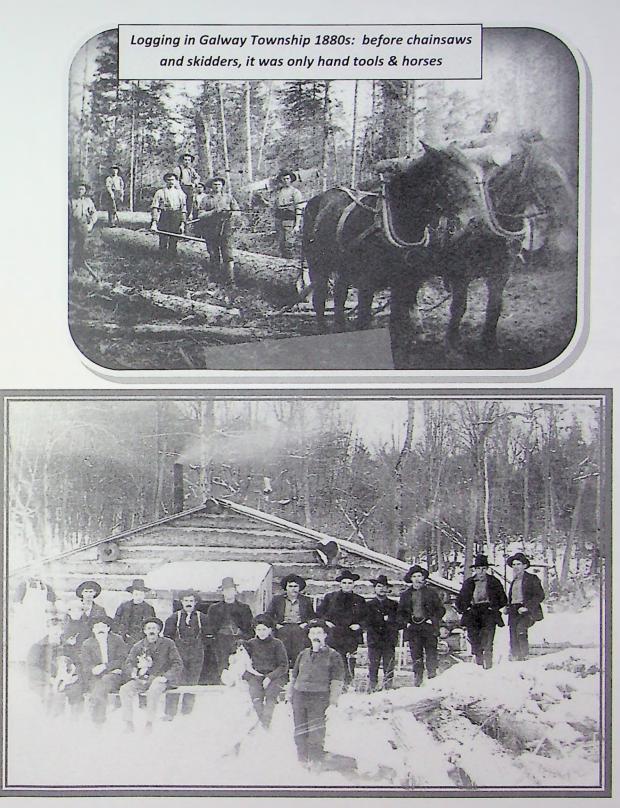
Lumber Camp 'Hoe-down'. Guess which group are playing the women?



By the 1870s, it was no longer necessary to have water power for a sawmill. It was now possible to run the mill by steam power.



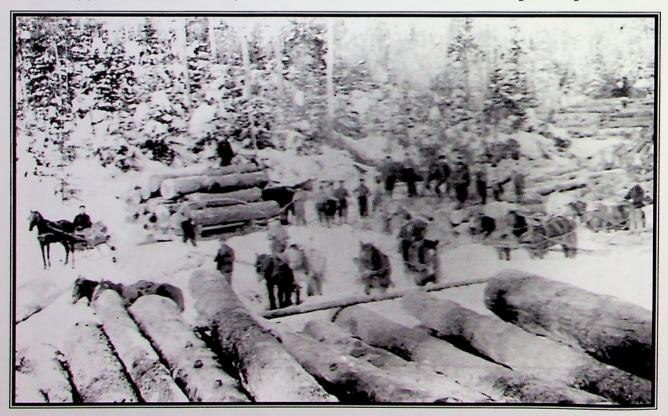
This was a typical shanty crew with 30 plus workers. Each shanty employed 30—50 men. Working in the bush was hard, grueling work for low pay.



The Shanty men worked from dawn to dusk, 6 days a week. Sunday was a day of rest. The cook was one of the most important staff members in any shanty crew. There were not many pleasures to shanty life, but food was one of them.



River Drivers with their pike poles. Their job was to push or drive the logs to their destination. This was by far the most hazardous job in the lumber business. Cook & Chuck wagon alongside.



Stacks of logs towed to a central area for later transportation either by water route or train. The horse was an integral part of the operation. There are 13 in the picture above.



Robert & Jack Henderson Logging Camp



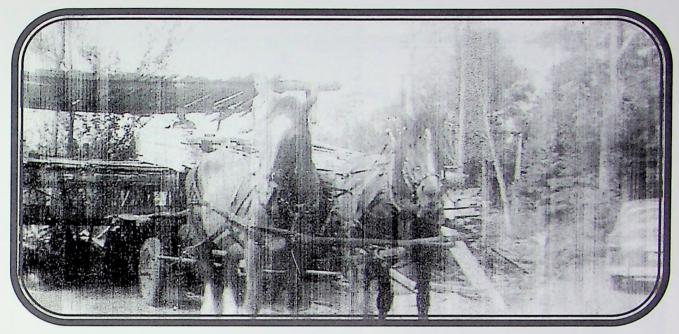
Right—White Lake Logging Mervin Switzer, Ted Thomson & Marg Golden on wagon with team "Vic & Min"



River drivers pushed wayward logs back into the stream, and broke up jams "cracking".



Imagine this number of men fitting into this shanty owned by Percy Molyneaux. Percy was the cook.



Roy Newman with his team at the Crystal Lake Sawmill

Johnny Allen

There was an old man who had a wooden leg, who never had tobacco but tobacco he would beg.

Another old man as cute as a fox always kept tobacco in his old tobacco box.



Roy Newman on Clear Bay guiding some stray logs into the Mill



1928 log jam at the Dam caused a flood that took out all the bridges between Kinmount & Fenelon Falls





Clarence Allen logging with his team

Clem Higgins and Albert Allen Sawing Logs with a cross cut saw



Allen Pearson Logging 1965



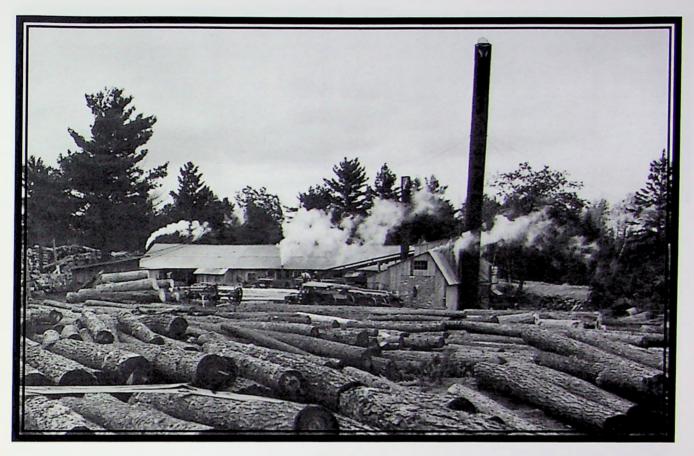
Garfield Henderson with a load of logs



Tan Bark at the Kinmount Rail yards (Main street in the background)- Hemlock bark was used to treat leather. Michael Mansfield's store was one of the local buyers of tan bark.



Eric Morrison surveying the fruits of his labour



Galway Sawmill - Note the large steam stack and log Elevator



Lumber Cookhouse circa 1900s Cook & Cook's 'Devil' (helper) in Cavendish

## Home life

Home life could be challenging during the war years. "Rationing" was in effect during both the First and Second World Wars. Women did their part encouraging others to "Use it Up Wear it Out, Make it Do, or Do Without".

It was not easy for women to fill the new roles that arose due to the demands of wartime, while maintaining the traditional female roles of the time. Many women worked tirelessly in the home, often combining their domestic labours with war-related volunteer work.

Galway Farms felt their own pressures as Women were faced with the additional responsibilities of maintaining the family farm themselves, as well as raise the children. Mothers and children worked side-by-side on the farm to ensure it survived: the planting, harvesting, caring for livestock, milking cows and manag-

"M is for mash, Or marish or mish, A wet grassy spot Where your rubbers go squish. With blackflies and bog Aunt Bertha will grapple Whenever she goes there To pick the bakeapple"



Emily Baker & Irene Molyneaux - Outdoor cooking



Mrs. James Allen Sr, Loretta Hickey, Mary (Sweeney) Allen, Mrs.



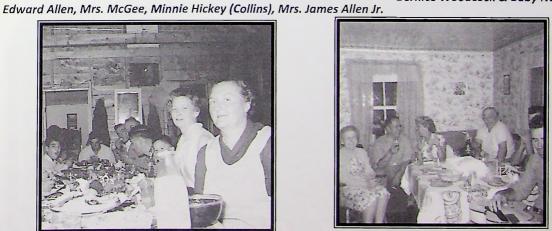
Delivering new baby at Hickey Farm



Bernice Woodcock & Baby Nancy

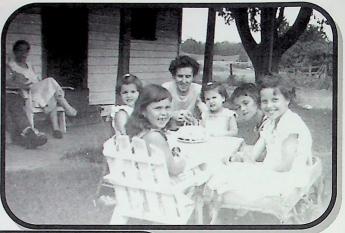


Clara Lee, Mildred White , Tim White, Bob White, Jack Lee at Family Dinner



Dorothy & Joe Fee, Josephine DeFinney, Marguerite Curtin, Frank Hickey at Cain's House Party

Birthday Party at Hickey's Ellen (DeFinney) Hickey, Jo–Anne Fee, Margaret Anne Hickey, Anne (Hickey) Fee, Judy Fee, Bob Fee, Mary Ann Fee

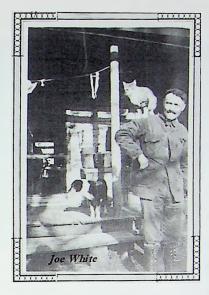




Fair Day Sept 1966 At the Allen Home

Jim Stone & Mary Pearson Hollyhocks & other Heritage flowers







Joe White with furry friends

Back Row—Grandma Margaret (Allen) Byrne, Donnie Pearson, Anne Pearson

Front Row—Tom Pearson, Allan Pearson, Diane Pearson



Laundry Day on the Molyneaux Farm—Mary & Emma Molyneaux





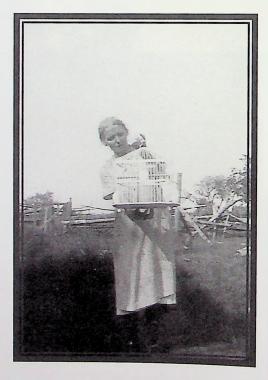
M.J. & John Hickey & Molly (Foley) Hickey & Kit (Hickey) Burke, Molly (Hickey) Moloney

At Hickey Homestead

Welcome! Come on in



Mary Ann Dettman (Trudeau) Braiding a Rug—May 1911



Minnie O'Neil

## Below-

**Hickey Family** 

Matt, Ellen, Daisy, Vincent, Joe, & Frank holding baby Mark



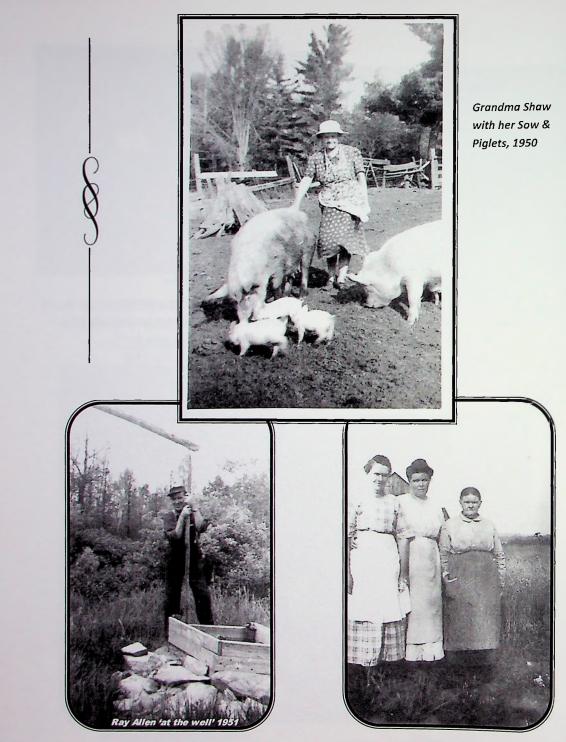


## Above-

Maurice Hartnett born 1909, Great Grandma Ellen Savage Hartnett, Charlie Hartnett born 1907. Picture taken circa 1912



Quilting Bee at Jackson's Home



Ray Allen 'at the Well' 1951

Mary Ellen (Cahill) Hartnett, Bridget Ann Hickey, Mary Anne (Foley) Hickey

## **Farming in Galway**

Most of the settlers coming to Galway came to become farmers, carving out new homesteads in the wild bush. Their first desire or obligation was to clear a piece of land so that they could plant a garden and some wheat to make flour. A shanty was built and the second building on the farm was a log barn. The first fields were sown & harvested by hand. As soon as it was possible Oxen were acquired to do the heavy work and in later years the team of horses replaced them. With livestock now in place, fencing became a necessity, with stone, thorny bushes and cedar polls utilized.

Cattle, hogs and chickens were added to the farmers inventory as soon as possible, and most farmers kept some sheep for the wool. Spring would bring new lambs and in May the shearing started.

In 1950 the area was infested with a white grub which ate the crops, the pasture lands and in many cases the lawns. It was in those years that many people turned to other means of employment.



Milking the Cow



Curtin Farm

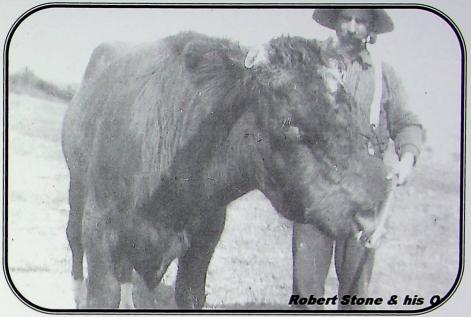
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1919—Farm of David & Margaret Curtin



Horses were an important part of the Farmers Life in the 1920s

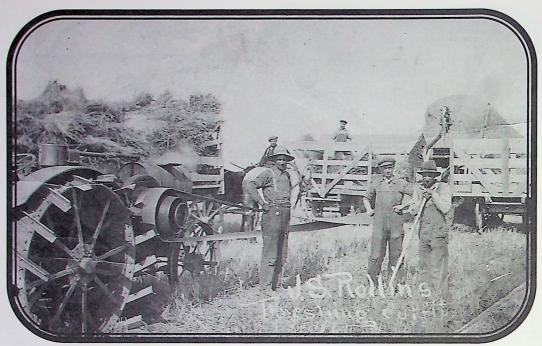


Robert Stone and his Ox.

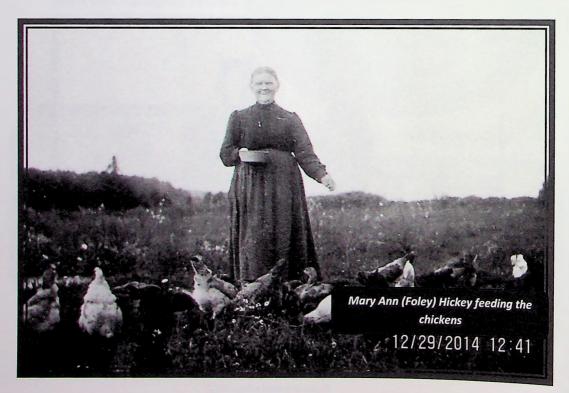
Oxen were the main means of power before the horse. A yoke of oxen, 2 steers with a yoke shaped to fit on top of their neck with a chain in the center, was said to be stronger than most horses.



Thomas Savage Hartnett with a nice team of horses and a horse drawn seeder. Thomas was born May 29 1878. The two children are Maurice on the right and Charlie on the left. Picture taken circa 1913



Threshing outfit to take the wheat off the fields





Phyllis & Ralph Harrison feeding the Turkeys for Christmas Dinner

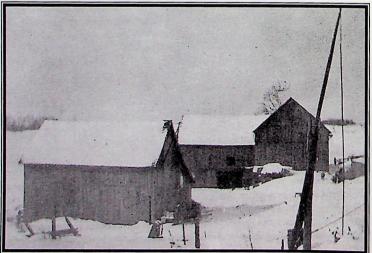


Les Harrison in front of Milk house



Top Right—Allie & Eliza returning with pails of milk Middle—Melissa tending the bee hives

Below Switzer Farm at White Lake





Allie & Gordon Thomson making maple syrup at the sugar house



Grandma & Grandpa Shaw with Uncle Charlie on Hay Wagon



Leonard Hughes milking cow on Hughes Farm

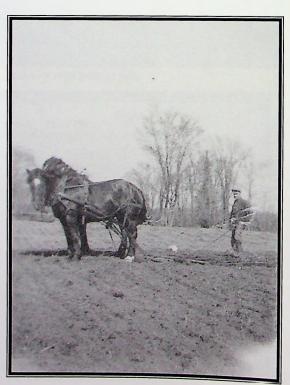






Shaw Family Farm—Joe Shaw cutting Hay above,

Below—Joe Shaw with Rex & Maude harrowing the field. Draft horse 'Rex' in front of barn built in 1913 with hand hewed beams.





Henry Boldt Barn raising on the Monck Road east of Kinmount. Barn is still standing Hwy 503, North East of Kinmount.

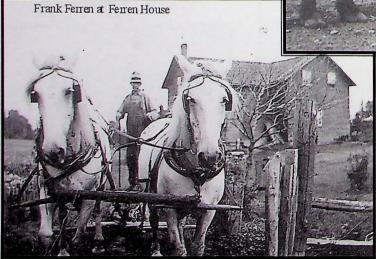


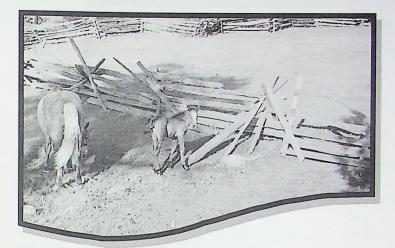
Above—Robert Henderson Farming with threshing machine & steam engine

Right—Max Henderson and his team

Below— Frank Ferren at his farm beside Hwy #121





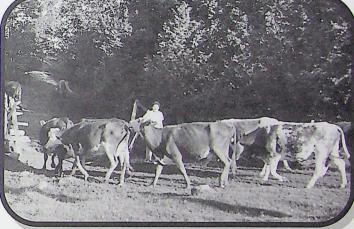


Cattle & Horses & Sheep at the Curtin Farm in the 1940s

Below—Eileen Curtin bringing the cows home.

Below Left—David & Loretta Curtin with the new born lambs. Lot 13, Con 12







Right— July 30th 1933 Sam & Catherine Pearson at Rocky Ledge Farm Lot 13, Con 14



Billy Scarlett Farm Lot 1, Concession 13





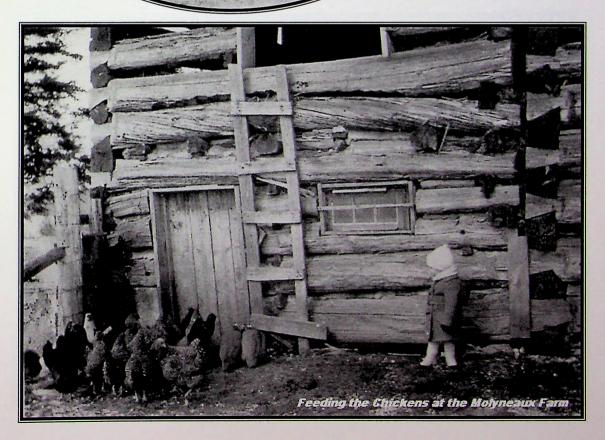
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Sheep Farming at Hickey Farm

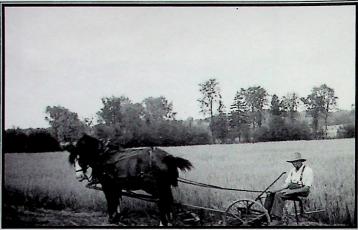




Left—Charlie Molyneaux with team pulling a Hay Rake. Lot 6, Con 11







Above: Duncan Molyneaux pulling a horse drawn Grain Mower Left : Mrs. Emma Molyneaux Below: Stooked Grain on the Molyneaux Farm Lot 6, Con 11







Above : Bill & Ralph Scott 1925 sitting on Hay Rake

Left: Tom Coffey Sr. Lot 20, Con 13



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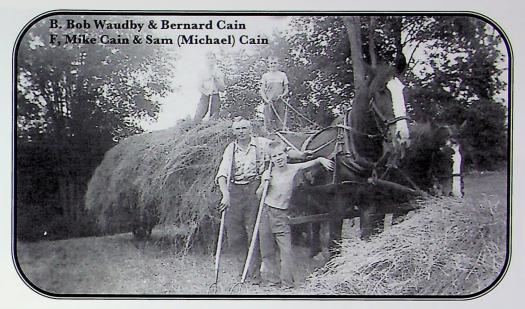
Above: Ralph Pearson with his team,

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Mark & Jean

Below: Bringing in the Hay at the Molyneaux Farm with a 'Buck Rake'. Glen Scott on horse circa 1950s

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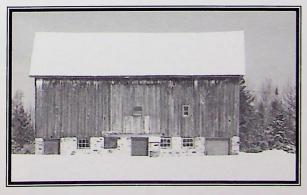
Hay Time at the Cain Farm—Bob Waudby & Bernard Cain driving with Mike & Sam Cain with forks



Coben / Young Barn on Dutch Line Lot 2, Con 14



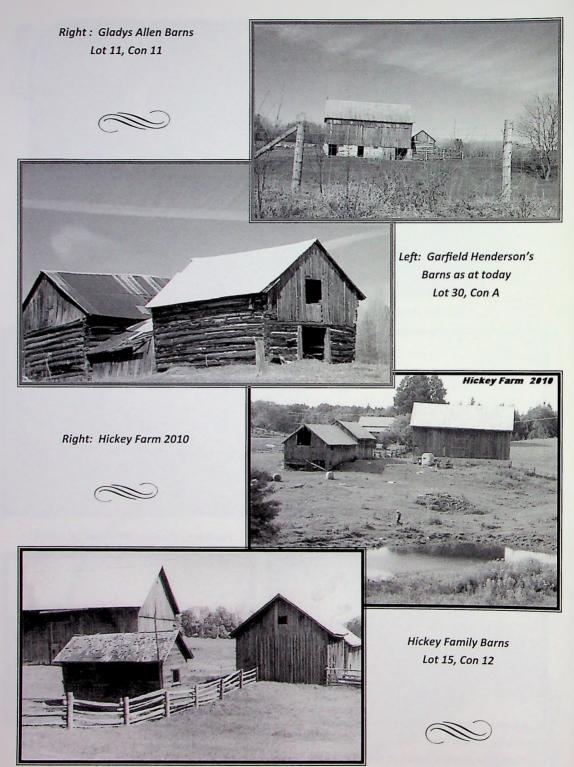
Faulkner / Pickford Barns Lot 28, Con A



Robert Allen Family Barn—across from Galway Hall built by the Buckley Family in the late 1800s



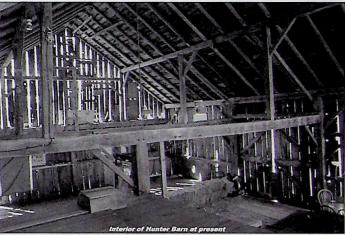
Dudman Farm Lot 35 Concession A





Hunter Family Barn on Crystal Lake Road Lot 4, con 11

Interior of the Hunter Family Barn

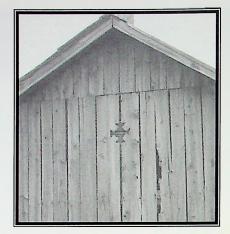




Lawrence & Lester Hickey's Barn on Galway Rd. Lot 10, con 13



Jackson's Barn



Maltese Cross trademark of McMahon Barn Builders

Jess Chalmers Barn on the French Line





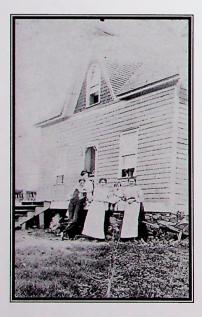
Left—Edgar & Isabella Harrison's Barn on Hwy 49 Lot 4, Conc. A Log barn burnt down and was replaced by this barn and was raised on Apr 15, 1912 the same day the Titanic went down.

# **Galway Home-**

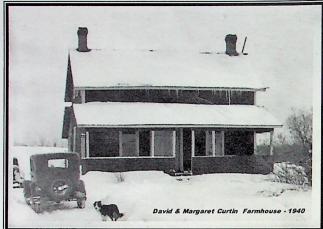
Take me back to Kinmount Along the Galway Rd Take me back to my boyhood, Those days of long ago Show me the fields and meadows Where I once did work and play, Through the woods I often wondered, Sometimes staying all the day Show me the house I was born, Brothers, sisters, one and all, Mother calling from the doorway, Little "bud" your growing tall. I see them all in memory Those many years ago, When I was just a growing lad, Running down the Galway Road. I'll always return to Kinmount, No matter where I roam, To the old farm house on the Galway Road, The place of my childhood home.



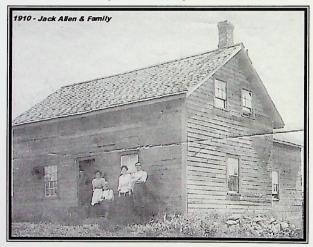
1909—Homestead of Maurice and Minnie Hickey—Lot 10, Concession 12



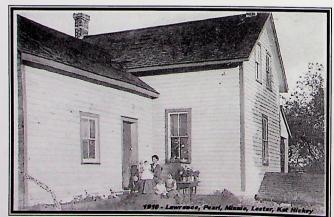
1886 Curtin Homestead Ellen Cain Curtin on far right Lot 17 Con 9



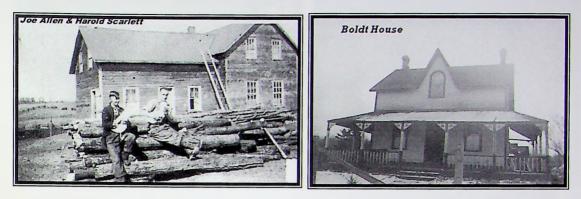
1940s - Farmhouse of David & Margaret Curtin Lot 14 Con 12



1910—Jack Allen & Family Lot 11 Con 12



1910—Lawrence, Pearl, Minnie Lester & Kat Hickey Lot 12 Con 13 74



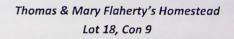
Allen Homestead – Joe Allen & Harold Scarlett

The Boldt Homestead—Hwy 503

Lot 8 Con 12



Barr-Kennedy Farm Lot 1, Concession 10





Old Church Rectory—now Allen Home Lot 5, Con 13

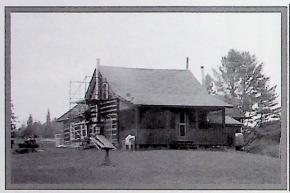
Michael Cain & Juliet (Allen) Cain homestead Lot 20, Con 9



Clarke Homestead Lot 2, Con 16



Coben / Coffey Homestead currently Fleury Home—Lot 22, Con 13



Clarke / Stone Homestead Lot 9, Con 15



Hartnett Homestead / Gerald Dettman Home Lot 1, Con 12



Coffey Homestead taken 1991 Lot 20, Con 13

Flaherty homestead as at 1984 Lot 18, Con 9





Michael Cain—second generation built abt. 1909 Lot 20, Con 9

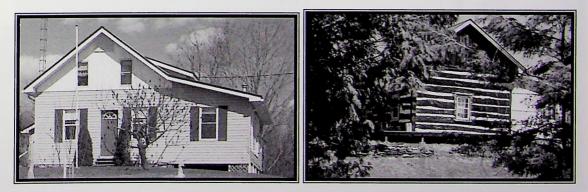
Gordon Craig's Homestead - at present Lot 7, con 13



Hickey Homestead at present

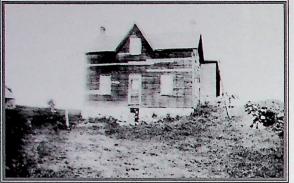
Coben / George Young Homestead—at present Lot 2, Con 14

Hickey Homestead—at present Lot 15, Con 12



Gladys & Ned Allen Homestead (Gus & Charlie) at present Lot 11, Con 11

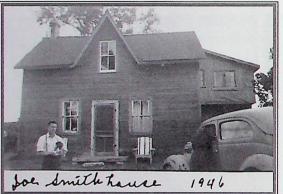
Jack Allen Homestead at present Lot 11, Con 12





The house in which Thomas Savage Hartnett raised his family. Built in the 1870s Lot 1, Con 12

Homestead of Edward & Minnie (Brick) O'Neil on Reid Rd. Lot 17, Con 14



Joe Smith house 1946



The remains of the Dolan Homestead today Lot 15, Con 14



Lawrence & Lester Hickey Homestead—at present Lot 10, Con 13

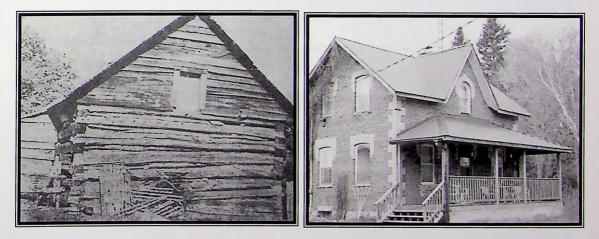


Molyneaux / Maguire homestead on Crystal Lake Rd Lot 5, Con 11



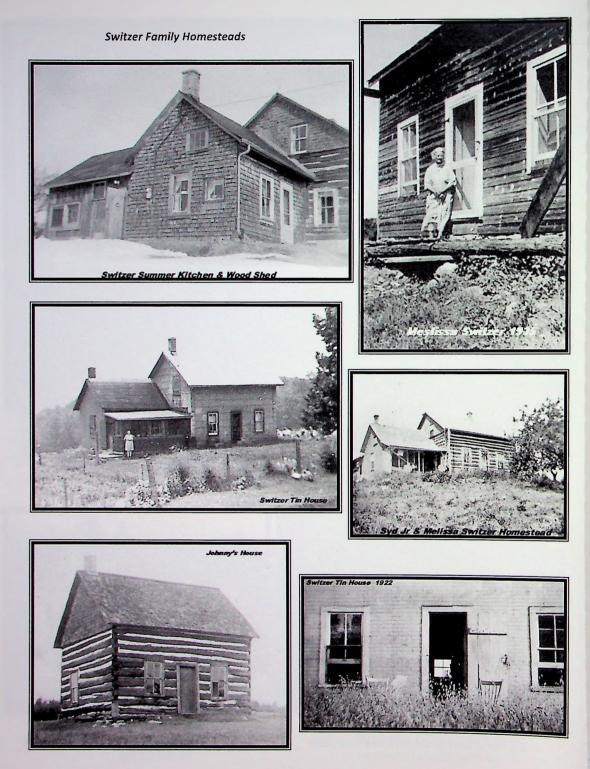
Kennettle Homestead—Lot 6, Concession 15, Dutch Line

Sarah Henderson, Sarah Kennettle, Joel Henderson holding baby Charlie, Ethel (Grieves) K, Annie Kennettle, Jennie Grieves, Mina Henderson

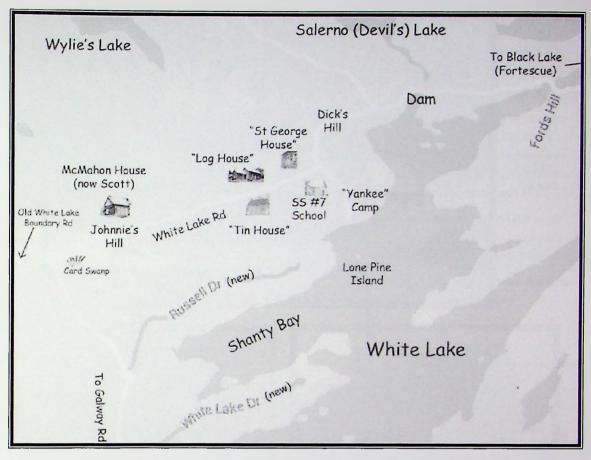


Log House built by David Hickey circa 1860

Rolfe & Joy Stange homestead Lot 5, Con 14



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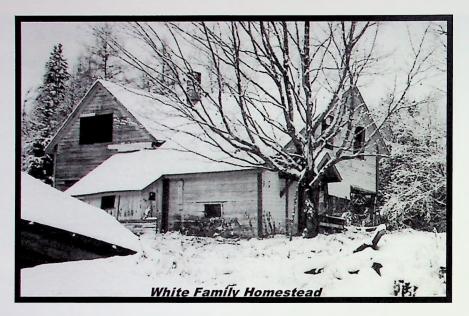
Map with Switzer, Thomson & McMahon homesteads



Left -Shaw Homestead Shaw Family moved to Lot 7, Con 18 in 1904. 850 acres (500 in Galway & 350 in Snowden)

Right—Jack Bright Homestead





Lot 25, Con 14







Gordon & Allie Thompson



Left—Harrison Homestead at Silver Lake

Lots 4 & 5 Concession A

Property was bought in 1894 for \$600 by Edgar & Elizabeth Harrison. It was passed down to their son Lewis and his wife Nellie who lived their until 1951

Middle House was on the same property and lived in by Lewis's son, Les and his wife Viva.

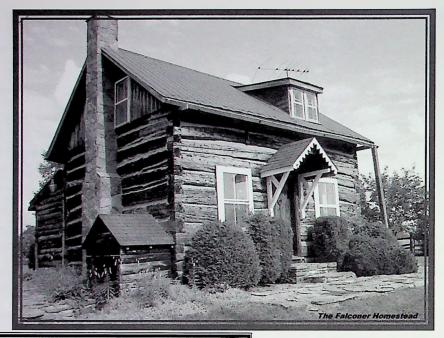
Bottom left picture shows Nellie in front of house.





Above—Collin's Homestead Lot 18, Concession 13







The Faulkner Homestead Lot 28 Concession A (Pickford Farm)



Above—Farm of Vic Hunter & Lula Dettman Lot 4, Con 11

Right—Robert Henderson Homestead







1924 -David & Margaret Curtin & Family on Lot 14 Concession 12,



Above— Gladys & Ned Allen Homestead

Right—Molyneaux / Scott Homestead on Crystal Lake Road - Rachel & Meg Scott driving buggy Lot 6, Concession 11



## At Work in Galway

### Woods

I like the woods and the smell of logs, And I like the smell of steaming bogs, And the smell of the leaves that have fallen from trees And the smell of balsam on the breeze. And the flowers of spring And the frosted fern And the wintergreen that grows on the burn I like to see the red buck's bed. And the broken limbs where a bear has fed, And a puff of feathers or pillow of hair And to know the owl's been feeding there, And to see the grouse bud And a fish hawk dine, And the feed-tree of the porcupine. I like the tracks of a lynx round a beaver house, And the dainty tracks of a woodland mouse And the padded path of the snowshoe hare And the trail that leads to the foxes' lair. And the wolf's long lope And the mink's short glide And the icy slope where the otters slide! ... I like ... I just like the woods!



#### Harvesting Ice

In the days before electric refrigerators, the common method of cooling in summer time was iceboxes. A popular job in the winter months was the harvesting of such blocks of ice. They were simply cut from the frozen surfaces of any of the lakes or rivers. The typical ice block was 12-18 inches so once the lake ice attained this depth, locals would begin the harvest. Special saws were used to cut the ice into blocks. The blocks were then removed with ice-tongs and loaded on sleighs. Blocks of ice continued to be in demand until the 1940s.

A block of ice cost 25 cents, delivered! Earl Baxter had delivered to cottages on the lake. The Toms Family began to harvest ice every winter from Crystal Lake and stored it in the ice house, carefully packed in saw dust. The smell of this pine saw dust was an enduring smell of the ice house.

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Left—Frank Flaherty

Right—Building a Pole Barn







Road Crew for the Bobcaygeon Road construction—Vince Hickey in the middle above.

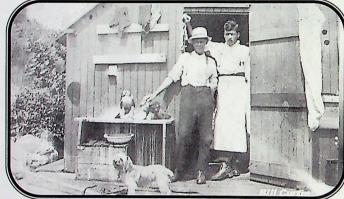
Left-Cooks for the Crew















Bill Curtin and the team of River Drivers

Firewood Cutting Bee



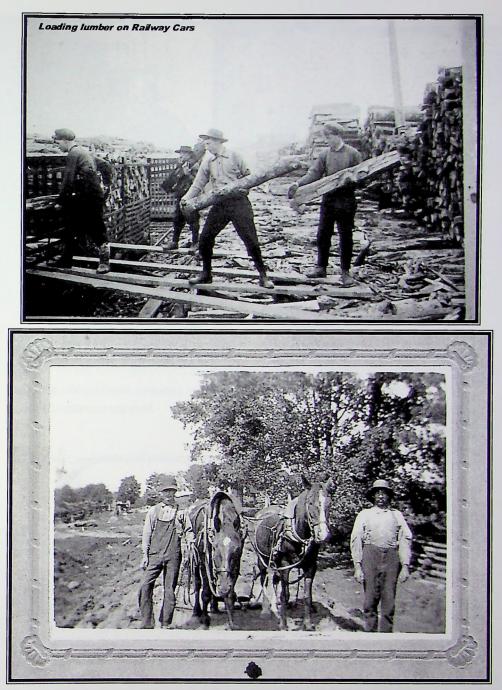
Mike Cain & Ray Doherty cutting firewood



Galway Cavendish Township Council in the 1930s—Back row: Harry Dettman, Jack Clark (Reeve), Wm. (Billy) Dudman, Front Row: Bob White, & Jim Allen



Harvesting Christmas Trees to deliver to the Toronto Market.—Picture taken in front of Pearson Store. Ralph Pearson on top of load (middle) would drive the truck to Toronto.



The original method of public road work in pioneer times was 'Statue Labour'. This law required each owner of a 100 acre lot to contribute 2 days free work on the township road in his vicinity. This free work was in lieu of property tax for roads. An overseer, called the Pathmaster, supervised the work.

Duncan Molyneaux & Victor Hunter completing their statutory labour east of Cook's shanty on Crystal Lake Road, early 1900s.



Left—Austin Jackson (first road superintendent for Galway)



Above—Neil Maguire of the Vincent Maguire and Sons Company



Left—Hay time with Jackie Huffman, Allan Pearson, and Jack Huffman





Above— Township Garage with Ken Graham, Gerard Pearson & Ralph Pearson

Right—1997 Ralph Pearson was Road Superintendent and had worked for the Township for 50 years. He saw both the roads and equipment change immensely during that time.

Below— Loader purchased in 1988





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## Life at the Lake

Cottage development proceeded very slowly. In the 1930s, probably no lake in Galway possessed more than Half a dozen cottages. The arrival of Hydro at the lakes in 1951 seemed to speed up the growth.

The main attractions were canoeing or rowing, bathing (today we call it swimming), fishing, hunting and relaxing in the solitude of Mother Nature. The camping began as tent-only and fairly primitive. Earliest vacationers often stayed for weeks or even months at a time. It often took them several days to reach the vacation spot by horse and wagon. The earliest cottages were small, plain and very rustic.

The first American tourist in Galway was a Mr. C. Hamilton from Ohio. He purchased property at Lot 30, Concession 10 and was among the first to drive a motor vehicle on the Galway Road back in the 'teens'. Mr. Hamilton didn't have a cottage, but preferred to live in tents that were erected and taken care of by the Jackson brothers, Austin & Ellsworth. Mr. Hamilton drove his car to Clear Bay and crossed Crystal Lake to his campsite.

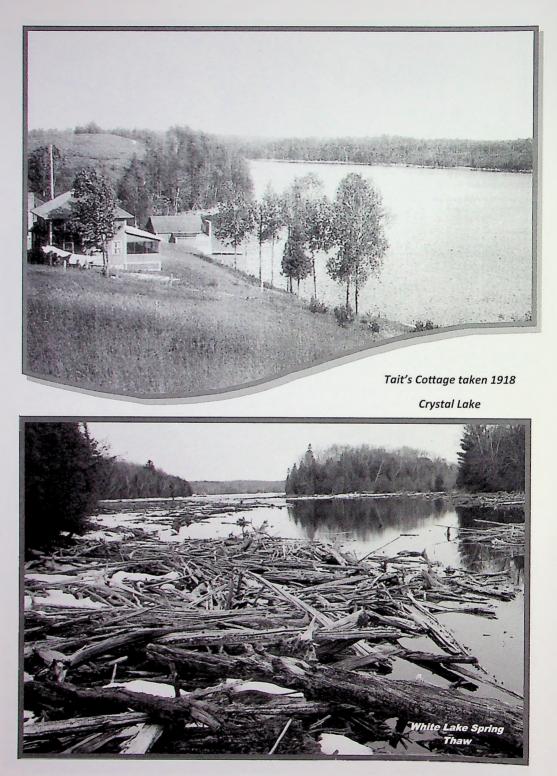
Salmon Lake was already a popular destination for fishermen, especially bass and later Lake trout, and a logging access road meant cottaging on Salmon Lake began early in the 1900s.

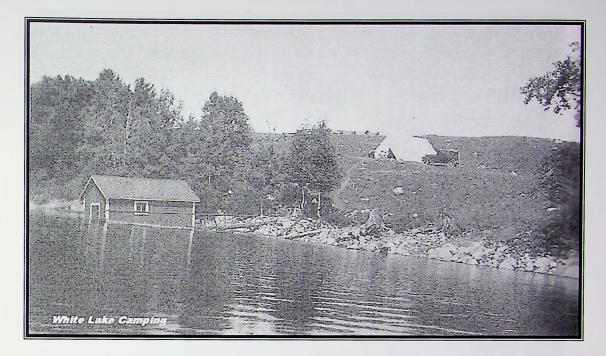
Pioneer farmers eventually located on both the north & south shores of Crystal Lake, giving crystal lake the advantage of early access and the cottage community started to grow further in the 1930s. Eventually, cottage settlement spread east-



Crystal Lake Tourists camping in 1905—while rustic they still dressed pretty fine . Note the phonograph (or gramophone) above.







Early Cottagers (still tenting) at White Lake in the 1930s

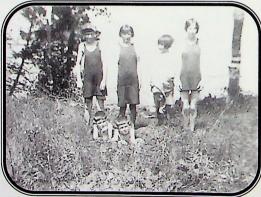








Helen (Pearson) Hickey & Jack Hickey ready for a swim at the lake

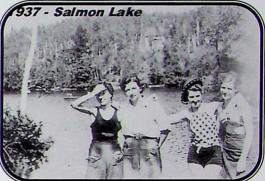


Above—Anne Hickey, Marguerite & Eileen Curtin, Mary Hickey with Joe & Frank Hickey - 1920s

Left—Pearl Hickey, Loretta & Edmund Allen



Above—Loretta Hickey with guitar, Cecile Allen and Anne Hickey with a catch of fish 1930s Below— Salmon Lake 1937 Mary Hickey, Eileen Demoe, Anne Hickey and Dorothy (Dot) Hickey





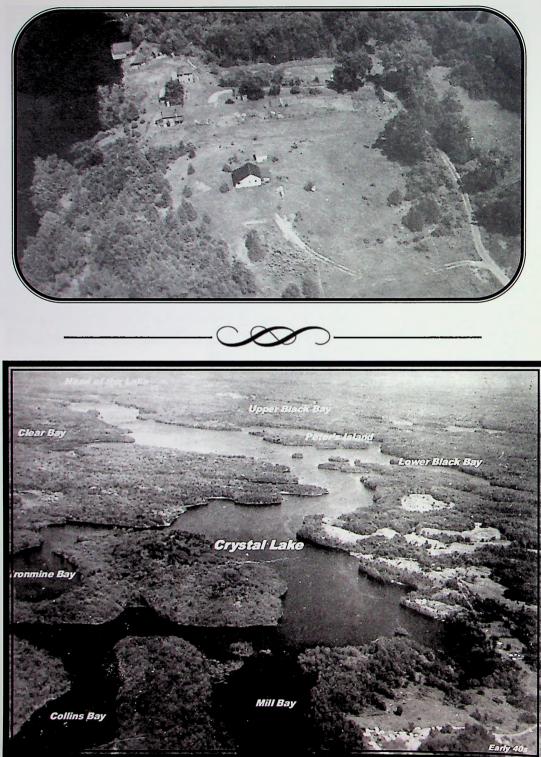
Left— Heading to the Lake Dorothy Hickey, Eileen Demoe, Anne Hickey & Mary Hickey

Right—Rowing on Crystal Lake 1930

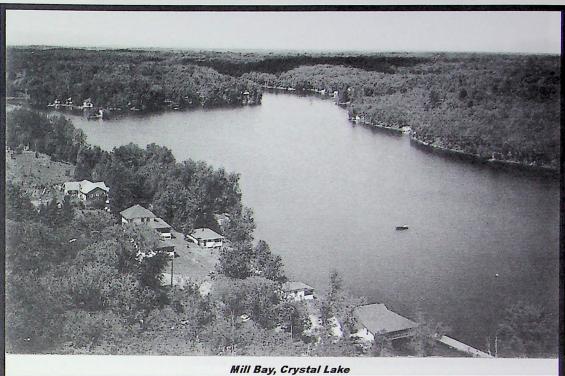
Mary & Vince Hickey, Jo DeFinney & Friends



Crystal Lake 1940s



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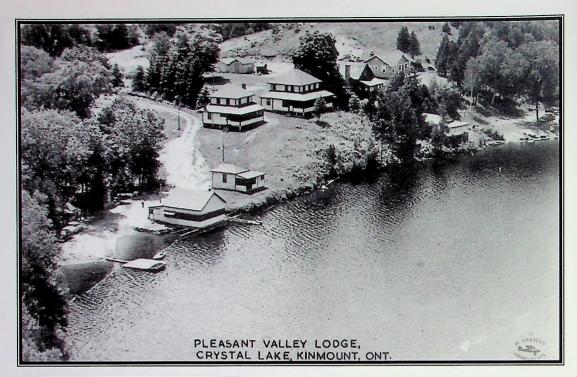
Boating with the White Family on Clear Bay



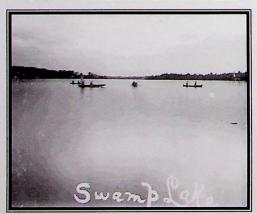
M.J. Hickey cleaning his catch at Salmon Lake August 1950



Swimming at Clear Bay



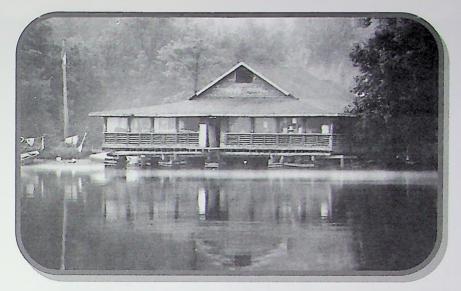




Left—Rob & Clara White

Below -Peter Pearson and Clear Bay Trading Post owner, Doug Hamilton with a fish to brag about





The only true marinas in the Kinmount area were found on Crystal Lake to service the growing number of cottagers. To serve these vacationers, Archie and Peg Dettman opened a small store & later the Crystal Lake Marina was started. A similar node of cottagers following on the north shore based on Clear Bay & it's Marina was owned in early days by Baxter and then Ouellette.

The Crystal Pier property was originally the pioneer homestead of Henry Wells. After the Wells left the property became part of the Mill Bay sawmill operation. In 1945, the operations was purchased by Jack & Marjorie Toms who renovated it and set it up as a marina, restaurant and convenience store. It quickly became "the" place for summer fun on Crystal Lake. Every Saturday during the summer a dance was held in the converted boat house. Most Saturdays, a juke box, or record player provide the music, but occasionally a live band was available. After years of magical memories the Pier was officially closed and on Mar 16, 2015, the pier was demolished.



## **Sports & Leisure**

Music Square Dancing Boating Snowshoeing Snow skiing Ice Hockey Fishing Hunting Trapping Song of the Wild by Theo Peacock There's a creek runs down from Salmon Lake And Dumps into the Black, There upon the hillside Stands a rustic shack. It stands beside the water That goes hurrying to the sea,

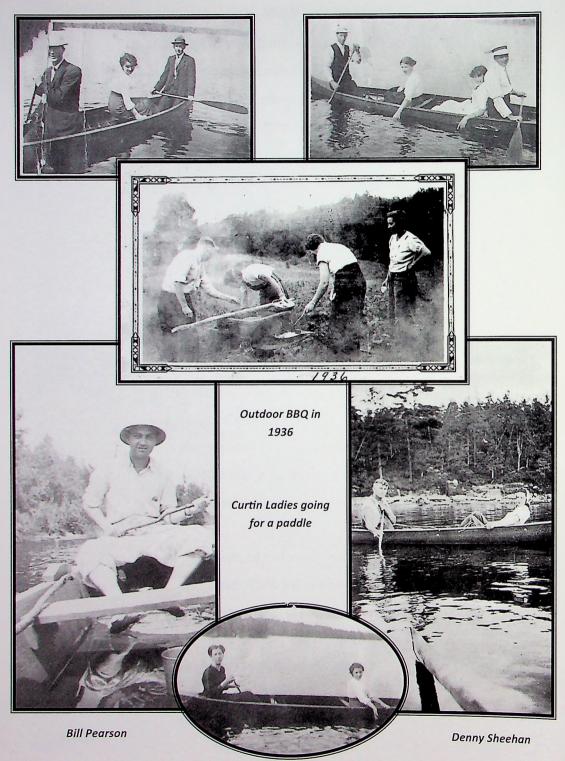
> The shack's not much to look at, But it's home , just home, to me.

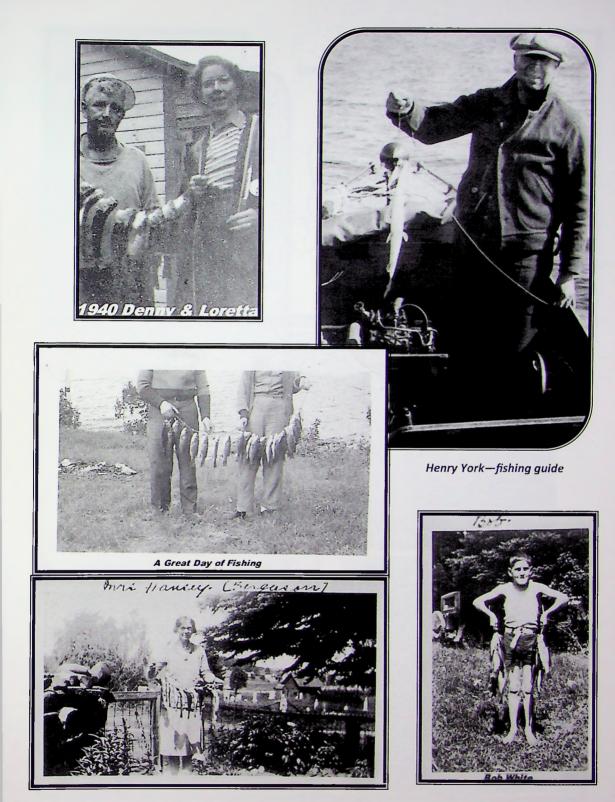
There's a snowshoe trail for twenty miles That I have left behind, There are snowshoe blisters on my feet Where the snowshoes' harness bind; There are packsack galls upon my back Where the heavy pack strap wore. Now I shed those shoes and drop the pack Before that cabin door.

Soon bacon will be frying And sizzling in the pan; There'll be lots of beans and coffee, Good chuck for any man. Then supper over, dishes washed, And the stove glowing cherry-red, I'll dowse the light, and light my pipe And lie back on the bed.



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Above & Below—square dancing at the Allen Home

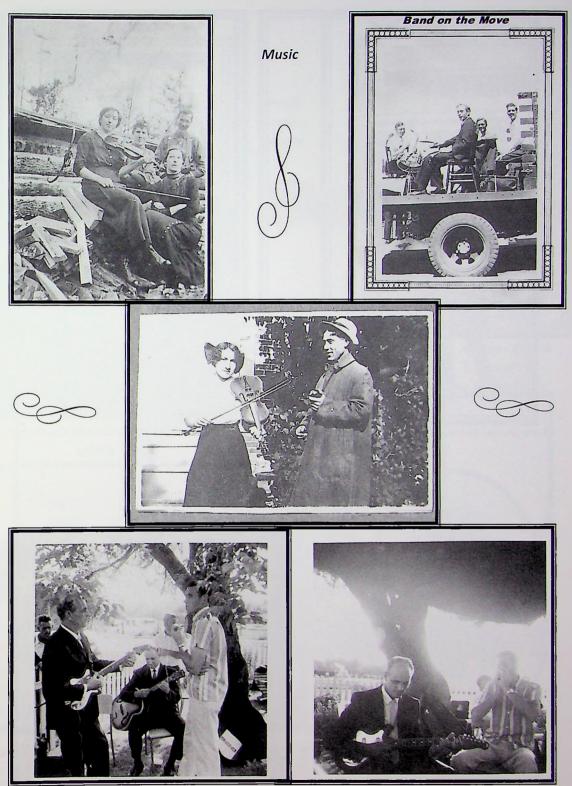




Music night at the Cain's Home

Square Dance Call Balance your pardner, one and all. And grand right and left around the hall, Fromenade around in a : ngle file, Lady in the lead in the Injun style. Ladics bow low and the gents bow under, Couple up tight and swing like thunder. Lady round the gent and the gent goes so, And the lady round the gent and the gent don't go. Leave the lady and home you go. Opposite the gent with a do-se-do. Jump right up and never come down, And swing that calico round and round. To the tune of "A Life on the Occan Wave" goes the following: Head two gents cross over, And leave your ladies stand. And side two gents cross over, And do as I command. Honor on the corners. Honor your partners all, Swing the corner lady, And promenade the hall. To "Pop Goes the Weasel": First couple lead up to the right, Be careful not to blunder; Join your hands and circle half, And couple will come under. Fass right on and up to the next And balance light and easy; Join your hands and circle half, And Pop goes the Weasel! Lead right on and up to the next, And don't forget your number: Join your hands and circle half, And couple will come under. Then every lad who has a lass. Will swing her on the corner, And allemande left as you come around. And promenade your honor.







Anne (Byrne) Pearson & brother Jim snowshoeing on Crystal Lake



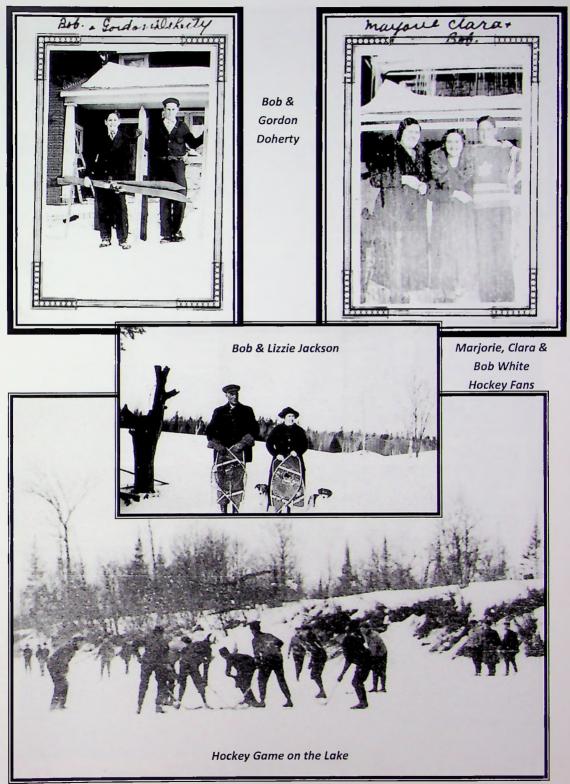
1939—Marguerite & David Curtin, Mary Fee going skating



Helen (Pearson) Hickey



Hockey on Crystal Lake—Jack, Claude & Bill Dettman, Sam Cain, Tom Pearson, Bernard Cain, John Austin & Clark Allen

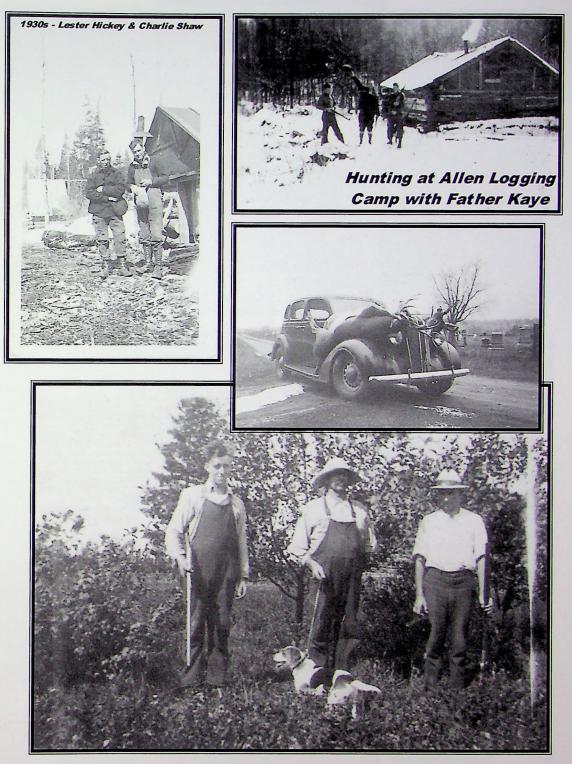


Below: Kinmount Imperials Hockey Team circa 1955 in front of Royal Canadian Legion

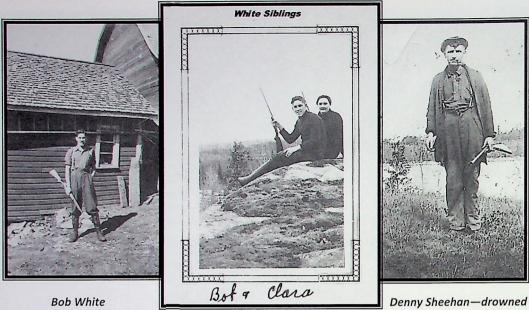




Kinmount Hockey	Team 1946
Jack Thompson,	Harry Austin
Dick Austin	Ray Butler
Garland Barkwell	Brock McNamara
Clarke Simpson	Bill Butts
John O'Toole	Gerry Silver
Ralph Phillips	Brant Phillips
Bill Austin	Clarence Hartin
Bill Scott	



1920s Hunting Party-Charlie & Duncan Molyneaux & Neil Maguire



in Crystal Lake



Fred Dettman's Hunt Camp near Bass Lake, Galway Township about 1910. Pictured are (left to right) Billy Coben, "Smokey" Bill Wright, George Dunbar, Fred Dettman (pouring a drink), George Dettman (with assorted hounds). The camp itself is primitively constructed of logs.



Billy Scarlett Family Hunt









Sam & Mike Cain with Bear Cubs 1966

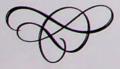




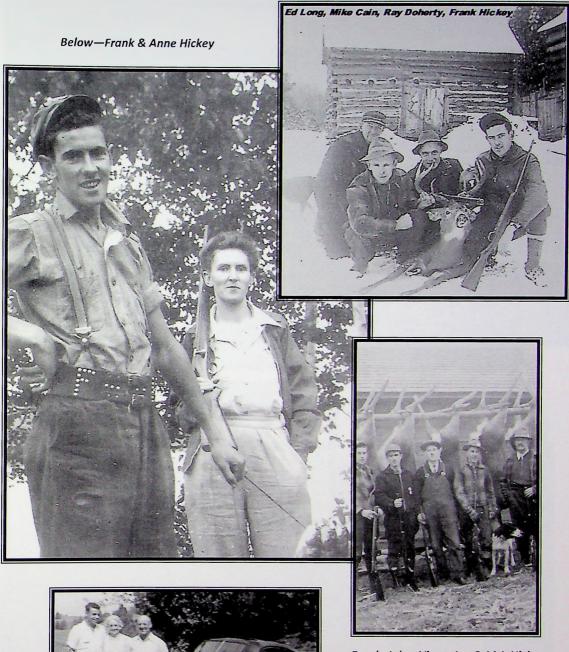
Above—Joe Holbrook and his catch at Birchbark Lake 1954

Left—Les Harrison and his children, Ralph, Bernice, & Jim, proudly displaying the results of the hunt.

Right—Les Harrison and Dan Schell







Frank, John, Vince, Joe & M.J. Hickey

Left—(Porky) Jim Allen, Anne & Peter Pearson with Black Bear on hood of car





Above—Carl Moyer, Harold Turcotte, Charlie Parcels, Peter Pearson, Tom Pearson, Ray Moran, Caesar Morrow

Right—Ralph & Madeline Pearson Back Row—Ralph Pearson, Tom Pearson, Paul Jones, Ray Belsiley, Dave Theobald, Paul Byrne, Gerard Pearson, Murray Byrne, Don McVittie

Middle Row—Doug Pearson, Ray Moran, Peter Pearson, Carl Moyer, Jim Gifford, Father Kaye, Unknown

Front Row—Tom Lang, Jackie Huffman, Jack Huffman, Maryanne Huffman, Clark Ferren, Timmy Huffman, Jim Byrne







Wally Scott, Game Warden & Jimmy Marks Skinning and stretching a Beaver pelt



Above—Mike Cain & John Clark with Lynx Left—Denny Sheehan & Stuart Tait



Ladies enjoyed the hunt as well

Wally Scott, game Warden



Molyneaux Hunt—Female division

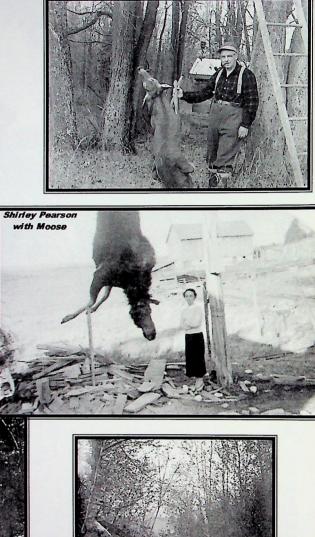


Fishing Expedition for 'Galway Trout' circa 1940s—Bill Scott, Will Molyneaux, Herb Hancock

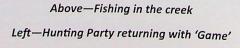


Bill Scott with black bear













Early Snowmobile

Glen Shaw and his prize calf for 4-H

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Playing cards is a favourite past time in Galway—Ken Allen, Theo Collins, Bob Allen



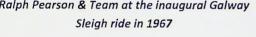
Boiling off the Sap-Cheryl & Ralph Pearson

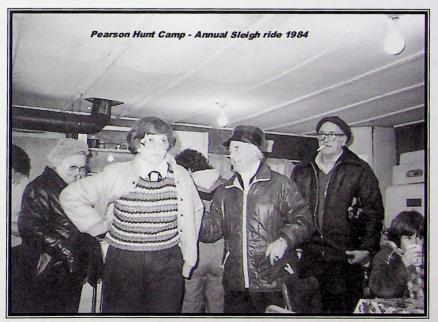
In 1967 the Galway and Cavendish Townships Council sponsored a Sleigh Ride to mark Centennial Year. Local Council members and many county councilors attended including 2 members of parliament Bill Scott & Rod Webb. Keith Brown MPP for Peterborough County also attended. The teamsters handing the teams of horses were Ralph Pearson, Ray Allen, Ingram Wessell, George Armstrong, Grant Lake and Gerard Pearson. This became an annual tradition and continued for over 50 years.

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Ralph Pearson & Team at the inaugural Galway Sleigh ride in 1967





Enjoying the lunch at the Annual Galway Sleigh ride -1984 Annie Cain, Ruth Theobald, Peter Pearson, Bill Holstock

# Transportation

As the early settlers moved in, the roads were nothing more than trails following the surveyed road lines where possible. A good many were forced to leave the line when they came to a swamp and follow the ridges around it. Later, when time permitted the swamps were corduroyed by means of a stringer placed on each side and logs put across. These logs might be covered with soil of some kind, but in some cases travelers bumped over the bare logs for many years.

The roads were first built with a team of horses and scraper by bringing the material from the sides, making ditches and dumping it in the center to form a crown. A scraper was a heavy steel affair with an open front that gouged into the ground. Fully loaded it would hold about half a yard, and handling it was a tricky job even for the heavy man required for the job.

Actually the early settlers preferred the winter season before the snow got too deep to mover their loads around. The roads (such as existed) froze up and were much smoother and easier to use than in the traditional mud seasons. Horse and buggy / wagon or cutter / sleigh were the main modes of transportation.

The year 1925 saw the first pit run gravel on the township roads. With the increased motor traffic and the need for a better type of road, a horse-drawn grader was purchased.

It wasn't until 1935 that the Galway Roads were ploughed for motor traffic in the winter time by means of a wooden plough drawn by 2 teams of horses.

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## Stopping By Woods On A Snowy Evening

*"Whose woods these are I think I know. His house is in the village though; He will not see me stopping here To watch his woods fill up with snow.* 

My little horse must think it queer To stop without a farmhouse near Between the woods and frozen lake The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake To ask if there is some mistake. The only other sound's the sweep Of easy wind and downy flake

The woods are lovely, dark and deep. But I have promises to keep, And miles to go before I sleep, And miles to go before I sleep.

**Robert Frost** 



Tom O'Neil, Mother & Aunt Nellie with horse & Cutter



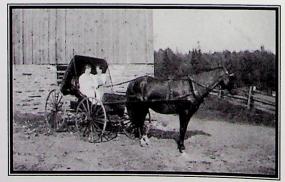
Mr. & Mrs. Pat Collins, Cecil & Ray



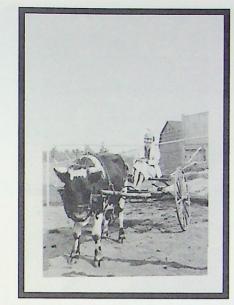
1920s— Horse and Buggy. SS#4 school house in the background as well as the P. Collins farm house



Curtin Family dressed for a drive



White Family-Lady Drivers

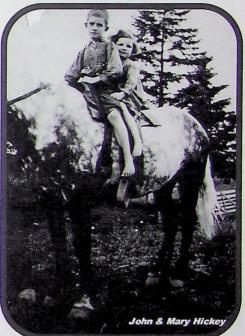


Marg Hickey (wife of Vince) with an unusual hitch





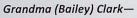
Ray Allen with his horse 'Charlie'



Above— John & Mary Hickey









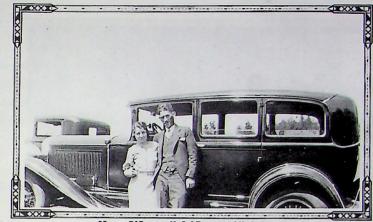
David, Marguerite & Eileen home on Dutch Line Curtin Vince & John Hickey—first car



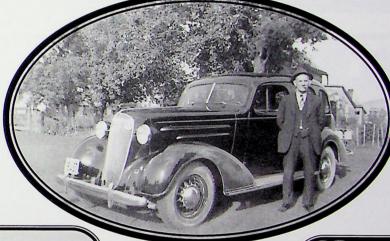
Curtin Family—Aunt Kate O'Leary & Dad



Stafford Hickey



Marg O'Connell & Vincent Hickey





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Above—Fred Simmons

Left—Joe & Anne (Hickey) Fee

Right—Mary (Hickey) Fee at the Farm





Early views of the Galway Road with Split cedar rail fence line and rocks





Above—Dave Theobald gassing up at the Pearson pumps

Left—White Lake Dam 1915









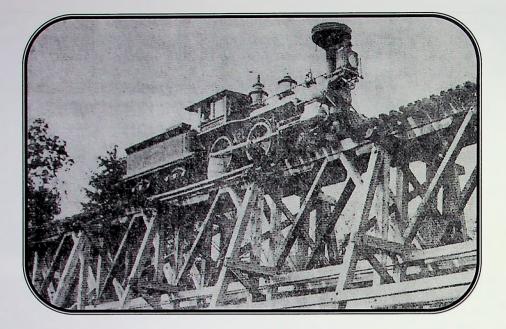
Above—In front of White Home—'on a date'

Left—Joe Hickey

### Below—Robert Allen with his 'Wheels'

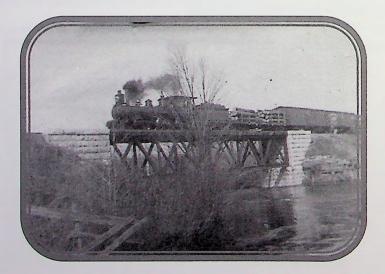


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One of the oldest of pioneer locomotives which ran on the I.B. & O. Line Wooden Trestle near Kinmount



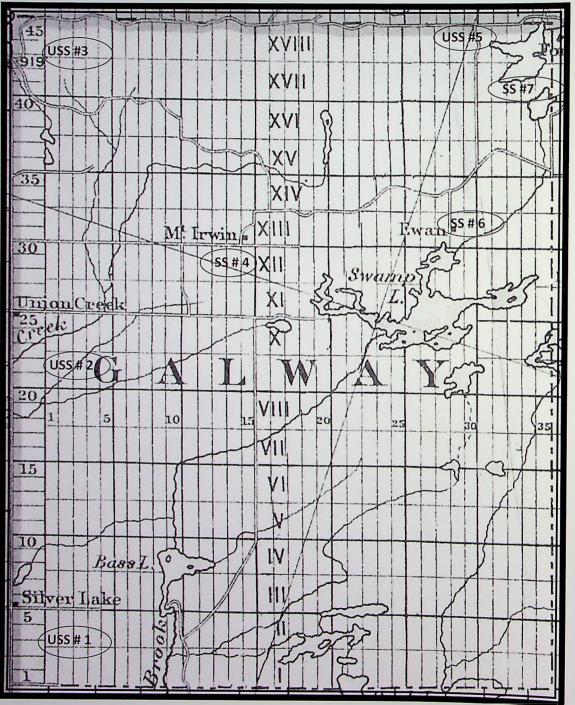


# **Galway Schools**

Education was a highly prized commodity in pioneer times as well as today. The first order of business in any pioneer community was the establishment of a school. One room schools, contained grades 1—8. Most students arrived by walking. The schools were sited so no child had to walk more than 5 miles to school. Each school was assigned a section number, usually by township although the geography of the area led to a lot of "union schools" (open to students outside the boundary). Each school section was managed by a board of trustees who hired the teacher, purchased books, kept the finances & were responsible for the physical upkeep of the structure. The position of school trustee was a volunteer job, and often trustees spent decades in selfless duty to higher education.

The last of the one-room schools in Galway were closed in the 1960s.

Galway Map with School Locations



# School Stories

#### By Robert Allen

Walking to school and back every day, approximately three miles each way, was definitely a challenge, but for the students rom Crystal Lake, it was even more difficult as they had to walk up the Gullies every day. Sometimes, we received a ride from a parent, but the most joyful ride was from a Mr. Joe Doherty from Kinmount. He had a wood lot on the Reid Road and occasionally, he would be going to the lot. He had a Model T Ford with a rumble seat in the back. He would stop and, no matter what, he would fit as many of us as he could in the front and fill the rumble seat, and several boys would stand on the running boards. If he came to any hills, the bigger boys would get off and help push the car up the hill. We also would get rides from Austin Jackson and the White brothers, Joe and Bill. Sometimes we would catch a ride from Jack Hill of Bobcaygeon who was picking up cream from all the farmers. He had a flat-bed truck and he would put the girls in the front and the boys in the back.

Most of us received the strap frequently from different teachers, but I feel there was just cause, and it did not hurt anyone. The worst strapping I got was from Loretta Cosgrove because of my snowball throwing. It was generally at the girls. One particular day, Diane Pearson and Marg Hickey stood at the school door and dared me to throw a snowball at them, and the challenge was just too tempting. As they stood at the door, I let go of a nice mushy snowball and, just as it reached the door, Miss Cosgrove stuck her head around the door. You guessed it....it struck her right between the eyes. I never threw another snowball at the girls after I got the strap on both hands.

Over the years, during lunch hours, we kept busy playing baseball or street hockey, as that kept everyone in really good shape. Another sport was playing deer hunting. Some people were the deer and some were the hunters. We played in the woods north of the school or across the road on Frank Hickey's property.

During Winter months, the boys would go into the bush and start a fire to warm up our sandwiches. Most winters that we went to school, there were several weeks that we were unable to go as the snow was too deep. One winter, when there was no passage, the local farmers got together to clear the Galway Road. There was a wooden snow plow made of hardwood that took at least two teams of horses to pull it. Each farmer always had a good working team, so Frank Hickey and Dave Curtin started plowing the road. As they moved out the road, they had to change the team periodically as the first team did most of the work. They got Clarence Allen to dig out a set of discs and this helped break up the snow. They made their way out to Lester Hickey who took the plow and then on to Red Jim Allen's place, and Vince Allen took his turn. Next, they came to Peter Pearson's farm and on to our farm, and out to Harold and Bill Scarlett's 'til they reached the highway. I remember them returning well after dark.



#### By Sam Cain

The comings and goings were the best part of school for me. There were two big Gully's from what used to be called Swamp Lake Rd (Crystal Lake Rd) to the school house. The first Gully had a creek going through it, which we called Minnow or Minny Creek. Some years in the spring there were suckers in the creek and we would catch some in the shallow water with our hands. At least one time that I can remember, the teacher let us out of school early to go sucker fishing. The 'Tar Babies' who were the kids from the Galway Road joined us, the 'Gully Goats', as well.

One morning, I was a little late leaving for school, but I did make it on time. Because I left late, I was walking by myself. On the high ground between the first and second Gully, a bear came on the road about 50 yards away. I came down the road towards me, I didn't know if I should yell or run or whatever. He raised his head and got the scent of me and went across the road in the same direction that he came from. Then I really wanted to go home, but I didn't think my mother would believe the bear story. I also didn't think the teacher or kids at school would believe me either, so I didn't tell anyone the story.

My Mother used to make me put down my earflaps in the winter time, but I would put them up after I got out of sight of the house. One morning it was -40 below. Not everybody, but some of us went to school that day. By the time I got to the Gully road, my ears were tingling and hurting.. I put down my earflaps then. When I got into the warm school, my ears swelled up and they became really big and thick. The teacher called the doctor. When he got to the school he told me that when I got home, to stay in the house until all the swelling went down. I borrowed my neighbor's scarf and put it over my head and under my chin to hold my ears up to walk home because they were flopping over. I got some time off school, the hard way.



#### SS #4 Students in 1950

The children living on the Galway Road attending SS#4 called themselves the Tar Babies. It included, Lorna, Robert, Kenny & Larry Allen, Donnie, Tom, Allen & Diane Pearson, Margaret Ann, Vince, Angela and Clark Allen

The children from Crystal Lake Road who travelled the Gullies were called the Gully Goats. They were Jean, Bob and Sam Cain, Claude, June, Bill and Faye Dettman and Ann, Beth and Bob Hickey.

#### SS #4 Teachers included:

Katherine Mary Garvey 1929-1931	Marguerite O'Connell 1931-1936
Olive Traynor 1936-1939	Leo Leahy 1939-1941
Kevin Leahy 1941-1942	Catherine Williams 1942-1947
Rosemary Farley 1947-1951	Madeline Connelly (Pearson) 1951-1953 / 1955-1959
Loretta Cosgrove 1953-1954	Margaret Barrett 1954-1955

Most of the Teachers stayed with the Curtin Family, over the years, as they lived close to the school.

#### By Marg Allen

I taught at the Union Creek School for two years—Sept 1948 to June 1950. There were all the grades and at least one student in each grade, including Sheila & Charlene Hartnett in Grade 8. So the second year I had grade 9 as well. The other children were Neil Maguire, Monica Ferren, Florence, Orville & Leonard (Buster) Mills, Betty Scarlett, Wilma Dettman, John Hartnett , and Sheila, Allan, Raymond and Bob Scarlett.

It was an ordinary school house for that time, a frame building with a box stove for heat and a 'two pail a day' toilet at the back.

One spring when two of the boys, who will remain nameless, had gone across the road to dig a ground hog out of its burrow. I considered this a harmless pursuit, with no danger to the ground hog, until they set the field on fire, having decided to burn it out. The outcome to that was the men and tractors from the nearby saw mill had to join us to put the fire out before it reached the forest. We were all so shook up that there were no consequences, at least at school. It was felt that having to see the blackened field each day should make everybody believe the rule "don't play with fire"

On Arbour Day we spent the morning cleaning the school, windows and all, as well as the yard. Then in the afternoon, because it was such a nice day, and the work was all done, we went for a walk in the woods. When we returned we took pictures and then everybody went home a little early to celebrate.



#### By Mary Kennedy (nee Golden) - Memories of White Lake School

One day, a little girl (a student), who had been excused, returned and whispered to me: "I can't go in— There's a porcupine in there". So...with only one outhouse, and it occupied by a porcupine, my thought was, "What shall I do?" My Irish temper came to the rescue, and I grabbed an axe. The little girl came with me but stayed behind a bit. Now, one carefully aimed blow caused Mr. Porcupine to become very quiet, but I added a few more to make sure. Then my helper brought a big newspaper from the school (we kept them there for lighting the fire). With the shovel, I was able to roll the 'corpse' on to the newspaper and drag it to a nearby groundhog hole of generous size. We stuffed him in there and after checking for signs of quills, we took up the axe and shovel and returned to classes. This sort of incident was never dealt with at Normal School, but some things are done out of necessity...a once in a lifetime experience!



#### By Ted Thomson

The White Lake school house was a hewn log construction—one room—built in the late 1800s. The floor was tongue and groove boards, unpainted. The walls and ceiling were also tongue and groove but painted a 'ghastly' green. There were two single rows of student desks (about six in each row) one on each side of the room, with a wide aisle space down the center and a narrow aisle on each side between the desks and the wall. In the center aisle, about 2/3 of the way back from the front was a large 'box stove', which supplied the heat in the winter. Stove pipes ran upward from the stove to within a couple of feet of the ceiling and ran horizontally for the remaining length of the room where they entered the chimney hole. There were two windows on each side of the room. The teacher's desk sat at the front of the wide center aisle. The black boards were exactly as the name implies...they were smoothly finished pine boards painted with a special flat black paint. Another blackboard covered most of the wall space between the windows on the right hand side of the room. The exist / entrance door was located in the center of the rear wall. A well worn path ran from the door to the outhouse, which was discreetly secluded in the wooded area south of the school. This facility was shared by teacher and student, male and female. The school yard was about 1/2acre in size, of mostly wooded nature. The area between the school and the county road, which passed in front, was mostly open for a play area. With some large maple trees which not only provided shade, but were excellent climbing trees. The school yard was fenced...not to keep the children in, but to keep the farm livestock out.

The task of seeping the floors and lighting the stove fire during the winter months was usually performed by one of the 'senior' students. As I entered this age group, I was allowed to have this job at the prevailing rate of 25 cents per morning. This job required an early rise in the morning as the fire had to be lit by 8am or the room would not be habitable by 9am. Kindling and dry wood had to be brought in after school hours the previous day. Usually the floor was swept at this tie also. Wood had to be carried from the monstrous woodpile located in the schoolyard, just a few yards east of the school. Being 'box-stove' length hardwood it was a heavy task for a 9 year old.

The school was used for other purposes as well. Many a courtship began at the Saturday night dances or "box socials" which were held a the local schools including White Lake, Furnace Falls & Ewan. The school served as a community center for the annual Christmas concert, square dances and on special occasions and in the summer months it became a temporary church. A service would be held, usually in the evening. As a result of this timing, everyone attended.



#### **By Madeline Pearson**

I dug out the old attendance register from my first two terms at S.S. #4 Galway in 1951-52 and 1952-53. Looking through it brought back fond memories of those years.

The first interesting event happened in the first week of November. On Monday morning all the girls were at school and one little Grade 1 boy. The girls brought notes saying their brothers were needed for home help (an excuse for many things) but the little lad, when asked why he was so sad, admitted it was because he wasn't allowed to stay home and go hunting with the older boys.

#### (Continued) By Madeline Pearson

One tradition was to have a Christmas Concert in the school. So Aunt Gladys, one of the older ladies who played the organ helped and we practiced drills, carols and skits. Every child had something to do. A couple fathers came and built a stage. I was as excited as the children. It would be my first experience having an event by lamplight as hydro hadn't yet reached Galway. On the day of the concert the school closed at noon and the children all went home to rest up and come back in the evening with their parents. But nature didn't co-operate and a snowstorm blew in later in the afternoon and in no time the roads were blocked. The children on the Galway Rd. managed to get there by horse and sleigh but the Crystal Lake children didn't make it. So much for the wonderful concert that was to be my first triumph. We were snowed in for two days and I was afraid I wouldn't make it home for Christmas.

As I mentioned, during my first term in Galway there was no hydro, and we were discouraged from lighting the one lamp. It got dark fairly early. At that time I was quite superstitious, caused by listening to stories told by my Irish Grandmother. Mr. Curtin, whose family I boarded with, realized this and continually tormented me about a Mrs. Dooley who was buried in the school yard and who haunted the school.

One evening I was later leaving the school and was taking the short cut across Frank Hickey's pasture field. I looked back and I swear there was a light on in the school. Another night as I walked through the field I was sue I heard the organ playing.

Another memory from my first year at S.S.#4 is Arbor Day. I think it was usually observed on a Friday in late April. It was the day the children cleaned up the school yard and if there were flower beds, prepared them for the summer. We worked very hard all morning raking and hoeing, had lunch and as a reward walked about a mile back to the creek in the Gullies and the boys caught suckers. I took some home and Mrs. Curtin cleaned them and cooked them for supper.

My first date was with Bill Allen and it came about in a rather unusual way. As well as there being no hydro there were no telephones in Galway, so many notes were passed between families by the children. One morning Angela Allen handed me a note from her brother Bill asking me to go with him to the Halloween Dance in Burnt River. That evening I took the note home with me and consulted with Mrs. Curtin and Marguerite as to whether I should go or not. We decided it would be the proper thing to do. So I sent a note home with Angie saying I accepted. I guess Bill got a big surprise as I found out several years later when Ralph told me the story. He was up at Bills and he and Bill were fooling around writhing notes asking me out. Ralph slipped one of Bill's to Angie and asked her to give it to me without Bill's knowing. I did think it was rather formally signed - William Samuel Allen.

These are a few of my many memories from the first two years in Galway and I have many more happy memories from the sixty-seven years I lived there. One of these memories dates back to the hunting week incident. I swore my boys were never going to miss school to go hunting. Needless to say after much coaxing and support from Uncle Jim Byrne they all took days off.

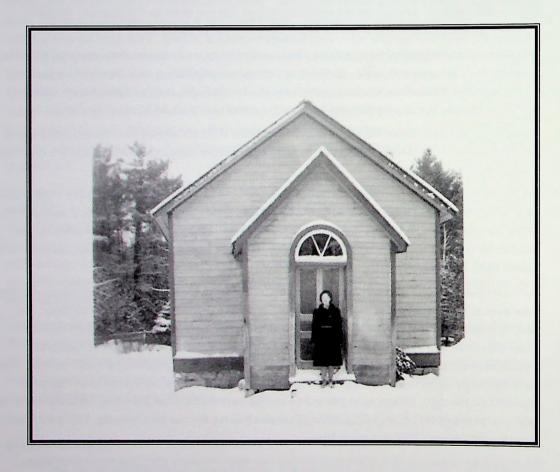
An old school register can definitely bring back many memories.

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### Educating Galway—School Sections

USS # 1	Silver Lake	SS # 4	Galway
USS # 2	Union Creek	SS # 5	Ewan
USS # 3	Kinmount Village	SS # 7	White Lake

USS # 7 Furnace Falls



Silver Lake School House U.S.S. #1 Olive Harrison standing in doorway

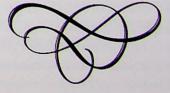
Silver Lake was a Union school for both Galway and Somerville 1861—1942 Some of the Families attending : Graham, Lambert, McElwain, Coulter, Blair, Maxell, Humphrey, Godfrey & Harrison Families





USS # 2 Union Creek School 1911

Marg Allen, Teacher at USS#2 with four of her students on Arbor Day 1950





Union Creek School SS #2 Galway-1910

Back Row L-R Irene Molyneaux, Lulu Hunter, Miss Logan—Teacher, Moss Schell, Garfield Henderson, Olive Scarlett, Hazel Molyneaux

2nd Row Harold Scarlett, Annetta Henderson, Melleville Schell, Gertie Young 3rd Row Verlie Young, Bart Sheehan, Gordon English, Moss Young, Ray Molyneaux Front Row Ena Henderson, Perce Molyneaux, Katie Henderson, Maude English, Bill Young Absent: Leo Byrne, Jack Henderson, Roy Henderson

The Bobcaygeon Road was the earliest route into Kinmount and hence the earliest school sections were along this Road. Since the Road was a boundary between Peterborough & Victoria Counties, the school sections were Union School Sections, hence called USS.

The first Union Creek school was started in 1861 on Lot 25, Concession A Galway; just south of Crystal Lake Road corner. It served students from both Galway & Somerville. Union Creek School covered a large area and never seemed to have less than 30 students. The furthest students came from several miles in the Crystal Lake Road and often travelled "overland" to the school.

As the school population in Galway Township declined, the one room schools were gradually closed until by 1960 only 2 schools in the township were still open. The last operating school in Galway was the Union Creek School and all students were bussed here until 1965 when the school was closed and the students ere then bussed to Kinmount school.



USS #3 Galway Kinmount School circa 1900, on current Royal Canadian Legion site.

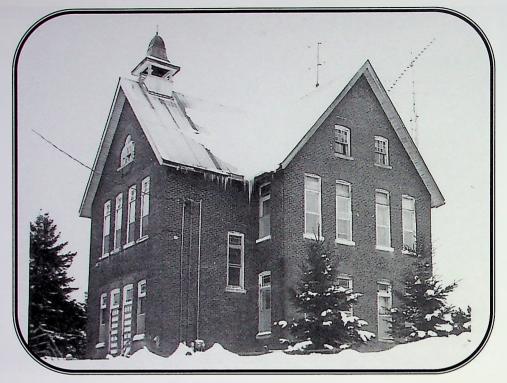
The biggest school section in the Kinmount Area was USS #3 in Kinmount Village. This union section attracted students from Somerville, Galway, Lutterworth & Snowdon Townships; making it a true union section!

By 1900 the student population had grown so much, another much larger facility was needed. The new 3 story brick school was built across the street and dominated Kinmount's skyline for decades until it was destroyed by fire in 1986.

The old brick school house contained 6 rooms: each filled by 2 grades. Secondary School (grades 9-12) was offered, making it the only school in the area where a secondary school education could be acquired. In the days before school buses and year round road plowing, this often involved boarding in the village. Some students outside walking distance, often came by horse & wagon or cutter (depending on the

season). A driving shed to house horse & conveyances was located beside the school. High school then called Continuation school, was discontinued in Kinmount in 1957, and the students were bussed to the Fenelon Falls District High School.

By the 1950s, the old brick school was outdated, and a new structure was built on Wilson's Hill, on the west side of town. It contained 3 rooms and operated from 1958 until it was closed in 1992.



Three story brick school house fulfilled both primary & secondary classes. It was destroyed by fire in 1986 Below—Children in front of the new brick school house in Kinmount 1903





Kinmount Continuation School April 1948 Back row left to right—Jim Shultz, Brandt Phillips, Bryan Austin, roy Zettler, Gordon Stevens Middle Row—Jack DeFinney, Leo Watson, Bill Mark, Cecile Hartnett, Helen Hartnett, Laurine Henderson, Anna Lyle, Jack Phillips, Bill Belcher—Mr. Zettler (teacher)

Front Row—Helen Brown, Kathleen Pearson, Ingrid Swinson, Beulah Watson, Valerie Cummings, Ellen Dufty, Mary Brown, Mary Allen Fay Butts Absent



#### School picture approx. 1948

Front Row—Frances Allen, Jean Watson, Barbara Silvers, Susan Wilkins, Ferne Anderson, Florence Bain, Barbara Brown, Margaret Silver, Nancy Crego

Middle Row—Dorothy Bacon, Joan Brown, Philip Watson, David Sigston, Gerald Stevens Tommy Williamson, Donald Hartin, Bryce Handley, Eric Swanton

Back Row—Paul Allen Dale McKay, Teddy McNamara, Patsy Gilleland, Joan Phillips, Millie Dufty, Marie Emmerson, Marilyn Emmerson, Jackie Kylie



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USS #3 Students 1948-1949

Back Row—Joan Phillips, Dorothy Bacon, Margaret Silver, Teddy McNamara, Donald Hartin, David Sigston, Billie McGonegal, Marilyn Emmerson, Marie Emmerson

Middle Row—Barbara Silver, Florence Bain, Tommy Williamson, Hugh Kylie, Paul Allen, Millie Dufty, Ferne Anderson, Jean Watson

Front Row—Jackie McGonegal, Clinton Switzer, Gary Anderson, Nancy Crego, Barbara Brown, Gerald Stevens, Dale McKay

USS #3 Kinmount School Picture 1954

Front Row—Jimmy McLary, Bonnie Taylor, Philip Allen, Diane McLary, Carol Austin, Judith Anderson, Brenda Brown, Linda Hartin, Glen Shaw, Peter Mark, Roger Hartin

2nd Row—Jackie Barrett, George Rayburn, Gwen Swinson, Ralph Allen, Bobby Brown, Bazil Walker, Ann Dovell, Norman Carr, Billy Doherty, Kenneth Dovell, Lucky Taylor, Danny Swinson

3rd Row—Lawrence Anderson, Bobby Wilson, Keith Stata, Bryce Emmerson, Diane Hughes, Terry Hartin, Richard Austin, Linda Anderson, Barbara Barrett, Lynda Simpson, Lois Phillips, Sandra Mark, Joanne Rayburn

Back Row—Ronnie Newman, Margaret Doherty, Margaret Scriver, Boyd Anderson, Derwyn Welch, Shirley Hartin, Sharleen MacKay, Benda Stata, Gloria Brown, Grace Swanton, David Barrett

### Who do you know in this picture?



Kinmount Public School circa 1955 Find the following pupils: Back Row: Bob Swinson, Lenny Brown & Gary McKay Middle Row: John Austin, Mark Newman, Gary Anderson & Buddy Watson Front Row: Jimmy Mark, Hughie Fountain, Rose Allen, Reg Shaw & Gerry Mansfield





USS #3 Kinmount School Class picture 1949-1950

Back Row—Barry Emmerson, Mark Newman, Gary Anderson, Dale MacKay Philip Austin, Tommy Williamson, Teddy McNamara, Pat Meagher, Paul Allen, Gary Kylie, Jack Silver, Boyd Watson

Front Row—Karen Silson, Margaret Silver, Barbara Silver, Jean Watson, Florence Bain, Nancy Crego, Barbara Brown, Margaret Brown





#### SS#4 Galway 1923

The Galway School was located at the junction of the Back Bay Road and the Gully road on Lot 16, Concession 12, just off the Galway Road. The school section was organized as early as 1863 to serve the students along the Galway road in the area that later became Mount Irwin and students along the Crystal Lake Road from the Gully road cross line to Crystal Lake Road. The original school was built of logs and burned on Halloween night 1885. Legend has it the fire was a Halloween "prank" that spiraled out of control. Since the era of log structures had passed, a new frame school replaced the old structure. The population of Mount Irwin was relatively stable and the school was kept open until 1959. By then the two existing schools in Galway Township were amalgamated due to low attendance and Union Creek School was kept open.

Various 'incidents' prevented regular attendance including bad weather, winter, hunting season and one really unusual day when school was cancelled due to "bull lose in the Gullies"; the children being prevented from using the Gully road as farmers rounded up a stray bull of uncertain



#### temperament.

Young Ladies as young as 16 could become teachers. However, once they married, they were expected to resign themselves to the occupation of house wife. The turn-over rate for one room school teachers was excessively high, with most staying a year, or less! Since transportation was difficult, the local teacher boarded as close to the school as possible. It was a badge of honour for local families to have the teacher board at their home which included the Hickey Farm, the O'Neils' and the Curtin Home.

Left-is a picture of Rose Downing (Teacher at SS#4) & Eileen Curtin

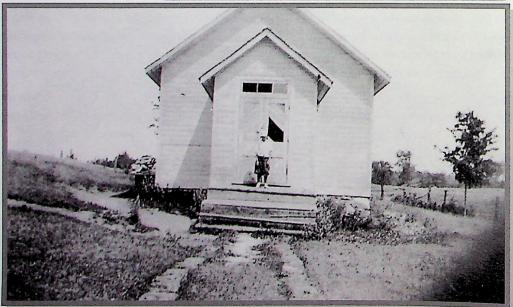




SS #4 Galway School House early 1900s

Right—Teacher Irene Molyneaux leading exercises for her class in 1923







#### One Room School House

1960s interior of SS#4 Galway School house

During the winter, attendance could be sparse; it was dangerous to send small children out into the untamed wilderness. In the north end of the county, travelling to school could even raise an element of danger. Not all students stuck to the roads, and many family used a "short-cut" to get to school. One family at Union Creek walked over 3 miles to school, about half the journey through the bush. The lead child carried the gun: a 20 gauge shotgun! The weapon was unloaded at school and stored behind the door for the trip home.

Another issue that affected student attendance was seasonal farm work. Older children (over the age of 12) were regularly co-opted as farm labour for the September harvest and spring planting. Students were also kept home to help around the house or attend to sick family members as needed. During hunting season, many young boys were absent from class to participate in the annual hunt. Perfect attendance at the rural school was almost impossible and unexpected.





<u>Front Row</u>—George Craig, Wilfred Craig, Joe Hickey, Betty Collins <u>Second Row</u>—Hilda Trembley, Helen Allen, Jack Flaherty, Loretta Trembley, Agnes Cain, Geraldine Allen, Patricia Collins, Frank Hickey, Tom Coffey <u>3rd Row</u>—Estelle Collins, Doughty, Ambrose Flaherty, Doughty, Ed Allen, Cecil Flaherty, Doughty <u>4th Row</u>— Leo (Bud) Collins, Aubrey Allen, Doughty, Bernice Trembley, Aileen Coffey, Marguerite Hickey, Marie O'Neil, Doughty, Mary Collins. Teacher Miss O'Connell <u>5th Row</u>—Kathleen Collins, Jim Allen, Doughty

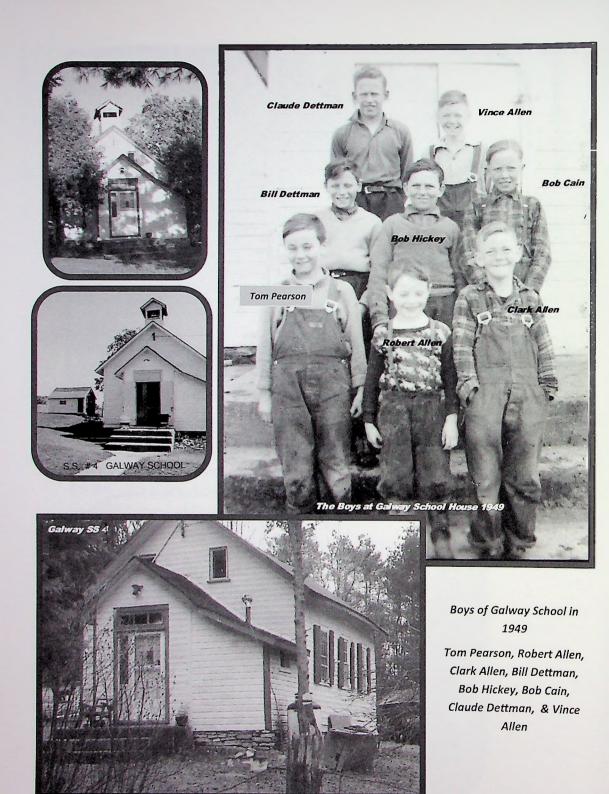


Galway SS #4 1922

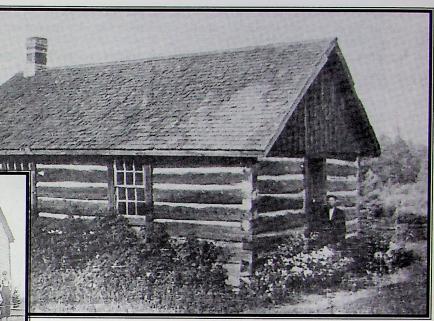


Above - SS #4 Galway School class of 1949 Front Row—Beth Hickey, Angela Allen, Robert Allen, Lorna Allen, Faye Dettman Middle Row—Avis Craig, Tom Pearson, Bob Cain, Bob Hickey, Clark Allen, Bill Dettman Back Row: Donnie Pearson, Margaret Ann Allen, June Sully, Claude Dettman, Anne Hickey, Vince Allen





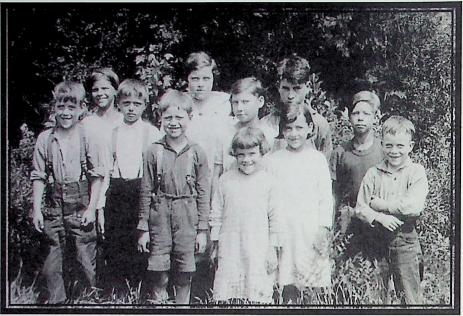




Furnace Falls Schoolhouse SS #5—the building is a good example of a well built log structure. At the time of this picture it had been abandoned, as evidence by the weeds in the school yard.



In 1907 a fire destroyed the Furnace Falls School, and the trustees decided to build one new structure at a central location. The corner of the White Lake Road and the Monck road was chosen and a new one-room school house was built. The first school section along the Monck Road east of Kinmount was SS #5. This school section had a very unique setup. It covered a very large area, from Kinmount all the way to Irondale. The section served students in concessions 1-4 Snowdon Township and the 18th Concession of Galway Township. It was such a large area that there were 2 school houses built with 1 teacher! Once school stood on lot 19 Concession 18 Galway near the White Lake Road. A second school was built near the village of Furnace Falls, on the north side of the Irondale River beside the Monck Road Bridge. Classes were held for half the year at each school, so only one school would hold classes at a time!



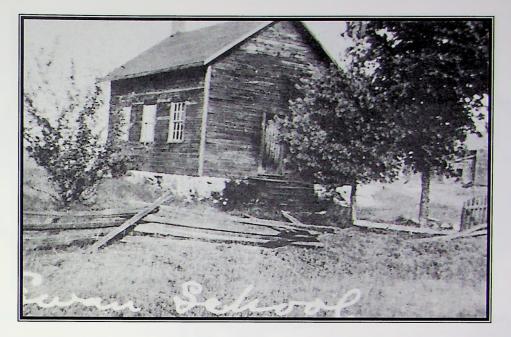
USS # 7 Furnace Falls Students circa 1931

Back Row: Adelia Switzer, Myrtle Hughes, Marguerite Davis, Bob Davis & Clinton Switzer Front Row: Norman Hughes, Paul Kalincak, Irvin Kylie, Lila Hughes, Nora Hughes & Willie Hughes



USS #7 Furnace Falls Students circa 1936

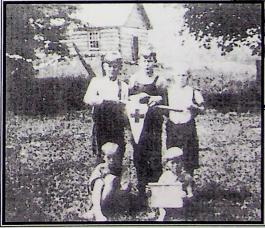
Students included Norma Hughes, Peggy, Paul Kalincak, Lila Hughes, Willie Hughes, Irvin Kylie, Gordon Hughes, Eleanor Hughes, Lloyd Crego & Lillian



The Ewan School SS #6 was located on Lot 30, concession 15. Settlers were never very numerous and the school was closed by 1915. However, church services continued to be held there. Due to the remote location the congregation usually represented at least 3 or 4 different denominations. The Ewan settlement was not known for the quality of farmland and was used more for cattle ranching. Families came and went, but the White and Jackson Families remained over the years.

Below SS#7 White Lake School Children Back Row : Victor & Eddy Higgins, Ford Peacock

Front Row: Glen & David Higgins





White Lake School SS #7 Above—Total enrolment in 1934 was 8. L to R back row: Roy Knight, Beryl Peacock, Ethel McMahon, Veronica & Bruce Bailey Front row: Mark & Madeline McMahon, Stuart

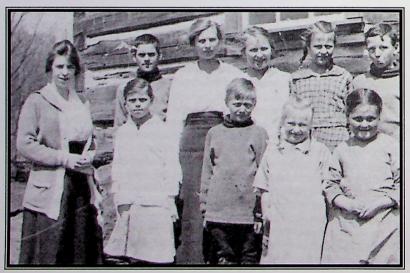
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White Lake School & Ewan Post Office

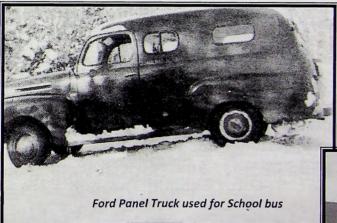


White Lake SS #7

Senior Class 1915 Back Row: Sid Johnson, Helen Ford, Betty Ford, Bertha Ford, Gifford Peacock. Front Row : Irene Molyneaux (teacher), Margaret Johnson, Jared Ford, Edna Ford, Marjorie White



Horse drawn, heated School bus



Right : Marguerite Curtin was the School Bus driver in Galway for many years. This picture taken in front of her house with the school bus in the 1960s **Evolution of the School Bus** 



# Children

A list of self improvement suggestions for young boys and girls in 1863

What every farm girl should know: To sew & knit and mend clothes neatly To make beds properly and trim lamps To wash dishes and sweep carpets To keep the rooms, closets and drawers To bake bread and perform all cooking To make good butter and cheese To make her own dresses and children's clothing To keep accounts and calculate interest To write, fold and address letters To nurse the sick and not faint at the Sight of blood

## What every young farm boy should know: To dress himself, black his own shoes, cut his brother's hair, sew on a button, make a bed.

To harness a horse, grease a wagon and drive a team.

To milk cows, shear a sheep, butcher and dress a veal or mutton

To reckon money and keep accounts

To plough, sow grain and grass seed, drive a mowing machine, swing a scythe, build a neat stack and pitch hay

To build a fire, whitewash a wall, mend broken tools

Other chores included carrying in the wood and water and helping in the sugar



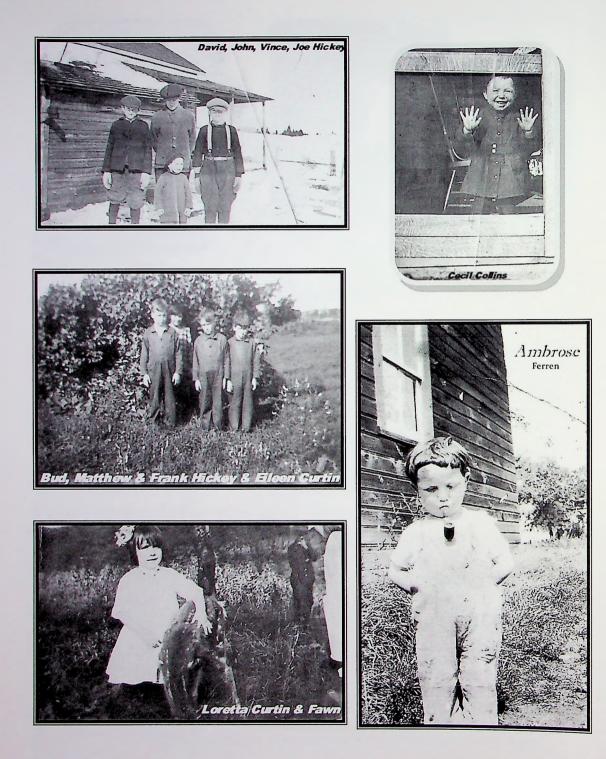


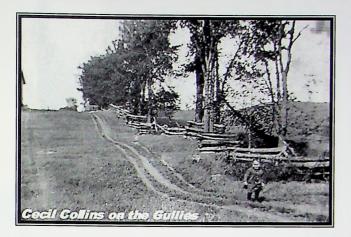
















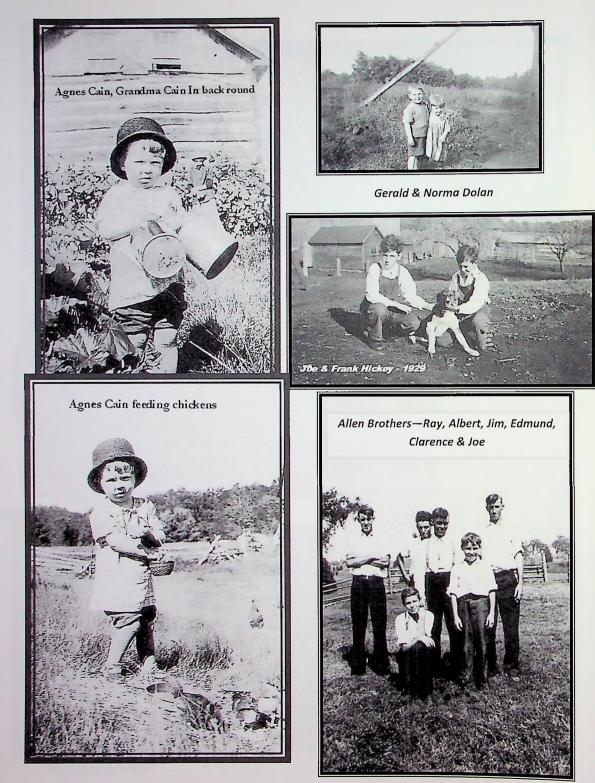


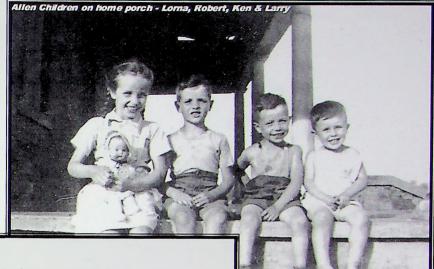
Diane Curtin & Margaret Anne Hickey 1953



Frank & Joe Hickey



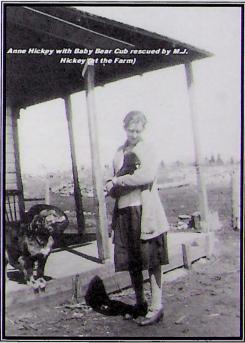




Ambiose Ferren & Ann Ferren



Allen Children on home porch—Lorna, Robert, Ken & Larry



Anne Hickey with rescued Baby Bear Cub





Anne & Mary Hickey

Anne & Mary Hickey



Anne Marie (Pearson) Hancock with Ginger



Shirley Pearson, Marg Hartnett (holding baby), Cecile Hartnett, Helen Hartnett, Charlene Hartnett, Ralph Pearson (on horse)



Charlie Hartnett 1908

Catherine & Alice Maguire



Bob White grew up in Galway Township on the edge of Kinmount on the Bobcaygeon Road.



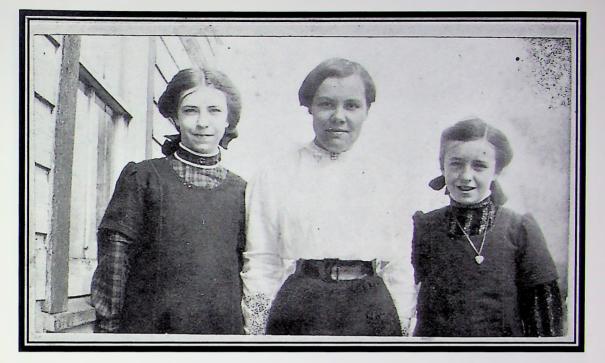




Above—Charlie & Maurice Hartnett 1911

> Don Lee on left Bob by the Well.







Cousins—Irene Molyneaux, Elda Lyle, Hazel Molyneaux 1908



Above—Clara White & Joanne Woodcock with a armful of puppies

Left—Claude & June Dettman



Bob & Mary Anne Fee, Margaret Anne Hickey, Jane, Jo-Anne, Judy & Anne (Hickey) Fee





Jackson kids from Ewan including Donald, Roger, Arnold, Hugh and Grace





Ferren Children—Jack, Myrtle, Ernest—Early 1900s







1938front row: Shirley Pearson, Tom Hickey, Corrine Pearsonback row:Doug McGinn, Greg Rivers, Marguerite Hickson, Jack Ferren, Aubrie Allen







Guy Scott Christmas 1959



Joe Hickey



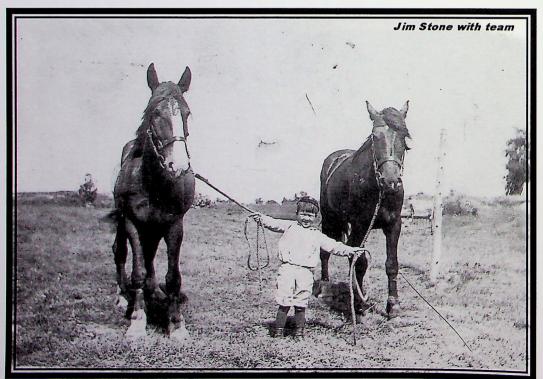
BILL SCOTT BERNICE DETTMAN AUDREY DETTMAN RALPH SCOTT CHARLIE MOLYNEAUX' CAR IN BACKGROUND

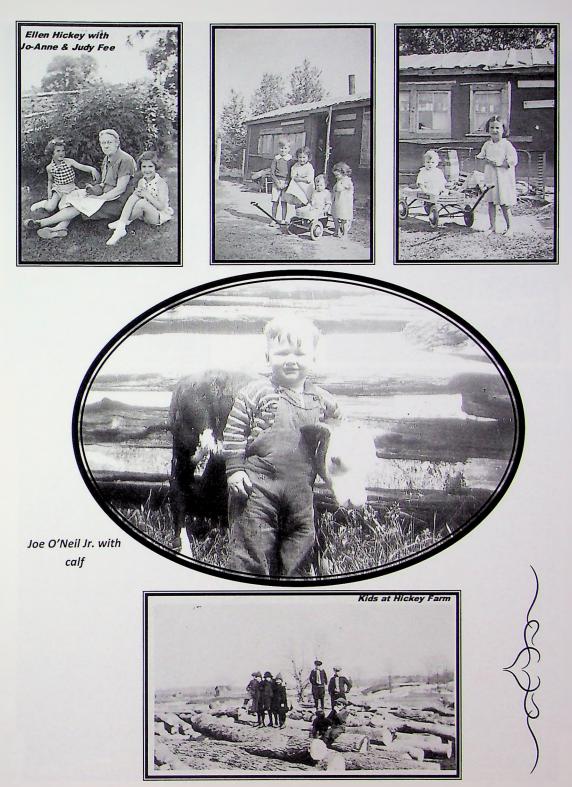


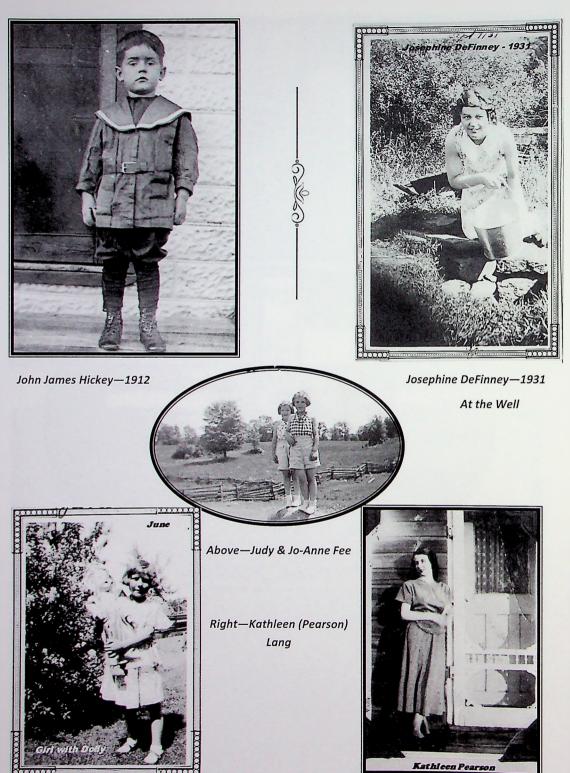
Harold Scarlett

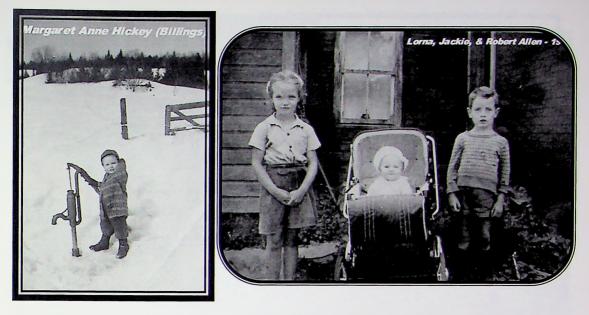


Joe O'Neil Jr. on sleigh built by Bill Gilroy







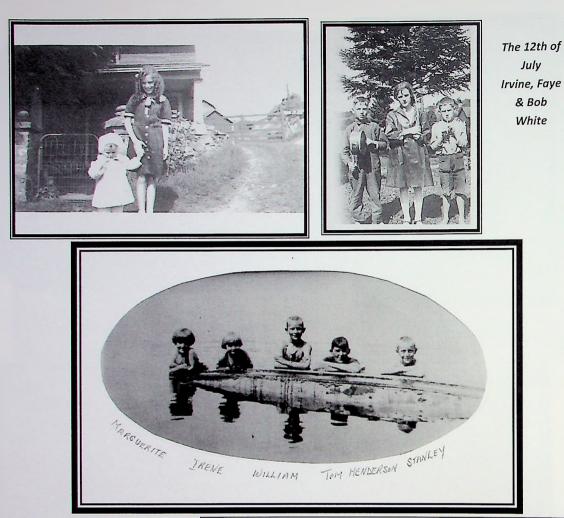


Margaret Anne (Hickey) Billings

Lorna, Jackie & Robert Allen—1947



Many Farmers kept geese for special dinners such as Christmas



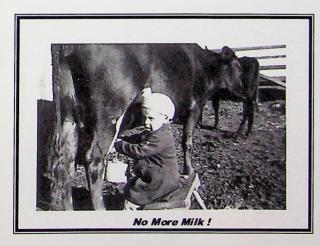




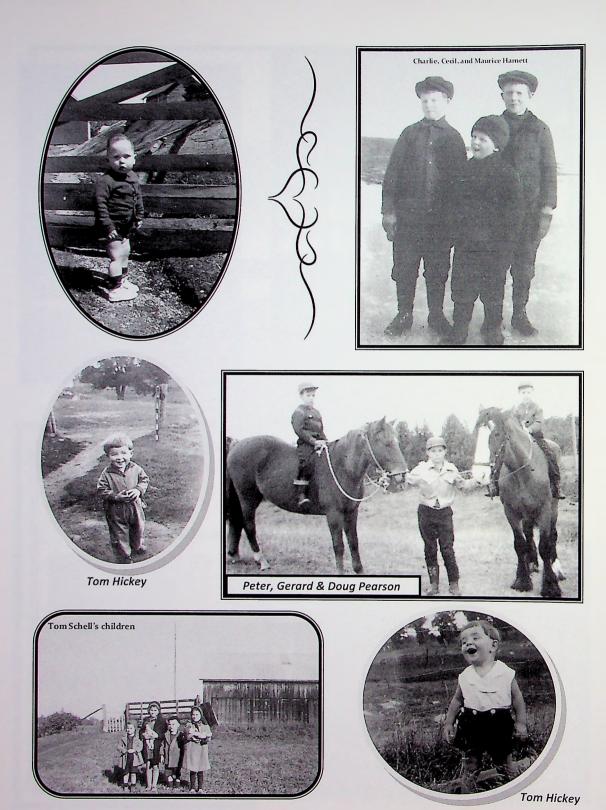




Three Hartnett Boys—Cecil in middle on his high chair, Morris on left & Charlie on right circa 1914

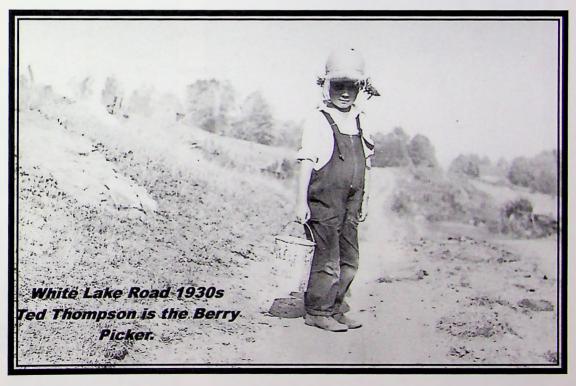








Robert Stone leading the team of horses







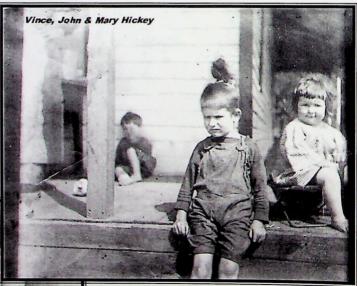


Four Generations : Clara Cain, Mary Flaherty, Agnes Ferren & Baby Agnes

Above: Vince Hickey with orphaned baby bear

Below: Tommy Hickey





Vince, John & Mary Hickey

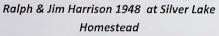


Ralph & Jim Harrison 1948



Ralph Harrison, Bob Falls, Bernice & Jim Harrison & Murray Falls







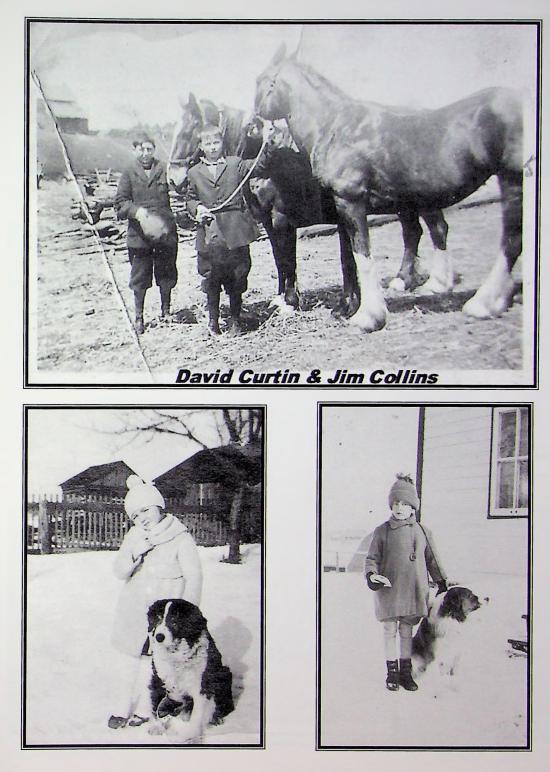
Tommy Hickey 1934



Billy Scarlett Family with their pets







## **Over the Years**

The People of Galway, young & old, at work & play, over 100 years of smiles & frowns, dressed plain or fancy. This is our history....the faces that earned our respect & memories.

Allen	McNamara	Collins	Dolan
Young	Ferren	Byrne	Conroy
Dunbar	McGee	Purdy	Dalton
Butts	Reid	Probert	Hartnett
Cain	Dudman	Owens	Dettman
Switzer	McKinley	Craig	Hickey
Thompson	McGann	Grainey	White
Curtin	Barr	Ritchie	Jackson
Faulkner	Sheehan	Henderson	Lee
Foley	Scarlett	Doherty	Pearson
Gavigan	Demoe	Mansfield	Hunter
Wright	Coben	Peacock	O'Neil
Peters	Clark	Stone	Coffey
Hurst	Sullivan	Scott	O'Brien
Maguire	Shaw	Molyneaux	O'Neill
Dooley	Crego	Kennettle	Harrison
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Grandpa & Grandma Curtin Sr. & David



Uncle Tom & Mary O'Neil





Grandma & Grandpa David Curtin Sr.



Mae DeFinney & Bea Dolan







Minnie Byrne, Mother, Mae Definney, Marian & Eugene SS # 4 School house in background



Mr. & Mrs. Collins

**Bill Dolan** 

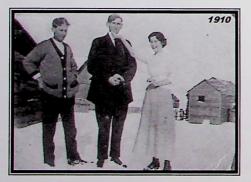


1905 Curtin Family David Jr., David Sr., Thomas & Mary Curtin & others





1917 David & Margaret Curtin with children David & Marguerite



1910 David Curtin Jr. (middle)



1915 Mary Curtin and husband William Dolan







Above—Margaret (Curtin) O'Neil

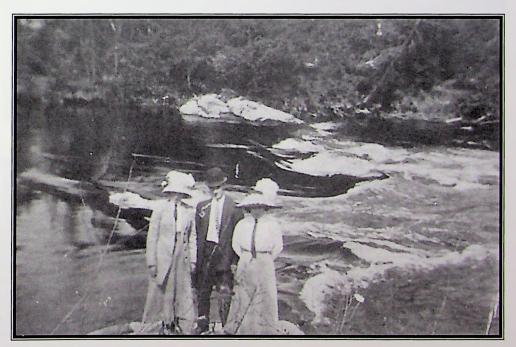


John Kennettle, Bill Kennettle, Elizabeth Kennettle circa 1930



M.J. and Ella Hickey and Molly (Foley) Hickey and Anne (Hickey) Hartnett, Tom Hartnett, Molly Hickey with Baby & Kit Hickey





Mr. & Mrs. Martin Byrne & Friend at Three Brothers Falls



Stan Scott & Ruby McMahon

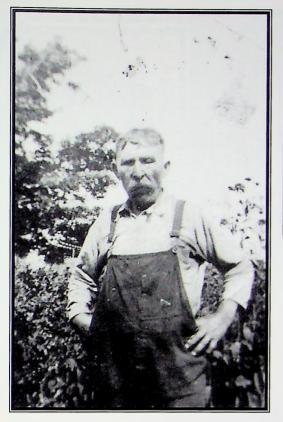


David Curtin, J. Maguire



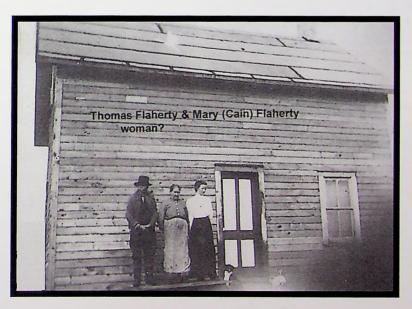
David Henderson

David Curtin, Red Gilbert, Harold Yelland, Gerald & Will & Tom Dolan





Above—Mary (Nicholson) Henderson Left—Robert Henderson (parents: John & Sarah Henderson) Robert & Mary married Dec 23, 1886



Thomas & Mary (Cain) Flaherty & Friend

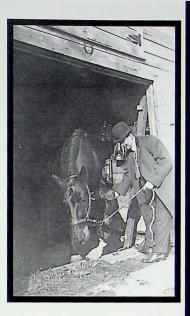




Thomas & Mary Flaherty

Michael Cain & Clara (Ferren) Cain Circa 1925



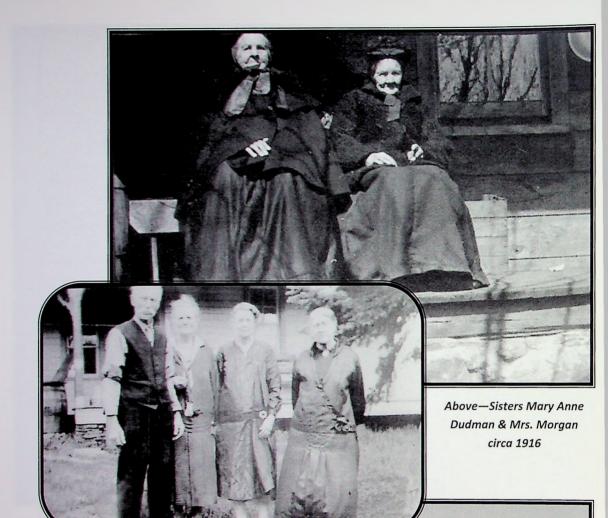


Bob & his Horse









The Hunter Family





Above—Four Generations of the Switzer Family—Emily (Molyneaux) Switzer, Sid Switzer Sr., Sid Switzer Jr., Allie Switzer





Melissa & Sid Switzer Sr. & Aunt Betsy Lockwood



Melissa Switzer





Above—Sarah Coffey, Jim, Mary & Pearl Stone Left—Mary (Pearson) Stone

Below—Robert Stone & Mary (Pearson) Stone at their home on the Dutch Line





Collins Family with Cecil & Ray



John Hickey 1927



Irene Molyneaux, Lulu, Mina & Hazel Molyneaux circa 1911



Above—George Molyneaux & Family Below—Frank Molyneaux & Family





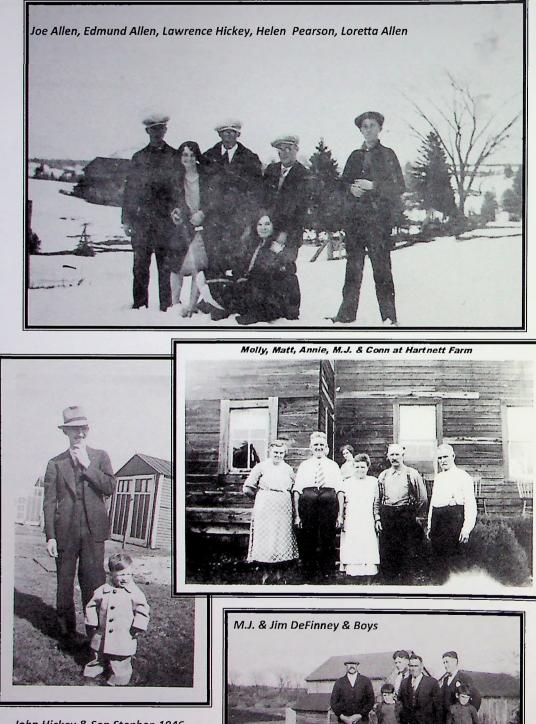


Above---Molyneaux Family lot 6, Concession 11 Duncan & John Molyneaux, Charlie Molyneaux, Vincent Maguire. The Children are Vincent Maguire's

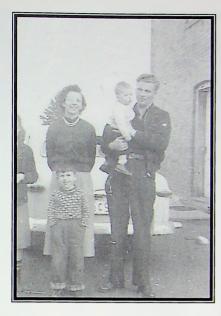
Above—Molyneaux Reunion circa 1900 Right—Irene & Hazel Molyneaux







John Hickey & Son Stephen 1946



Above—Kathleen Allen, Larry Allen, Terry Collins & John Collins Right—Bob Allen, Terry Collins & Phyllis Collins Below—William Shaw with Grandson Glen Shaw





Galway Children including Lorna, Robert, Larry & Ken Allen



Below --- Baby Terry Collins held by Kathleen Allen & Larry





Above—Tom Coffey, Bob Allen & John Collins

Right—Theo & John Collins

Below—Tom Coffey, Harold Haig, Lorne Collins, Bud Collins & Theo Collins







Lewis & Nellie Harrison from Silver Lake



Viva Harrison & Son Ralph 1945



Les Harrison



Elizabeth Scarlett and Grandchildren



Les Harrison & his brother the wash tub



Scarlett 1939 209

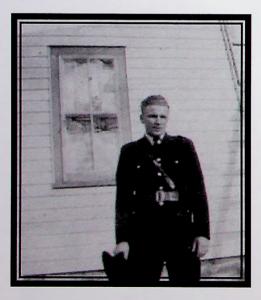


Billy Scarlett, Elizabeth Scarlett, Bert Scarlett with children





Agnes (Dettman) Bardeau & Family



Above—John Collins, policeman

Right—Joseph David Owens





## Flaherty Family Reunion



David & Ellen (Molyneaux) Morgan & daughters



Billy Scarlett & Grandchildren



L-R Billy, Rita, Marion, & Elizabeth Scarlett & Family



Left Billy Scarlett & Friends



Clark Family



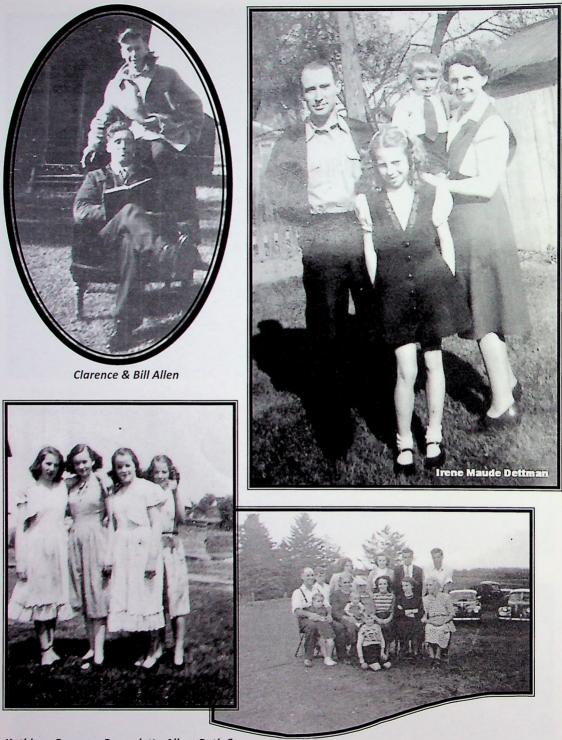
Allen Family





Bill Pearson & Mae DeFinney 1965





Kathleen Pearson, Bernadette Allen, Ruth & Donnie Pearson

Pearson Family Reunion at Galway Hall



L-R-Ellen Hickey, Joanne Fee, Margaret Anne Hickey, Anne Fee, Judy Fee, Bob Fee, Mary Anne Fee



Mary & Bob Fee



Tom Pearson 1964



Allan Pearson, Anne Pearson, Claire Dettman, Beulah Allen, Bernice Allen, Clarence Allen, Peter Pearson







Tom & Lauren Curtin 1938

Clara White



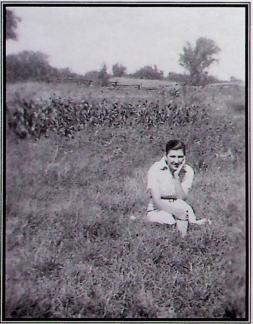
Irene Molyneaux at her first teaching assignment



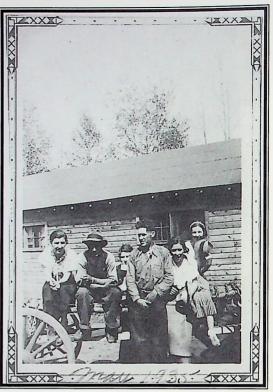
George Ferren, Kate, Agnes (Flaherty) Cain, Agnes Cain, Michael Cain, Anne Ferren, Clara (Ferren) Cain, Ambrose Ferren



Maurice John & Ellen (DeFinney) Hickey & Family 1930



1935—Eileen (Curtin) Demoe at the Curtin Farm



1935—Marguerite Curtin, Lester, Anne & Vince Hickey, Unknown, Mary Hickey



Jimmy & Peggy 1937



1940—Gerald Dolan, son of Mary (Curtin) Dolan



1940s—Maurice (Taylor) David Hickey 1871-1954







Allen Family Ancestors—Circa 1917



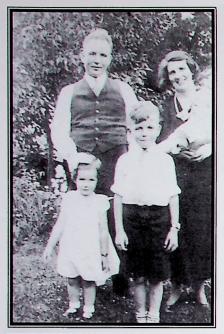


Above—Emma Mae & Big Jim Allen Top Right—Clarence Allen & Shirley Pearson Right—Allen Homestead, including Owen Rettie, Peter Pearson, Clarence Allen —Burnt down 1991

Below—Clarence, Joe, Ray, Jim Allen Brothers—young boy may be John Scarlett







Left— Gordon & Allie Thompson with three children

Right—Rob Switzer & Allie Thompson



Anne (Byrne) Pearson & Brother, Jim Byrne





Allie & Gordon Thompson





Bill Pearson & Marg (O'Connell) Hickey



Left—Catherine (Clark) Pearson, wife of Sam





Above—Bernice Gardiner & Rolf Stange

Left—Bernice Gardiner (Owens) with Joy (Kennettle) Stange



The White Family



Laura, Jim & Children



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Maude, George, Dick & Manie



## The White Family

Left—Picnic at Clear Bay Middle Left—Jack, Agnes, Rob, Nell, Agnes, Tom, Will Below— The Whites & The Parkins











The White Family 1922—Clara, Robert, bob, Mary Jane, Marjory





Fred White & Family







Above—Clare Dettman & Joe Allen Above Left—George Dettman Left—George Dettman Family



Garfield Henderson's Children—Ken (Ivan), Laurine & Delmar



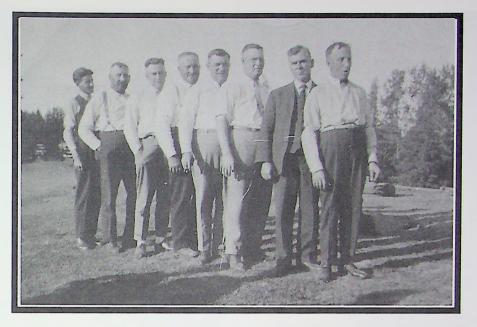
Kay Henderson, from Union Creek



David Henderson (son of John) & Margaret (Dobson) Henderson



Garner Henderson & Mother Maggie



Henderson Cousins—Including David Sr., Garner, Robert & David Jr.



Above & Right—Edward (Ned) O'Neil, Lived on the Reid Road



Left—O'Neil Family...Jim, Joe, Fred, Edward, Marie & Minnie





Ken Simmons



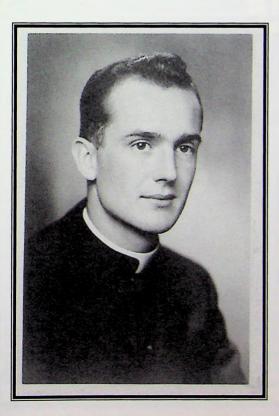
Peg & Arch Dettman (Dettman's Store)

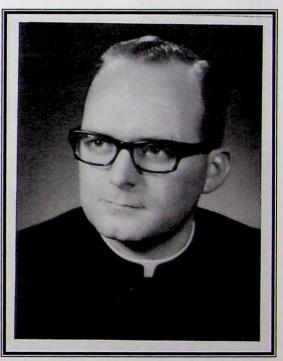






Left—Eileen (Curtin) & Alec Demoe Above—Eileen Curtin & Friends





Left—Father John Pearson (son of Tom Pearson) Above—Father Clare Hickson (son of Laura Pearson)



Four Generations of the Switzer Family



Picture courtesy of Marge Hartnett McNamara

Woman standing in black dress is Mary Ellen Cahill Hartnett wife of Maurice Hartnett Jr. who is the fourth man from the left. Next woman unknown, then Bridget Anne Hartnett.





Left—James P Maquire Jr. and Francis Maquire



Emma May Collins & James Allen, Married Oct 25, 1902 at Galway's Immaculate Conception Church May died in 1954 and James in 1947



Maurice & Ellen Hickey & Family

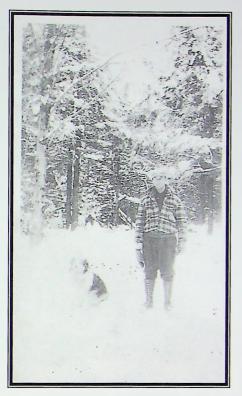


Sam & Catherine Pearson with their Family Back Row—Laura, Teresa, Tom, Annie, Louise, Peggy, Peter Middle Row—Sam & Catherine Front Row—Bill & Helen Front Row—Bill & Helen



Sam, Catherine, Laura, Teresa, Tom, Annie, Louise, Peggy, Peter, Helen, Bill

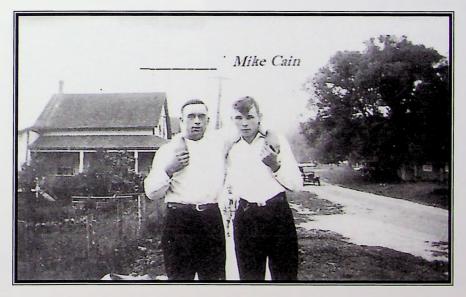




Peter Pearson with Dog Scott 1930

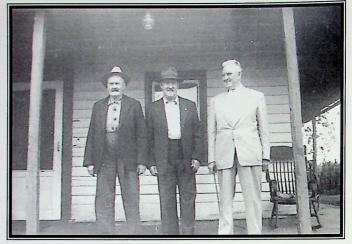


Peter Pearson



Mike Cain on right





Jim, Maurice & Matt Hickey





M.J., Annie & Matt Hickey



John Hickey's Barber Shop





Mary Hickey, Jo DeFinney, Kaye Wellstead



Mary Fee, M.J. Hickey, Anne Fee At the Farm



Mary Hickey High School Graduation





Above—Marguerite Curtin, Anne & Loretta Hickey Above Left—Sisters, Marguerite & Eileen Curtin





Far Left— Friends, Vince Hickey, Eileen Curtin, Anne Hickey, Marguerite Curtin

Near Left—Marguerite Curtin and Niece Diane

Jack Lee, Bob White, Maizie Phillips & Don Lee



Lizzie & Gordon Thompson & Children



Mary Jane White

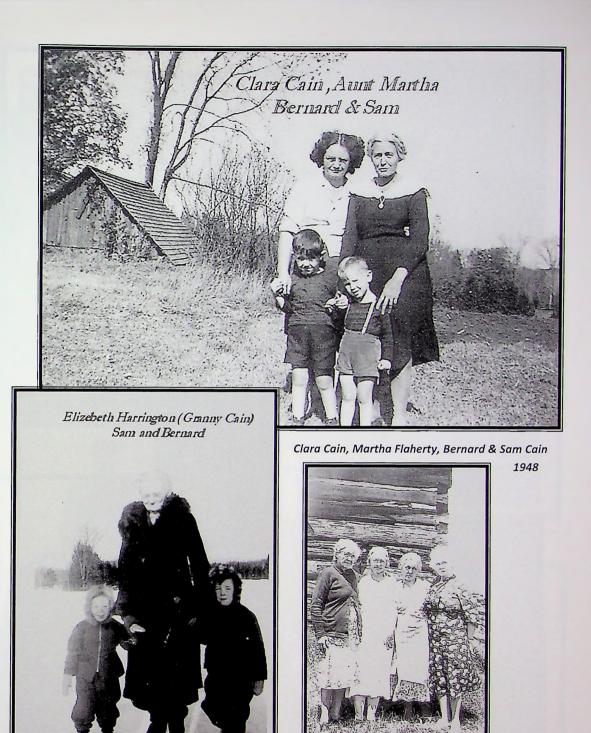
Sid Switzer Sr. with Mother & Wife



Luella Kennettle, Ethel Kennettle, Annie Kennettle, John Kennettle, Alberta Kennettle, Front Row : Oscar Kennettle, Joy Kennettle



Marjorie & Garfield Boldt



Flaherty Sisters—Margaret, Julia, Minnie, Martha

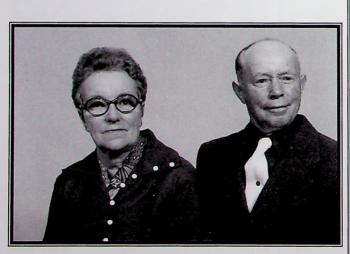


Rolf Stange measuring his crop 1957

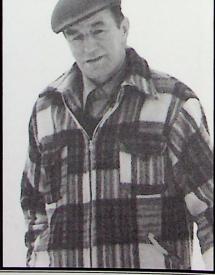


Stange Family from Norway—Joy & Rolf on right



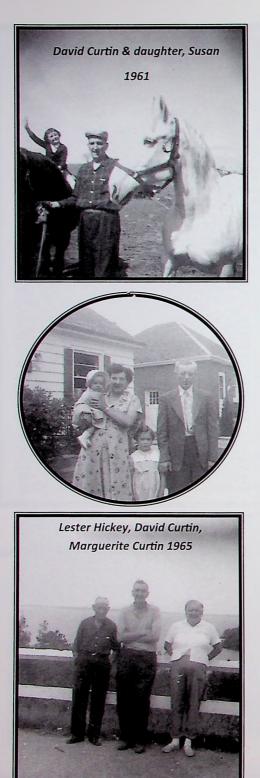


Alberta (Kennettle) Stone & Bob Stone



Oscar Kennettle







Above—Eileen (Curtin) Demoe with her children Diane and Margaret 1953

Left—Eileen & Alec Demoe with children Diane & Margaret 1952

Below—Easter 1960—David & Loretta Curtin & Family





Berta Hickey & Margaret Anne



Dorothy Fee, Anne (Hickey) and Joe Fee, Josephine DeFinney, Mrs. Fee, Olive Fee, Mary (Hickey) Fee



Ellen & M.J. Hickey, Jack Coffee, Margaret & Jim O'Brien



Frank Hickey and Mary Anne Fee





Left—Maurice & Ellen (DeFinney) Hickey 1955 at the Farm Below Left—Kathleen & Peter Pearson in front of store

Below—Tom Pearson on bike with niece and nephews: Chris Farley, Julie Theobald, Timmy Huffman, Danny Farley. Daughter Ruthanne is in the box on back of bicycle













Hickey Family at Farm

Joe, Vince & Frank Hickey

Joe, M.J., Vince, Frank & Margaret Ann Hickey



Joe Fee, Frank Hickey, Judy & Jo-Anne Fee, Margaret Anne Hickey



Anne Pearson



Allan Pearson



Anne & Peter Pearson with Gerard 1955



Charlie Molyneaux & Anne Pearson



Anne & Peter Pearson



Austin Jackson & Peter Pearson 1962



Diane Pearson 1960



Donnie Pearson, Margaret Anne Allen & Nancy Allen August 1952



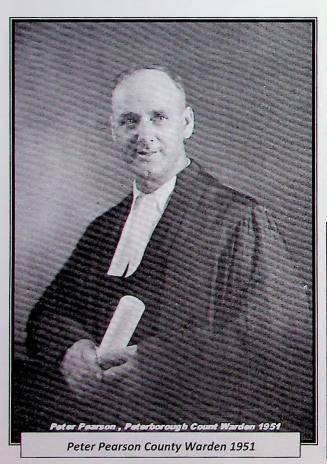
Madeline & Ralph Pearson

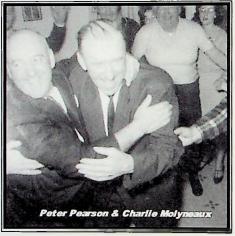


Peter, Gerard, Ralph & Doug Pearson 1958



Peter Pearson with Grandchildren Gerard & Doug





Peter Pearson & Charlie Molyneaux



Maurice Watson, Diane & Peter Pearson



Left to Right-Unknown, Allan Byrne, Ralph Pearson, Allan Pearson, Joey O'Neil

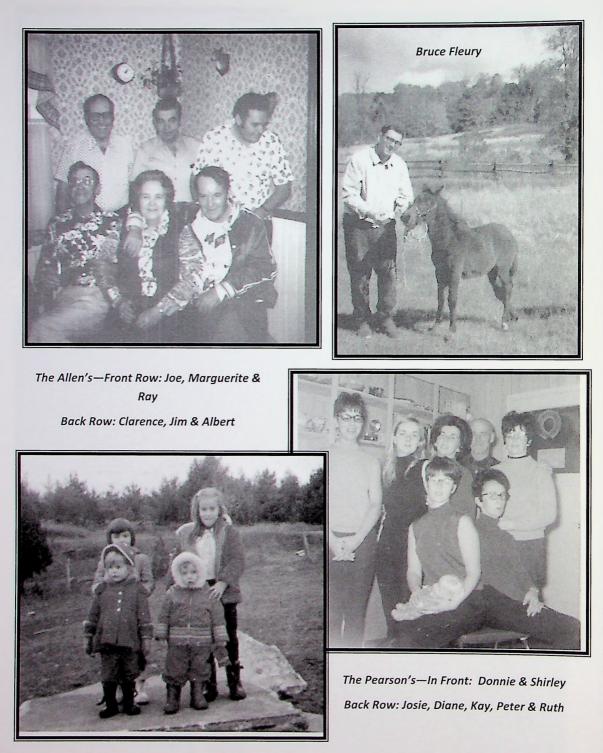


Right Ralph and Tom Pearson





1963 Ralph & Madeline Pearson Gerard, Anne Marie, Pattie, Doug & Peter



Pearson Children-Mary, Barbie, Allan, Pattie



Alberta & Joy Kennettle



Birdie (Scott) Dettman



Gladys Allen (Allen's Alley)



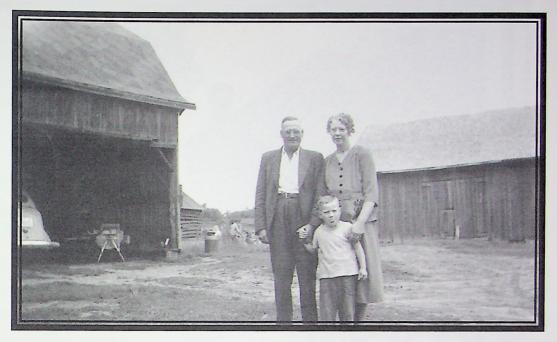


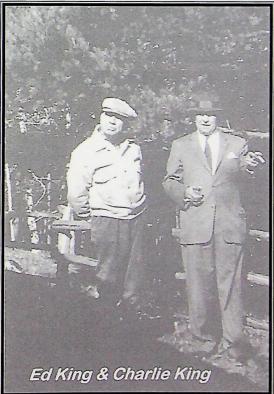
Left—Bill Scott (MP) and Betty with Guy and Laurie Bill's first election 1965



Below—Bill Scott with orphan bears 1950 (on display at Taylor's Garage in Kinmount







Bill, Bertha & Keith Stata at Maguire Farm on Crystal Lake Road



Above—Bob Allen & Jenny O'Neil Left—Ed & Charlie King (Crystal Lake Recluse from War)





# Above—Collins Family 1955

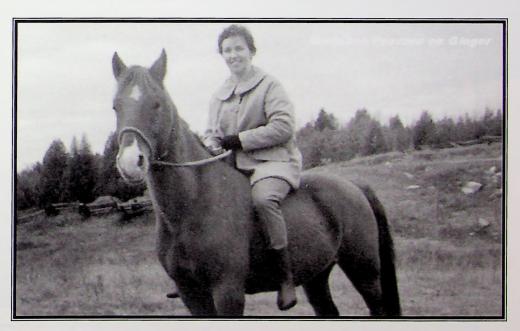
Jim, John, Tom, Theo, Bud (Leo), Estelle, Betty Pat, Eileen, Joan & Kathleen

### Left-Clark Family

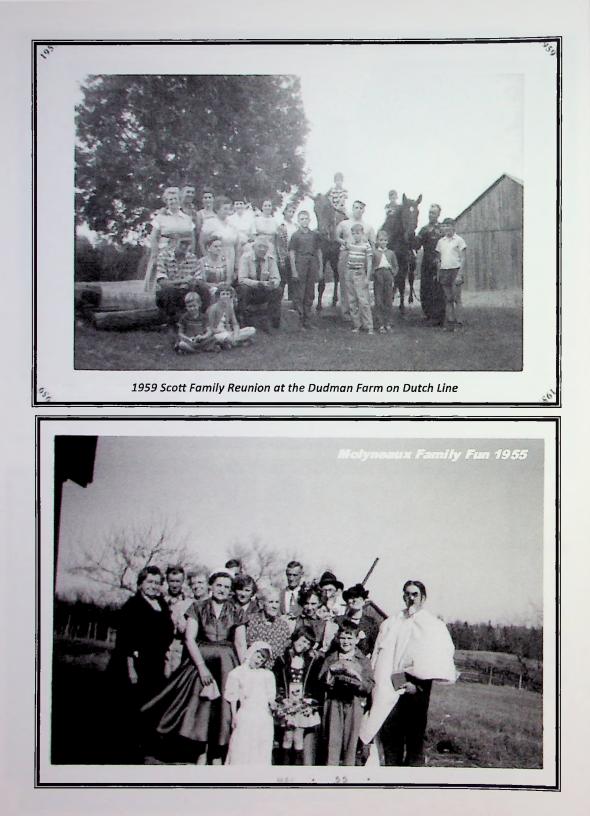
Lu & Margaret (Clark) Doherty, Wilfred O'Brien, Jennie (Clark) O'Brien, Jack Pearson, Sam & Catherine (Clark) Pearson, Celecia (Clark) Hurst, Lizzie (Clark) Byrne, Celia (Clark) Hurst, Jack Hurst, Annie (Clark) Doherty, John Doherty, Julie, Maggie, Jack Clark



Ralph Pearson and Children—Patti, Peter, Doug, Gerard, Anne Marie, Barbi, Allen & Mary



Madeline Pearson on Ginger 1967





Above—Four Generations of Scotts Hazel Scott, Emma Molyneaux, Bill Scott & Baby Guy Top Right—Mr. & Mrs. (Lula Dettman) Hunter Right— Margaret (Allen) Byrne with Great Grandson Jackie Huffman circa 1954

Below—John Austin & Dale Dettman (on the hood of car) in 1963









Galway Store Gathering

Front Row—Ray Allen, Kathleen (Pearson) Lang, Karen Lang, Anne Marie Pearson Back Row—Peter Pearson, Shirley (Pearson) Huffman, unknown, Anne Pearson, unknown



Family at the Pearson Store 1958

Back Row—Ruth (Pearson) Theobald, Madeline Pearson, Frank Farley, Donnie (Pearson) Farley

Children in the Front Row— Stephen Theobald, Doug Pearson, Gerard Pearson, Anne Marie Pearson



Jennie, Joe T. & Mary Ellen O'Neil

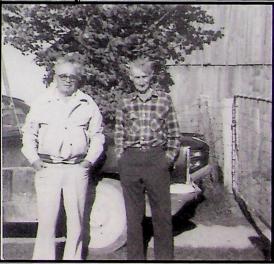


Above—Jim & Jennie O'Neil

Right—Martin Byrne & Joe T. O'Neil



Mary (Dalton) O'Brien





Kathleen (Kit) Allen



Lorna & Robert Allen with Aunt Eileen Collins circa 1943



Kathleen Allen & Cecil Hartnett with John Hartnett & Larry & Ken Allen on horse back



Kenny Allen with Premier Leslie Frost

Many Celebrations were shared with the Jackson & White Families at Crystal Lake

Jackson Brothers—Austin, Robert & Ellsworth with Maude & Maria





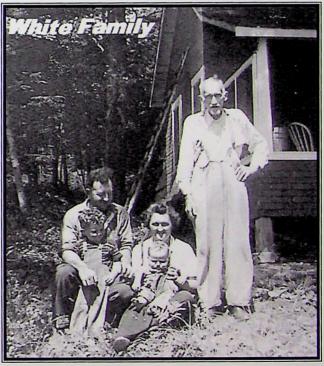


Mary Jane White, Geoffrey, Don Lee, Garfield Boldt, Bill Lee

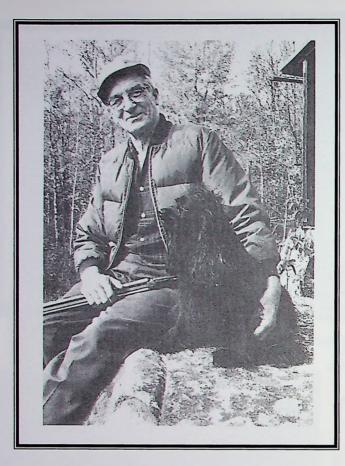
Grandma Switzer



Clara & Bobbie Jackson



Three Generations—Jack & Clara Lee, with Don & Bill and Grandpa Robert White 1952



### Theo Peacock

Author of Woodland Poetry. "Tales of the Trail"

Born in 1905 on a backwoods farm at Fortescue, in Peterborough County

Some excerpts of his poems below:

Spellbound My boyhood friends have long since gone To the city far away; But my roots are sunk in the northland And I guess I'm here to stay. They say I should have gone with them And I sometimes think so too, But I fell in love with a paddle's splash And a gliding bark canoe!

### Song of the Wild

There's a creek runs down from Salmon Lake And dumps into the Black, There upon the hillside Stands a rustic shack. It stands beside the water That goes hurrying to the sea, The shack's not much to look at , But it's home, just home to me. The Lumber-Jack

l'm old and bent and grizzled, But I guess it is Nature's law That I be like that after forty years Of pulling a cross-cut saw, Of swinging a pick on the side-grade, Of humping a thousand packs, Or from hundreds of cords of wood I've split with a six pound tally axe.





60th Anniversary 1973 Front Row—Mary Collins, Joseph Byrne, Gertrude Byrne, Leo Byrne Back Row—Patricia Byrne, Thomas

Byrne, Mary Byrne, John Byrne, Lorraine Byrne, Joseph Byrne

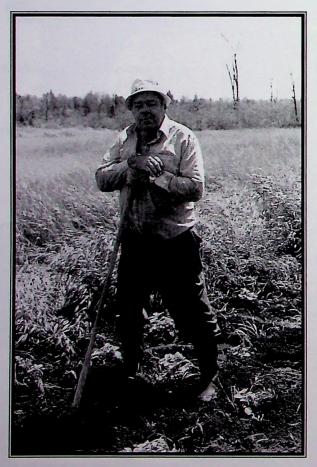
Above-Vince Hickey

Right—Angela & Paul Franzen





Gerard Pearson & Jane Austin on Ginger





Luella (Kennettle ) Walker, Joy (Kennettle) Stange, Annie (Kennettle) Kernohan



Above—Pearson Sisters—Laura Hickson, Annie Rivers, Helen Hickey

Left—Rolf Stange



Laura Hickson, Peggy, Tom Pearson, Peter Pearson, Anne Rivers, Helen Hickey



Harold Scarlett's 100th Birthday along with Alan, Sheila, John & Bob

# Military

A high percentage of local boys joined the Armed Forces at the time of the Second World War. A number of Families in Galway had several sons and daughters join at the same time including four from Stan Higgins Family, three from James Allen's Family and three from Lorne Collin's Family.

# Honour Roll- Remembering

Albert Allen, James Allen, Joseph Allen, Leo Collins, Eileen Collins, Tom Collins, Cecil White, Bob White, Bill White, Roy Spencer, Gordon Doherty, Allan Byrne, David Curtin, Arnold Schroder, Bob Vick, Bert Young, Norman Matthews, Joe Hickey, William Curtin, Ray Molyneaux, Peter Barr, George Dettman, George Flaherty, William Hughes, James Mansfield, Fred McKinley, Henry Pearson, Victor Higgins, Eddy Higgins, Glen Higgins, David Higgins





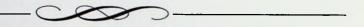
Above—Charles Bowin Left—1918 William Curtin, died October 12th with the British Expeditionary Forces



WW 1 Regiment—P Connelly front left

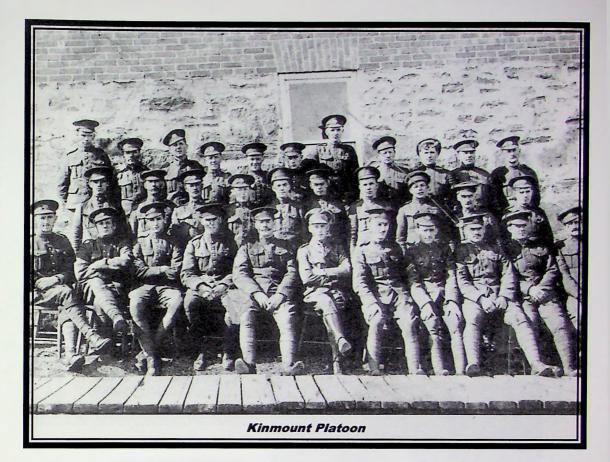


Militia circa 1914 Billy Scarlett is in the front row first on the left side





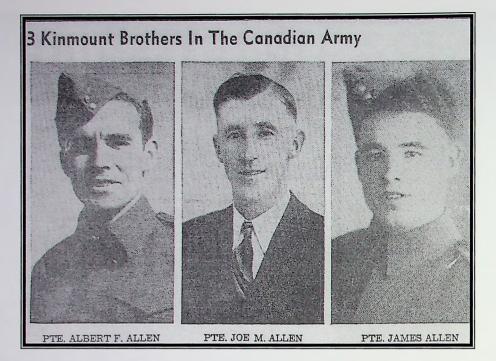
Kinmount Boys of the 109th





#### 109th Kinmount Platoon

Charles Henry Austin, Peter Wallace Barr, William Bartley, Cecil Boyce, Peter Bradamore, William Booth, James Budd, Wallace Chalmers, George Dettman, Robert Dufty, George Flaherty, William Fitzpatrick, John Graham, Joseph Graham, Edward Hardaker, Thomas Hardaker, Joseph Holbrook, William Hughes, Lt. Wilfred Mark, James Mansfield, Fred McKinley, John Mitchell, Roland Newman, George Nicholson, Robert O'Brien, Charles Ostertagg, Daniel O'Toole, Henry Parson, Wallace Scott, Francis Smith, John Smith, Thomas Steenson, George Woods





#### Above

## Unexpected Reunion (Newspaper Article)

Two Brothers from Kinmount, who believed themselves to be a continent apart met unexpectedly in Germany recently, according to word received by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Allen.

Pte. Albert Allen met his brother Pte. James Allen, shortly after the latter had been transferred from the Italian Front. It was a particularly pleasant surprise since Pte. Albert Allen was not aware of the Pte.'s transfer to the western front. A third brother, Joseph Allen is living with RCAMC in England. The three boys are brothers of Edmund Allen, and Mrs. Clare Dettman.

1942—David Curtin was a member of the Brockville Riffles







Clara & brother Bob White

Albert Allen, Mother Maye Allen & Jim Allen at their Galway Farm



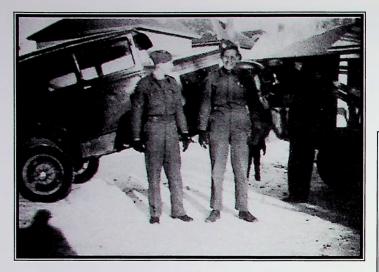
**Bill white** 



Bob White in Flying suit



Bob White in front of Family Home



Arnold Schroder & Bob Vick



Below-Roy Spencer



Left—Allan Byrne with Family before heading to War



Gordon Doherty



Roy Spencer, Gordon Doherty, Bob White 276



**Roy Spencer** 



Joe Hickey (in uniform), M.J. Hickey,

Mrs. Hickey, Anne & Frank Hickey and friend Eileen Curtin

Loretta & David Curtin



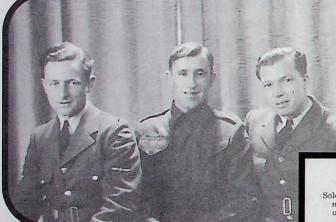
Above-Loretta and David Curtin

Left—Cecil White 'Highlander'

Norman Matthews

Right-Ray Molyneaux WW 1





Below—Bert Young WW 2 A will was completed on the last page of each man's service book. This one is dated March 30th, 1943.

Bert lived on the Dutch Line

Solely for use on Activo Sorvice. This Will page must NOT be used until you have been placed under orders for Active Service.

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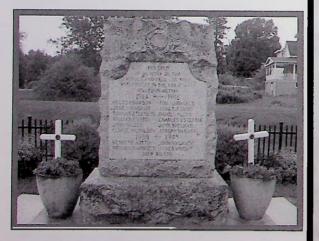
WILL

(For use if the soldier has not already made a Will or wishes to alter one already made. See instructions on page 23).

en the event of my death of give she what I my property & effects to my mother. Mr. 1. Verlie Henderson: young. Kinmint ontario canada

Signature BE. Joung. Rank, Regi'l Number Pte B. 75238. Dato A. March 302, 943

Tom Collins, Joe Allen, Unknown



Kinmount Cenotaph

# Fashions

A Sample of Fashions from over the years in Galway

Practical or Fancy

Dressed for Farm Chores or

Going to Town

Special Occasions and

Ready to party

Work or Play



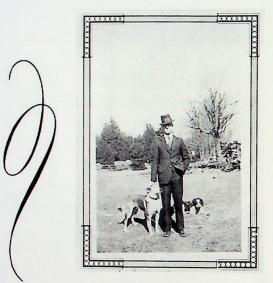


Josie, Cecil & Ray Collins

Aunt Nellie O'Neil & Grandma

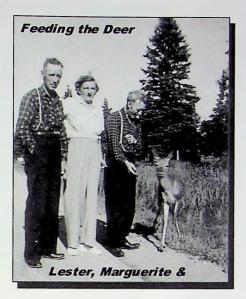


Joe O'Niell 1930



Jack Smith 1930





Lester and Lawrence Hickey & Marguerite Curtin



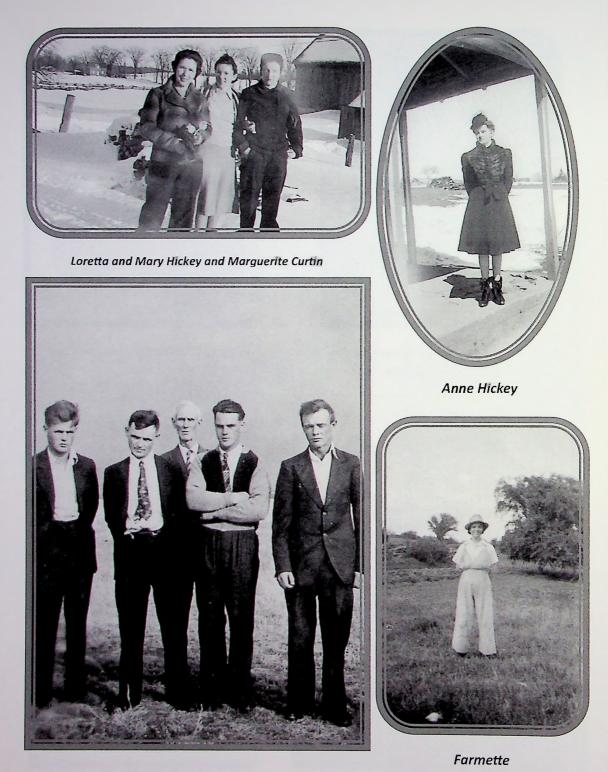
David Curtin with Pearl & Jim Stone 1950



Allie & Ruby Switzer



Anne Hickey 1937



Burt Craig—Wainwright







Dot & May White

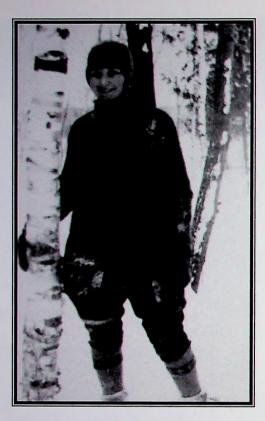
Eileen Curtin, Vince Hickey & Marguerite Curtin

Eileen Curtin & Loretta Hickey



Frank, Vince, John & Joe Hickey Brothers

Right— Jenny & Fran Bowins



Helen Pearson (Hickey) 1929



John Hickey & Jim Byrne



Ellen & M.J. Hickey



Hunter Family Ancestors



Mary & Dorothy Hickey, Anne & Loretta Hickey Friends going for a swim - August 1939



John White & Frank Ferguson



Loretta & Mary Hickey 1929



Kay (Allen) Wellstead, Vince & Mary Hickey & Isabel 'The Roaring Twenties'



Siddle Switzer & Clara & Marjorie White



Peter & Ralph Pearson about 1935

Mother White & daughter Pearl



May White



Vince Hickey & Helen (Pearson) Hickey



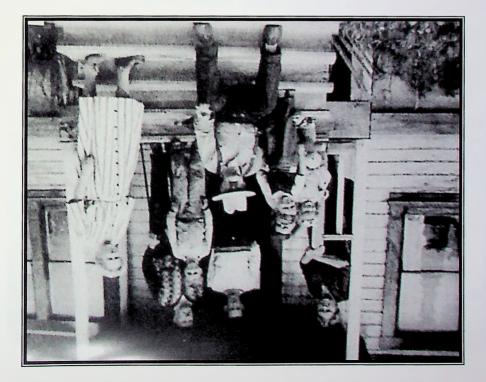
Mary Hickey & Jo DeFinney 1931



Pearl (Hickey) Stone & Loretta (Hickey) Curtin







# Special

#### Legacy

Down the Trail of Life, a long, long way, I've come, lad, that is true; The Sands of Time allotted me Will soon have all run through. I've gleaned no goods along the way, Have gathered little gold, But I have a Legacy to leave... And I give it to you to hold!

I want you to divide it, Fair and square, among them all -'Monst the girls and boys that will follow When I have moved along-. And I hope they learn to love these things As I have loved them so, For I know that I'll hate to leave them When It comes my turn to go.

-Theo Peacock

### Church Celebrations for Galway Children

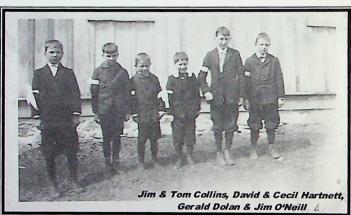


David Curtin Confirmation



First Communion at Galway Church FR—Jim Allen, Marie O'Neil, Joe Hickey, Sadie Flaherty BR— Anne Flaherty in the middle





First Communion - Barbara & Tom Hickey, Ruth Smith, Kathryn Hickey



Marie Collins & Mary Hickey

First Communion 1960 Gerard Pearson & Pat Byrne



Groomsmen at 1905 Wedding of Martin Byrne & Minnie Collins Maurice Hickey, Pat Collins (Bride's Father), Tom Byrne, Tom O'Neil Mr. Connolly & Martin Byrne (Groom's Father)



1901-Wedding of Maurice & Mary Hickey





1914 Wedding Margaret & David Curtin



Ruby & Albert Scherer-Wedding Day



Wedding Photo—William Kennedy & Hannah Henderson



Double Wedding-Harold & Marguerite Scarlett, Edmund & Cecilia Allen

## Wedding of Loretta Allen & Clare Dettman 1941 Below— Clare Dettman, Albert Collins, Loretta Allen, James Allen, Emma Allen, Harry Dettman, Cora Dettman, unknown, Helen Allen, Joe Allen



Mrs. Jack Williams



Peter & Anne (Byrne) Pearson Wedding June 8, 1929, Fr. Gillogly, Gertrude Byrne, Helen (Pearson) Hickey, Edmund Allen (Best Man)







Helen (Pearson) Hickey's Wedding with Poly, Marg & Father Butler 1934

Eileen Curtin & Alec Demoe Wedding with Father Kaye



Marriage of Charlie Hartnett & Mary Byrne April, 9, 1929



Albert Ernest McMahon & Bride









Wedding of Joe T O'Neil & Mary Stone at the Stone Home on



Berta (Handley) Hickey & Anne Hickey (Fee) 295

Hickey—Stone Wedding 1940 at St Patrick's church, Kinmount

Back Row: Ileen, Kathleen, Robert, Collins, Joe Byrne, Collins, Tom Collins, Allen Front Row: Estele, Pat, Joan, John Theo Collins



Double Wedding (Allens & Collins) Reception at the Allen's

O'Neil Wedding



Wedding Reception at the Lake



Bernice Gardiner & Arthur Owens Wedding



Wedding of Bud Collins and Phyllis (Lamb) Collins with Jim Collins on left and Betty Collins on right.

Below—Wedding of Kathleen Dorothy (Collins) Allen & Bob Allen June 8, 1940







Cecil Hartnett & Eileen Demoe Wedding July 25, 1959 With 'Toots' Barkwell & Charles Hartnett





Marriage of Ralph Hartnett & Helen Hayes

Above & to the Right Ralph & Madeline (Connelly) Pearson Wedding Aug 1, 1953 Maid of Honour—Barb Connelly Best Man—Bill Allen





Wedding Day for Diane (Pearson) Austin with her siblings:

Left to Right: Ralph, Ruth, Donnie, Diane, Shirley, Kaye, Tom (children of Peter & Anne Pearson)







Mr. and Mrs. John Austin St Patrick's Church, Kinmount, July 18, 1970



Wedding of Tom & Josie (Turcotte) Pearson - Peter & Anne Pearson on Left



Wedding of Donnie (Pearson) & Frank Farley



Dettman Family Wedding—Dwight, Gerald, Joyce, Marion, Wilma Nov 4, 1972



Wedding Anniversary 1941 Jack Byrne, Maggie Clark, Catherine & Sam Pearson, Jennie Clark, Wilfred O'Brien

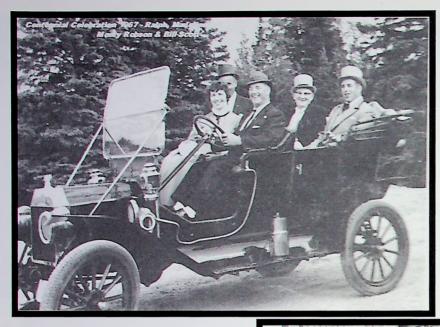


Mr. & Mrs. Garfield Henderson Anniversary



1860-1960– Centennial Celebrations at the Galway Hall Mrs. Robert Allen, Mrs. Peacock , Marguerite Curtin, Assessor, Mrs. Irene McElwain, Tax Collector and Keith Brown, MPP. The oldest man present was Mr. John Coffey and the oldest woman present was Mrs. William Peacock. During the afternoon races were held and in the evening "old time fiddlers" Bruce Molyneaux and George Schell provided music for dancing. Approximately 500 people attended the centennial celebration of the townships of Galway and Cavendish, held at the Galway township hall.

At that time, the reeve was Peter Pearson, who had served as reeve for 14 years and as councilor for 15 years. He was the third generation of his family to serve on council. The same is true of Charles Molyneaux, who had been a councilor for 18 years and was the third generation of his family serving. Ray Allen and Lester Hickey also followed in the footsteps of their grandfathers. Robert Allen was the clerk of the Township.



<u>Centennial 1967</u> Madeline & Ralph Pearson, Peter Pearson driving Monty Robson and Bill Scott, MPP





Peter Pearson & Charlie Molyneaux

Gathering at Opening Celebrations—Guy Scott planting a commemorative shrub.

The Existing Galway Hall was erected by the Township of Galway Cavendish in 1982 as a Wintario project, through the co-operation and financial assistance of the ministry of citizenship and culture of the province of Ontario.

Current Reeve and Council: Reeve: Carl Brickman, Deputy Reeve: J. McClelland, Councilors: H. Stuart, H. Platt, & H. Nokes

# Kinmount & Area

The Village of Kinmount officially began its existence in 1859. It has weathered numerous disasters over the years, including a number of major fires and a flood. Each time the fabric of the main street was altered.

After the railroad came to Kinmount in 1871, the town grew and over the years it became home to many businesses and factories; Hotels, bake shops, restaurants, weaving shop, butcher shop, post office, barber shop, general stores, confectionery shop, bank, grist mill, creamery, lumber mills, stave factory, garages, blacksmith shop, grocery store, hardware stores, dry goods stores, variety stores, four churches, schools, community hall and the Royal Canadian Legion.

The Kinmount Fair was also an important part of the community, with horse races first being held on the main street. The early fairs were held after the harvest was complete, one day long with admission of 15 cents. Besides the traditional agricultural classes such as livestock & horse judging, early entertainment consisted of baseball, local bands and the ever-popular horse racing!

# Bill Dunbar by Billy Craig , Lyrics by Mrs. Cain

1894

Come all you sympathizers, I pray you lend an ear; Tis of a drowning accident you are about to hear' The drowning of Bill Dunbar a man you all know well. He lived in the village of Kinmount and he ran a big hotel. Bill Dunbar was an able man as you may understand.

King-hearted and obliging, a powerful able man. No matter what you would profess, he would always use you well. There was no danger of being insulted in Dunbar's big hotel. He drove down to attend the races as you may understand.

And returning home all from the same, him and Bob Cunningham, The night grew dark, they lost their way, which is hard to relate, And they drove into Gannon's Narrows at the foot of Pigeon Lake. The team was lost, both men were drowned, which is hard to unfold.

Twas then the depth of winter and the water piercing cold. Poor Bill he fought hard for life, I have heard people say, And he threw his mitts out on the ice as a token of where he lay. It being on a Tuesday evening they met with their sad doom,

And their bodies were not recovered until Thursday afternoon. They were taken right home to Kinmount; large crowds did gather there, And the people came from far and near when they heard of the sad affair. Bill leaves a wife and one small child in sorrow, grief and pain.

Likewise his brothers and sisters in sorrow to remain. In meditation they are left which grieve them to the heart, That it would ever come their lot that he would from them part. Bill Dunbar in his former days was foreman for Mossom Boyd,

And many the river he has run, both narrow, deep and wide, He was never known to send a man where danger might draw near. But he'd boldly take the lead himself without danger, dread nor fear. But he's gone the road we all must go, let the time be short or long. So I'll drop my pen, likewise conclude my sentimental sona.

Hoping to meet on a brighter shore where dangers they are few.



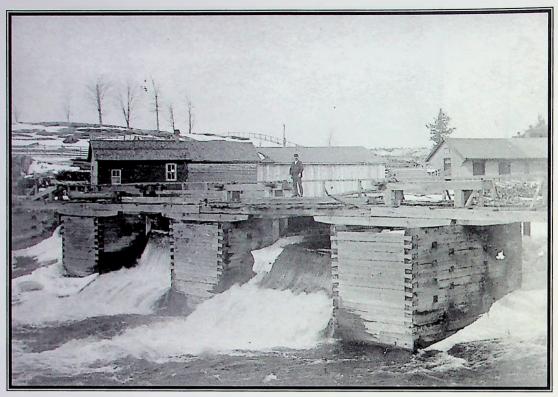
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Three Brothers Falls



Johnny Lyle's funeral day in Kinmount 1942 — John Hartle, Isaac, Elda Lansfield, Wilbert & Charlie Standing in front of the Douglas Store. The only building still standing after the recent fire.



Above—Early Kinmount Dam circa 1900

Below — Tan Bark being loaded on the rail cars for delivery to market





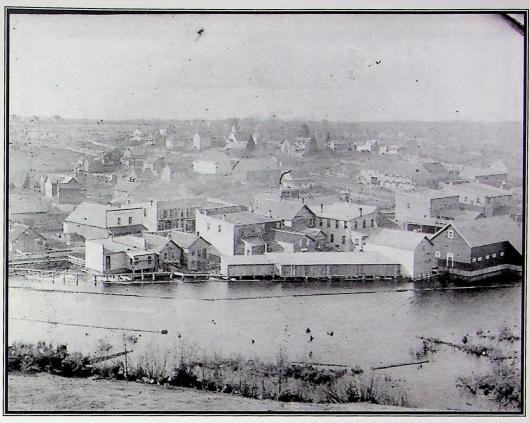
Winter Scene main street Kinmount circa 1900





Above— Kinmount Bridge circa 1907. Note band stand on right and school house on hill above Below—School House circa 1912





Kinmount circa 1904, prior to C.O.F. Hall built. Note the livery stables on the river behind the hotels The manure was disposed directly into the river from floor holes within the stables.



Kinmount Post Office was run by the store owner George Train who was the Postmaster in Kinmount from 1894–1933. This building was built after the 1917 fire demolished previous structures. The building also housed a stationary / book store and operated as a library for many years.



Above and Below—Hopkins House which was opposite C.O.F. Hall

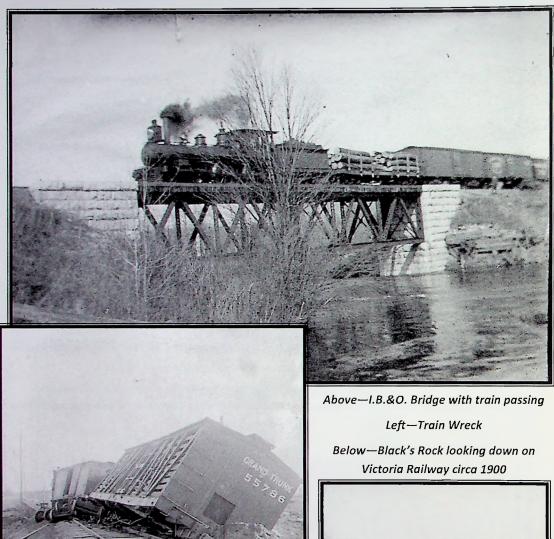


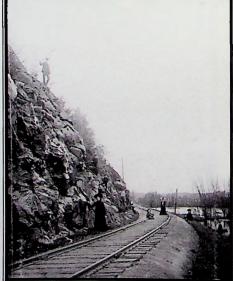


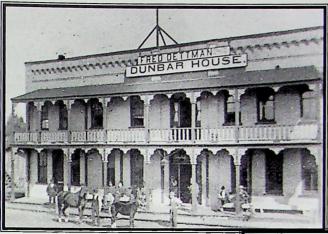
Above—Hopkins Store pre 1910

Below—Hopkins Store rebuilt after fire of 1942









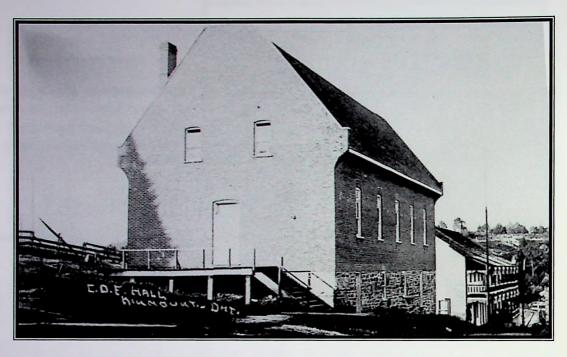
Left: Fred Dettman—Dunbar House. The Hotel stood on the current site of the Post Office. The building was destroyed in the Great Fire of 1942

Right: Hopkins & Marks General Store in the 1920s. It contained four shops, from left to right—the feed store, hardware, grocery & dry goods.

Below—the Gilbert Scott house & Store on Main St. Current location is Laundry Mat in Kinmount. Burnt down 1894



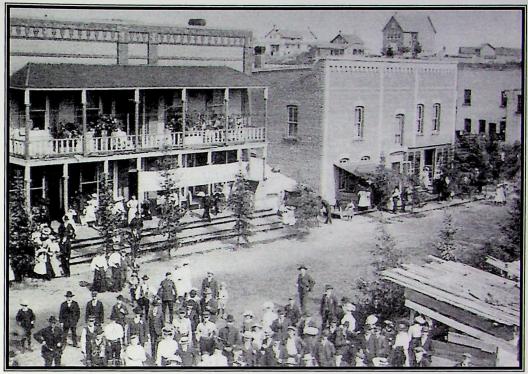




C.O.F. (Canadian Order of Foresters) Hall 1904 - Today site of Community Center



Northern Hotel at corner of Bobcaygeon Rd (Hwy #121) & Monck Rd. Owner & Proprietor, Gilbert Scott



Above -Main Street Kinmount, Early 1900s—L-R Mansfield Business, Bowie's 'Brick' Hotel (became Butts) & Fred Dettman 'Dunbar House' Hotel - School house in top right hand corner . Below— Hopkins House

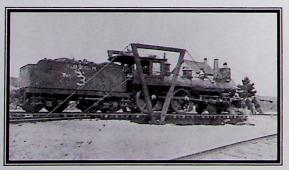




The Hopkins Family playing Badminton







### Howland Junction

The original station burned to the ground in 1917 and was replace by the building above pictured from the east and north views. The picture to the left shows the turntable in action being turned using man-power.



1900 Bar Room in Scott Hotel James Scott is the man in the mirror's reflection



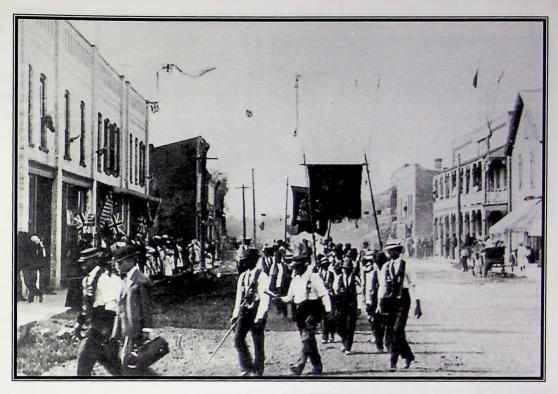
Hopkin's & Mark's Store Dry Goods Department 317



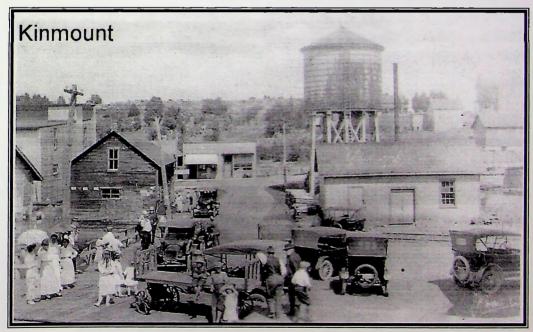
12th of July Parade on the Kinmount Main St. Circa 1930s before fire of 1942—looking north



Hopkin's Depot & General Store



Orange Lodge Parade July 12th, 1911



Water Tower at corner of Bobcaygeon Rd (Hwy 121 ) & the bridge - Taken from Rail Station circa 1915



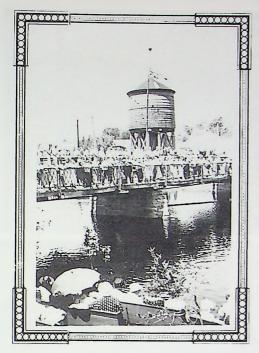
Regatta on the River. Viewers on the bridge

Early view of Bobcaygeon Rd leading north through Kinmount.





Early 1900s



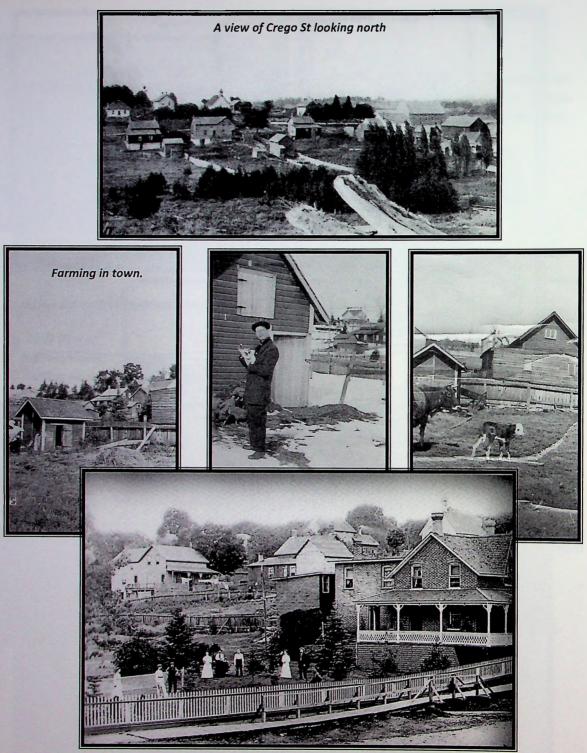


Above—The Butt's Central Hotel, Kinmount

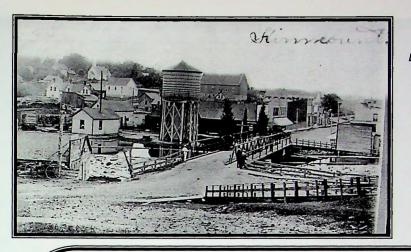
Left—Watching the Regatta from the bridge



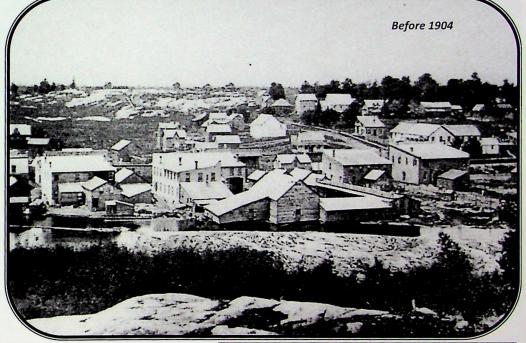
Hockey team on the way to game in Minden via Sleigh driven by Jim Simpson Sr. (owner of Livery)



A game of lawn tennis beside Monck Rd. St James Anglican church steeple in top right of photo Building on right is the 'Train' House

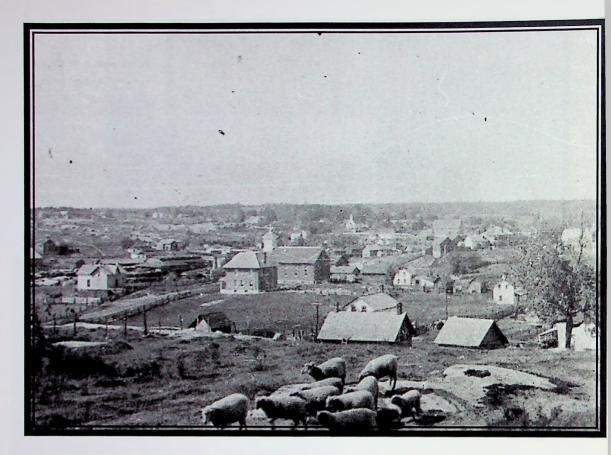


Bobcaygeon Rd through town.



Both views are from the top of town (Hwy 503) looking at the back of the main street with the river between. Note the log boom



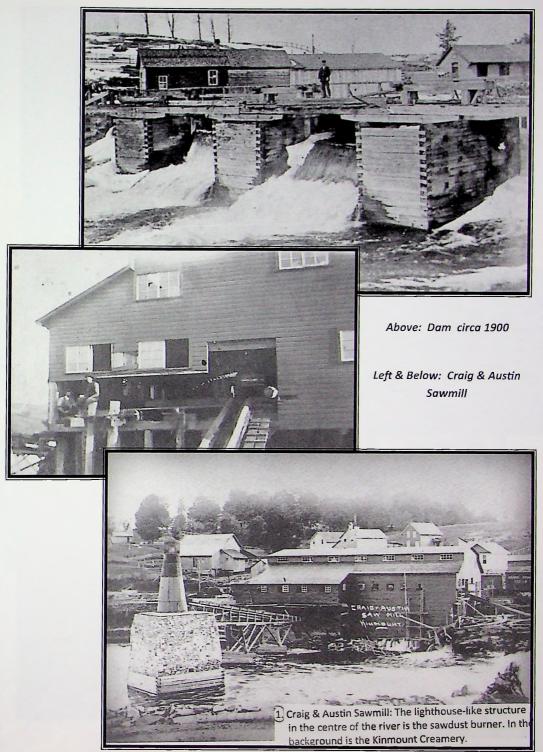


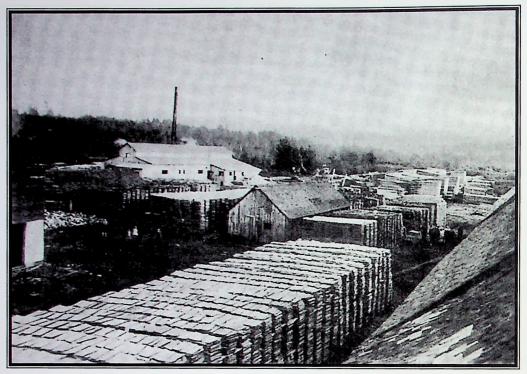


South of Kinmount looking down at St Patrick's Church and Rectory after 1910 Sheep in foreground.

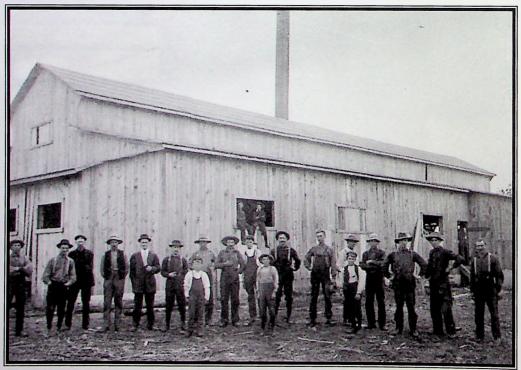
Kinmount Cemetery







Kinmount Stave Factory—used to make barrels



Stave Factory early 1900s





Austin House sitting above river & Log jam at Dam

Austin Sawmill gang Log Boom by the dam







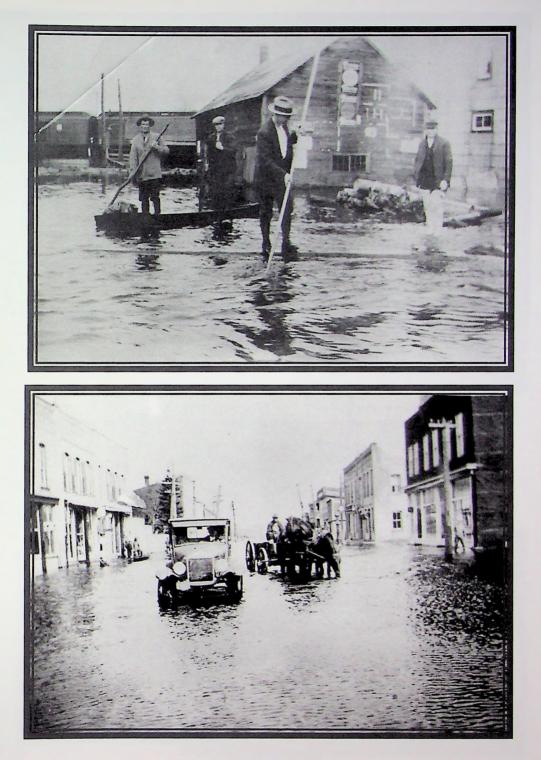


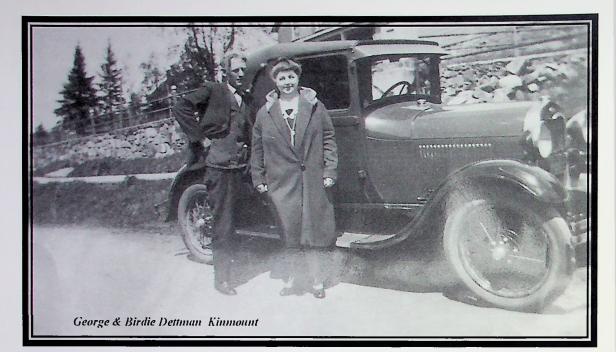
Spring of 1928—Kinmount Flood





Log Drivers were at home on the main street





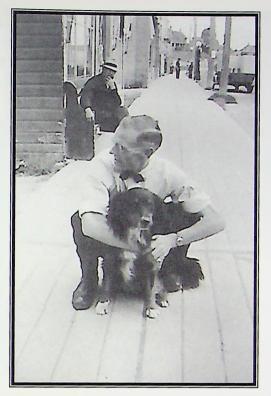
George & Birdie Dettman in front of home, currently Kinmount House

Right—Main St before 1912

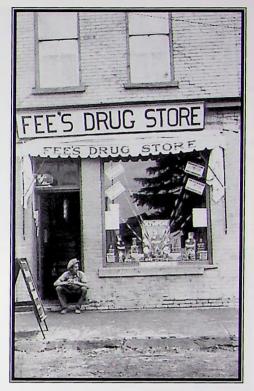




Left : Wayne Scott in front of Butts Hotel, Main St. 1930s



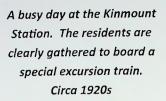
Mac McDonald in front of his barber shop circa 1940



Fee's Drugstore (currently Credit Union)

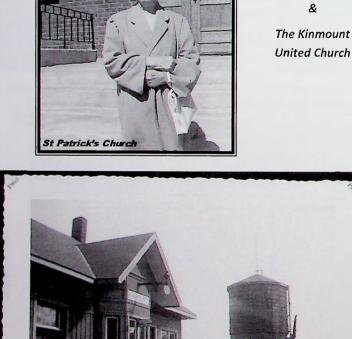


Faye Butts in wicker cart











Betty Chalmers & Nora Doherty 1942

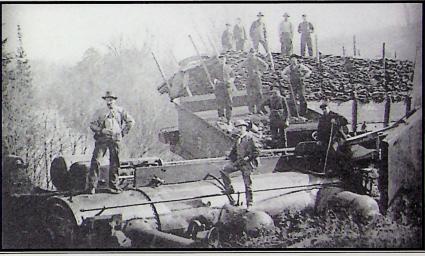
Below-1960 Train Platform

Church goers St Patrick's Church



A Sunday outing on the Monck Rd. A well dressed entourage out for a Sunday drive in the 1880s

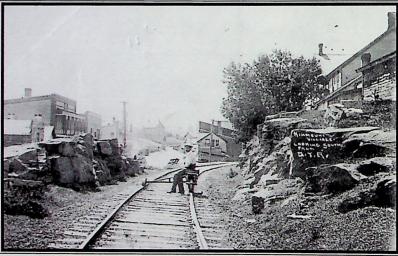
Train wreck on I.B.O. line near Kinmount: The first car behind the tender is loaded with tan bark. The river in the background is the Burnt River





G.T.R. Station, Kinmount

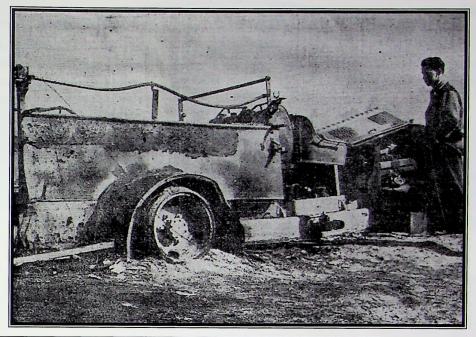






Above—Jack Train is on a velocipede travelling south through Kinmount in the early 1900s. The velocipede was an early form of a bicycle propelled by working pedals on cranks fitted to the front axel and specifically designed for railway tracks.

Left—Train wreck near Kinmount



Fighting the fire that devastated the town, the fire truck fell victim to the flames. Reports state that the terrific heat caused an explosion in the truck. This is what remained after the fire.

Above: The windswept flames originated in a sawdust pile near the station in the background, leapt quickly along the side of the street shown here and then, with a change in the wind, engulfed the other side of the street, where the garage, hotel, bakery, Post office and other buildings were located.





#### Kinmount Fire 1942-

The three-story Central Hotel, owned by Henry Butt, was razed, destroying with it the Bell Telephone Company office which had quarters on the ground floor. The entire population of some 500 quickly formed into volunteer brigades and bucket lines were organized.

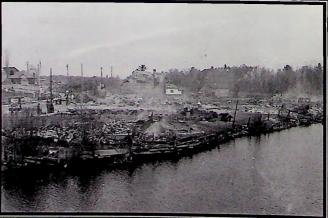
April 28, 1942 The entire business section of the Village of Kinmount was wiped out

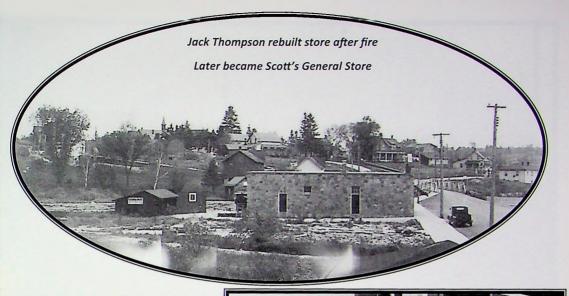
by fire.



The C.N.R. station caught fire, but the blaze was extinguished before much damage was done. Hopkins hardware store was reduced to cinders

In addition to the Central Hotel, were Claude Austin's radio store, Thompson's groceteria, H.C. Douglas' drug store, Poulson's bakery, MacDonald's barber shop, Fred Mark, groceries, Gordon Mark, dry goods, Mac's Café, J. Chalmers's ice cream parlor, Mrs. Harry Austin's home, (the old English Church rectory) and Melville Poulson's home.





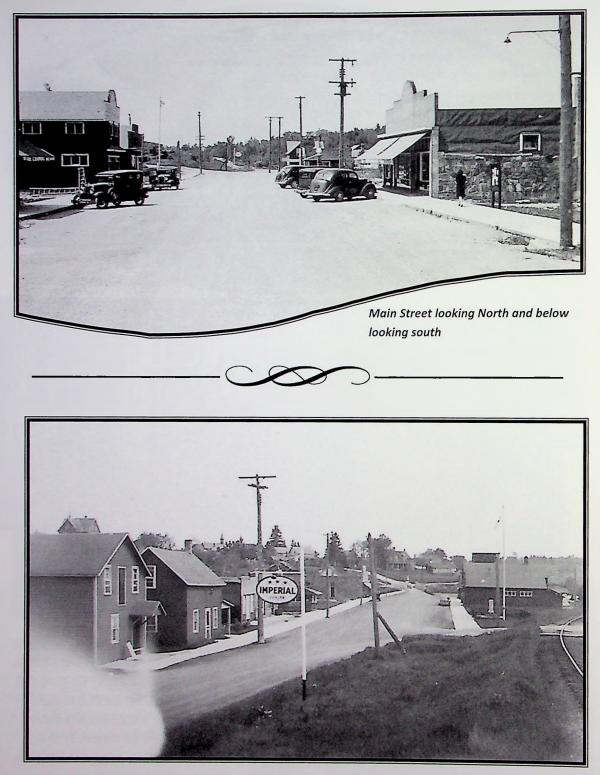


THIRTEEN-YEAR-OLD HELEN BUTTS with four puppies rescued from a manger in the Central Hotel stable by her 9-year-old sister Fay, who twice penetrated the burning building to rescue them.—Staff Photos.



Above-Marion MacDonald & Fay Butts

Thirteen year old Helen Butts with four puppies rescued from a manger in the Central Hotel stable by her 9 year old sister Faye, who twice penetrated the burning building to rescue them.



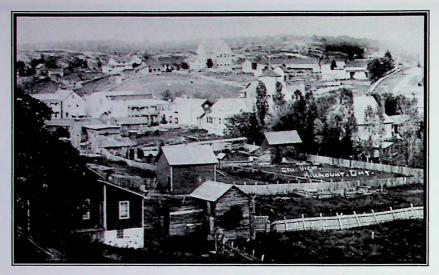
Left to right buildings are Taylor's Blacksmith shop, Chalmers's house & Douglas's Drug Store



Above—Kinmount Main Street looking North Below—Looking South on Kinmount Main Street





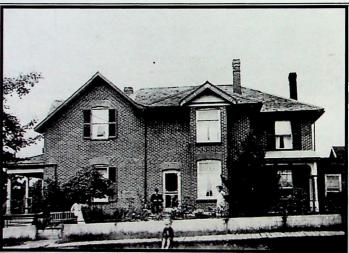


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Above: Looking East from the top of Crego Street

Right : Hopkin's House

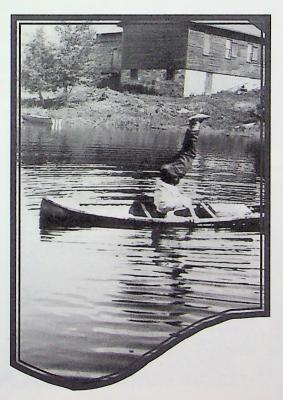
Below: The Gilmour House on the Monck Road











Above: School Outing circa 1950s included at trip to the Burnt River Victoria Forest for a BBQ

Left: Some people remain agile even after the four-score year-mark has been passed. The gent performing the acrobatic stunt in the picture above is Jim Butts of Kinmount and he was 81 years of age when this photo was taken of him standing on his head in a canoe in the Burnt River which flows through the village. Mr. Butts was a river driver in his younger days and was the Father of Harry, for many years a hotelkeeper on the same site on the Village's main street.

Picture taken by the bridge in Kinmount looking East





Pre 1937 Crego St looking East on Kinmount



Freddie & Ona's Wedding at Kinmount United Church



Ladies serving a church supper—Clara White on right

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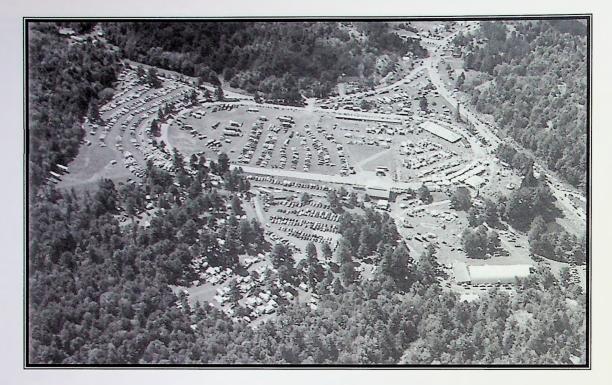
Robert Blair Retirement—Telegraphy students not present—Bill Rupert, James Porter, Bill Mark, Jack Stoughton, Bert Graham & Gren Schrader



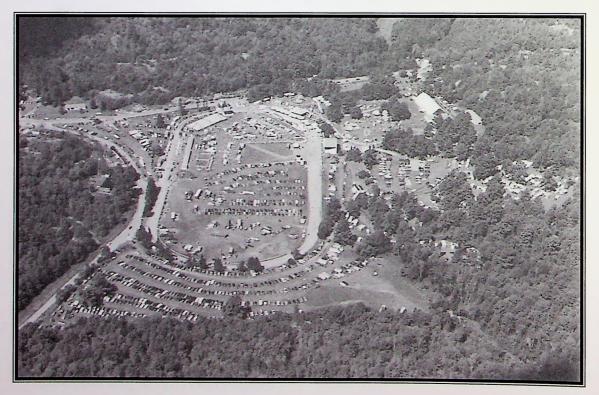


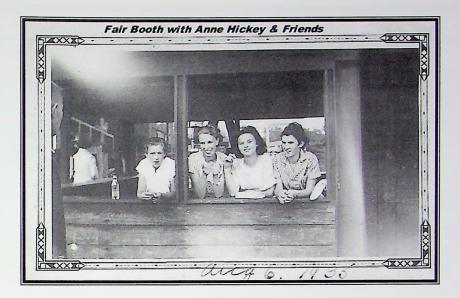
Above—Centennial Celebration at the COF Hall in Kinmount—Doris Barkwell, Betty Scott, Martha Mansfield, and Clara Watson

Left: Bill Scott is one of the 'Beatles' performing at the Kinmount Lion's Club Christmas Concert 1963



Aerial Views of the Kinmount Fair grounds





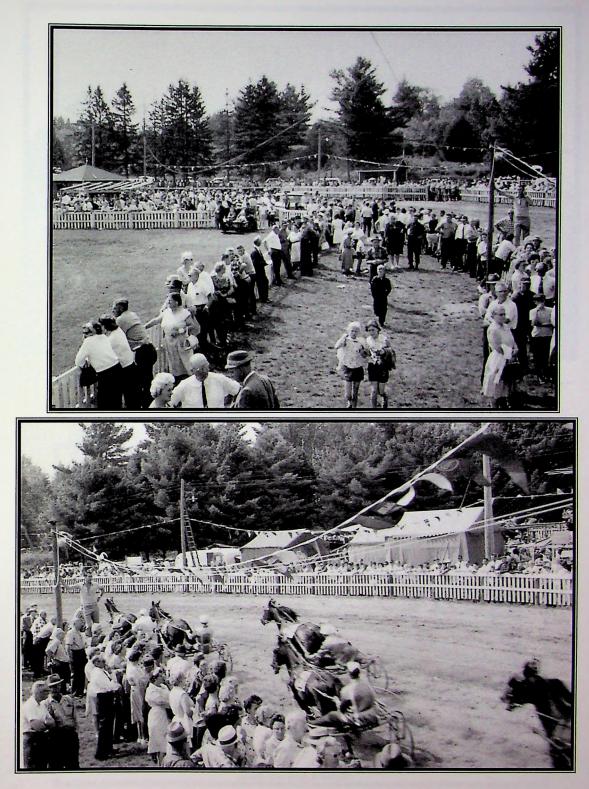


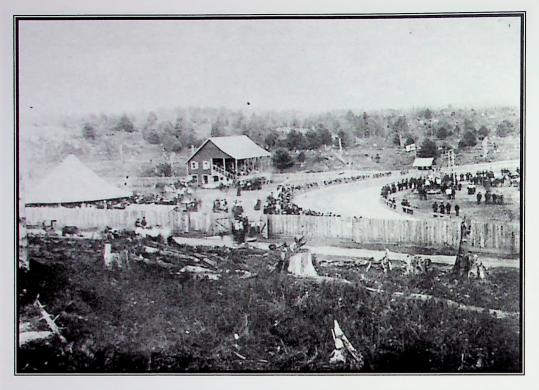
Horse Race at Kinmount Fair

Kinmount Fair





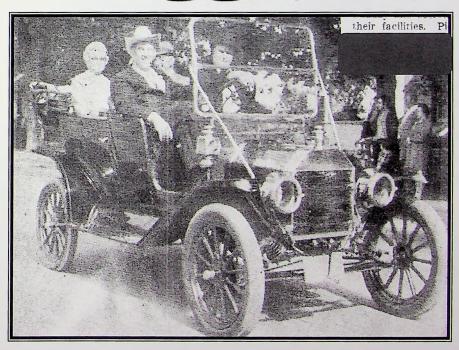




Kinmount Fair circa 1905—Viewing from around the track and the Grandstand for the annual horse race.







Kinmount Fair Parade—Back Seat –Anne & Peter Pearson, Galway Township Reeve Front Seat—Bill Scott, MP, with Bob Thompson driving buggy.



Horse Show at Kinmount Fair

## **Old Country Fair**

"Grandfather, Grandfather Hitch up your grey mare Cousins must dress in their best Sunday fare Grandfather, Grandfather Hitch up your grey mare Cousins must go to the old country fair"

# **Our Community Ser-**

The first services for the Catholic Community were held at the home of Patrick Collins on the Galway Road. When the log school house was established in 1863 the services were moved to the school house. The school grounds also became the burying grounds and a number of internments were made on this site.

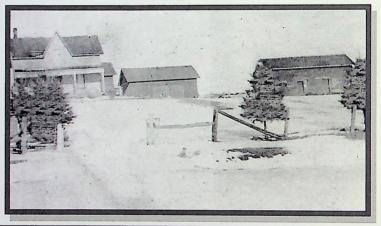
In 1882 the Immaculate Conception church was officially consecrated. It stood on Lot 5, Concession 12 and a cemetery was created shortly after. The bodies that had previously been buried in the school yard at SS#4 were moved to the new cemetery. The cemetery was in use until 1934.

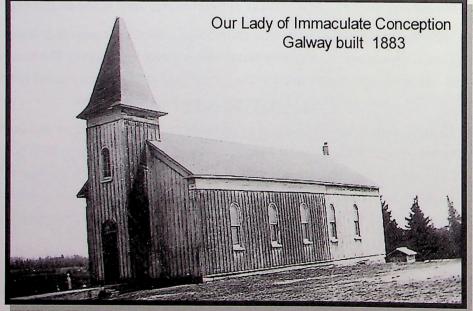
Father O'Leary was the first priest to reside in Galway and a manse was built across the road. Father O'Leary kept a hearse, a team of black horses to pull it and a workshop to build coffins. He also started the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association (CMBA) and built a parish hall next to the church (location of existing Galway Hall). Immaculate Conception Church was burnt to the ground on the evening following Easter Sunday Mass in 1930. It was never rebuilt.



Immaculate Conception Church

Rectory for the Galway Church was built by Father O'Leary and was directly opposite the church on the north side of the road







Galway Cemetery Right—Original gates to the Immaculate Conception Cemetery





Left—Silver Lake was the first cemetery in Galway Lot 3 , Concession A. In 1953 the township was notified of it's existence and it was properly marked and fenced to show respect for these early Galway Pioneers. There are 35 bodies laid to rest at this location .

Right—Immaculate Conception Church (was beside the current Galway Hall) 353





The original Galway Hall was built by the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association (CMBA), which was used for numerous community gatherings.

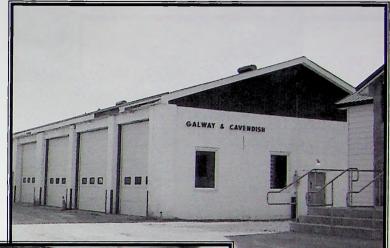
On New Year's Day, families would fill up their baskets with dinner, lunch and sandwiches and set off in their sleighs and cutters, first to Mass at 11am and then to the hall for a sit-down meal. Then the cards came out and they played euchre until evening when the bell rang for another meal. After this the violin started, or sometimes two, with Jack McGee on the stage calling off. The dance was on, with a break at midnight for sandwiches and tea.

In the 1960s it needed repairs and a new roof, and was sold to the township for \$500. The township built on a kitchen, drilled a well and put in the water system and after many volunteer hours the hall was ready to host the Centennial celebration in 1967.

It was replaced with a new building in 1982 and continues to be used as a community center, hosting meetings, parties, dances and other functions to bring people together.



A garage was originally built in 1951 to house the machinery which included a used (self-propelled) road grader. In 1967 (Centennial Year) a new larger garage was built beside the Galway Hall to better reflect the importance of roads in the municipality.





Official Opening of Galway Garage 1967 Some of the dignitaries as follows: Peter Pearson (reeve), Keith Brown MPP, Father Kaye, Russell Anderson (councilor), Charlie Molyneaux (deputy

reeve) and Bill Scott MP

Galway Fire Hall was built in 1979 with additional bays subsequently added.





Galway Post Offices...The Ewan post office (above) was established 1894 and closed 1945. The Mount Irwin Post Office originated on Lot 13, Concession 12 in 1871. The people's name was Irwin. After the Irwin's moved south, the Post Office was moved across the road and was managed by the Peacock's on Lot 14, Concession 13 where it remained until 1918. Some years later the Mount Irwin post office was moved once again across the road to David (Jr.) Curtin's home. It stayed there until 1940. Rural mail delivery began in 1926, three days a week, which increased to daily mail in 1940. the rural mail was drawn by the same Allen Family for more than 50 years.



The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 was officially chartered on Nov 15, 1946. It was christened the "John McGrath Branch" after the first Kinmount Lad to fall in WW 2. The present legion was completed in 1957. In early days, a dance was held every Saturday night.





March 1960 after a big winter storm

The Pearson Store on Galway Rd. was built in 1952 serviced the residents and cottagers for many years until it burnt in 1973



Above—Gerard Pearson Left Middle—Peter Pearson 1956 Left—Anne Pearson driving up for a fill up at the pump





#### Pearson's Galway Store

After years of farming, logging and serving the community on Council, an opportunity came along for Peter & Anne Pearson to sell the mining rights on the property at Lot 8, Conc 12 on the Galway Road. In 1954 they built a small store onto the front of their home. This was the beginning of the store's almost 20 years of operation.

The Gas pump outside was branded by Texaco and accompanied by a stand for oil on the door step. A sign announcing "the Telegram sold her" was prominently positioned on the front door. In later years a phone booth was added next to the drive way. Prior to this addition, there was an old crank pay phone inside the store beside the milk fridge.

The interior was what you would expect; shelving for the canned goods, freezer for the meats, fridge for the milk, and an ice cream freezer with the cones hanging above. An authentic Coca Cola Cooler was filled with pop and an old cash register sat on the counter. On the back counter sat a meat slicer and a wheel of cheese to be portioned as requested. There was a shelf inside the door that held the miscellaneous items like band aids and Tums, work gloves and even watches. Caramels were 3 for .01 cent and the little candy bags were quickly filled up with jube-jubes, black licorice piped or sponge toffee, along with chocolate bars and peanuts. The ice cream freezer held mainly chocolate or vanilla ice cream and sometimes even maple walnut as well as ice cream bars, drumsticks and Mello Rolls.

There was a wooden folding chair for visitors who wanted to stay and chat a while. Ann Pearson would make her homemade bread on Thursdays for the 'Lake People' who stopped on their way to the cottage to sample this favourite treat. In the latter years, the store became more of a convenience store for the Summer Cottagers. While it was not a thriving business, it was deemed a community service that was appreciated by many that came to frequent it.

#### Crystal Lake Stores by Helen Dettman

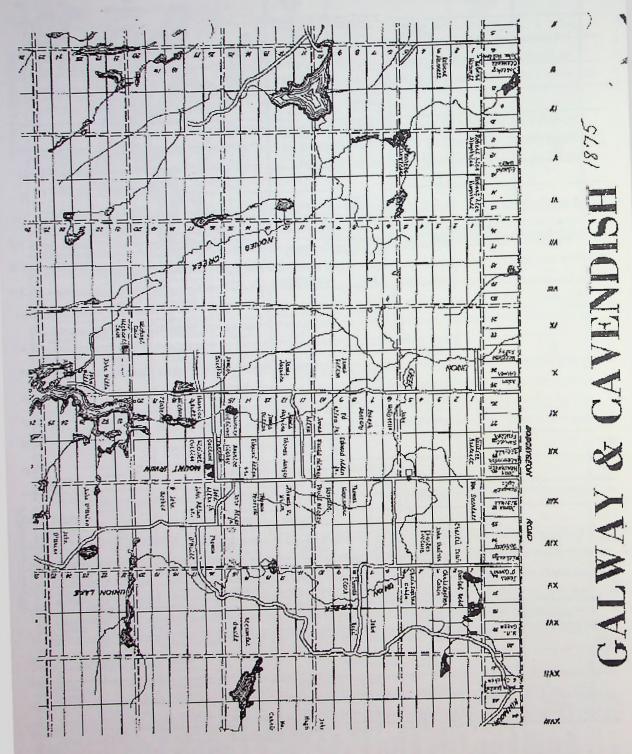
Baxter's Store on Clear Bay and Dettman's Store on Crystal Lake Road serviced the Cottager's for many years.

Arch and Peg Dettman opened their store in 1950. It opened on the 24th of May weekend and closed after Thanksgiving. At the end of the season, the store supplied the remaining food for the Austin Hunt Camp at the head of the lake. There was a lake delivery service for the "Mothers" who stayed with their children all summer. The cottagers would have mail forwarded to them c/o Dettman's Store. The store was stocked with canned goods, bakery goods, dairy products, frozen novelties and ice cream that Arch generously scooped for the children. Soon they provided fresh vegetables frozen meat and later on June's lemon pies for which she had numerous orders.

Blocks of ice, cut from the frozen lake in winter were transported up to the store There it was stored, in layers of sawdust, to keep it solid through the coming spring, summer and fall months, until it was time to harvest more ice. A bell phone booth was installed as well as gas pumps in 1953. You could fill a 5 gallon boat tank for the sum of \$2.50, including the oil!

Peg became a realtor in combination to being a storekeeper and passed it on to June after retiring in 1990. The store continued to supply and service the area by the Dettman Family until it was sold in 2002.

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This was a last minute entry that we felt was necessary to include

as part of the Galway Township and Crystal Lake History.

### Crystal Pier Demolished

Tourism is an important part of our community history. This past winter a chapter in local history ended when the Crystal Pier was demolished.

The Crystal Pier property was originally the pioneer homestead of Henry Wells. He was a welleducated Englishman who served several years as Reeve of Galway-Cavendish. After the Wells left, the property became part of the Mill Bay sawmill operation that passed through several lumbermen including the Handley Lumber Company of Fenelon Falls and the Phillips Lumber Company of Kinmount.

Crystal Lake was a favoured tourist spot very early in the Twentieth Century, Old photos dated 1905 show tourists camping on the lake. Around 1920, summer residents began to crect cottages along the south shore of the Lake. It was easy to access the south shore via the Crystal lake Road, Road improvements and the rise of the automobile made tourist access even easier. In 1945, the operation was purchased by Jack and Marjorie Toms from Scarborough. The Toms renovated the property. moving away from the "lodge" theme and setting up a marina,

restaurant, convenience store operation. Jack renovated the large boat house, adding the distinctive deck and a kitchen/store on the south end. One day he noticed some small cabins at a motel in Scarborough for sale, so these were purchased and set up on the property for summer rentals. Every spring Mariorie and the children (Dawn, Norma Jean, Dwight, Dennis, Joann and Karen) would move to the Pier for the tourist season to operate the various aspects of the operation. Dawn worked in the restaurant, Norma Jean in the small store and the boys ran the marina and bait departments. Jack worked all week in the city and joined the family on weekends. As the older children graduated from the business, the younger ones replaced them. The Crystal Pier quickly became "the" place for summer fun on Crystal Lake. Every Saturday during the summer a dance was held in the converted boat house. Most Saturdays, a juke box or record player provided the music, but occasionally a live band was available. One musician who played the Picr was Gord Kidd from Haliburton, Ironically Gord is still "on the circuit" and is playing the Kinmount Fair this year!



The small general store was opened in 1955. Previously Earl Baxter had delivered groceries and ice blocks by boat to cottages on the Lake. In the era before electric refrigerators, ice boxes were the only way to keep foodstuffs cool during the summer. (By experience, I learned the perfect place to put fresh caught fish was on top of the block). A block of ice cost 25 cents, delivered! The Toms family harvested the icc every winter from Crystal Lake and stored it in the ice house, carefully packed in saw dust. The smell of this pine saw dust was an enduring smell of the ice house. With the arrival of electricity, the ice box joined the pages of history.

In the last half of the Twentieth Century a "cottage culture" sprang up on the lakes of Central Ontario. Families, especially the mother and the children, would often stay at the Lake for most of the summer holidays. Dad would be at work, and join them for weekends and vacations. Summers were spent exploring the mysteries of Nature and enjoying the cottage culture that included swimming, boating, fishing, running amok among Nature and even summer romances! Businesses like the Crystal Pier were more than just a convenience store; they were a destination. Cottagers made their own entertainment, and socialized among themselves at events such as the Pier Dances and the Wednesday Euchre Tournaments. A sort of magical Brigadoon-style community emerged on the Lake every summer: and for anyone who lived this happy, carefree life, magical memories were made.

In 1965, the Toms Family sold the Crystal Pier to Ken Bradshaw. David and Norma Jean (Toms) Nelson ran the Pier between 1969 and 1972 when Ken and Ida Young bought the business. The Youngs continued the business until 2009, when it was officially closed. In 2014 the property was sold again as a residential lot. On March 16, 2015 the pier was demolished. The sad end was carried out by Stuart Charity (Construction); a fourth generation cottager (and current resident) on Crystal Lake. His parents Dawn (Toms) and Gord Charity took photos of the end of an cra.