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from the Editor: Season's greetings to all our readers and the best wishes in the coming new year.

If you're confused about which issue this is or whether you may have missed one somewhere along the line - don't be. This is issue #3 for 1990 arriving nearly three months late. I decided to not attempt a pretence of this still being a September issue and then trying to put out a December issue in February or March. Lets face facts - I'm running behind schedule again and issue #3 of the Harman newsletter is three months late.

Not only have I had to face the fact of the ruined schedule for 1990 but I also realize that things are not going to improve in the near future. There are too many pressures upon my time and I must make some decisions about priorities. It has not been an easy choice because I have enjoyed this work, but I have decided to suspend publication of the "Harmans Of Yonge Street" after Vol. 7, #4. Perhaps in a year or so we can carry on with the newsletter, if there is material available and family members who want to read about it.

In the meantime I would like to continue being the family "historian" if you will let me? I should like to maintain contact with everyone of you and hopefully you will share your family happenings with me.

What of Vol. 7, #4 ?? I won't promise a specific mailing date at this time however I will promise sometime in the next few months, to use that issue to up-date you on the progress of our Harman history book. The need to have as much of my writing time available for the book is a major reason for the decision to suspend newsletter publication. It isn't that the Harman history book is taking up more of my time than anticipated but rather, I have less free time than anticipated. If I had still as much "spare" time as when I undertook the project, or even a year ago, then there wouldn't be the necessity of making such a choice.

In closing for this time, I would like to share with you a photo taken at our son's wedding this past June - my husband, Carman and myself, with our son, John and his new bride, Paula.

Marie Svedahl



Ada Minetta Laird & Edward F. Taylor

by grandson Doug Allen

Ada Minette Laird was born 12 June 1891, shortly after her family arrived in Essex, Essex county, ON. She was the third child of Fidelle Cutting and Thomas H. Laird. Her middle name does not seem to have been a traditional family name and who, if anyone, she had been named after is unknown, but she was mostly known as Nettie, rather than by her first name.

Nettie was raised and went to school in the town of Essex. She was baptized in and became quite active in the Salvation Army, as was the rest of her family. I know very little about her early life, but being Salvation Army, she likely would have had a very straight-forward, Christian upbringing. Sunday was surely a day of rest. The family would dress appropriately, go to church and spend the rest of the day relaxing, perhaps visiting friends and relatives or just go for a walk. There was no card playing, dancing or sports on Sunday, if at any time during the week. Granma could be stern at times and she was not afraid to speak out or do something about a wrong. I remember her telling me that as a young girl, she once broke a board across a boy's back. I can't recall the reason now, but I bet he didn't bother her again.

Nettie's father was a millwright by trade and he spent much of his time travelling here and there setting up machinery. Thomas Laird died 26 Feb. 1916 at home in Essex and he was buried in North Ridge Cemetery. I would guess that Nettie was out working at a fairly young age, helping to support the family. However the only job that I can remember her mentioning, was the one she had with the Essex Post Office for several years. She was doing this during the WW 1 when her future husband, Edward Taylor wanted to marry her. Granma did not want to be a war-bride and possibly a widow before their married life was hardly started, so they waited.

On 27 Aug. 1919, Nettie Laird and Edward Freeman Taylor had a quiet wedding in Essex. According to the "Essex Free Press" of 29 Aug. 1919 they were married at the Methodist Parsonage in Essex on Wednesday afternoon and the Rev. J.W. Hibbert performed the ceremony.

Edward Taylor was the son of William Taylor and Sarah Eleanor Gee of Comber, ON. and the grandson of pioneer Samuel Taylor of Comber. Edward's father had suffered a stroke previously about 1896 and had passed away on 5th July 1918 in the town of Essex. He was buried in McDowelss Cemetery, Comber.

Nettie and Edward began their new life together in St. Thomas, ON. Edward had moved with his family from Comber to Tilbury, and then by possibly 1901, they had moved to Essex. In 1901 he joined the Waterworks Department staff of the Michigan Central Railroad, presumably in Essex, but I am not certain. By 1916 Edward had been promoted to brakeman and sometime after the move to St. Thomas in 1919, he became a conductor.

Nettie and Edward had four children, all born in St. Thomas. **Eleanor Fidella**, my mother, was born on 11 Aug. 1920, and married Lloyd Allen of St. Croix, Nova

Scotia on 15 Sept. 1945 in St. Thomas. They had three children: Jo-Anne Eleanor, born 18 Sept. 1946; Douglas Lloyd born 16 Sept. 1947; Robert Edward born 28 Feb. 1955. **Ellwood Francis** arrived next on 19 Nov. 1921, then came **Doreen Elizabeth** on 30 Dec. 1924; she married Clayton P. Smith in St. Thomas on 19 Dec. 1947, and to this union were born Daniel George on 26 Jan. 1949; and Maureen Elizabeth on the 27 Jan. 1952, both born in St. Thomas. Lastly Jean Ilene was born on 26 Apr. 1926 and on 6 Aug. 1943 she married Russel High.

Nettie and Edward never owned a car or learned to drive. I guess there was no need for this since in those days, railroad people had a pass and it would allow them to travel virtually anywhere in the country free of charge as far as I know. The Taylors seemed to make use of this pass, taking various trips to visit relatives in Tilbury, Comber and Essex, thereby keeping the family ties fairly strong. They lived about only eight blocks from railroad yards and so it was a relatively short walk to work each day.

Close neighbours on Maple Street who had a car, began taking the Taylor children with them to Sunday School and church at Central United Church and soon the entire family were members there. This church was also within reasonable walking distance and so it was attended regularly for many years by the family.

Most of the Taylor men were quite big. Edward was five feet, eleven inches tall and by Taylor standards, he was short, most of his uncles and nephews being over six feet tall. I remember Grandma once telling me that Grandpa wanted to be a policeman, but in those days one had to be six feet tall. He had the build and the weight, but not the height, unfortunately. I don't remember a lot about my grandfather, because he died when I was age seven, but I do remember the long walks we used to take. They seemed to last for a long time and I likely complained often about being tired, because we frequently would stop and rest along the railroad tracks at those little shelters the railway would maintain at stopping points. Grandpa would urge me to stay back in the corner out of sight so the engineer wouldn't stop to pick us up. At the end of one particular walk, I remember Grandpa trying to urge me to run a short for him to his brother's house a block away. Being so young and rather tired and shy, I refused and I guess a tired Grandpa was a bit put-out with me. Later, when my grandmother returned from shopping, I remember her scolding Grandpa a bit for being upset with me and I have always felt a bit guilty because I didn't help out and do him a favour.

Grandpa died 13 Oct. 1954 and I remember that day well because my father returned home from work with his car horn blaring. Somehow it had become stuck on and there was quite a bit of commotion around the house until it was silenced. The day of Grandpa's funeral was the day that Hurricane Hazel struck the Toronto area. We only received the tail-end of it, but the sky was extremely black and we suffered heavy rain and high winds. My sister and I were staying at a neighbour's house two doors away during the funeral and we were so terrified by the lightning and thunder that we spent much of the time hiding under the bed.

Granma lived another nineteen years and I am sure she missed her husband very much. I always found it interesting that she kept her marriage certificate over the center of the headboard of their bed. I also recall her telling me that over the years, even if they had a disagreement, she would never let Grandpa leave for

work without making up. Being on the railroad, he would usually be gone for some time.

Our family often took Granma for groceries on Saturdays and I would usually push her shopping cart around the store for her. She would often pick up some treat for me at the check-out counter and I would usually polish this off before we arrived home. Over the years, I spent many days joyfully doing chores at her house. I remember cutting the grass, digging the garden and painting inside and out, chores I would have complained about at home. I guess it was the feeling of special attention that I got at Grandma's and the standard invitation for dinner that attracted me. Typical feelings for any grandson towards his granmother, I think. Grandma could work wonders with left-overs and I always enjoyed eating there. We usually had Christmas dinner there until it became too much for her.

I also recall the many trips we used to take on Sundays to visit Grandma's sister in Essex. We really looked forward to these trips to the farm but how time flew by when we were there. Before we knew it, it was time for the long trip home in the dark. The sister died in 1968 and Grandma became the last surviving member of her family. Other times, we would go for picnics to Ipperwash or to closer beaches or just for a Sunday drive. We had many good times this way.

Grandma was bothered by hardening of the arteries and had the occasional fall, one time breaking her hip. On another occasion, after spending several months in the hospital, she could not recover and she passed away on 23 Nov. 1973. She was buried beside her husband at the Elmdale Memorial Park cemetery in St. Thomas.

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(Ed. Note: Nettie Laird was a gr.granddaughter of Electa Harman of King Twp. We are certain that Electa was a grandchild of Henry & Esther Harman but unfortunately we haven't yet discovered who her parents were. Note that in the "Newspaper File" section of this newsletter, there are a number of newspaper clippings which refer to this family).

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ONTARIO COUNTY MARRIAGE REGISTERS
1858 - 1869
VICTORIA COUNTY

Recently I had the opportunity to browse through the above publication and came across several familiar names. I believe some of these marriages have been noted in our newsletter before but many haven't been. We will share them all and the ones that are repeats - well, hopefully they may be new to some of our readers.

MARRIAGES

14 Oct. 1869: James N. Robinson, 21, Mariposa, b. England,
s/o Henry & Jane (Reglesworth) Robinson
to Mary Anne Fleury, 22, Mariposa, Canada,
44 d/o Peter & Anne (Harman) Fleury

30 Sept. 1861: Albert Stevens, 19, Mariposa, Canada,
 s/o David & Clency (?) Stevens
 to Elizabeth A. Flurry, 20, Mariposa, Canada
 d/o Peter & Anne Flurry

23 July 1867: Jesse Harman, 24, Lindsay, Mariposa,
 s/o Charles & Rebecca Harman
 Mary Jacobs, 25, Lindsay, Mariposa
 d/o John & Jane Jacobs

25 Dec. 1861: Robert Harmon, 22, Mariposa, Canada,
 s/o Henry & Nancy Harman
 to Mary Stevens, 22, Mariposa, Canada
 d/o David & Clency Stevens

29 Dec. 1864: Hugh Ogilvie, 21, Mariposa, E.Gwillimbury,
 s/o Francis & Esther Ogilvie
 to Barbara Rogers, 21, Mariposa, Mariposa,
 d/o Henry & Mary Rogers

4 Jan. 1860: Jeremiah Lapp, 23, Mariposa, W.Gwillimbury,
 s/o Henry & Susannah Lapp
 to Sarah Rogers, 20, Mariposa, Mariposa,
 d/o Henry & Mary Rogers

17 Sept. 1866: David Charles Roberts, 24, Mariposa, Ops,
 s/o Thomas & Catherine
 to Matilda Rogers, 19, Mariposa, Yonge Stree,
 d/o David & Mary Rogers

11 May 1861: Enoch Rogers, 21, Mariposa, Mariposa,
 s/o Obediah & Sally Rogers
 to Susan Vermilia, 20, Mariposa, London CW,
 d/o Waldton & Tryphosa

1 Jan. 1867: Harvey Rogers, 25, Mariposa, Mariposa,
 s/o Henry & Mary Rogers
 to Mary Cody, 20, Mariposa, Mariposa,
 d/o Joseh & Esther Cody

29 Oct. 1867: James Rogers, 24, Mariposa, Mariposa,
 s/o William & Mary Rogers
 to Hannah Galllinger, 19, Mariposa, W. Gwillimbury,
 d/o James & Ellen Gallinger

 COUNTY MARRIAGES
 1858 - 1869
 PETERBOROUGH COUNTY

26 Feb. 1862: Jesse Weldon, 22, Mariposa, Canada,
 s/o Elijah & Elizabeth Weldon
 to Agnes Rogers, 20, Mariposa, Canada,
 d/o William & Mary Rogers

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HISTORY OF THE NELSON FLEURY FAMILY

by daughter, Florence (Fleury) McGregor

Our father, Nelson Ambrose Fleury was the eldest of eleven children born to Alfred and Sarah Margaret (Preston) Fleury in Aurora, Whitchurch Twp., Ontario 16 Aug. 1885. I understand they lived on a farm at the southern end of Aurora and later lived at the corner of Church and Victoria streets for the remainder of their lives.

Nelson's great uncle, Joseph Fleury, founded the Fleury implement Manufacturing Co. in Aurora. They manufactured Fleury plows and other implements.

Alfred Fleury worked at the Fleury foundry and cut wood; perhaps the wood was only for their own use but we often heard our Dad talk of helping with the cutting and piling-up of the fire wood.

Nelson attended the Aurora Public School but had to leave school at the age of twelve and the end of the fifth grade to go out to work for farmers and in the bush. He had a dog and sleigh and, he told us, at the age of twelve how he had taken "Holy Ann Preston" (our third or fourth great-aunt) for a ride home after she had visited our Grandma Fleury.

He also had pet rabbits. He told the story many times how he bought a pair of rabbits from one of his chums, only to catch him stealing back the rabbits he had sold. Disappointed and angered, Nelson picked up a gunny sack which contained railroad spikes and struck his chum on the forehead, leaving a scar for life. They met out west many years later.

From Aug. 1907 - Aug. 1908 Nelson boarded in the Parkdale area of Toronto and worked at a paint company on Spadina Ave. where they dipped metal bed frames into large paint vats, the frames were carried along on tracks to the drying area. In the evenings he ran a roller rink at Weston, ON.

Like many young fellows Nelson came west for adventure and land. He left Ontario 13 August 1908 for Indian Head, SK., approximately 50 miles east of Regina. He visited his cousin Harvey Fleury (Obediah's son), a harness maker. Nelson worked for a farmer one mile from town. He loved it in Saskatchewan. The fishing was good in a lake a few miles away. He was also fascinated with the gophers that sat up and would come close to him. In the fall he enjoyed duck hunting but never got his goose.

He visited Belle Plaine and Stony Beach (NE of Moose Jaw) where his cousin John Fleury farmed. John and Harvey were brothers. Their sister, Isabelle - later Mrs. Nels Smith - farmed close by. The latter part of October he went further west to Moose Jaw and was impressed with the city. On November 10th he returned to Ontario.

In the early part of 1908 Nelson had met Olive Pickering of Snider's Corner, north of Oakville, Halton County, ON. She was a dressmaker, working in Toronto as well as the Oakville district.

That winter of 1908-09 Nelson bought horses in Toronto and took them to Aurora. Sometimes he drove to Oakville to visit; other times he went by train. Olive's sister Mabel, was a good friend of Nellie Anthony, Nelson's cousin. Other

friends were Leana Herod, Allie ? , cousin Reg Lundy and cousin Robert McComb. They had many good times together; such as gathering around an organ to sing. Nelson often visited his Aunt Mary McComb (nee Fleury) and Nellie Anthony's parents, Aunt Tilly and Uncle Jim, who all lived in Toronto.

Nelson came west again 15 Mar. 1909, this time to Belle Plaine. Rob McComb came with him and worked for their cousin on the farm. Olive's brother, Herb Pickering, came out also and worked for a farmer. Nelson worked for a bachelor - Ted Haggerty.

In May, Nelson went west of Moose Jaw, a little over 100 miles to Swift Current and filed on a homestead in the Kyle district (50 miles north of Swift Current). On 28 May 1908 he arrived at the Saskatchewan River Landing and crossed the South Saskatchewan River by ferry. In crossing the river he almost lost his four horses and belongings overboard so he returned to Swift Current and sold everything; never having seen the land he'd filed on. July 14th he heard of a homestead at Saskatoon so he went to look at it but returned after four days; the homestead was no good. He had spent a sum of money but was still determined to find a homestead.

He heard of some land in the Lambourne district, halfway between Moose Jaw and Swift Current, and 11 miles south of Chaplin which was on the main line (rail line) from coast to coast. Nelson filed on the land 8 Oct. 1909 in Moose Jaw. That winter Nelson "batched" and did chores on a farm near Stony Beach and in the spring he rented the farm. In the autumn of 1910 he went back east leaving a friend to look after his chores.

He married Olive Pickering on 8 Feb. 1911 at her farm home north of Oakville. They returned to the Stony Beach farm with a settler's carload of horses, two cows, chickens, machinery and household furniture. They spent six months a year on each farm. He hired someone to break the Lambourne land, and also had someone sowing and reaping his crops. Occasionally, Nelson would ride straight across the plains and Secretan Hills to see how his crops were maturing.

The first time our mother came to the homestead in the fall of 1911, she rode with a load of coal from town. In 1913 she brought Beatrice, their first child, who was born 10 Feb. 1913 in Scotia Hospital, Main Street, Moose Jaw. They lived in a one-room shack built by Dad. Like all settler's wives, she worked hard with few conveniences. She baked bread for two bachelors as well as all her own baking.

Florence was born on the homestead, 5 June 1916 on a rainy day. Nelson rode horseback eleven miles to summon the doctor. A nurse from Moose Jaw was in attendance, she had been waiting two weeks. By then two more rooms had been added to the shack with the car-type roof.

There was a good 22 foot well at Lambourne but water had to be hauled to the Stony Beach farm. They got the telephone in 1918. A hip-roofed barn was built that year. It has since been repaired, new windows, new wooden cupolo and galvanized metal sheeting put on the roof.

Our mother boarded many teachers, even in the old shack before the new house was built in 1922 and 23. The Lambourne School was built and classes started in 1914. It was on Rob McComb's land, almost across the road. Beatrice and I (Florence) were able to come home for a hot dinner.

During World War 1 Mother helped the Red Cross, cutting out material for garments and also sewing.

No trees or scrap wood around to use for fire. At first the fuel used in summer was cow chips, later we had a kerosene stove with an oven. Coal was our winter fuel. Dad had a 32 volt Delco plant for electricity put in the house in 1928. Sask. Power came to the farm in 1957.

Beatrice and I milked cows and did farm chores like most girls did those days, especially if there were no boys in the family. We helped Dad plant the first trees - some are still standing after over 65 years. We helped poison and trap gophers. In the spring we carried water from the sloughs and drowned them out; our dog was there to grab them as they came out of their burrows. A report from Shamrock RM stated that our school teacher sent in 1706 gopher tails collected by the 15 students. The RM paid a bounty of one cent a tail. Beatrice and my share was 334.

Dad took part in a horse pulling contest in Shamrock, SK. in 1929. He also took part in half mile foot-races. He was active in the community and Bingham Baptist Church at Droxford.

Norman joined our family about 1931, he was around five and a half years old. He came from the Indian Head Orange Home. Norman was a good student and loved reading. Later he joined the army but didn't leave Canada. Still later he was employed by Ontario Hydro, and then Toronto Postal Division becoming "Transportation Manager of Ontario Postal Region". He retired in 1982. He married Kaye Smith of Bathurst, NB. in May of 1960, and they live on an acreage south of Fredericton, NB. and have no family.

Dad and Mother moved to Chaplin, SK. in 1948. Dad passed away 22 Sept. 1956 from a severe heart attack. They had taken a trip to Ontario and he died in the Oakville Hospital. Mother recovered from a stroke she suffered in 1952 but lost her sight in later years. She died in May 1974.

Beatrice married Clarence Mills in 1935. They farmed a half mile from our home farm (which is where I live now). They had two boys - Murton and Wallace. They moved to Chaplin because of Clarence's poor health. He passed away in 1971 and Beatrice still lives in Chaplin.

I went to the Toronto area in the fall of 1940 to visit relatives and get a job. Colin McGregor from the Shamrock district, went east later that year. He got a job at a service station on Yonge Street; then at Canada Metal and finally at Good Year in New Toronto, building tires for army trucks during the war. Colin and I were married 29 Nov. 1941 in the Trafalgar area north of Oakville at Munn's parsonage. Beatrice and Clarence were visiting in Ontario so they "stood-up" with us - it was their 6th wedding anniversary.

We returned to Saskatchewan in May 1948 with our girls, Marilyn and Leona. Later we had three more children: Colleen, Neil and Dwayne. We rented Dad's homestead and the adjoining land he had bought, later we bought both pieces of land.

Recently I received a Saskatchewan Historical Recognition Registry from the Saskatchewan History and Folklore Society in recognition of family ownership and operation of a farm for 80 years. Dad filed on the homestead 8 Oct. 1909.

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HARMAN HISTORY BOOK: REPORT

Sometimes the work involved in putting together a family history moves slower than anticipated, and unfortunately that has been the story with the Harman History these last few months.

My intentions had been to have all data entry complete by the first of January 1991 but there are still some 50 to 100 pages of material left to enter onto the computer. It isn't a case of simply typing in completed material: each individual must be checked for Harman chart number, also to ensure that his/her data is correct as far as all my information is concerned and whenever possible a story put together using these facts.

Once entered on the computer, then a print-out is made and a copy of the story sent to known Harman descendants for their corrections and/or up-dates. It is the mailing of these print-outs for proof reading that has been the big stumbling block in the completion of this part of the project. The composing and writing of covering letters takes time, even using the computer, and instead of sending dozens of letters at a session I am lucky to get one dozen sent. I feel it important that these print-outs be sent as it gives people an opportunity to correct any major errors besides allowing them to see what our book will be like and should they wish they can order a copy of the finished product.

I don't want to be mercenary about this but it must be born in mind that the more copies we can order when the book goes to publication, the cheaper each copy will be. As we will not be printing extra copies (over what is ordered and paid for) we want every Harman descendant that can be reached to know about our book. If they do not choose to purchase a book that is their decision. But we do want to give as many people as possible an opportunity to make that choice.

This past month I have been preparing some pictures for use in the book. For publishing purposes photos must be re-done in "half tones" and these resulting pictures are the ones used in the book. This process is expensive. An eight by eleven page of pictures (whether two 5 X 7's or several smaller pictures) costs approximately \$13.00.

Over the past several years, ever since I became REALLY INVOLVED in family history, I have taken the opportunity when visiting Harman "kin" to camera-copy some of their old photos. Consequently I already have a wide selection of Harman family pictures. In many instances, my copies lack the sharpness of detail that can be found in the originals but still can be used if no other, clearer pictures are available. The families which I have "copied" are quite scattered: some of the William (#52 - s/o William) downline; Robert (#43 - s/o Henry); Benjamin (#61 - s/o Charles); Peter (#34 - s/o Adam). Obviously there are more families unphotographed than are.

Should our readers have clear family pictures they would like to have included in the book they may send them to me - if they don't mind trusting them to the mail. Please wrap pictures securely with a cardboard or other stiff backing, and please indicate the names of individuals in the picture with approximate year the picture was taken. Pictures will be returned after the "half-toning" process is completed.

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Ye Olde Photo Album

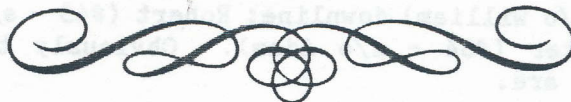
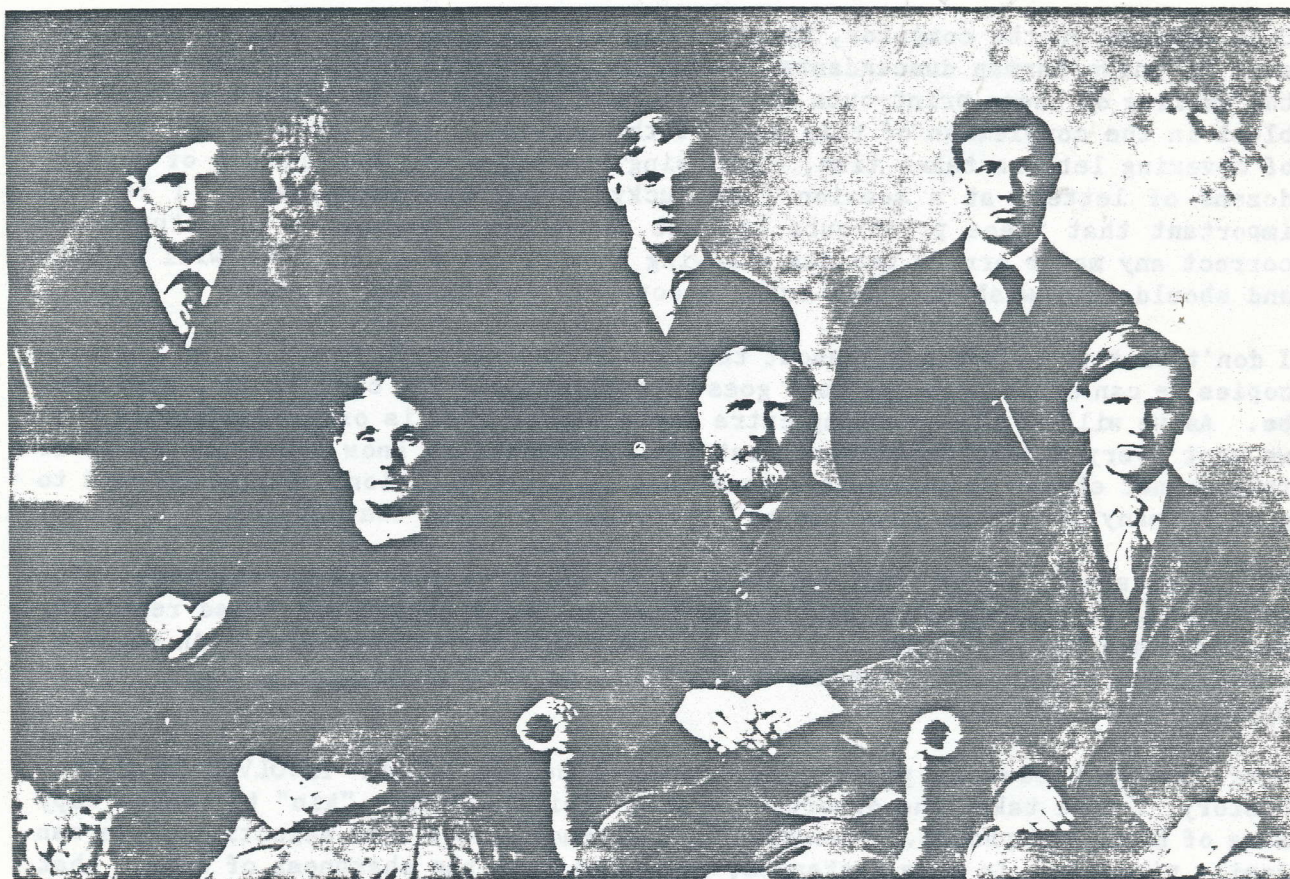


Photo of Samuel & Rachael (Harman) Evans and their four sons, Herbert, John, Burton and Ernest. Rachael (#623) d/o/ John, s/o Charles, s/o Henry & Esther.

- Photo submitted by Lillian Murraray



Above: George and Vialla (Harman) Cowperthwaite and son, Malcolm, of Blackwater, ON. c1910. Vialla (#343) d/o Peter, s/o Adam, s/o Henry & Esther.

Below left: Richard Harman, Aurora, ON. c1880. Richard (#524) s/o William W., s/o William, s/o Henry & Esther.

Below right: Will and Alice (Truax) Ryan, Reach Twp. ON. 1939. Alice (#3421) d/o Katurah, d/o Peter, s/o Adam, s/o Henry & Esther



ST. JOHN'S NORWAY CEMETERY

256 Kingston Rd., Toronto, ON.

Submitted by Kathy Miklovich,
Cambridge, ON.

1.
Annie Luella Foster 5 Nov. 1893
8 Dec. 1953
&
Ernest Harmon 10 Nov. 1889
21 Feb. 1964
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2.
Mary Ann Foster d. 17 June 1918 - 57th year
&
Peter Fleury d. 2 Mar. 1930 - 76th year
& their granddaughter, Ruby d. 14 Nov. 1920 - 7 years
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3.
Percy Frank Harman 7 Nov. 1870
7 Feb. 1939
husband of Edythe,
also of Amelia Harman 25 July 1874
17 Oct. 1929
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4.
Harry Daniel Harman d. 6 Nov 1918 - 50 years
wife Elizabeth
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5.
Frederick E. Fleury 1870 - 1920
&
Ida M. Thorndike 1873 - 1960
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1. We have one or two "Ernest Harmans" in our file but the data doesn't quite fit so perhaps this Ernest isn't one of ours. These are the closest -

Ernest C: b. Oct. 1895, Michigan, pts:Gus and Margaret Harman of Bruce Mines. ON.
Ernie: b. after 1891, pts. Willmot & Mary Jane Harman of Hamilton, ON.

The obit for Ernest's wife, Annie (nee Foster) lists their children as: Robert, Ernest, Kenneth and Lorne. Ernest and Annie were living at 36 Wardell St. in Toronto at that time (Dec. 1953).
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2. This gentleman was a son of Peter and Ann (Harman) Fleury of Mariposa. Our records indicate that Peter and Mary Ann had four children, one died in infancy,

the others grew to adulthood and married. Thanks to Kathy, we have Peter's obit from the "Toronto Star" - 3 Mar. 1930.

VETERAN HORSEMAN DEAD

**Peter Fleury, 77, Was Noted as Lover
of Animals**

One of the few veterans of the horse cartage business died yesterday in the person of Peter Fleury, 17 Britannia Ave., who combined a deep love and understanding for horses with his business. He continued to drive and take a pride in his fine span when the motor had long ousted the horse from general use.

Born in Mariposa township, Victoria county, 77 years ago, he was a member of an old Canadian family, his grandfather having come from Aurora. For some years he lived at Port Perry, Ont., and later at Lindsay. He came to Toronto 24 years ago. He was a Methodist and later attended the United church. He is survived by one son, Ernest H. Fleury, Toronto; two daughters, Mrs. A. W. Ewers, Mount Dennis, and Mrs. William Hardwick, York county; two brothers, William and Robert, and eight grandchildren.

3. Percy Frank Harman does not show up in our files at all. Anyone have info on either he or his two wives?

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4. The same for Harry Daniel Harman - while we do have many Harry/Henry Harmans, none seem to have Daniel for a second name. Help needed!!

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5. Frederick E. Fleury was a son of George and Elizabeth Fleury - George and the above Peter were brothers.

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CENSUS: 1910 MICHIGAN

The following is a follow-up on the report a few years ago about the Harman family who moved to Michigan 1860/70's. Lewis Harman, his wife Mary Ann (Shell) and their five children moved from Mariposa Twp. Victoria Co. ON. and settled in Lapeer Co., Michigan. A search of the 1910 census for Lapeer County revealed the following:

BURLINGTON TWP.

name	rel.	sex	age	md.	yrs.	you	fa	mo	yr.	nat.	occup.
SD 7/Ed 34 Sheet 3A											
HARMON, Wm.H.	hd	m	47	y	18	Can	Can	Can	1874	Na	farmer
" Ber4ha	wife	f	30	"	"						
" Roy C.	son	m	17								
" George	"	m	16								
" Nellie M.	dau	f	14								
" Frank K.	son	m	12								
" Floyd W.	"	m	9								

Sheet 3B

HARMON, Walter	hd	m	39	y	9	Can	Can	Can	1872	Na	farmer
" Mary C.	wife	f	29	y	9	Mich	Ire	"			
" John W.	son	m	8								
" Leo W.	"	m	6								
" Hazel M.	dau	f	4								
" Walter L.	son	m	2								
" Florence E.	dau	f	1/12								

Clifford Village SD 7/Ed 33/ Sheet 1B

HARMON, Lewis	hd	m	76	wid		Can	Can	Can	1864	no	own income
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ARCADIA TWP. SD 7/ ED 31/ Sheet 7B

HARMON, Justus	hd	m	71	y	43	Can	Can	NY	1862	Na	farmer
" Frances	wife	f	63	y							
" Grover	son	m	25								
" Rotus	"	m	21								

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William Henry and Walter are sons of Lewis Harman (s/o Adam, s/o Henry & Esther). I don't think that Justus Harmon of Arcadia Twp. is "one of ours" but we've included him "just in case".

There are a number of other Harman and/or related families who moved to Michigan in the same time period. These families should be searched out on the 1880, 1900 and 1910 census. Perhaps sometime this coming winter I will have the opportunity to do something about that.

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First two obits from Kathy Miklovich, Cambridge, ON. both are from the "Toronto Star".

23 Oct. 1944.

HILBORN: Mary Taylor - Suddenly at the Toronto East General Hospital, on Saturday 21 Oct. 1944, Mary Taylor, aged 32 years, beloved wife of Claire Hilborn, 318 Willow Ave., Toronto, dear mother of Barbara, Sandra, Barry, Claire, Jr., and Brian. Resting at the Wm. Sherrin Funeral Home, 873 Kingston Rd. Service in the chapel on Tuesday, at 2pm. Interment St. John's cemetery, Norway.

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29 Dec. 1954.

HILBORN, Robert H. - at Cobourg, ON. on Wed. 29 Dec. 1954, Robert H. Hilborn, in his 88th year, formerly of Vernonville, ON., beloved husband of the late Margaret Fletcher, dear father of Maude (Mrs. R.F. Allin), Merle (Mrs. F. Townsley), Rhoda (Mrs. J. McLean) Toronto; Clair, Dalton, Claude, Aulbert, Toronto; and Dalbert Hilborn, Vernonville, ON; dear brother of Stella (Mrs. Hulse), Elmer, Newmarket; and Albert Hilborn, Kettleby. Resting at the Wm. Sherrin funeral home. Services in the chapel on Friday, 3pm. Interment Pine Hills cemetery.

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Thanks to Doug Allan, Chatham, ON. for the next obits.

"Essex Free Press", Essex, ON. 21 Sept. 1917

MRS. CUTTING - known as Grandma Cutting, was the oldest member of the Salvation Army Corps., having been a member of and a regular attendant of the Army for the past thirty-three years, joining the Army shortly after they opened a barracks in Essex. She was in her eighty-second year and was born in King Twp., York Co., where she was also married, 65 years ago to John Cutting, who died in that section forty-four years ago. Six years later, with her children, she moved to Essex and has resided in this town ever since. Her brother, John Lloyd, formerly lived on the Malden Road in Maidstone, but was killed in Detroit some years ago. She was the mother of four sons and four daughters: Hiram of Essex; George of Windsor; William of Sandwich S.; Mathew of Alpena, Mich.; Electa (Mrs. Frank Brown); Fidella (Mrs. Thomas Laird) and Janet (Mrs. S.E. Corey) of Essex. Deceased was taken ill twelve weeks ago and was confined to her bed since then with a tumour on the liver. She died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Brown from whose home the funeral took place on Sunday afternoon to the Army Barracks, the services being conducted by Brigadier and Mrs. Rawlings of London, assisted by Ensign Sproule of Leamington. The pall bearers were six grandsons: Ithemer Cutting, Elmer Cutting, Arthur Brown, John Saunders, Leslie Garrow and R.J. Garrow.

(Margaret Cutting was a daughter of Hiram & Electa (nee Harman) Lloyd. We have

not yet been able to establish which branch of the family Electa belonged to although we are certain she was a grand daughter of Henry & Esther Harman).

"Aurora Banner" Aurora, ON. 1 May 1885

DIED: GARROW - In Aurora on the 28th ult., Robert Garrow, aged 34 years.

(Robert Garrow was a son of Henry Garrow of King Twp. and in October 1876 he married Electy Cutting, daughter of the above Margaret and John Cutting).

"Essex Free Press" Essex, ON. 20 Feb. 1948

Mrs. Fidella Laird, widow of the late Thomas Laird, a resident of Essex for over half a century, passed away at the home of her daughter, Dora (Mrs. Bruce Smith) on the Maidstone-Gosfield Townline, on Sunday, in her 86th year.

Deceased was born in Aurora, ON. 6 July 1862.

Surviving are three daughters: Ethel (Mrs. George Burton) of Tilbury; Nettie (Mrs. Ed Taylor) of St. Thomas; Dora (Mrs. Bruce Smith) of Gosfield North and a son, Roy of Kingsville; also, a sister, Mrs. Janet Corey and a brother George Cutting both of Essex.

Funeral services were held from the S.L. Kennedy Funeral Home, on Wednesday, in charge of Capt. Ray Homewood, of the Salvation Army and burial was in North Ridge Cemetery. Pall Bearers were Roy Ellis, Alfred Geauvreau, Jack Saunders, Sid Francottie, Frank Miller and Walter Gammon.

(Fidella was another daughter of Margaret Cutting. The next two clippings concerns Fidella's daughter, Nettie).

"Essex Free Press" Essex, ON. 29 Aug. 1919.

A quiet wedding took place at the Methodist Parsonage, Essex, on Wednesday afternoon, When Rev. J.W. Hibbert united in marriage Edward, so. of Mrs. Wm. Taylor, and Nettie, daughter of Mrs. Thos. Laird, all of Essex. They were unattended. The young couple left after the ceremony on a short wedding trip, and on their return, will reside in St. Thomas. Mr. Taylor being employed on the MCR as brakeman. The Free Press unites in offering congratulations.

"St. Thomas Times Journal" 24 Nov. 1973

Mrs. Nettie Taylor

Mrs. Nettie Taylor of 53 Maple St., died at the St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital on Friday, after an illness of several months. She was 82 years of age.

Born in Essex, ON. she had lived in St. Thomas for over 50 years. She was a member of St. Mark's United church.

Daughter of the late Thomas and Fidella Cutting Laird, her husband was the late Edward Freeman Taylor of St. Thomas who died in 1954.

She is survived by a son, Ellwood F. Taylor at home, and three daughters: Mrs. Lloyd (Eleanor) Allen of 14 Spruce St.; Mrs. Clayton (Doreen) Smith of London; and Mrs. Russel (Jean) High of London.

A brother-in-law, Wilfred Taylor of 33 Hemlock St., as well as nine grandchildren, four great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews also survive. She was the last surviving member of her own family.

Resting at the L.B.Sifton Funeral Home where the funeral service will be conducted Monday, 26 November at 1:30pm. with Rev. Gordon Duncan of St. Mark's United Church officiating. Interment in the family plot in Elmdale Memorial Park.

The next two obits were found by your editor at the library in Lapeer, MI.

North Branch, MI. newspaper clipping

HARMON, Mrs. Lewis: died 14 Aug. 1896, age 56. Leaves husband, sons and daughters: Mrs. Herbert Weston, Mrs. Willard Phillips of Oregon, Wm. Henry Harmon, Mrs. Leroy Weston, Walter Harmon, Mrs. Jacob Hilderbrandt, Miss Martha Harmon and Louis Harmon.

Flint, MI. "Journal" 12 Dec. 1982

WESTON, Carl H.: 1566 Wild Cherry Lane, age 56, died Friday 10 Dec. 1982, at the Lapeer General Hospital. Funeral services will be held 11am. Monday, 13 December at the Baird-Newton Funeral Home. Rev. Robert Fox officiating. Burial in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Mr. Weston was born in Lapeer, 14 May 1926, son of the late Nina and Harry Weston. He was actively involved in the Kiwanis of Lapeer, F & AM #54, American Legion Post #16 and the Michigan Shoe Retailers. He owned and operated the Stephens & Weston Shoe Store in Lapeer since 1960. Surviving are wife, Joanne, two sons Harry of Frankenmuth and Frederick of Lapeer, daughter Carla Jo Weston of Lapeer, four grandchildren: Virginia, Peter, Brian and Bobbi; sisters Joan Roberts, Helen Stone and Thelma Rowden all of Lapeer, June Smith of Cleo, and Shirley Crawford of Imlay City; mother-in-law Mrs. Virginia Stephens of Lapeer, several nieces and nephews.

(Carl Weston was a grandson of Herbert Weston and his wife, Louisa Harmon. Louisa is #361 on our family chart, granddaughter of Adam and Mary Harman of Mariposa Twp. Victoria Co. ON.)

Thanks to Ken Saint, Bradford, ON. for sharing the following news items which he found while searching old newspapers - the Bradford newspaper, I believe.

24 Oct. 1895: Henry Harman improving residential property on John Street, adding another story.

20 Oct. 1904: Mr. B. Harman buried infant child a few days ago.

29 Apr. 1905: Bert Harman returned home from Toronto.

20 July 1905: Mrs. Jennie Harman closed her dressmaking establishment until Sept. 15th, fall orders taken in meantime.

19 Apr. 1906: George Mousely home from Coldwater.

26 Apr. 1906: Miss Mousely, Toronto, visiting her parents.

14 June 1906: Arthur Mousely left on home-seekers excursion for the West.

15 Aug. 1907: Ralph Mousely vacationing in Huntsville.

2 Jan. 1908: George Mousely at Burkes Falls.

30 Jan. 1908: Oscar Harman working Sterling Bank, Lefoy.

20 Feb. 1908: Mr. & Mrs, Jno. Harman were in Aurora on Monday attending the funeral of a relative in the person of Mrs. Daniels who died at Burkes Falls.

(The above Henry Harman is #613 on the chart, s/o of Benjamin, s/o Charles. Bert Harman was Henry's son, and Arthur Mousely was his brother-in-law, he having married Phoebe Harman. Ralph and George were sons of Arthur and Phoebe Mousely. John Harman was likely Henry's brother John, who married Mary Jane Sweezie. Mary Jane may have been the "Jennie" Harman mentioned in connection with dressmaking. About Oscar Harman - I'm still having trouble placing him with our family).

This last clipping came to us from Nadine McInnis, Cranbrook, BC.

"Trail Times" Trail, BC. 24 Sept. 1985

FLEURY: Former Rossland resident Harvey Obediah Fleury died at the Jubilee Hospital in Prince George, BC. Friday. He was 82.

Born in Indian Head, SK. Mr. Fleury moved to Nelson when he was 11. During his summers, he worked on the CPR boats there. He later moved to Rossland and worked for Cominco for 34 years.

After retirement, he and his wife lived on the BC coast where he sold real estate for 15 years. They then moved to Penticton for 15 years.

He is survived by his son Alfred of Prince George; two daughters, Yvonne Dubeau of Taylor, BC. and Nadine McInnis of Cranbrook; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; a brother John of West Vancouver. He was predeceased by his wife Helen in 1984, his sisters Ida Lambert and Orma Bray and his brother George.

His ashes were interred in the family plot in Nelson on Monday.

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