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To the editor of The Coastguard

Dear Sir,

Recent years have seen a much greater interest being shown than formerly in what is termed "Heritage". Before erecting monuments in stone to commemorate whatever aspect of that heritage they may deem appropriate, those responsible for so doing may do well to examine the chosen subject in greater detail than is sometimes the case.

An editorial appearing in the "Morning Herald" on April 14, 1877 entitled "A Brilliant Emigration Scheme" comments on the Icelandic immigration to Nova Scotia which had taken place some three years earlier. The following quotations are excerpts from a much longer article:

"For the importation and settling of these people there has been expended during two years and part of the third, the sum of nearly twelve thousand dollars" [This was a considerably greater figure than had been spent on immigration in Ontario and New Brunswick].

"We do object and we believe the people of Nova Scotia do object to a system as extravagant as ours is; and our objection acquires strength and vehemence when we see.....by this government statement, that the system of Icelandic Immigration has been made a mere cover for the bribing of parliamentary supporters, and for the purpose of putting public money into the pockets of political supporters and friends and relatives of the ring of people who have been wasting the public money in this county and province for years back."

It should be noted that criticism was directed mainly at the originators of the scheme, beneficiaries to the tune of some \$8,000, in Musquodoboit and Mooseland and that the immigrants themselves were not implicated. Some consideration, too, should be given to the political bias of the Morning Herald. The article concludes:

"They [the people of the province] see that the whole Immigration Service whether with William Annand in London, or with Donald Archibald at Musquodoboit, is an expensive and extensive fraud, which supplies more pap for the mouths of political partizans than it does for the people of the province, and which is a scandal to the whole Dominion."

Nova Scotians of the nineteenth century would, no doubt, have been surprised to learn that government action such as described above was to be celebrated in the twentieth.

J.P.T. Bebb,

Lockeport.

SHELBURNE COUNTY 1875.

JAMES S. ALLAN	EXPENSES LOCATING ICELANDERS AT LOCKEPORT INCLUDING PASSAGE MONEY FROM HALIFAX.	\$100.00
THOS ROBERTSON	EXPENSES INCURRED SENDING ICELANDERS FROM HALIFAX TO JORDAN RIVER, SHELBURNE Co.	6.50
DO.	PORTION OF THIS AMOUNT USED TO PAY EXPENSES ON ICELANDERS FROM PICTOU TO LOCKEPORT, AND BALANCE ON THOSE OF THE PARTY WHO WENT TO MUSQUODOBOIT	78.47
J. ANDERSON	EXPENSES ON ICELANDERS FROM HALIFAX TO LOCKEPORT	14.25
DO.	TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF INTERPRETER FROM HALIFAX TO LOCKEPORT AND RETURN	10.50
S.S. 'EDGAR STUART'	PASSAGE ICELANDIC FAMILY TO SHELBURNE	16.50
C.F. WEEKS M.D.	MEDICAL ATTENDANCE ICELANDERS AT LOCKEPORT	10.75.
		<u>\$ 236.97</u>

1876.

THOS ROBERTSON	ON ACCOUNT EXPENSES INCURRED SECURING LAND FOR ICELANDERS AT LOCKEPORT	15.00
D.J. CAMPBELL	BALANCE OF ABOVE ACCOUNT	69.40
JAS G. ALLAN.	FUEL AT LOCKEPORT	9.65
CHAS J. WEEKS M.D.	MEDICAL ATTENDANCE ICELANDERS AT LOCKEPORT	27.50
E. SWINESBURG AND } THOMAS SIMMONDS }	LAND FOR ICELANDERS AT LOCKEPORT	1,150.00
SAMUEL LOCKE	DO. DO.	650.00
JAS CROWELL	DO. DO.	300.00
PARKER AND WILLIAMS	ERECTION OF HOUSES AT LOCKEPORT	1,075.00
SAMUEL LOCKE	RENTAL OF BULL ISLAND FOR ICELANDERS	30.00
S.S. 'EDGAR STUART'	PASSAGE ICELANDERS TO LOCKEPORT	50.00
		<u>3,376.55</u>

"ELANDER THE ISLANDER"

\$1.50

LOCKEPORT MAR 28<sup>th</sup> 1883.

RECEIVED FROM LEWIS C. BENHAM ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS BY HIS BOY SYRUS FOR LOAD OF WOOD FOR ELANDER THE ISLANDER

JAMES WILLIAMS.

SO WROTE A NEIGHBOUR OF THE 'ICELANDERS' WHO SEVEN YEARS BEFORE HAD BEEN SETTLED AT EAST GREEN HARBOUR, OR JUST BEYOND, IN HOUSES WHICH ARE STILL STANDING. THIS WAS A CONTEMPORARY EVENT OF SOME INTEREST.

THE DETAILS OF THE IMMIGRATION TO NOVA SCOTIA OF SOME <sup>25</sup> 30 FAMILIES OF ICELANDERS ARE WELL KNOWN, BUT THE PART PLAYED IN IT BY LOCAL LOCKEPORT INHABITANTS BEARS REPEATING. J. G. ALLEN, AS A PROMINENT CITIZEN WAS INVOLVED IN THE MIGRATION AND HIS RECORD STANDS IN SOMEWHAT BETTER LIGHT THAN THE ACTIVITIES ENGAGED IN BY INDIVIDUALS WHO SETTLED, OR ATTEMPTED TO SETTLE PREVIOUSLY THE NEWCOMERS AT MUSQUODOBIT, MOOSELAND AND SHUBENACHT. IN AN EDITORIAL OF APRIL 18<sup>th</sup> 1874, THE PAPER IS SCATHING IN ITS ATTACK OF THE MOTIVATIONS IN "A BRILLIANT EMIGRATION SCHEME." THEIR BLOWS FEEL WERE STRUCK IN PARTICULAR AT DONALD ARCHIBALD AND D. J. CAMPBELL, BUT ALSO INCLUDED STRIKES ADMINISTERED IN THE FOLLOWING WORDS: "THE WHOLE SYSTEM OF ICELANDIC IMMIGRATION HAS BEEN MADE A MERE COVER FOR THE BRIBING OF PARLIAMENTARY SUPPORTERS OF THE GOVERNMENT, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PUTTING PUBLIC MONEY INTO THE POCKETS OF POLITICAL SUPPORTERS AND FRIENDS AND RELATIVES OF THE RING OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN WASTING PUBLIC MONEY IN THIS COUNTY AND PROVINCE FOR YEARS BACK." THE NEW PAPER NOT OPPOSED IN PRINCIPLE TO THE SCHEME, BUT RATHER AS TO HOW IT WAS IMPLEMENTED.

DONALD ARCHIBALD CHARGED AND GOT, \$400 FOR SERVICES WHICH ANY HONORABLE AND HONEST PUBLIC MAN WOULD GLADLY HAVE PERFORMED FOR NOTHING. DONALD ARCHIBALD COULD HARDLY HAVE BEEN PAID FOR HIS INTELLIGENCE IN DOING THE WORK, FOR PROVIDENCE NEVER BLESSED HIM WITH MUCH BRAINS

[NOTE: IN ITALICS]

BRIEFLY THE WHOLE SCHEME COST \$12,000 OF WHICH THE GREATER PART WAS EXPENDED IN HALIFAX COUNTY: \$7,475.84, AND \$3,613.52 IN SHELBURNE COUNTY, THE LATTER MADE UP AS FOLLOWS:

Immigration to Nova Scotia, which approaches \$80 per head.

"The Icelanders" said Mr. Hill, "were starving," and it was necessary to send them supplies, and for distributing these supplies, Mr. Donald Archibald demanded and was paid the sum of \$400. It must strike every reader of the return, as a curious thing that the name of Archibald should crop up with such surprising frequency. The Archibalds all appear to have "kindly" served the Icelanders, and as "kindly" sent in their little bills, which were no doubt duly presented, perhaps by Donald M.P.P., and paid. Mr. Donald Archibald, no doubt, thought that he should not be the only one of the name who made no money out of the "starving" Icelanders; and so, without Parliamentary authority, without any reason on earth, he charged, and got, \$400 for services which any honorable and honest public man would gladly have performed for nothing. Donald Archibald could hardly have been paid for his intelligence in doing the work, for Providence never blessed him with much brains. He could not have been paid for labor, for there is nothing to show what he did, or if he did anything at all. He was simply paid by the Government because he was a good Government supporter and because he wanted to make an "honest penny" out of the expenditure for the "starving" Icelanders!

We commend this whole subject to the calm consideration of the people of this Province. Their interests and their money are involved in it. They see that the whole Immigration Service, whether with William Annand in London, or with Donald Archibald at Musquodoboit, is an expensive and extensive fraud, which supplies more pay for the mouths of political partizans than it does people to the Province, and which is a scandal to the whole Dominion.

# IMMIGRATION EXPENDITURE EXTRAORDINARY.

## A PARLIAMENTARY RETURN.

Statement furnished in reply to Mr. Woodworth's request shewing amount expended by Provincial Government on account of Icelandic Immigration, from March 1875 to March, 1877.

### HALIFAX COUNTY. 1875.

Name of persons in whose favor warrant was drawn.	For what service or purpose.	Amount.
T. A. Lockhart,	Board of 1st party of Icelanders sent to Musquodoboit, pd at request of E. Clay, M. D.	131 40
John Anderson,	Expenses of 2 Icelanders sent to Musquodoboit to select land	30 00
SAMUEL ARCHIBALD	Expenses sending 1st detachment of Icelanders to Musquodoboit.	30 00
John Anderson,	To defray his expenses to Iceland to advance Icelandic Immigration to Nova Scotia,	500 00
T. A. Lockhart,	Board of Icelanders before the House at Musquodoboit was ready for them,	369 20
Do	do do,	508 76
SAMUEL ARCHIBALD,	Travelling expenses to and from Musquodoboit for Icelanders.	27 68
Leonard Sandford,	House rent and supplies for Icelanders at Musquodoboit, (sworn to.)	16 31
Thos. Robertson,	Allowance by Government to trips to Musquodoboit locating Icelanders,	29 00
T. A. Lockhart,	Board of Icelanders in Halifax,	15 30
O. B. ARCHIBALD,	Supplies to Icelanders, Flour, etc.,	36 16
Wm. D. ARCHIBALD,	Do do, (sworn to.)	77 00
Wm. Pearson, M. D.,	Medical Attendance, do,	34 75
Wm. ARCHIBALD,	Freight on Luggage from Shubenacadie, etc.,	51 50
T. A. Lockhart,	Board of Icelanders in Halifax,	118 20
Do	do, do,	36 00
Samuel Green,	Medical Attendance, and board of Icelanders,	15 45
Wm. Bryson,	Expenses removing Icelanders from Musquodoboit to Mooseland,	28 00
GEO. ARCHIBALD,	Board of Icelanders,	50 30
Chas. Morris, M. D.,	Medical Attendance of Icelanders,	31 00
John Anderson,	Balance of expenses to Iceland, including the printing of 500 copies of "Oroskill's Pamphlet" in Icelandic,	290 51
Do	do	10 00
John Higgins & Co.,	Travelling Expenses to Mooseland, Building Houses at Mooseland contract filed with warrant,	1,121 50
do	do	20 00
J. M. Nelson,	Freight of Icelandic luggage from Shubenacadie to Mooseland,	20 00
J. Tays,	Board of Icelanders at Shubenacadie,	7 50
DONALD ARCHIBALD,	Fares by coach for Icelanders to Musquodoboit, Balance for Building Houses at Mooseland, contracts filed with warrant,	658 50
Thos. Robertson,	Expenses to Mooseland having been sent by Government,	8 00
J. M. Nelson,	To Board of 2 Icelanders, who arrived at Shubenacadie via Pictou,	3 50
John Higgins,	Expenses removing Icelanders from Shubenacadie to Mooseland,	30 10
J. Tays,	Fares on coach of Icelanders to Mooseland,	7 75
T. A. Lockhart,	Board of Icelanders in Halifax,	21 30
John Anderson,	To services as Interpreter to Icelanders,	210 00
Robt. Kaulback,	Supplies to Icelanders,	11 35
Scott Higgins,	Freight paid for Icelandic luggage to Mooseland,	25 00
Wm. Bryson,	do do do	32 50
John Higgins,	do do do	21 75
Leonard Sandford,	Rental of Houses at Musquodoboit,	19 11
		\$4,602 53

### 1876.

C. B. ARCHIBALD,	Supplies for Icelanders at Mooseland,	50 45
D. J. Campbell,	Expenses for Interpreter for Icelanders (O. Brynjolsson),	30 00
Wm. Bryson,	Truckage on Supplies carried into Mooseland,	71 00
MATTHEW ARCHIBALD	Supplies for Icelanders, Flour, etc.,	322 71
John Tobin & Co.	do do	244 71
Wm. Campbell,	Freight on Supplies to Mooseland,	9 35
Wm. Bryson,	do do,	30 00
GEO. ARCHIBALD,	Expenses on Icelanders to Mooseland,	48 00
Stewiacke Iron Foundry Co	Advances made for Stoves for Icelanders,	130 00
Railway Department,	Freight on Supplies for Icelanders,	10 63
D. W. B. Reid,	Seed Potatoes for Icelanders,	49 00
T. R. Lockhart,	For board of Icelanders, Halifax,	132 00
MATTHEW ARCHIBALD,	Supplies for Icelanders, Meal, etc.,	2 01 17
John Tobin & Co.	do, do,	24 30
Wm. Bryson,	Truckage on Flour, Meal, etc., March & April,	87 00
O. W. McLellan,	Seed Oats and Potatoes,	28 50
Wm. Miller,	For services with Icelanders,	25 00
Alex. Wilson,	Fitting up School House for Icelanders at Mooseland,	28 10
Do	Building House for School Teacher,	85 32
Thos. Robertson,	Expenses to Mooseland,	12 50
Oskar Brynjolsson,	Services as Interpreter,	10 00
Wm. Bryson,	Truckage of goods to Mooseland,	41 50
GEO. ARCHIBALD,	Supplies to Icelanders,	12 05
Thos. Robertson,	To pay expenses to Quebec to intercept Icelanders,	28 00
Wm. Bryson,	Truckage on Supplies for Icelanders,	13 50
		1,679 80

### 1877.

John Higgins,	Supplies for Icelanders,	16 25
John Tobin & Co.	do do Flour and Meal,	62 76
D. J. CAMPBELL,	Allowances by Government to D. Archibald for Services Locating Icelanders at Mooseland, between March 1875, and December 31st, 1877,	400 00
John Tobin & Co.	Supplies for Icelanders, Flour and Meal,	170 12
C. B. ARCHIBALD,	do do do	24 50
Wm. Bryson,	Truckage on above supplies to Mooseland,	45 00
J. K. Bent,	Timothy Seed expenses,	54 25
E. Morris & Co.	Seed Oats and Barley,	115 50
D. W. B. Reid,	Potatoes,	46 20
W. Bryson,	Truckage of seed from Stewiacke Station and Musquodoboit to Mooseland,	41 65
		979 32

### SHELBURNE COUNTY. 1875.

James G. Allan,	Expenses locating 19 Icelanders at Lockeport, including passage money from Halifax,	\$100 00
Thos. Robertson,	Expenses incurred sending Icelanders from Halifax to Jordan River, Shelburne Co.,	6 50
Do	Portion of this amount used to pay expenses on Icelanders from Pictou to Lockeport, and balance on those of the party who went to Musquodoboit,	78 47
J. Anderson,	Expenses on Icelanders from Halifax to Lockeport,	14 25
Do	Travelling expenses of Interpreter from Halifax to Lockeport and return,	10 50
S. S. Edgar Stuart,	Passage Icelanders family to Shelburne,	16 50
C. F. Weeks, M. D.	Medical attendance Icelanders at Lockeport,	10 75
		\$294 97

### 1876.

Thos. Robertson,	On account expenses securing land for Icelanders at Lockeport,	15 00
D. J. Campbell,	Balance of above account,	69 40
James G. Allan,	Food at Lockeport,	9 65
Chas. J. Weeks, M. D.	Medical attendance Icelanders, Lockeport,	27 50
E. Swineburg, and THOMAS SIMMONS	Land for Icelanders at Lockeport,	1,150 00
SAMUEL LOCKE,	do do,	650 00
JAS. CROWELL,	do do,	300 00
Parker & Williams,	Erection of houses at Lockeport,	1,075 00
Samuel Locke,	Reat of Bull Island for Icelanders,	30 00
S.S. "Edgar Stuart,"	Passage Icelanders Halifax to Lockeport,	50 00
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### SHELBURNE COUNTY.

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## MORNING HERALD

HALIFAX, N. S.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 1877.

### A Brilliant Emigration Scheme.

During the recent session of the local Legislature Mr. Woodworth moved for a return showing the amounts expended, and to whom paid and for what service, in connection with the Icelandic Immigration to Nova Scotia. That return has been duly perused by us, and is published in another portion of this issue of the HERALD,\* in such a form as will render it easy to be studied by our readers.

It reveals more than we knew, but not more than we suspected, and will, we feel sure, cause expressions of surprise and indignation among thoughtful people of all classes, and of both sides of politics in this country.

The return shows that the whole Icelandic population of Nova Scotia consists of some 30 families, numbering men, women and children, about 150 souls. And for the importation and settlement of these people there has been expended during two years and a part of the third, the sum of nearly TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS. This would make an average cost of something like EIGHTY DOLLARS for each man, woman, and child of the whole Immigration.

We believe that there is not in the whole world a system of Immigration which is made to cost a poor province anything like this extravagant sum. We would be the very last people in the world to object to a proper system of Immigration, conducted on reasonably economic principles, and by honest men. But we do object, and we believe the people of Nova Scotia do object, to a system as extravagant as ours is; and our objection acquires strength and vehemence when we see, as our readers will see, by this Governmental statement, that the whole system of Icelandic Immigration has been made a mere cover for the bribing of Parliamentary supporters of the Government, and for the purpose of putting public money into the pockets of political supporters and friends and relatives of the ring of people who have been wasting the public money in this County and Province for years back.

We believe that there is not a Province in the Dominion where the per capita expenditure is one half, or one quarter what it is in Nova Scotia. Let us take the Province of Ontario for instance. Here is a statement of the per capita expenditure for Provincial Immigration during several years:

#### ONTARIO.

1871	.....	\$1.15
1872	.....	2.05
1873	.....	4.08
1874	.....	5.29
1875	.....	5.32
1876	.....	3.90

In New Brunswick the per capita expenditure does not exceed the sum of \$21.00—we have not the exact figures.

The whole Immigration service of the Dominion is done at a cost of one-third of ours. Here are the figures:

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1875	.....	18.50
1876	.....	25.80

These figures serve two purposes. They show that the Mackenzie combination have managed to quadruple the per capita expenditure in three years; but even at their worst, the figures are not one-third of the cost of the Icelandic

immigrants, has never earned the credit of the whole Province. There are very few men in this country, out of the jails, for whom the Annands ought to have respect; and Mr. North's a man for whom the Annands ought to have not only respect but reverence, as a man eminently their superior in every particular.

The Annands are good enough to say that they, the virtuous and revered and eminently respectable Annands, saw "little or nothing" in Mr. North's career to criticise;—that is they, the immaculate and spotless and unassailable Annands looked with a charitable and tolerant eye on a poor devil of an imperfectly respectable character, like Mr. North, and kindly refrained from exposing him. How kind—how good—how noble in the Annands! It must strike the public as particularly generous if William Annand to admit that he saw little or nothing in Mr. North's career to severely criticise. It would be curious to know if Mr. North ever entertained any respect for Mr. Annand or would admit for a moment that he could find "little or nothing" in Mr. Annand's career to criticise with severity.

The Annands think that Mr. North has, in this particular Navigation Securities matter, put himself in a false light. That is, the Annands think that a man who up to this time, and he is no longer a young man, has borne an irreproachable reputation (an almost impossible thing in the eyes of the Annands); who has had even the respect of their scurrilous sheet; whose career has been without a single event discreditable publicly or privately, has all at once, without the slightest reason, become an idiot and a liar.

And the Annands think that Mr. North has disappointed his friends. Were the Annands ever Mr. North's friends? For they are certainly the only persons that Mr. North has disappointed. We fancy that it is the same with Mr. North as with Mr. Hill. He needs to "set himself right" before the

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Mr. North has disappointed the Annands because he did not tell lies; because he did not repudiate Mr. Woodworth; because he did not swear false evidence; because he did not tell what he knew to be untrue; because he did not testify that Mr. Woodworth was a thief when, as he swore, he never had any reason to doubt Mr. Woodworth's probity. Let the Annands take the proper steps to test the question whether Mr. North is an idiot, a perjurer, and a liar, or not, by getting a dissolution; and then in Kings County, as in other Counties, the people will pass their verdict on the Annands and the whole corrupt and scandal mongering clique by whom they are surrounded, and whom they control.

What's in the Papers.

—Has Mr. William Annand closed that account with the Government; yet, and duly returned the balance of £125 sterling due this Province? We pause for a reply.

—The Brassdealers have not one word to say in explanation or defence of the Government's refusal to pay Mr. Woodworth's witnesses. Their answer to this grave charge of unparalleled meanness and malignity remains yet to be given. The answer of the People of Kings will no doubt be given by a jury of that County next October. We are very far from wishing to see any of our contemporaries in trouble; but if ever a combination of miscreants deserved to be taught a lesson, it is the Brassdealers in their malicious, crazy crusade against Messrs. North and Woodworth.

E. I. THWAITES, Ladies and Juveniles DRESS, JACKET, and MANTLE MAKER, No. 62 Granville Street, two doors north of HERALD office, Halifax, N. S.

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HALIFAX COUNTY EXPENDITURE.

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THE KINGAN CASE.—The inquest in the case of the death of James Kingan was resumed this afternoon at three o'clock, before Coroner Moody.

Mr. Thomas D. Kingan, of New York, brother of the deceased, testified that Dr. Wm. A. Hammond, surgeon, of New York, had a *post mortem* examination of the body of James Kingan, after its removal to New York. The examination was made in the presence of the witness, Dr. Hammond found a round wound five-eighths of an inch in diameter on the crown of the head of the deceased. Removing the scalp the bruised and broken flesh of the wound dropped out. The skull was then removed, and under the bone was found about a tablespoonful of coagulated blood. Dr. Hammond said such an injury to the skull and brain would render one incapable of walking, and would produce almost immediate death. Dr. Hammond also stated to the witness that he never knew of a person walking fifty feet after the main artery had been cut through. He never knew that any person who had committed suicide had bled only in one place. A man might, with a razor, cut his throat at one cut, but he did not think a man could, with a small knife, haggle his throat with repeated cuts.

Peter Dalgo certified that he was on the train on the night of the tragedy. He left the train at the tank. He did not see any persons about the train or station when he left.

The Chief of Police of St. John was present during the investigation.

The verdict of the jury is "that the deceased, James Kingan, came to his death by the hand of some person or persons unknown—*St. John News*."

There was a death in a dentist's chair in Manchester, England, on March 27th. Nitrous oxide was given to a surgeon, and as the first application failed, he asked to have it continued until he should snore. Two teeth were extracted, but the patient suddenly died from syncope of the heart. At the inquest it was shown that the muscular structure of the heart, upon which the circulation depends, was gradually giving way; so that the action of the gas did, at the most, only hasten a result already impending.

LOOK HERE.—The price of Dry Goods is so reduced at the corner of Argyle and Buckingham streets that people say you can get good, genuine Bargains without a doubt.—A. MONAGHAN if j25 ette

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Sources)?

Book: "THE MARVLAND ICELANDERS: AN IMMIGRATION EXPERIMENT"  
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JOHN RYAN (SNR) PURCHASED LAND FROM JOHN & SOPHIE MACKENZIE, FOR  
\$500 IN 1875 [AT GREEN HARBOUR?] HE WAS A FARMER AND  
GREW CROPS THERE ON THE 60-65 ACRE LOT FOR AT LEAST 40 YRS.

JOHN RYAN (JNR) SON OF J. R. SNR, MARRIED C. 1900  
THORUNN ERLENDSDOTTIR, DAUGHTER OF [ERLENDVAS DOTTIR?]  
ERLENDUR HOSKULDSSON  
SHE DIED C. 1918 & JOHN E. RYAN REMARRIED (TO MARY) AND  
REMOVED TO MASSACHUSETTS.



# The Leif Ericson Millennium Celebration



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## HOW TO HELP US

Many opportunities exist for individuals and groups to support or participate in celebrating the discovery of North America one thousand years ago by Leif Ericson and his Viking crew. You can help in one or more of the following ways: (links are provided where appropriate).

### Individual Members:

Join the Committee and show your support for honoring Leif Ericson. It's quick, it's easy, and it is free.

There are two types of individual memberships for the Leif Ericson Millennium Committee, normal membership and sustaining membership. Normal membership is free and you can register directly through this site. Membership entitles you to receive information and news about the Millennium celebrations via EMail.

To become a sustaining member of the Leif Ericson Millennium Committee, fill out the membership form and forward with your check to:

Per C. Christensen, Chairman  
Leif Ericson Millennium Committee  
800 Cooper Street, 8th floor  
Camden, NJ 08102

Your sustaining membership and support will help pay our operating expenses, help us further our mission, and add to the numbers of those honoring the first European in North America. In addition to the benefits received through normal membership you will also receive a ten percent discount on all official millennium products (t-shirts, caps, mugs, pins, and other items). You will also receive a logo decal for display on your home or automobile. Both memberships will be valid through December 2000.

### Organization Affiliates:

Non-profit groups such as Scandinavian-American organizations,

Viking clubs, and other interested groups are eligible for organizational affiliate status. To register an organization, you must first register an individual to be the contact for the organization as described in the previous section. Once this is performed you may register your organization. The list of registered organizations is also available.

**Corporate Sponsors:**

Many opportunities exist for Nordic, Nordic-American, Nordic-Canadian, and United States and Canadian corporations to aid in the celebration of the Leif Ericson Millennium. Examples are: marketing themes using the Leif Ericson logo, sponsorship of individual events, or designation as official provider of event services and products.

**Donations:**

For those individuals, corporations, and organizations who wish to support the Millennium celebration through contribution of funds, services, or materials, all contributions are gratefully accepted. (Donations are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.) All donations will be recognized in our publications, unless requested otherwise.

**Publicity:**

Individuals and media organizations are encouraged to publicize single events, and to produce documentary and/or entertainment programming related to the Millennium.

**Direct Participation:**

Opportunities will be created for groups and individuals wishing to take part directly in the celebration.

**Contacts**

Per Christensen, chairman, LEMC or phone 203-761-6030 (fax 203-761-6007)  
Dennis L. Johnson, secretary, LEMC / phone 215-242-3063 (fax 215-242-3119)  
or write to:

LEMC, LLC  
800 Cooper Street, 8th floor  
Camden, NJ 08102



**From:** Marsh Burgess  
**To:** "eleanor.belmore@ns.sympatico.ca".NSGOVINTERNET.NSGT  
**Date:** 11/8/99 10:41am  
**Subject:** Re: Mooseland Stone

Dear Dolly/Glenda:

Glad that we have made contact.

I just finished writing an article on the Lockeport Icelanic Settlement and mailed it off to Helga at INL to see if they will publish it in the Icelandic Canadian Magazine. I included some photos. We will use this article for a hand out at the opening ceremony in Lockeport on August 27th.

I sent an article to Logberg on Family No 15 Bjarni Andresson. This will be Article #5.

Went to a Scandinavian Party on Saturday nite. Capt Aage Roren (422-7483) said the ships are coming in on August 18 not August 24. This date keeps moving. The final decision is to made in Philadelphia on Nov 19. Web site is [www.leif2000.org](http://www.leif2000.org). Once the dates are confirmed, we will have to decide what to do.

Graham Huskilson called and offered to drive the stone to Mooseland. I can speak to him about this if you so wish.

Spoke to Don Gislasson over the weekend. Have made contact with some more families - No 3 Sigurdur Jonssen, No 14 Hafsteinn Skulason, No 25 Olafur Olafsson, No. 36 Johann Struamfjord and Konrad Egilsson.

Mailed the Contribution Agreements back to Ottawa.

Went over the Lease again and asked Tom Hart to do it up in final form for signature at the next meeting.

See you all on November 28th, weather permitting.

Marshall

>>> Eleanor Belmore <[eleanor.belmore@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:eleanor.belmore@ns.sympatico.ca)> 11/07/99 10:22am >>>

Hi Marshall,

It is a beautiful morning back here in Markland. We decided to spend a few weeks back here to get the real experience before Mum writes her next article. We spent most of the night trying to find our cow, that is after we arrived back from the shore with our load of dry fish. This morning we walked down to Huskilson's variety and Pizza for some supplies for breakfast but they were closed. Must be at church. Why don't you drop over on Friday for some sheeps head?

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Did you talk to Harley last week? We talked to him about the stone. He wanted to hire someone to bring the stone to Musq. Keith wants to be able to look over the stone for the winter to get some ideas. I suggested that we could put a small plaque on the flat part of the monument saying where the rock came from, rather than right on the rock, which might not look right. They agreed that probably would be good. You may know all of this already.

Ken says he really thinks we should have a replica. He wants to construct one over the winter. Also, there is a guy who may make us the signs. Wooden ones. I think they would be so much better than something behind plexiglass. We'll bring the information to the meeting.

See you soon.

**NOVA SCOTIA PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE**

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**FAX TRANSMITTAL**

**DATE:** Nov 2/99

**TO:**

**NAME:** Mayor Hunkelson

**COMPANY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FAX #:** 656-2935

**RE:**

**FROM:**

**NAME:** Grabergen

**PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE**

**PHONE:** (902) 424-8130  
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# The Leif Ericson Millennium Celebration



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## INVITATION AND PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT VIKINGS SAIL2000!

### MILLENNIUM VOYAGE OF VIKING SHIPS: WEST TO VINLAND

As a centerpiece of the Leif Ericson Millennium Celebration in the year 2000, Viking ships from all nations are invited to set sail for North America in the summer of 2000 to join in commemorating the voyage of Leif Ericson to North America in about 1000. The Leif Ericson Millennium Committee International, as sponsor and host, in cooperation with the Viking Trail Tourism Association, Newfoundland, CANADA, is committed to planning, coordinating, and assisting participants financially and otherwise in order that they will be able to take part in this gathering of Viking ships.

#### THE CONCEPT

Viking ships and their crews will assemble by various routes at L'Anse Aux Meadows, Newfoundland, Canada, by the first week in August, 2000. There they will take part in a Viking Grand Encampment and Viking Village program called "VINLAND 1000", planned by The Viking Trail Tourism Association of Canada. They will then set sail in company down the East Coast of Canada and the US in a voyage whose theme is "In Search of Vinland". Each weekend will bring them to a major city en route where the dramatic impact of the Viking ships and their story will drive home the discovery of North America by Vikings one thousand years ago.

Harbor events and festivals will be planned at each city to welcome the visitors and highlight their presence. Overnight stops at smaller intermediate towns along the coastline will bring the Vikings to many more people along the way. People not along the coast, and in the home countries of these sailors, will be able to follow their progress via the Internet and the Media. Related events such as the Biking Vikings, will be coordinated with the progress of the ships, and special events in various cities will also dramatize this part of the Leif Ericson Millennium celebration.

The ten-week voyage will bring the Viking ships to New York City by Sept. 30 where the ships will be seen by millions, and then to Philadelphia by October 7

to take part in a planned Viking Encampment, Scandinavian Festival, and the Leif Ericson Millennium Banquet on October 9. Ships wishing to continue can proceed to Baltimore, Washington D.C., and cities beyond as desired.

### TENTATIVE ITINERARY

The following itinerary and sailing schedule has been blocked out for review and comment by planners, participants, and host cities, and is subject to adjustment after comments are received.

Weekend	Location	Mid-week en route stops
Aug. 5, 6	L'Anse Aux Meadows, NF	NF LaScie, Carmanville, Newtown, Bona Vista
Aug. 12, 13	St. John's, NF	Trepassey, St. Lawrence, Burgeo, Port Aux Basques, N. Sydney, Canso Strait
Aug. 19, 20	Undesignated (see notes)	Options: Charlottetown, P.E.I. Antigonish, Port Hastings, Liscomb Mills, etc.
Aug. 26, 27	Halifax/Dartmouth, NS	Liverpool, Lockeport, Clark's Harbor * Grand Harbor (Grand Manan), Ear Harbor, ME, Rockland
Sept. 2, 3	Yarmouth, NS	Biddeford, Portsmouth, Gloucester, Marblehead
Sept. 9, 10	Portland, ME	Plymouth, Cape Cod Canal to New Bedford, Vineyard Haven, Newport RI
Sept. 16, 17	Boston, MA	New Haven, Bridgeport, Norwalk
Sept. 23, 24	New London, CT	Greenwich, (Long Island Sound)
Sept. 30, Oct. 1	New York City, NY	Pt. Pleasant NJ, Atlantic City Cape May
Oct. 7-9	Philadelphia	Wilmington, Sassafras R., Annapolis MD (via Chesapeake Canal)
Optional		
Oct. 14, 15	Baltimore, MD	Chesapeake Bay and Potomac R. Cities
Oct. 21, 22	Washington, DC	Then homeward bound or south

### NOTES:

Viking ships will be of various sizes and sailing or motoring capabilities. A few may wish to sail the North Atlantic in the path of the Vikings from Nordic ports. Others will more likely be shipped to an Eastern Port where they can sail to Newfoundland or, if small enough to be trailerable, be driven by highway and ferry to the assembly point at L'Anse Aux Meadows. Others may join the fleet along the way or, if unable to stay the entire ten weeks, leave the fleet early.

The Northern legs of the voyage are especially subject to weather delays, and extra time has been added to the itinerary. Alternate routes are possible on these passages also, depending on the various ship's capabilities. Trailerable vessels may elect to avoid the more difficult passages and travel one or more legs

by highway and ferry when the weather is unfavorable.

An accompanying support ship will be sought to provide for emergencies, supplies, repairs or other needs of the Viking ships. Cooperation of the Canadian and US Coast Guards for Rescue and other assistance if needed will be arranged for.

Since the time period of the voyage is ten weeks or more, some crews may not be able to arrange for all to be present for the entire period, and crew members can rotate to be present for shorter periods thanks to modern air travel.

## **PARTICIPATION**

All plans are tentative and few commitments are yet in hand. We do know that an Icelandic replica ship, the ISLENDIGUR, will definitely sail from Iceland via Greenland to L'Anse Aux Meadows. The SNORRI, a replica sailed in 1998 by Hodding Carter, III to L'Anse Aux Meadows from Greenland, will be present and several other ships have indicated a strong interest in coming to North America in 2000, subject to the financial and other assistance available. These include NORSEMAN (Philadelphia), The SIGRID STORRADA (Lidköping, Sweden), the ANUND, (Vasteras, Sweden), and the SKIDBLADNER (Stockholm, Sweden). The Millennium Committee is committed to raising funds, enlisting Corporate Sponsors, and arranging Ocean Transport for participating Viking ships to the greatest extent possible. The Committee recognizes that costs involved will be substantial and will do all it can to help find ways for groups with Viking vessels to participate in this once-in-a-lifetime event.

Participants are expected to help in planning and in providing some of their own costs such as lodgings, meals and personal expenses. Cooperation in filming events and with other publicity arrangements may well be a requirement of some sponsors. Within these limitations, we do hope that a good time and a memorably great adventure will be had by all. We celebrate not only the accomplishments of Leif Ericson and his Viking companions, but the contributions of all of the Nordic Immigrants who followed him and have helped to shape North America as it is today.

## **REGISTRATION**

Detailed registration information and forms will be provided in due course. For the present, you may indicate your interest by filling out our short questionnaire directly over the Internet. We hope to hear from all Viking Ships interested in or thinking about taking part. Please send your questions, comments, ideas, and your general intentions (if known) to the Millennium Committee, or Dennis L. Johnson, or by snail mail to:

**VIKINGS SAIL2000!**  
c/o JOHNSON/SMITH Architects  
15 West Highland Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA. 19118, USA

**Or via Fax to 215 242 3119**

**Comments and questions are also invited from prospective Sponsors, Host Cities, Sailors, and all others interested in the Leif Ericson Millennium.**

**For information on L'Anse Aux Meadows events, please contact Randy Letto,  
VTTA,**

**12/15/98**

**Last modified: January 16, 1999**

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3:55 PM

Mayor Hunkalsun  
656-2935

<< Mayor Hunkalsun + Bill Atwood

**From:** Marsh Burgess  
**To:** "hansind@icelandair.is".NSGOVINTERNET.NSGT  
**Date:** 10/21/99 3:40pm  
**Subject:** Re: Icelandic Memorial Society

I spoke to John Campbell in Shelburne today. I told him that the 2 stones are to leave Iceland on Eimskip line on Friday October 22 and be in Shelburne on Saturday, October 30. He will arrange to pick up the stones and store them. I have no idea where Customs enters the scene.

John's numbers is 875-2903 (home), cell 875-7807 and his office at Huskison's Funeral Home 875-2368.

You were going to provide me with the name and number of the contact person at Eimskip.

The bill for the stones has been directed to Beverly Redden in Middle Musquodobit.

The bill for the shipping, I gather will be sent there aslo if they are going to charge for the transportation.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Marshall

>>> <hansind@icelandair.is> 10/18/99 08:44am >>>

Hi Marsh,

It was an interesting evening and those pictures are beautiful.

I have not heard from the stone maker but I did sent hin an e-mail this morning.

I am in town on the 29th for a lunch with you and David.

I am in town all this week so give me a call so we can meet for coffee .

Regards

Hans

"Marsh Burgess" <BURGESMX@gov.ns.ca> on 18.10.99 09:50:30

**To:** Hans Indriðason/YHZ/Icelandair/IS

**cc:**

**Subject:** Re: Icelandic Memorial Society

Dear Hans:

Got Pall to airport on the 12th. Had a great visit. Will send you some pictures.

Have you heard anything about the stones from Iceland.

David Franklin was on a conference call yesterday with the INL. he is coming to Halifax on Friday, October 29th and wants to have lunch with me and you. Can you attend?

**It was moved by Councillor Morash and seconded by Deputy Mayor Swim that Council write a letter to the Southwest Regional School Board (SWRSB) informing them that they are three years behind on their payments to the Town of Lockeport for the extension of land for the Elementary School.**

**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

Other items discussed at the Recreation Meeting of October 6, 1999 included the following:

- the parking lot and infield;
- Physically Active Children & Youth Project (PACY) funding for the Recreation Centre;
- after school programs;
- the Lockeport and Area Fall/Winter programs have been completed and flyers have been sent out to the community;
- ball hockey tournament;
- light for the ball field;
- Phase Three of the Athletic Field project;
- Cynthia Townsend, the Lockeport Community Co-ordinator, will check with Nova Scotia Power to see if there has been any change in the policy concerning signs on power poles;
- Cynthia Townsend will also make some contacts concerning Rails to Trails to see where this project is at.

**Acceptance of Recreation Report**

**10-18-99-20**

**It was moved by Councillor Morash and seconded by Councillor Pitre that the Recreation Committee Report for October 6, 1999 be accepted as presented.**

**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

The Recreation Committee Report forms a part of these minutes and is attached as Schedule "D".

- Councillor Pitre had no reports to give at this time.
- Councillor Snow was not in attendance due to illness.

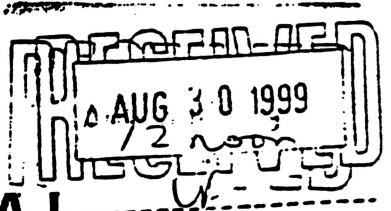
Mayor Huskilson reported to Council on the Atlantic Canada Opportunity Agency/Fisheries Restructuring and Adjustment Measures (ACOA/FRAM) meeting which the Town of Lockeport hosted at the Crescent Beach Centre on Friday, October 15, 1999. This was a successful meeting concentrating on views and concerns of the Shelburne County area Councils.

Mayor Huskilson gave a report on the Southeastern Massachusetts/Atlantic Canada Association (SEMACA) Conference held in Quincy, Massachusetts on August 4 - 6, 1999.

Mayor Huskilson reported to Council that Pall Stefansson from Iceland was in Lockeport last Sunday taking photos which will appear in magazines around the world. An Icelandic Cairn is being donated to the Town of Lockeport and Mayor Huskilson reported that three Icelandic ships will be in Lockeport in conjunction with the opening of the Icelandic Museum which is to be housed in the property that is to be placed in Trust with the Town of Lockeport by Mr. Harold Huskilson.



**NOVA SCOTIA PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE**



**FAX TRANSMITTAL**

*C.C. Mayor  
Huskinson*

**DATE:** *Aug 30/99*  
**TO:** *Mayor Huskinson*  
**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**COMPANY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**LOCATION:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**FAX #:** *656-2935*

**FROM:**  
**NAME:** *J. Buzen*  
**PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE**  
**PHONE:** *(902) 424-8131*

**RE:**

**From:** Marsh Burgess  
**To:** Internettownoflockeport@auracom.com  
**Date:** 8/30/99 11:37am  
**Subject:** Saturday September 4th, 1999 MARKLAND DOCUMENTARY

1. Rex Tasker (889-2024) is a retired film makers with the National Film Board of Canada. He wants to do a 20 minute documentary on the Icelandic settlements in NS.

2. Dave Dwyer ( I sued to work with him at Lands and Forests) will drive Mr. Tasker to Lockeport on Saturday. We plan to meet at 12 noon at the tourist bureau.

3. He would like to visit the settlement site over at East Green Harbour and film Aunt Thor's house; he would like to get a shot of the Ghent house - Icelanders worked for Locke families; he would like to go to Papa Lewis home and get shots of you telling where the cairn will ne located and the museum; he would like to get some shots of the downtown; and finally to get youyr dad on tape. I called Mac and told him that we were coming on Saturday/Sunday.

4. They will stay at my place overnite. He may do more filming on Sunday.

5. Look forward to meeting you at the tourist bureau on Saturday.

Home # 429-9073.

Port Hebert 683-2719

Louise Hersey 683-2761

6. Pall Steffanson's Visit:

Arrives ar 6:45 pm on Thursday, Sept. 23, 1999. Stays overnite with Glenda Burrows at Wellington. Leave next day to go to Toronto and out west.

Returns to Halifax on Sat. Oct 9th. I will pick him up. He stays at my house for 2 nites. His show is at 8 pm on Sunday, October 10th at Birk Education centre, St Marys University - 2 hour slide show for the public to come see. Invite your family/friends. Hope that he will be fre on Monday, Oct. 11 for a tour along the south shore. Have to get him to airport fby 9 that nite for plane home to Iceland.

7. LONDON/ICELAND VISIT I go to london, UK on Sept 16th an spend 8 days. Fly Air Iceland. Will spend from sept 25th to Sept 30 in Iceland on return home.

8. August 2000:

We must find out from Hans where are the stones.

We must focus on the wording (English/french/icelandic) to go on the main stone.

We must get the names for the 30 persons on the side wings. John Campbell has been calling about these side tablets. He gave us a quote for \$7000 to do them.

We have \$8300 from the Millenium 125 Committee in Winnipeg to go to this project. The Society has applied for a charitable status with revenue Canada and hopefully this will be processed soon so that we can give out tax receipts for donations.

**Subject: Re: Pall Stefansson Trip**  
**Date: Mon, 30 Aug 1999 10:40:17 -0300**  
**From: "Marsh Burgess" <BURGESMX@gov.ns.ca>**  
**To: BLACKBLM@gov.ns.ca**  
**CC: townoflockeport@auracom.com, fgroene@hfx.andara.com, hansind@icelandair.is, kenda@istar.ca**

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C C Marsh Burgess

1. Glenda Burrows, vice chair of the Icelandic Memorials Society of Nova Scotia, 860-3551 kenda@istar.ca, will meet him at the airport on his arrival on Thursday, Sept 23, 1999, (6:45 pm plane arrives) and he will stay at her home in Wellington that nite. He will leave for Toronto early next day. I am away in London, UK from Sept 17 to Sept 30. Mayor Sally Huskison plans to be at the airport to greet him. Will the Province send someone?
2. On his return to Halifax on Saturday, Oct. 9th, I will pick him up late that nite. He will stay for 2 nites with me at 6296 Willow St (429-9073). I will take him to the airport on Monday, August 11th for the late nite flight back to Iceland.
3. His show is at 8 pm at the Birk Education Centre at St. Marys on Sunday, Sept 10th. He is to go there around 5 pm for a dry run. He has a new book just published. The last edition of the Iceland Review has many of his photos and a write up on his new book.
4. Hans Indridason from Air Iceland said that the Marketing Agency might wish to escort him around on Sunday/Monday to get some fine spreads of Halifax/Nova Scotia.
5. If that is not in the works, I am prepared to escort him around on Sunday and Monday. Lockeport, site of an Icelandic Settlement, would like him to visit and do a photo spread and story in Iceland Review on their town.
6. It would be nice to have a meeting with Hans (496-7480) and Fred Greene, from the NS Photographic Guild 445-2458-240, and myself (424-8131) to review this file

>>> Lori M Blackburn 08/27/99 09:51am >>>

Marshall,

My name is Lori Blackburn and I work with Randy Brooks at the Marketing Agency. I have been looking over Pall's file, as his trip is quickly approaching.

I'm not really clear on what it is that we should be doing for him. Could you let me know what arrangements you need us to make for him. Randy was under the impression that everything (as far as accommodations and transportation) had been taken care of.

If you would let me know we will take care of it as soon as possible.

Regards

**NOVA SCOTIA PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE**

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**FAX TRANSMITTAL**

DATE: Aug 11

TO: Mayur Hunkalson

FROM:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: JMB

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (902) 424-8131

FAX #: 656-2935

RE: Do you have an Email

**From:** Marsh Burgess  
**To:** Internet:townof lockeport@auracom.com  
**Date:** 8/11/99 10:19am  
**Subject:** ICELANDIC EVENTS

1. Met with Hans yesterday to get an update on events.

2. Pall's Visit: You agreed to meet him on Thursday, Sept. 23rd. 1999, at 6:45 pm when the plane arrives. Hope Clifford can do the same. The Province might also wish to send someone if the Tourism Dept gets involved. He will be staying the nite with Glenda and Ken Burrows (Dolly's daughter) who lives in Wellington. Next morning he leaves at 6:30 am for out west. He returns on Oct 9 (Sat) late at nite. I will pick him up and he will stay at my place for 2 nites. On Sunday, Oct 10th he will be putting on his show at the Birks Education Centre, St. Mary's University at 8 pm. Hope you can attend. Next day he has free. Maybe I can drive him to Lockeport for a photo shoot. He leaves that nite at 11pm.

3. DOCUMENTARY: I sent you the script of the 20 minute documentary. to be filed on the Icelandic Immigration Settlements in NS (1875-1882) We meet at David Dwyers house in East Pepeswick on August 29th to discuss the script. It will be filmed this fall.

4. VIKING FEST: July 28 , 2000, the viking ship ISLENDINGUR lands at L'Anse Aux Meadows. It goes to St. John (Aug 17 to 21). It arrives in Halifax on Aug 25th and leaves on the 29th (Tuesday). On Sept 8 she is suppose to be in Boston. IF YOU CAN CATCH THE SHIP WHEN IT SAILS UP BY LOCKEPORT, THAT WOULD BE A GOOD CENTRE POINT FOR THE LOCKEPORT UNVEILING EVENT. The ship is very small (dory size plus) and goes very slowly. When will it get up near Lockeport - August 30?? August 31st?? Hans said he would see if this could take place. I told him they really were not going out of their way - they have to go by Lockeport anyway.

ON August 24th they are doing the SAGA OF GÜDRIDUR to start the Viking Fest. Other events are planned. The Mooseland unveiling is Sat. Aug 26th. The Minister of Transport and Tourism, Hon. Sturla Bodvarsson, has been invited to attend. Hope he can stay for the Lockeport unveiling. If you cannot get the ship, why do you not plan on the event on Sunday, August 27th as a backup?????

5. WEBSITE: Gland to see that Larry and Ruby Bjarnasons have included more information on the website on Lockeport.

Keep in touch.

J. Marshall Burgess, QC

**CC:** Internet:kenda@istar.ca

424-8131  
↔

**Subject: Re: Icelandic Memorial Society**  
**Date: Tue, 17 Aug 1999 12:41:29 -0300**  
**From: "Marsh Burgess" <burgesm@GOV.NS.CA>**  
**To: hansind@icelandair.is**  
**CC: kenda@istar.ca**

1. Talked to harley Redden this morning. He hired two students this summer and they cleared around 20 of the old sites and made them accessible.
2. The cairn, as you know will be made of local stone put together with mortar. It will be 5 feet at the base and 4 feet high. A mounment maker is designing a local stone which will have the english/french/icelandic inscription that Gudrin suggested. I also said we should put the date on this plaque (August 2000). This will be embedded in the cairn. The stone from Iceland will also be embedded in the cairn. Do you know when it will be coming? You did order it as I recollect. Do you have any idea when it will arrive.
3. Will write to Mayor Huskilson re the Lockeport Monument. John Campbell wants to know if the society still wants the two side wings with the names of the 30 Icelandic people on them. They sent a proposal and will hold the quote a bit onger (around \$6 or 7,000). We have a place for the monuments. The wording to go on the large stone from Iceland needs to be finalized -it is not just a memory in Lockeport of the Icelandic people - here people stayed and we want to remember that. We will also have to have english/french/icelandic to meet the terms and consitions of the grant money coming from Winnipeg/Ottawa (\$8,300). When will Eimskip bring over this stone?
4. Filming has started for the 20 minute documentary.

Hope to hear from you soon.

>>> <hansind@icelandair.is> 07/13/99 03:26pm >>>

Dear Marsh,

Sorry that I have not gottten back to you sooner. But here I am.

Letter is fine with me except when you ended with a Bless. I think that is not appropriate.

His portfolio and address is as followes.

**The Honourable Sturla Böðvarsson**  
**Minister of Transport and Tourism.**  
**Hamarhúsi v/Tryggvagötu**  
**150 Reykjavík**  
**Iceland.**

I will be at a Travel Trade Show on both Saturday and Sunday so I will not be able to come to the meeting.

Give my best regards

to the gang.  
Regards  
Hans

"Marsh Burgess" <BURGESMX@gov.ns.ca> on 13.07.99 09:27:52

To: Hans Indriðason/YHZ/Icelandair/IS  
cc:  
Subject: Re: Icelandic Memorial Society

# NOVA SCOTIA PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE

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## FAX TRANSMITTAL

DATE: May 4/99

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TO:

FROM:

NAME: John Campbell

NAME: Joe Bugen

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE

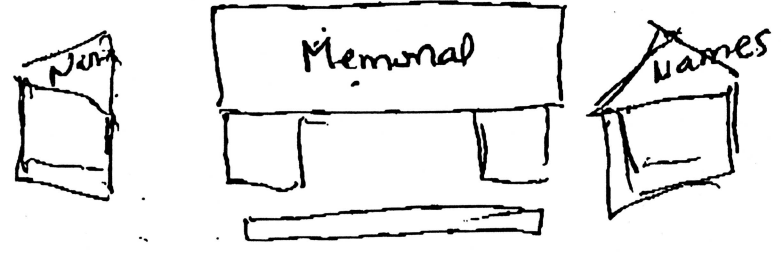
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PHONE: 424-6117  
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RE: Lockport Memorial lawn



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John Campbell  
 H.M. Huskison's Funeral Home Ltd.  
 P.O. Box 298  
 Shelburne, N.S.  
 B07 1W0

DATE: May 4/99

TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

TO: Mr. Burges

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FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

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COMMENTS:

Enclosed is a rough sketch of the (2) tablets that would have the 30 names engraved. The size's + color are the same as the Fisher MANS Memorial in Shelburne. A quote is enclosed. I hope to see you Sat. Please call first!

THANK YOU:

at 875-2903 - 875-2368

*John*

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PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE

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K. BEBB

## Ragged Islands Historical Society

A non-profit group of seniors formed under the provincial "Little Red School House" Project.

PROJECT - To restore the former Royal bank Building on Water Street, Lockeport, N.S.

1. To provide an adequate repository for local records pertaining to the family histories of residents past and present of the area, cemetery records and dwellings etc. deemed worthy of heritage status. Registers and many other documents of historical value, soon to be expanded, will be housed.
2. To replace the society's current building under lease from the Catholic Church which may well not be renewed when it lapses in May of 2000 ( use of the premises for the last two years has also included the celebration of Mass on a weekly basis.) In short the society may be obliged to seek new accommodation.
3. to provide space for, at the minimum, the exhibition of some artifacts reflecting Lockeport's huge contribution to the fishing industry, shipbuilding and the West Indies Trade which has only of late been researched, recorded and published and therefore has remained unappreciated by the general public, or the province.
4. To afford a suitable work and study environment for the students, usually three in number, employed to develop their skills with regard to their future careers and professions.
5. To upgrade the infrastructure of the society by providing a premises far more convenient for its social activities, such as "Old Settlers" and Mayor's teas (weekly summer events), to provide washrooms and parking for the many visitors. The bank building would provide a location in the centre of the former - and to an extent present - commercial activity of the town. It is situated on Water street adjacent to wharfage and mooring facilities, which facts may well recommend the building as a focal point for a proposed development of the waterfront. The premises currently occupied cannot be made wheelchair accessible.
6. To set up a milieu to which students of the local elementary and high schools may be encouraged to resort in order to appreciate the extent and variety of the heritage which their forebears helped create, thus enhancing the value of the "Little School Museum".

The Society has agreed in principle to the offer of the town council to lease the building to them for \$1.00 (one dollar) per annum provided that funds may be established to carry out various repairs and improvements. These improvements would include re-shingling the roof, refurbishing, mainly painting of the interior (volunteer labour has already been offered to do this) and repair of windows. The electrical wiring and heating are in good condition. Twelve thousand, five hundred forty dollars (\$12,540.00) will be needed for these repairs.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
LOCKPORT N.S.

(ESTIMATE ONLY)

① ROOF ⇒	MATERIALS : 2000.00	
	LABOUR : 2200.00	<u>4200.00</u>
② BATHROOM ⇒	MATERIALS :	
	LABOUR :	<u>2000.00</u>
③ WHEELCHAIR RAMP ⇒	MATERIALS : 800.00	
	LABOUR : 1500.00	<u>2300.00</u>
④ EXTERIOR DOOR ⇒	MATERIALS : 600.00	
	LABOUR : 500.00	<u>1100.00</u>
⑤ GLASSES ⇒	MATERIALS : 140.00	
	LABOUR : 200.00	<u>340.00</u>
⑥ FRONT ENTRY REPAIR, DOOR ⇒	MATERIALS : 1600.00	
	LABOUR : 1000.00	<u>2600.00</u>

PREPARED BY :

ANDRÉ FLOKE  
P.O. Box 27  
LOCKPORT N.S.  
BOT 110

TOTAL ESTIMATE :

12,540.00

*Taken from the Economic Development/Planning Committee  
Report of May 19, 1999.*

**Carter's Lighthouse:**

Mayor Huskilson, stated that arrangements are being worked out to have the Carter's Lighthouse rebuild to its original state under a millennium project. She, also stated that this project would not cost the Town of Lockeport any money and that the work performed would be done by local craftsmen.

Mayor Huskilson also stated, that Rita Macfail lived on Carter's Light with her husband and that she remembers every room in detail and would help to rebuild the light to its original design.

Elliott mentioned that the Roache family also lived on the light for years and perhaps pictures of the lighthouse could be borrowed from this family. Elliott will try to make contact with any members of the Roache family to see if any can be borrowed.

**Project coordinator:**

Mayor Huskilson reported, that HRDC has been approached about financing a Project Coordinator for the town. The Project Coordinator would be responsible to arrange all paper work and to facilitate the necessary arrangements to gain access to the \$10,000,000.00 that is destined for Shelburne County area.

Mayor Huskilson recommended to the committee that Bil Atwood, be given the opportunity to take this position due to his past experiences and volunteer work on the Waterfront Development Committee.

Mayor Huskilson, reported to the committee that, she has spoken to Debbie Smith and that they now realize that a mistake was made, that small towns are being neglected when it comes to recreation and that they are going to approach HRDC about getting a Recreation Director for the Town of Lockeport. Sharon Kendall of HRDC was contacted and she stated that she would get back to the Mayor on what she could do but it looks good.

**William Suttle:**

There was some discussion concerning William Suttle's request to have the lee way on Brighton Road change from 33 ft to 25ft. This would happen from the Beach Corner to the Calf Island Road.

The committee although not wanting to discourage anything that Mr. Suttle wants to do, is requesting further information from Mr. Suttle concerning the size, design and use of the building he is proposing.

**NOVA SCOTIA PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE**

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cc Mayr  
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**DATE:** Nov 5/99

**TO:**

**FROM:**

**NAME:** Mayor Huskison

**NAME:** J. Burger

**COMPANY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE**

**LOCATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** (902) 424-5130

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**RE:**

# LOCKEPORT ICELANDIC SETTLEMENT

In the year 1882, Ambrose F. Church, surveyor, completed his topographical map of Shelburne County. In the community of East Green Harbour, which lies to the immediate west of the Town of Lockeport, he shows on his map 8 or 9 dots which he labels at the "Icelanders Houses".

This part of Nova Scotia's history goes back to an emigration experiment that was undertaken shortly after the Province had entered into Confederation in 1867. Nova Scotia, through its Immigration Department, was looking for new settlers. The Dominion Government was also looking for new settlers for other parts of Canada.

## I. ASKJA VOLCANO

In the year 1874, volcanic activity began to occur in Dyngjufjöll, a mountain complex in the inner highland north of Vatnajökull, the largest glacier in Iceland. The volcano Askja started to let off steam. Earthquake activity increased. On Easter day, March 28, 1875, a huge explosive eruption started spewing forth an enormous amount of tephra. Fine-grained ash began to fall on the farms in East Iceland about 50 kilometres away. This continued until the end of April.

The caldera that was formed in the volcano, Lake Askja, has become the deepest lake in Iceland. My cousin, Páll Imsland, Dr.Sci., states that this eruption was among the major eruptions in Iceland since settlement time over 1100 years ago and was the largest explosive eruption on the earth during the last 200 years.

Enormous areas of common ground and grassing land were spoiled. Sheep and cattle died from starvation. Life seemed to be hopeless. People started to move to other parts of Iceland and many began their migration to America. The "dire years" were upon them.

## II. NOVA SCOTIA IMMIGRATION AGENTS

Johannes Arngrimsson (19) left Nes in S. Thingeyjarsysla, Iceland, in 1872 aboard the ship "Emma" destined for Milwaukee. He married an English woman and settled in Halifax. John Andreson, as he was called, was hired by the Government of Nova Scotia as their Immigration Agent to see if any emigrants wanted to come from Iceland to Nova Scotia.

In the spring of 1875 he brought about 80 Icelanders (19 families) to Nova Scotia from a settlement at Kinmount, Ontario, which failed. These settlers were located in a new settlement laid out by the Crown Surveyors, James D. Van Buskirk and Malcolm McLogan, between

Caribou Mines and Mooseland, Halifax Regional Municipality. Located about 200 kilometres east of Halifax, the first "Markland Settlement" was established ("Mooseland Settlement").

In the spring of 1875, he was asked to visit Iceland to see if more settlers wanted to move to Nova Scotia. On October 28, 1875, he wrote to the Provincial Secretary, the Hon. Philip Carteret Hill, that he had visited Iceland in June 1875 and distributed emigration pamphlets there. He brought 19 emigrants (3 families) back with him when he returned in September 1875.

Thomas Robertson, Nova Scotia's Deputy Immigration Agent, wrote a report dated June 16, 1876, that settlers also began to be located at a second Icelandic settlement established outside of Lockeport. He wrote that 20 to 30 Icelanders had moved to the Lockeport area and were renting houses there. They were working at the wharves and stores.

### **III. LOCKEPORT**

The Town of Lockeport is situated about 200 kilometres west of Halifax. It was first settled circa 1760-61 by families from the northeastern states of the United States. Among the first to arrive at Ragged Islands, as it was known then, were Josiah Churchill and Jonathan Locke, M.D. The Town derived its name from the Locke family.

In the 1800s, the Town flourished with its fishery and West Indian trade. A lighthouse was built at Gull Rock at the entrance to the Harbour in 1853. The Town is connected to the mainland by a causeway which runs the length of Crescent Beach. The beach was immortalized for many years on the back of the former \$50 Canadian bill.

The Town now has about 750 residents. Fishing is still the main industry. Five of the Locke homes situated in the Town were officially registered on June 30, 1988, as the Locke Family Streetscape. This was Nova Scotia's first provincially registered streetscape. The Town now has a strong tourist business.

### **IV. EAST GREEN HARBOUR SETTLEMENT**

With the coming of over 10,000 United Empire Loyalists to Shelburne during the American Revolution, most of the land in Shelburne County had already been granted by the Crown. The Government therefore looked to purchase lands to locate the new settlers from Iceland.

The land which they bought was situated a few miles west of the Town of Lockeport in a community called East Green Harbour. The second "Markland Settlement" was established there ("Lockeport Settlement"). The land was subsequently divided into lots of one or two acres each. The Government offered to sell these lands to the Icelanders giving them 5 years to pay at a cost of \$25.00. Mr. Robertson stated in his report that "Unless the Icelanders now coming are prepared to prosecute the fisheries, the land can be of little use to them".



Dr. Duncan J. Campbell (Liberal MLA, Inverness County), Nova Scotia Immigration Agent, reported on June 10, 1876, that the merchants of Lockeport and surrounding areas should be consulted as to the advisability of locating more Icelanders in East Shelburne. If they would agree to hire them as ordinary labourers and seamen, the Government would "purchase land at Osborne, Green Harbour and localities near Lockeport where land was cheap, erect small dwellings therein, deeds of which will be given to these people by the Government at reduced prices upon payment of a certain sum at any time within the next five years."

On June 17, 1876, Thomas Robertson wrote to the Immigration Agent in Quebec, L. Stafford, advising that any more Icelandic settlers should proceed to the newly proposed settlements in the "Northwest". If any more wished to come to Nova Scotia, seven families were to be sent by train to be let off at Shubenacadie Station to go to the Mooseland Settlement. The remainders were to be sent to Halifax where they would take a steamer to Lockeport.

Simon Hugh Holmes, (MLA Pictou County, Liberal Conservative) challenged the Liberal government under Premier Philip Carteret Hill (May 1875 – October 1878) in the House of Assembly about overspending the immigration budget. He also brought to light a scandal concerning the waste of money spend on land for the Icelandic settlers outside of Lockeport. His comments recorded in the House of Assembly on March 1877 (p.111) reads as follows:

"He (Holmes) found that this Department (Immigration) had purchased a lot of land at Lockeport, in Shelburne, and he had information from reliable sources that the land so purchased was unsuitable for the purpose for which it had been required, as it consisted of barren land without wood. He had learned further that when the Immigration Agent went down there (to Lockeport), he had been advised not to purchase the land in question, as it was entirely unfit for the purpose for which he sought it, as, in addition to the disadvantages already mentioned, there was no landing. This advice was disregarded and the land purchased at considerable expense. A large sum of money had also been expended for the erection of houses, which the immigrants would not live in after they were built, and which were entirely useless. It was for such services as these that the money voted and also money that was not voted for immigration purposes had been expended". (Words in parenthesis mine).

It appears this land may in fact have been Blue Island which lies just offshore from the lands at East Green Harbour where the Icelanders eventually settled.

By 1877, the Government ceased bringing Icelanders to Nova Scotia. D.J. Campbell, Immigration Agent, in his report to Government dated January 1, 1877, recommended that the experiment of locating small numbers of immigrants together in colonies proved to be expensive to the Province. "While I believe that ultimately they will make this locality a

flourishing settlement, I do not recommend any further attempts of this nature".

A few families continued to arrive in 1878 and 1879. They moved back and forth between the two settlements looking for work and a place to settle.

## V. THE SETTLERS

Jón Rögnvaldsson, one of the settlers at the Mooseland Settlement, compiled a census in February 1878 of the Icelandic settlers living in the Mooseland Settlement. The census was updated in February 1879 to include the settlers living in the Lockeport Settlement.

The families who took up residence in East Green Harbour are listed as follows:

**FAMILY 1: Jón Eiriksson (29).** He left Vidines in S. Mulasysla, Iceland, in 1879 with his wife, Gudny Magnúsdóttir (39) and four children: Magnús (13), Snjólaug (13), Gudny (4), and Sveinbjörn (2). With them was his sister, Elingborg Erlendsdóttir (26).

They arrived in Markland in 1879. They were located in the Mooseland Settlement and then moved to Lockeport. The family is listed in the Nova Scotia 1881 census for Lockeport as Family No. 316. His occupation is listed as a fisherman. The family moved to Winnipeg in 1881.

Elinborg appears on the census as "Ellen Ellison" and she worked as a servant with William and Annie Sedgewick in Middle Musquodoboit.

Magnús fought in the North-West (Riel) Rebellion and won recognition for his bravery.

**FAMILY 2: Sigfús Bjarnason (45).** He left from Staffell in N. Mulasysla, Iceland, in 1879 with his wife, Helga Gunnlögsdóttir (36) and six children: Bjarni (14), Bjarni Thúrarinn "Benedict" (11), Snjólaug (9), Björg (7), Ingidjörg (4), Gudlaug (2). Sigurdur (1) was born in Markland. They settled first in the Mooseland Settlement west of the schoolhouse then moved to the Lockeport Settlement.

The family is listed in the Nova Scotia 1881 census for Lockeport as Family No. 317. It is believed they moved to Hensel, North Dakota, in 1881.

**FAMILY 3: Erlendur Höskuldsson (Huskilson) (36).** He left Tverhamri in Breiddal in S. Mulasysla, Iceland, in 1879 with his wife, Gudlaug Stefánsdóttir and two girls, Thórunn (5) and Sigridur (1). A son, Lewis Churchill, was born in Lockeport in 1882.

Erlendur bought a home and store in the Mooseland Settlement from Hans C. Robb, merchant. He moved to Lockeport in 1880. The family is listed in the Nova Scotia 1881 census for Lockeport as Family No. 320. His occupation is listed as a labourer. He was a carpenter and

did work for the Locke family.

This family stayed in Nova Scotia. Thórunn married John Ryan and a one son. Sigridur married James Marshall Burgess and had 6 children. Lewis married Sarah MacKay and had 9 children. The surname Huskilson was used by the family.

**FAMILY 4: Sigurdur Gudmundsson (Nordal) (36).** He left Hunavatnssysla, Iceland, in 1874 aboard the St. Patrick with his wife, Valgerdur Jónsdóttir (39). They had 6 children, Gudmundur (14), Sigurdur (10), Björg (7), Jón (5), Margrét and Jane L.

This family was initially settled in Kinmount but moved to Nova Scotia in May 1875. The family is listed in the Nova Scotia 1881 census for Lockeport as Family No. 322, His occupation is listed as a labourer. Margrét and Jane are not listed in the Nova Scotia 1881 census for Lockeport.

**FAMILY 5: Magnus Jóhannesson (42).** He left Akureyri, Iceland, in 1874 aboard the St. Patrick. They settled initially in Ontario but were in Nova Scotia by 1875. His wife was Malfridur Baldvinsdóttir (33) and they had 3 children: Magnus "Walter" (9), Julia (2 - born in Nova Scotia), and John (1 - born in Nova Scotia).

The family is listed in the Nova Scotia 1881 census for Lockeport as Family No. 319. His occupation is listed as labourer. This family moved to Duluth, Minnesota.

**FAMILY 6: Walter Jonsson.** His name was Thorvaldur Johannson (17) when his father, Jóhann Bjarnasson left Tumabrekka, Skagafjardavsysla in 1874 aboard the St. Patrick. He had two brothers, Gudvardur (12) and Arni Mikael (2).

His parents, Johann Bjarnason (45) and Herdis Húskuldsdóttir (46) lived in a farm called "Hvammur" (Lot 16) in the Mooseland Settlement. His father died in 1878. Walter petitioned for the family grant (Crown Grant 13919) on September 5, 1881. The Grant (96 acres) was issued to Walter, Harriet (widow) and William Johnson of Truro. William was Walter's son. The petition file contains an affidavit respecting what land was cleared and buildings erected.

The family moved to Lockeport in September 1880. The family is listed in the Nova Scotia 1881 census for Lockeport as Family No. 125. Walter is listed as a shoemaker.

**FAMILY 7: Jon Gunnarson (30)** and his wife Paulina Jonsdóttir (24). They are listed as Family No. 27 in the February 1879 census in the Mooseland Settlement. The family moved to Lockeport where they are listed in the Nova Scotia 1881 census for Lockeport as Family No. 321. His occupation is listed as a fisherman.

**FAMILY 8: Thorsteinn Benediktsson (26)** left Aukreyru in Iceland in 1874 aboard the St. Patrick with his mother, Sigridur Gísladóttir, his sister, Ingibjörg and his brother Benedikt. After the failed settlement in Kinmount in May 1875 the family moved to Millbrook, Ontario.

Thorsteinn and his mother moved to Nova Scotia in 1879.

The family is listed in the Nova Scotia 1881 Census for Lockeport as Family No. 318 (Thurston Bennet). His mother is listed as Sigridur Bennet (63). Jon Joelson or Jon Bennet (60) is also part of this household.

**FAMILY 9:** Johanna Johannesdottir (14) is listed as a servant at the home of Jacob Locke.

## VI. OTHERS WHO PASSED THROUGH

Other settlers from the Mooseland Settlement spent time in Lockeport.

**Peter Jonsson (Hillman)** (22) moved to Lockeport in November 1875. They spent the winter in Lockeport and his daughter Una was born there. In 1876 the family moved to the Mooseland Settlement.

**Olafur Thorsteinsson** (44), blacksmith, left Tunga in Thingvallahreppur, Iceland, in 1877, and spent the winter of 1877 in Lockeport. He moved with his family to the Mooseland Settlement in 1878. When he left Mooseland, Olafur deeded his property to the Church in Lockeport. It was subsequently deeded to Pastor Taylor's family in Upper Musquodoboit.

**Olafur Olafsson (Fellsted)** (30), left Vestra Midfell in Borgarfjardarsysla, Iceland, in 1876 and spent until 1878 in Lockeport before moving to the Mooseland Settlement where his family joined him.

**Gudmundur Kjartansson** (25) and his wife, Valgerdur Jonsdottir (19), left Keta in Skagafjardarsysla, Iceland, in 1874, aboard the "St. Patrick". After the failed settlement in Kinmount, Ontario, they moved to Lindsay, Ontario (spring 1875) and then to Lockeport in 1876. In February 1878 they were in the Mooseland Settlement.

**Peter Hansen** (28) and his wife, Gudlög Jonsdottir (24), left Thvera i Hallardal in Hunavatrissysla, Iceland, in 1876 aboard the ship "Verona" and arrived in Lockeport. They were in the Mooseland Settlement by February 1878.

**Jon Ivarsson** (46) left Thvera i Hallardal in Hunavatrissysla, Iceland, in 1874 aboard the "St. Patrick". After the disaster at Kinmount, he moved to Millbrook, Ontario, to live for a while, and then came to Lockeport (spring 1875). By February 1878, his family was in the Mooseland Settlement.

**Bjorn Gudmundsson (Byron)** (42) left from Saudarkrokur, Iceland, in 1876 aboard the ship "Verona" and settled for a short time in Lockeport.

**Hjalmar Jonsson Bergman** (19) left Thverardalur in Hunavatrissysla, Iceland, in 1875 and settled for a time in Lockeport.

**Fridrik Johannesson** (42) left Stafnsholt in S.-Thingeyjarsysla, Iceland, in 1874 aboard the "St. Patrick" in 1874. In May 1871, the family was in Millbrook, Ontario, and they left for Lockeport for a short stay.

**Baldvin B. Gunnarsson** (22) left Hofdi in S.-Thingeyjarsysla, Iceland, in 1875 and was in Lockeport for a time.

**Jon Sveinsson**, from Skagafjardarssysla, Iceland, was in Lockeport for a time and moved to Australia.

**Jon Sigurdsson** (39), left Sydra Mallard in Skagafjardarssysla, Iceland, on the "St. Patrick" in May 1875. He was in Millbrook, Ontario and may have moved with the group to Lockeport.

The records also indicate these people were in Lockeport for a short period of time:

**Bjorn Gudnason** from Hunavatnssysla, Iceland.

**Sigridur Sigurdsson**, Hunavatnssysla, Iceland.

**Victor (Sigurdur) Smith**.

**Kristjan Jonson**.

**Joniná Jonsdottir**, daughter of Jon.

## **VII. THE EXODUS**

By 1881-1882, most of the Icelandic settlers had moved out west to the new settlement found in Gimli, Manitoba. Others moved to Minnesota and North Dakota.

An Act of Parliament was passed on April 19, 1884, authorizing the Government to escheat those lands purchased in Shelburne County to settle the Icelandic settlers. The Act stated the settlers "failed to perform on the conditions upon which portions of such lands were assigned them for their use and others deserted lands so assigned them". The Icelandic experiment thus came to an end.

The 1891 Nova Scotia census for Lockeport shows Erlendur Höskuldsson and his family as the only Iceland family still remaining in Nova Scotia. His wife, Gudlaug, died in the family home in East Green Harbour in 1919. Erlendur lived with his son, Lewis Churchill, in the Town of Lockeport until his death in 1928.

The Hon. Harold Huskilson, grandson of Erlendur, served as MLA (Liberal) for Shelburne County from 1970 until 1992. His son, Hon. Clifford Huskilson, served as MLA from 1992

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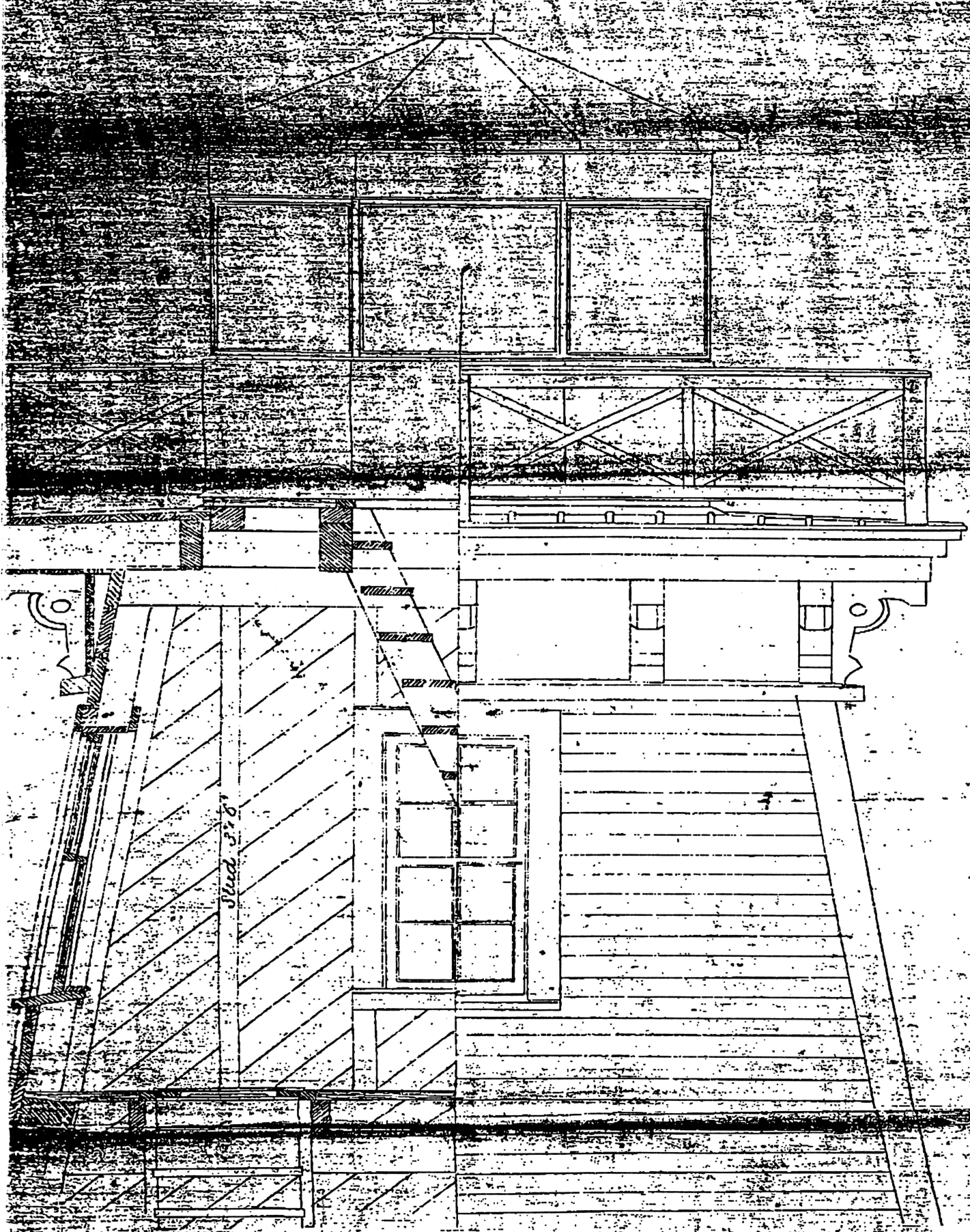
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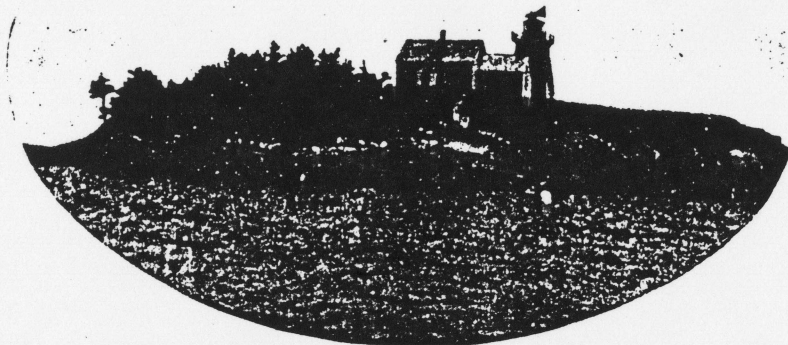


To: Sarah H.

From: Dan MacNeil  
Phone: 426-6165  
Fax: 426-6501



Section Elevation  
FIG 9  
UPPER PART OF TOWER



Carter's Light, Lockeport, N. S.  
Published by Miss Gertrude Hammond, Lockeport.



Carter's Island and Lighthouse, entrance to Lockeport Harbor, Lockeport, N. S.



**From:** Marsh Burgess  
**To:** "brydon@julian.uwo.ca".NSGOVINTERNET.NSGT  
**Date:** 11/8/99 3:31pm  
**Subject:** Re: memorial

1. The centre stone will be the greystone sent over from Iceland. It will have the main message on it.
2. There are two side wings planned made of Nova Scotia stone which will have the names of the 9 Icelandic families (30 persons) who lived for sometime in the Lockeport Icelandic Settlement.
3. The Mooseland Settlement (1875-1882) was the main settlement (200 people). They all left. Its only a memory now ("Care must be taken in the presence of a soul"). Gudrin Girgis suggested this wording.
4. Lockeport, however, still has descendants of the Icelandic families who settled there (1875-1882). While 8 of the families left, one stayed (Hoskuldsson family). They multiplied. The family has served in many public roles. They have served as Mayors of Lockeport for years (Malcolm Huskison for over 20 years; Sarah Huskison is the present day mayor). For 30 years the family has served as the member of parliament for Shelburne County (Hon. Harold Huskison from 1970-1992, and his son Hon. Clifford Huskison from 1992-1999). The family has produced teachers, nurses, doctors, lawyers who have served in the Lockeport area and elsewhere in the Province.
5. What we want to celebrate is (a) 125 years (1875-2000) from the coming and settlement of the Icelanders in the Lockeport area and (b) their continuing contributions to their community and Province.
6. The memorial could start off something like this:

THIS MEMORIAL CAIRN IS ERECTED TO CELEBRATE 125 YEARS (1875-2000) OF ICELANDIC SETTLERS IN THE LOCKEPORT AREA, SHELBURNE COUNTY, PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA, AND THEIR SERVICE TO THEIR COMMUNITY AND PROVINCE.

7. Then it would be nice to have short appropriate Icelandic saying at the end (like Gudrin Girgis suggested for the Mooseland cairn)
8. All of this will need to be done in 3 languages: French, English and Icelandic so we must be brief.

Marshall>>> "Anne Brydon" <brydon@julian.uwo.ca> 11/08/99 12:59pm >>>  
Marsh,

My friends have asked for context before they can come up with an appropriate quote. What will the memorial look like? What exactly are you celebrating or memorializing?

Anne

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Dr. Anne Brydon  
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# Heritage Memorials Ltd.

75 Tregothic Ave.  
P.O. Box 308  
Windsor, Nova Scotia  
B0N 2T0

Date: Apr 30 / 99

Attention: JOHN

Regarding: Ice nautic Memorial

Sent By: GEORGE

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Phone : 902 - 798 - 4780

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### Message

Price for 2 NAME PLATES AS PER YOUR SKETCH -

Price -	\$6650.00
H.S.T. -	997.50
Total Price -	\$7647.50
Less All Pol. Disc.	650.00
	<u>\$6997.50</u>
Less 10% Winter Disc	700.00
INSTALLED PRICE -	<u><u>\$6297.50</u></u>

APPROVED  
AUG 04 1999  
11 a.m.

Mayor Huskilon

Economic Development Meeting  
Council Chambers Lockport  
9 pm July 28/99

Mayor S. Huskilon, Councilor M. Snow, Rupert Williams  
Bill Atwood, Mike Smith, (apologies) Balfar Swim  
Discussion -

Strategic 5 year plan for Lockport  
to determine direction for Lockports economic  
infrastructure. examine the pros + cons  
as to what - would work as a resort  
for Lockport.

Donna Rae fisheries unsightly premises  
town will wait to see if this business  
cleans up it's property.

Saltwater Pumping Station.

advice from committee that the town  
starts at square one, gets a new lease  
between Town + Province NS.

provisions for future use

provisions of easements

operating agreement for Clearwater fine foods

The Town Needs to secure it's industrial  
infrastructure.

Dune Signage to be restored

Town planning to move back to former

town hall Building

No Motions Made

Meeting adjourned 11:05 pm

**Economic Development / Planning Committee**  
*Minutes from May 19, 1999, Meeting*

In attendance: Mayor Huskilson, Mr. Roy Macleod, Mr. Belford Swim, Councillor Morash

Meeting opened : 7:10pm

**Kerrin Memorial Stone:**

Mayor spoke concerning the Kerrin Memorial from the Icelandic Society. (Passed out materials to be perused ).

The memorial stone is proposed to be placed on the lot, adjacent the funeral home and the old dwelling is proposed to be turned into a museum. This could also act as a home for a Genealogical Center. Icelandic Air wants Lockeport to be a destination point for many reasons, one of which is that the Lockeport settlement (before the boundaries were established) is the only settlement that only one of the original settling Icelandic families remained and that is the Huskilson family.

The Mayor asked what the others thought of the project and stated the work would be performed by local people except for the placing of the stone and the locals also would work for the museum.

Mayor also stated that the Kerrin Stone would come from Iceland but the companion stones would be of Shelburne County granite.

The project is deemed as a millennium project.

All attending members of the committee were in support of the project and wanted to read the support materials. Mayor Huskilson stated that copies could be made available.

**Salt Water Treatment Facility:**

Mayor Huskilson reported that the Government has an agreement with Clearwater and that Clearwater now has control of the saltwater facility. She stated that William (Bill) Anderson is now out of a job.

She also reported that the Town of Lockeport was not in on any negotiations and that this illegal expropriation of town assets has to be stopped. The mayor stated that the income generated from the Saltwater facility should remain with the town.

The Mayor also stated that in the agreement Clearwater has agreed to replace the existing asbestos line with a new line.

Elliott Morash, although declaring a conflict of interest with the voting on anything concerning this issue, informed the committee that on the first Saturday after Clearwater taking over the Saltwater line, Lockeport Golden was in the middle of their clean up, to accommodate their schedule one inspection, when Clearwater turned the Saltwater line off because they were finished production for the day. This was at approximately 10:30 am.

Elliott, also stated that the contract for their water was between the Government and the Industrial Commission and to his knowledge no one was or has been inform as to any changes.

The Mayor reported that she had asked the Department of the Environment not to take away Bill's salary until the town had time to negotiate a deal to perhaps put Bill working with Mr. Leonard Stuart at the Towns sewer treatment facility. This arrangement would keep Bill on the Government payroll and enable him to get his pension, as he falls in the ever growing category of white male over 40.

After this request the Mayor had to leave the country on personal business and since her return has not yet had the opportunity to contact any officials to get an update.

Roy Macleod, stated that his understanding of the Expropriation Act deemed it necessary for the Government to provide the land owners with the fair market value of the land they were taking.

Belford Swim, reported that the Government also expropriated some of the Mackay property during this time and that the Town should investigate to see if any legal action can be taken against this illegal action.

Roy Macleod, suggested that the Minister of the Environment should be asked to come to Lockeport and explain his actions as to why and what led to his decision to deal with the salt water facility in the manner that he did.

Mayor Huskilson asked the committee if they would be willing to go to Halifax and see the Minister and the Deputy Minister of the Environment. She, stated that she was going to also ask MLA Clifford Huskilson to attend this meeting. Roy and Belford both agreed to go. Elliott stated that he would go but it would be a conflict of interest.

It was a moved by Roy Macleod and Seconded by Belford Swim that a recommendation be sent to council to arrange an immediate meeting with the Honorable Michel Samson, Minister of Environment, Honorable Clifford Huskilson, Minister of Transportation and the Deputy Minister of Environment George Fox. The meeting to be attended by Mayor Huskilson, Mr. Roy Macleod, Mr. Belford Swim, Mr. Arch Peterson (if he so agrees) and Mr. Rupert Williams (if he so agrees).

**Motion carried unanimously.**

Elliott once again declared his earlier conflict.

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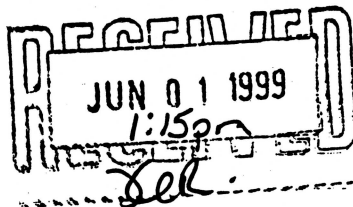
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- 5 basement lights - 3 plug				
- circuits for pump furnace and hot water heater				
- main area with 8 plugs and 16 - 4' fluorescent fixtures				
- outside power HP's fixture additional - 6 plugs 6 - 4' fluorescent fixtures				
Materials			SUBTOTAL	1800.00
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Labour			SUBTOTAL	900.00
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## FAX MESSAGE

Date: ~~May 31~~ June 1

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Message: As per our discussions  
yesterday.

Regards  
I will call to go over  
the project in more  
detail!

T.T.

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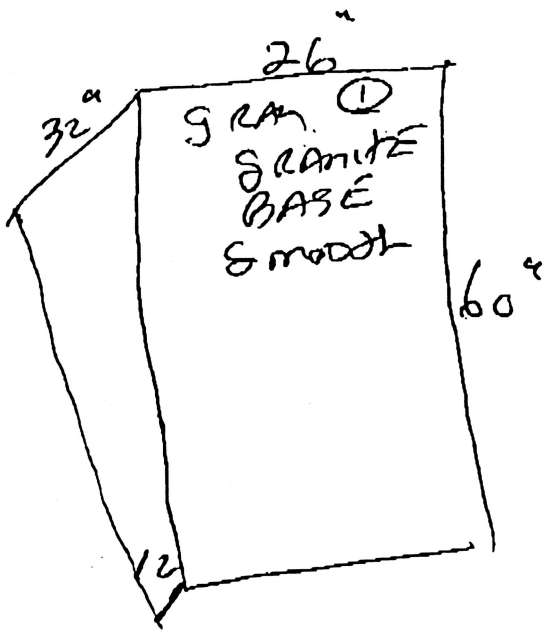
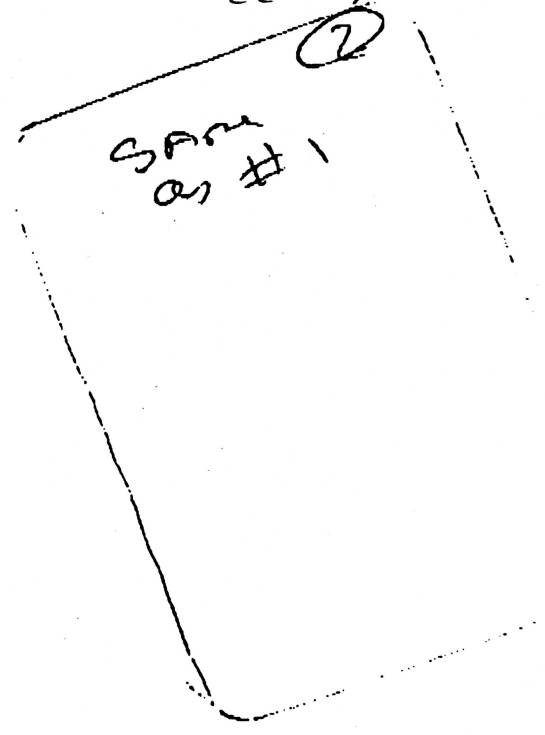
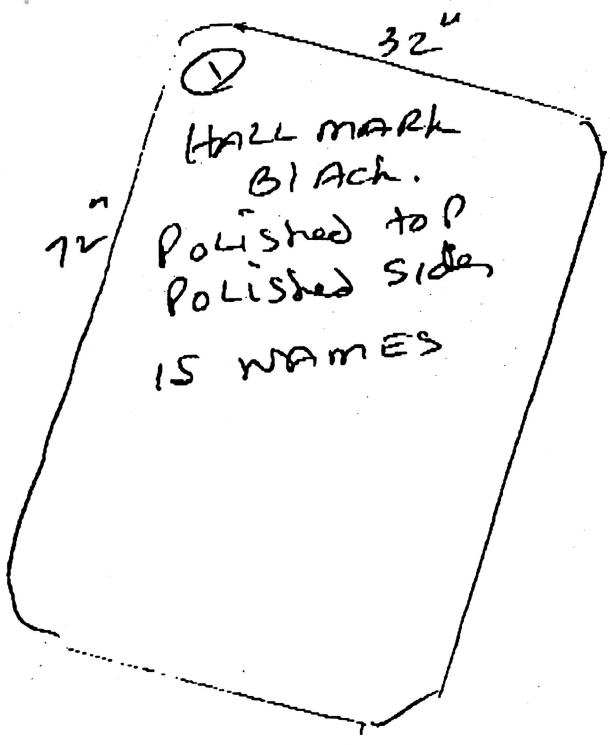
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<b>Revenue (May - October)</b>		<b>10% (Inc.)</b>	<b>10% (Inc.)</b>
		<b>visitors</b>	<b>visitors</b>
Admissions (5,200 @ \$2.00)	10400	11440	12480
Coffee Shop	10500	11550	12600
Gift Shop	24990	27489	29988
Donations (5,200 @ average \$ .25)	1300	1430	1580
<b>Total Revenues Operations</b>	<b>47190</b>	<b>61909</b>	<b>66628</b>
Geneological Research Revenue	4000	4000	4000
Tour Guide Grants	5625	5825	5625
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>56815</b>	<b>61634</b>	<b>66253</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Salaries guides (3 @ 20 semaines) Includes MERC	15000	15000	15000
Repairs and Maintenance	1500	1650	1815
Insurance	1000	1100	1210
Office expenses (telephone, post, Internet, etc.)	1500	1650	1815
Electricity	2500	2500	3000
Marketing and Promotion	5000	7500	10000
Bank service charges	500	650	750
Dues and membership fees	1000	1250	1250
Inventory Expense on Coffee and Gift Shops @40%	14198	15816	17035
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>42196</b>	<b>46916</b>	<b>51875</b>
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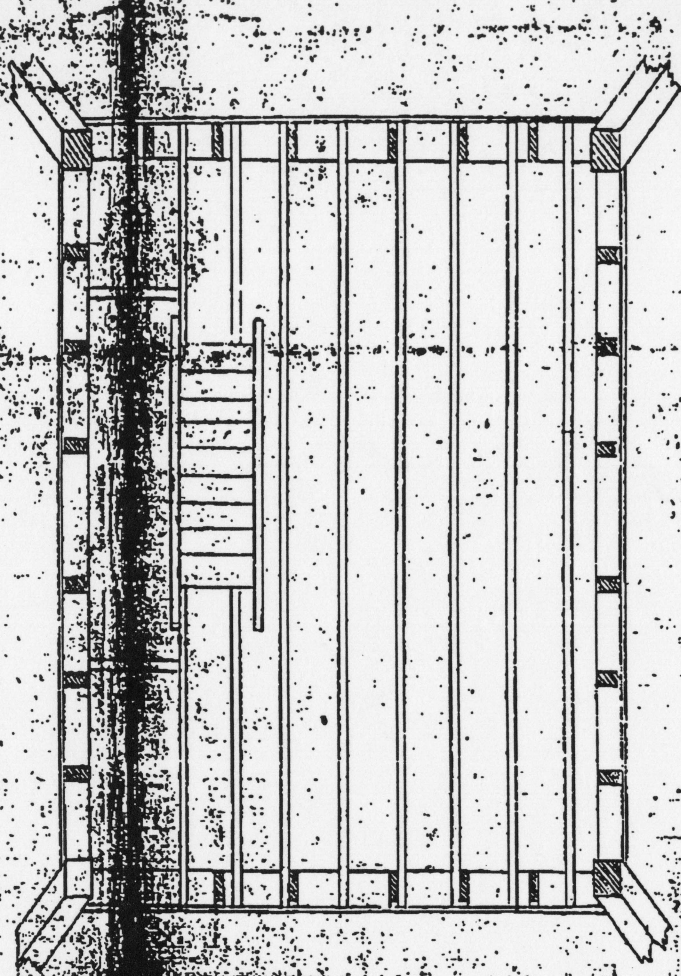


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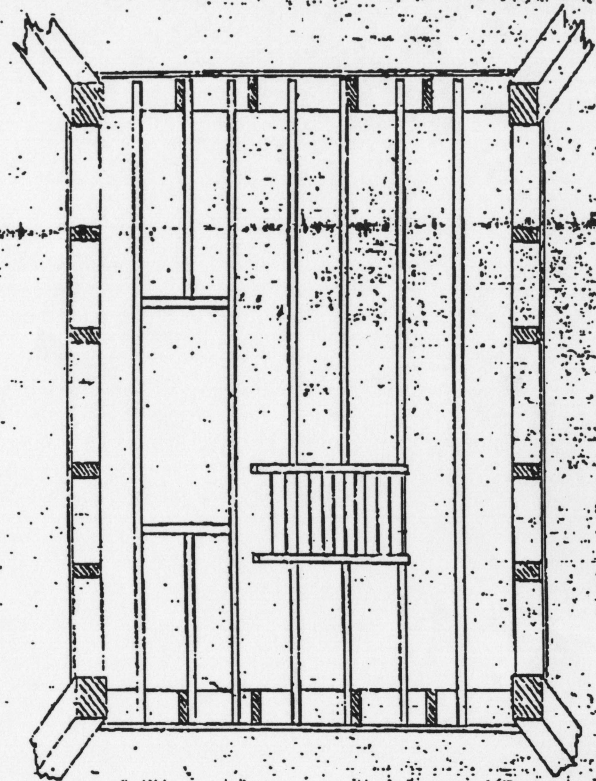


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PLAN OF THIRD FLOOR

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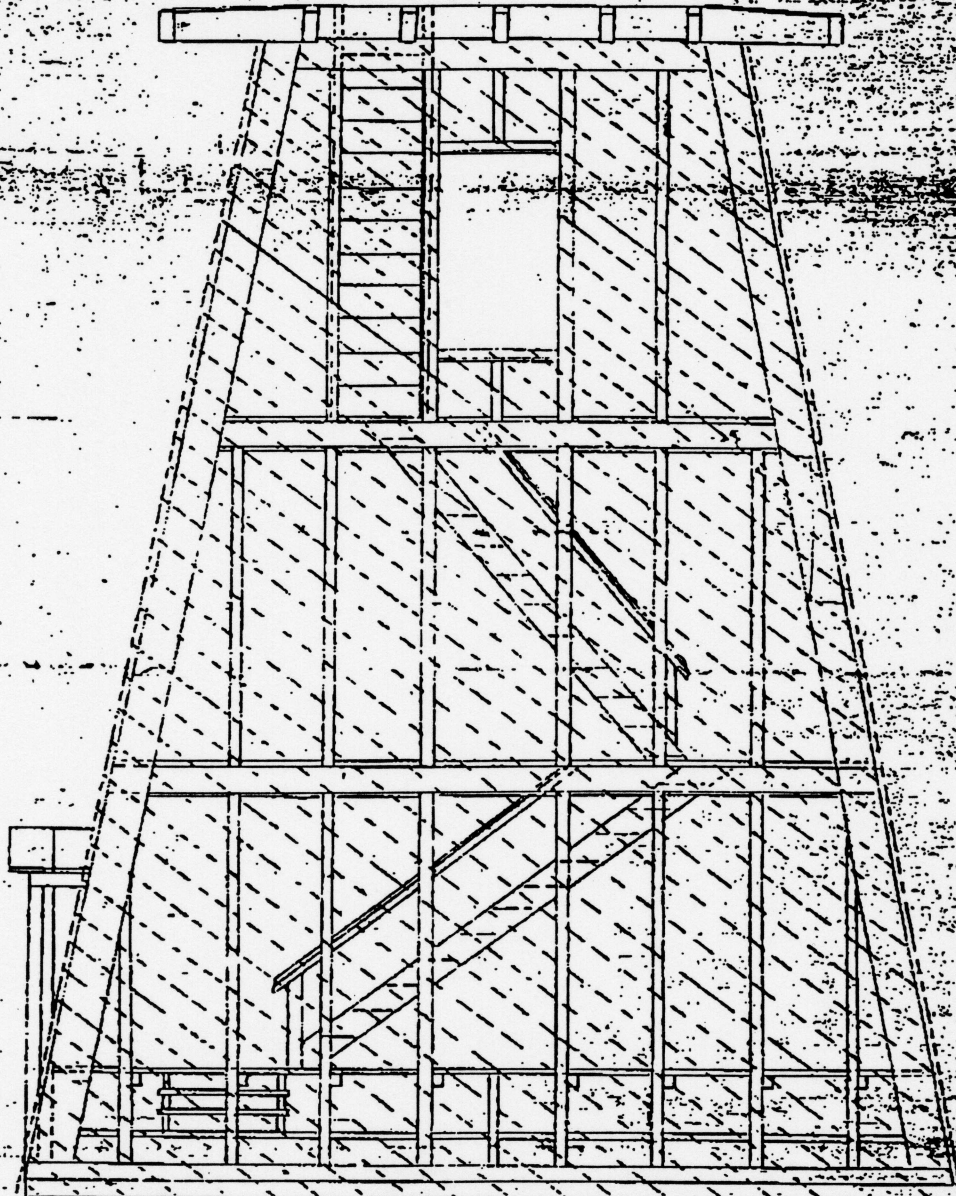


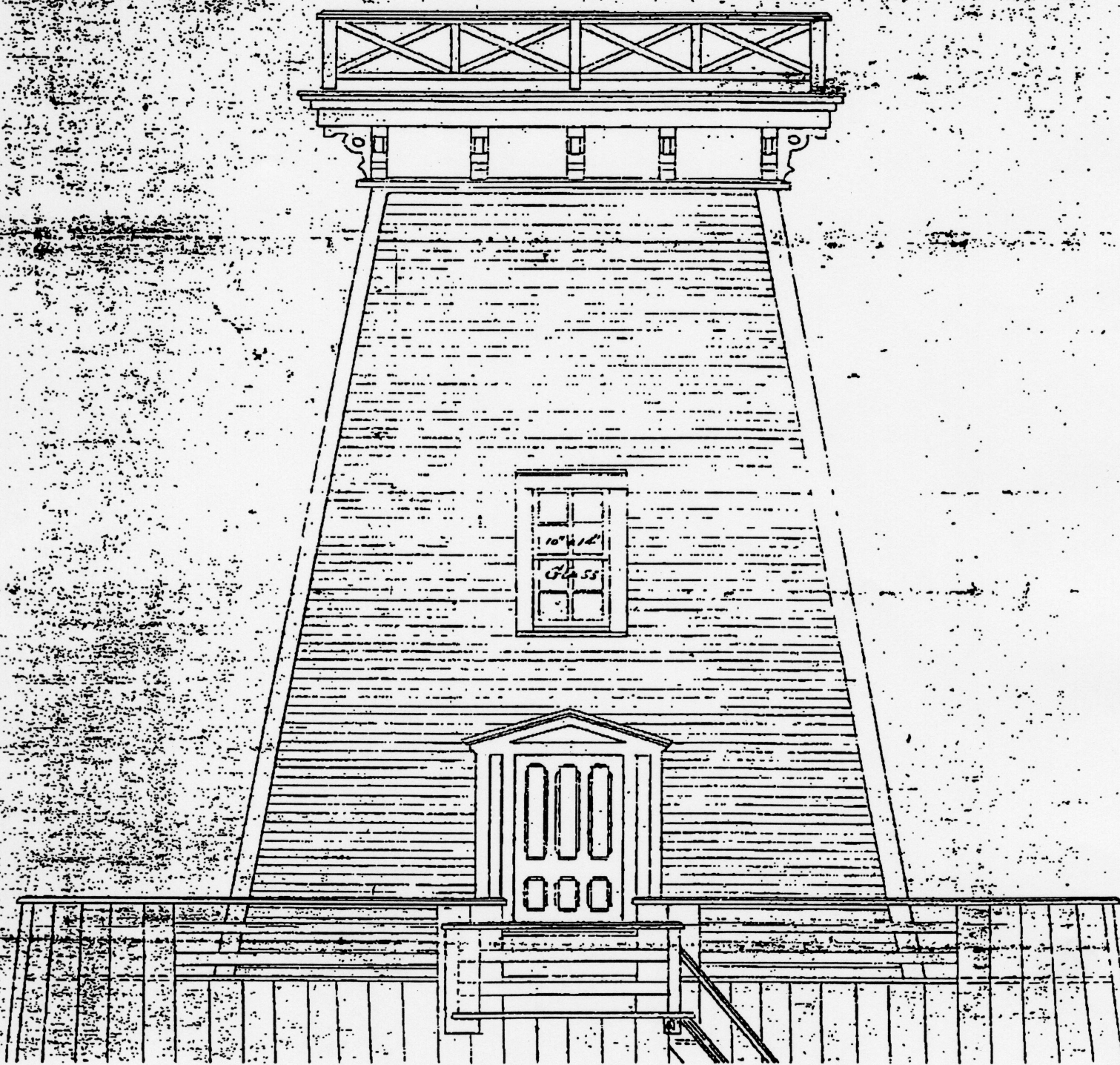
FIG. 5

ELEVATION OF FRAMING NORTH SIDE

SCALE

FIG 1 TO 8 FOUR FEET TO AN INCH

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Section Elevation  
FIG 9  
UPPER PART OF TOWER

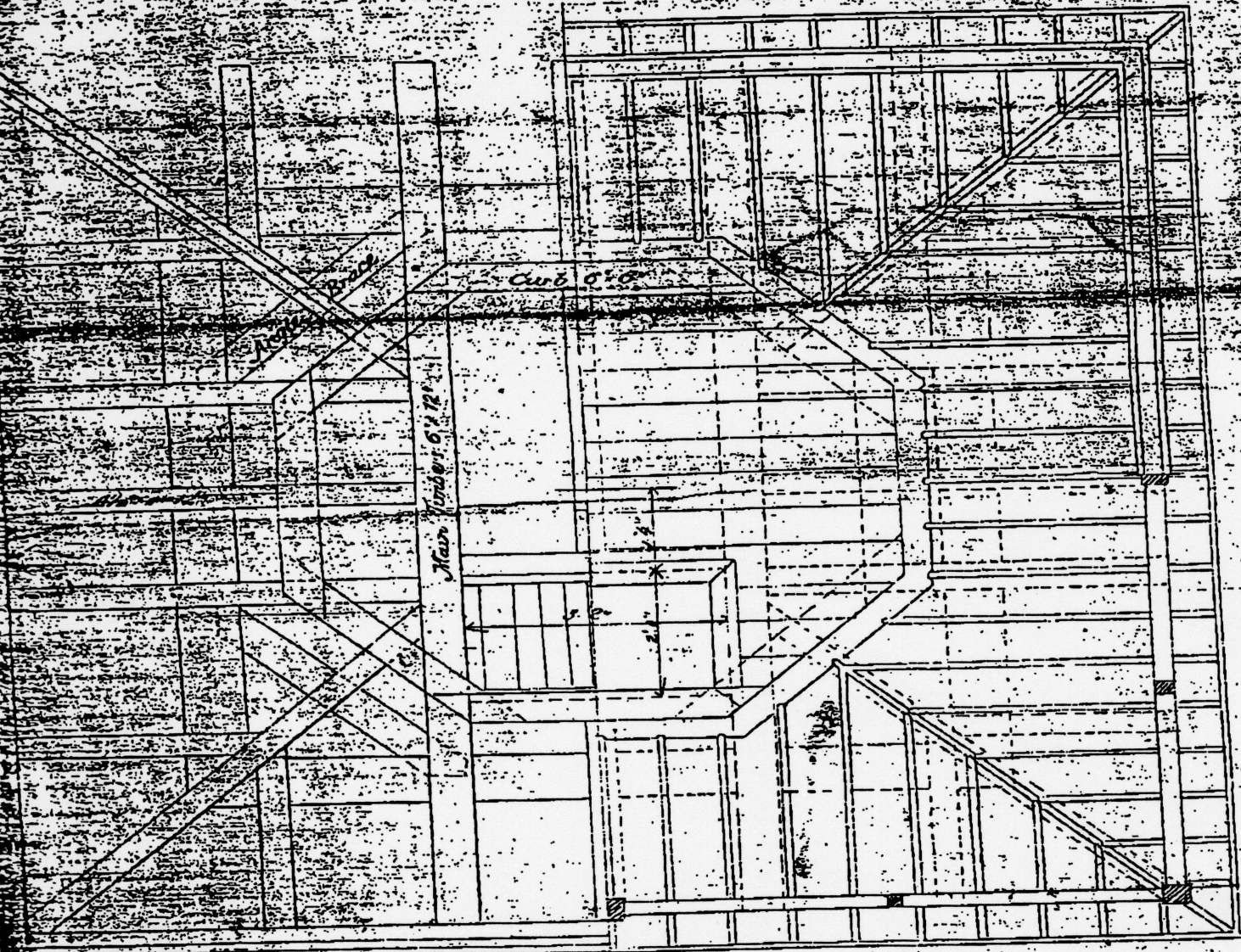


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PLAN OF PLATFORM



FIG. 6  
PLAN OF FIRST FLOOR

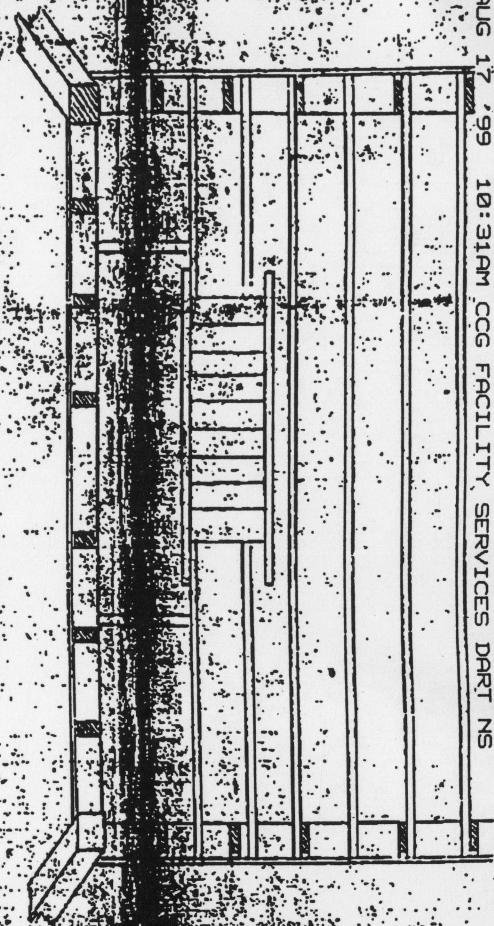


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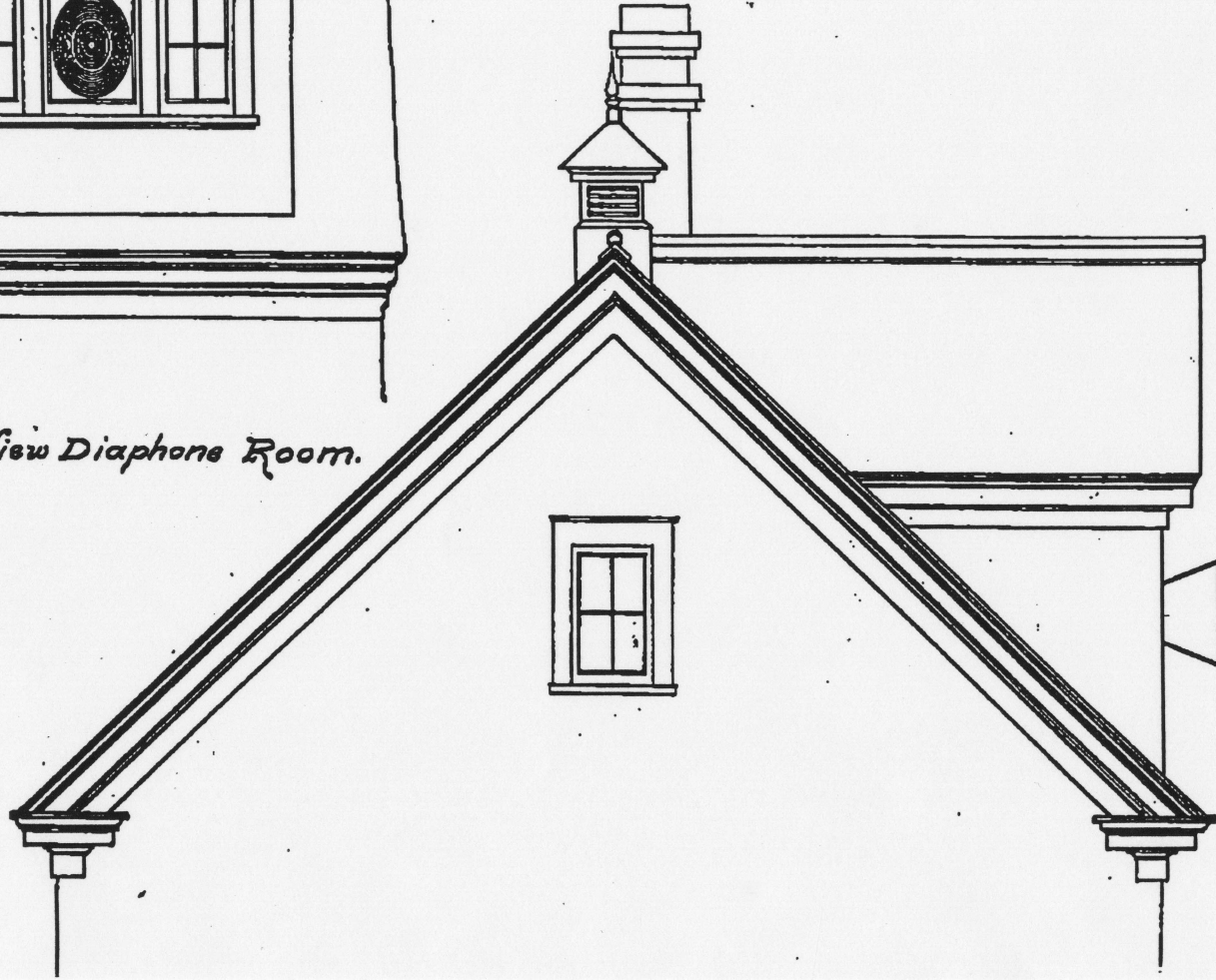
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**DATE:** Nov 8

**TO:** Mayor Huskell

**FROM:**

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**NAME:** J. Burger

**COMPANY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PETROLEUM DIRECTORATE**

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**RE:** Viking Ships www.leaf2000.org

① Decision on venue of Viking Ships to be finalized on Nov 19 in Camden NJ  
See numbers attached.

② There are 15 ships coming to Nfld -  
5 from Norway, 4 from Sweden, 4 from  
Denmark + 1 from Iceland.

③ You should call these people if you  
want any of them to come to Lockport