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NOVA SCOTIA



Liverpool, Nova Scotia

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*H. M. Hensley*

Nov. 18. 1942.

Mr. T. Hayes. H. Raddall.  
Liverpool - N. S.

Dear Mr. Raddall.

The Queens Co. Historical Society wishes to convey to you hearty congratulations on the publication of your new book "His Majesty's Foresters". The Society is pleased to have you as one of its Vice Presidents and wishes you every success with your work in the future.

Yours sincerely,  
 H. M. Hensley  
 Sec'y-Treas.

DOCUMENTS AND ARTIFACTS DEPOSITED WITH T.H.RADDALL SR. FOR THE  
QUEENS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

1. Original manuscript of "<sup>R</sup>Reminiscences of the Town of Liverpool" by Henry G. Farish M.D. ( From about 1835 to about 1865)
2. A Sheriff's summons to John Campbell, Port Medway, to appear at the Inferior Court, Liverpool, dated July 18, 1831.
3. A copy of Bill 81, House of Assembly, Nova Scotia, session 1934, incorporating the Queens County Historical Society.
4. Statement of the Property Committee, Queens County Historical Society, dated Nov. 16, 1942, showing the year's receipts and expenditures in connection with the Perkins property.
5. Envelope containing redeemed debentures or shares issued for the purchase of the Perkins property in 1936. Each debenture had a value of \$100, payable in ten years, and bearing interest at 5% per annum.
6. Deed dated Nov. 8, 1937, from Fanny B. Cornish to the Queens County Historical Society, conveying her rights in the Perkins property.
7. Deed dated Sep. 15, 1936, from Thomas E.G. Lynch et al to the Queens County Historical Society, conveying their rights in the Perkins Property.
8. Partly filled letter-book of F.W. Collins, Liverpool N.S., from Sep. 1880 to Dec. 1881. The letters (some entirely illegible) have to do with the defunct Bank of Liverpool and the efforts of shareholders to escape the double-liability clause, which was being pressed by the chief creditor, the Bank of Nova Scotia. This book also contains copies of letters (two) on other matters, by Henry G. Farish M.D., of Liverpool.
9. Treasurer's cash book, Queens County Historical Society, from October 1939 to August 1947. It begins with a list of the holders of the 25 debentures issued to raise money for the purchase of the Perkins property in 1936.
10. Insurance policies, receipted bills and sundry other items kept by the Treasurer, roughly in the period 1936-1945.
11. One carton of documents and ~~xxxxxxx~~ artifacts donated by the estate of James Buchanan, Liverpool (east Milton road) in 1979. The medical books and documents belonged to Mrs. Buchanan's father, Dr. Freeman Park Smith, who practised in Port Medway.
  - (a) ~~xxxxxxx~~ "Markland" Two logbooks of the packet schooner "Harry B.", which carried packaged goods between Liverpool and Halifax 1887 - 1902.
  - (b) 1 copy of "Markland", written by R.R. McLeod, and published in 1902.

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- (c) "30,000 Medical Words" by G.M.Gould, published in Philadelphia, 1900.
  - (d) "Nature Studies" by Robert R. McLeod, 1899
  - (e) "Further Nature Studies" by " " " 1910
  - (f) "Legends of Vancouver" by E. Pauline Johnson, 1913.(leather cover)
  - (g) Church of England book of common prayer, 1760.
  - (h) "Vest Pocket Medical Lexicon", Roose M.D., 1878
  - (i) Teaching certificate, Public Schools of Nova Scotia, issued to Mary Wilson, 1887. (Contained in tin tube).
  - (j) Scrapbook~~xx~~ of <sup>clippings</sup> ~~clippings~~ from Queens County newspapers, 1896
  - (k) Commonplace clippings pasted in book, mostly verse.
  - (l) Medical certificate, Freeman Park Smith (Port Medway) from Bowdoin College, Maine, 1881
  - (m) 1 copy Liverpool Transcript, August 9,1866
  - (n) Three small cardboard boxes containing prehistoric stone tools and artifacts (mostly broken), found by James Buchanan at Indian Gardens and elsewhere on the Mersey River.
  - (o) One blacksmith-made hatchet, probably French, fitted with a modern wooden handle. Hatchets of this type have been found at Indian Gardens and elsewhere on the Mersey watershed.

4-4058  
MRS. J. M. SOMERVILLE

CLEMENTS STREET  
YARMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA

23 Parade St.

Thomas Raddall Esq.,  
President,  
Queen's Co. Hist. Soc.

Sir, It does seem strange  
that the Canadian Historical  
Society, the Ontario Historical, the  
Hist. Soc. of Ottawa, the Museums  
Association should all be able to  
find my whereabouts & send me the  
liberation which has been part of my  
life for nearly half a century and  
yet the Queen's Co. Hist. Soc. of  
which Col Fred Ford and Durand  
Mullhall insisted I become a  
life member has no knowledge of  
my existence - I suppose I am the  
last direct descendant of them

MRS. J. M. SOMERVILLE

~~CLEMENTS STREET~~  
YARMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA

Notorious characters, including Sphaerus  
both who settled Liverpool for the  
first white child was certainly my  
grand<sup>(or)</sup> father - all my great I was  
taught that Simion Perkins by  
peculiar food - peeping in the old  
counting house had embezzled and  
made money & the family funds had  
disappeared at the same time - all  
big business in those days!! How  
I hear the old fellows pruned to the  
skies because he wrote a diary  
upholding his own virtues - Ho! ho!

The gist of this note is - has my life  
membership lapsed & what has happened?

Your Truly,

Alberta Freeman Somerville

June 27, 1957

Madame,

You seem to be under several misapprehensions.

(a) I am not President of the Queens County Historical Society. The current President is Mr. C. Randolph Day, of Liverpool.

(b) The Queens County Historical Society does not, and never has issued a publication of its own. Notices of meetings are advertised in the Liverpool Advance. No other communications are made to members.

(c) All the available records written by Simeon Perkins' contemporaries speak of his honesty and public spirit. It is well known that his various public offices paid him little or nothing, and that his devotion to public affairs caused him to neglect his own business at severe cost. He died comparatively poor, and soon after his death his widow was obliged to sell the house and return to her relatives in Connecticut.

(d) Far from extolling his own virtues Perkins' diary records faithfully his own foibles and mistakes, as well as those of his neighbors and associates. Like nearly all diarists he had no notion that his daily record of affairs and people would ever see the public eye. It was intended as a record of his life and times, a means of refreshing his memory in old age and nothing more. And in fact after his death the diary disappeared for almost a century, held in the hands of his family.

(e) You are by no means "the last direct descendant" of the Liverpool pioneers. They are very numerous. However you are, so far as I know, the only one who has ever cast a slur on Perkins' probity. That, I admit, is a distinction.

Yours very truly,

J. H. R.

Mrs. J. M. Sonerville



NOVA SCOTIA

THE SPEAKER  
HALIFAX

Liverpool, N. S.

August 22nd, 1957

Dr. T. H. Raddall,  
Liverpool, N. S.

Dear Tom:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a Memorandum dated August 20th, from the Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry to the Minister, which sets forth the particulars of certain of the furnishings presently in the Perkins House, which are the property of Mr. Bigelow and have been temporarily loaned to the House.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'W. S. Kennedy Jones', with a stylized flourish.

W. S. Kennedy Jones

WSKJ/P  
Autograph  
Encl.

September 5, 1967

Miss Marion M. Payzant,  
108 Lincoln Street,  
Wollaston, Mass. U.S.A.

Dear Miss Payzant:

Thank you for your letters of August 14 and 27. The box of articles conveyed by Mrs. Ryan is now in the Perkins House museum.

You will readily understand that it is not possible to place permanently on display all the material that we have. We plan to change our displays from time to time so that everything worth while can be seen. At present the articles you sent are in the little room over the museum chamber, where we keep the objects and papers not currently on display.

Joseph Tinkham was apparently a native of Wiscasset who came to Liverpool about the time of the American Revolution, a Loyalist. He owned a store, a wharf and schooners, engaged in general trade and privateering, was an officer in the Queens County militia, and later became Sheriff. In 1793 he sold his Liverpool properties and returned to Wiscasset, where he died in 1802.

Charles Morris was born in Massachusetts in or about 1732. About 1761 he moved to Halifax. He was a land surveyor, and in 1781 he became Chief Land Surveyor of Nova Scotia, an office that his father had held before him. He died in 1802.

Sincerely,



R.R.#1,  
Pleasantville, N.S.

September 9th. 1957

Mr. D. D. Inness,  
Curator,  
Perkins House,  
Liverpool,  
N.S.

Dear Mr. Inness; -

In our conversation on September 4th. I said that there were some papers pertaining to Queens County deposited in the Provincial Archives at Halifax which would be released for the Museum on the application of the proper authorities.

I now enclose a letter in this connection from the Provincial Archivist, which explains itself, and a list to show the nature of these papers.

I hope that they may be of interest to the Museum.

Yours sincerely

*E. S. Davison*

E. S. Davison



PUBLIC ARCHIVES  
NOVA SCOTIA

HALIFAX, N. S.

November 8, 1955.

Received from Mr. E. S. Davison, Pentz, N. S., a parcel of documents as listed in his letter of November 6th, <sup>1955</sup> on the understanding that these shall be transferred to the Queens County Museum on the request of the Curator or Officers of that Museum.

*D. C. Harvey*

D. C. Harvey  
ARCHIVIST.

Papers deposited in the Nova Scotia Archives

by

E.S.Davison on November 8th.1955

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Agreement; William Hayden of Liverpool leases to William Cahoon of Liverpool, for the sum of three pounds, one half of a 30 acre lot of land, in the letter "F", Number 11, lying at Port Medway in the Township of Liverpool, from the 23rd. day of October 1771 for the term of 999 years, yielding and paying one Peppercorn yearly.

Grant; George 111 to Heirs of Samuel Mack, 200 acres, Lot 58, Township of Liverpool, signed by Governor Parr, November 1785.

" ; George 111 to Patrick Doran, Lot 59, Letter "B" and Lot 35, Letter "S", containing in both 230 acres, Township of Liverpool. Signed by Governor Parr, 20th July 1786.

" ; George 111 to Asaph Wheelock and twenty five others, 6,185 acres, County of Annapolis on "The new road leading from Nictaux to Annapolis....."  
Signed by Lieutenant General Sir George Prevost, 2 nd. March, 1811.

Letter; Thomas, James and William Cochran to Captain Samuel Mack, Port Maytway, 3rd. July 1776.

" William Robertson to George Mitchell, Port Midway, August 6th.1788.

Financial statement.

Estate of Patrick Doran in account with the Executrices, Pounds, Shillings and Pence. January 1819 - 1822.

September 13th, 1957

Mr. E.S. Davison,  
R.R. No. 1,  
Fleasantville, N.S.

Dear Mr. Davison,

Mr. D.D. Inness has passed on to me your very kind letter of the Ninth regarding the documents you placed in care of the Archives at Halifax, together with your receipt from the Archivist, Dr. D.C. Harvey.

As you know, we managed to get the Perkins house furnished and opened to the public this year, after long delays. Our little museum in the ell is still in a rudimentary state. I hope to get proper plate-glass display cases, and proper storage facilities for documents, but these matters will take time. Meanwhile I suggest that your documents should remain in the Provincial Archives, where they are safely kept, until we are able to provide safe storage here.

With thanks for your generous interest,

Sincerely,

January 25, 1960

Dear Case,

re the proposed Essay Contest

I've been in touch with Doug Tozer. He was somewhat pessimistic about the students' response, having in mind the response to an essay contest sponsored by the Canadian Legion some time ago, and to the one sponsored by Ken Jones last year. He suggested that the Historical Society give a prize for the best mark in History, Grade Twelve. However I said the Society had approved a prize for an essay on Liverpool ships and seamen, and I was merely carrying out my instructions.

Doug then said he would do his best to see that our essay contest was put before the students of Grade Twelve, under the guidance of the English Grammar teacher, who would probably set it as an exercise in composition. I asked him to suggest the best time for it, having in mind that Ken Jones' essay contest last year came at a time when the students were worrying about exams. He suggested the Fall term, when their minds are free from anything like that. The English teacher could place the contest before them soon after the opening of the term in September, and the final date for handing in the papers should be about November 5th.

Now with regard to rules for the contest. Ken's secretary cannot find any copy of his essay contest rules, so we shall have to set our own. As I understand it (I wasn't present when the Society decided to offer the prize) the subject must deal with Liverpool ships and seamen; in other words it can be anything from the privateers to the rise and passing of the Mersey Paper fleet. With this in mind I attach a tentative set-up for the contest.

Sincerely,

Mr. C.J. Mulhall, President,  
Queens County Historical Society,  
Liverpool, N.S.

Prize Essay Contest, 1960

- (1) The Queens County Historical Society, in order to foster a continuing interest in Liverpool as a seaport, offers a prize of \$25.
- (2) The subject for these essays is the history of Liverpool ships and men, at any period from the foundation of the town to the present day. Examples: Privateers; the old West Indies trade; the fishery as conducted in the olden days or at the present time, with a description of the boats and methods; the building of a wooden sailing ship; the refitting of naval craft by Steel and Engine Products Company; the story of the Mersey Paper Company's ships, beginning in 1929 and ending in 1959.
- (3) The contest is open only to students in Grade Twelve, Liverpool Regional High School.
- (4) Papers may be hand-written or typed.
- (5) Papers should not exceed 3,000 words.
- (6) The final date for handing in papers shall be November 4, 1960.
- (7) The judges shall be appointed by the Queens County Historical Society.

**BOWATERS MERSEY PAPER CO. LTD.**  
**LIVERPOOL, NOVA SCOTIA**

September 8, 1960

Mr. E. T. Jeffery,  
President,  
The W. S. Tyler Company,  
3618 Superior Avenue,  
Cleveland 14, Ohio,  
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Jeffery:

A former President of your Company, Mr. Proctor Patterson, who is the father of Mrs. J. Beverly Jones, my aunt, made a gift of the bronze plaque which was attached to a cairn to the memory of Captain Sylvanus Cobb, an outstanding citizen of this town in its earliest years. My late father, the first president of this Company, was instrumental in having the cairn built and arranging for its unveiling by the Queens County Historical Society on July 1st, 1933.

Unfortunately, a couple of years ago vandals defaced the plaque and it is only recently that this was brought to my attention. I have had this repaired in our machine shop with the results shown on the attached photograph. The thought has occurred, in spite of the many years, that this pattern may still be in existence and it would be possible to secure another casting therefrom. I have informed the local Historical Society that I would be pleased to defray any cost in this connection in view of the unique co-operation of Mr. Patterson and my late father in arranging this outstanding memorial. Mr. Patterson visited Liverpool in the early thirties and took a great interest in the details which culminated in the erection of the Cobb Memorial.

I would deem it a great favour if you could let me know whether it would be possible to locate the order and to find out whether the pattern is still in existence.

Thanking you, I am

Yours very sincerely,

J. H. M. Jones

December 18/61

Mr. C.F.L.Kelsey,

Port Joli, N.S.

Dear Charlie,

After checking over my diary entries I find the following.

In the early summer of 1929 Col.C.H.L.Jones, head of Mersey Paper Co., (whose mill was then under construction) suggested the formation of a local historical society, a branch of the Canadian Legion, and various other groups appropriate to an up-and-coming community.

On August 26, 1929 Mr. Robert Long called a meeting in Town Hall, Liverpool, and about fifteen representative people came, including two from Milton and one from Brooklyn. Mr. Long was a native of Liverpool and an authority on Queens County history. He had printed a small newspaper in Boston for many years, but continued to spend summer vacations here.

The meeting decided to form a Queens County Historical Society at once, with the following officers:-

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Honorary President .....  | Robert Long |
| President .....           | W.F.Kempton |
| Vice-President .....      | W.A.Letson  |
| Secretary-Treasurer ..... | T.H.Raddall |

The following members were appointed a committee to prepare a constitution and bye-laws:- Miss Janet ~~ick~~ Mullins, Mrs. John Day, Col. Jones and Charles De Wolfe.

I was the youngest of the original fifteen, and am now the sole survivor. I remember that the above-named committee did draw up a constitution and bye-laws, but this was a routine matter and as such it found no place in my diary, which was a rather sketchy matter in those days. At the summer meeting Mr. Long had urged that the Society buy or erect a suitable home for itself as soon as possible. He was very optimistic about raising funds for the purpose. The Society met in Town Hall on Nov.7, 1929, and the entire evening was taken up in discussion of the best possible site for the proposed museum. The great stock market crash had taken place in October, and in my position on the financial staff of Mersey Paper Company I could see a long and rocky road ahead for any group -- indeed anyone -- trying to raise money for any purpose like this. I pointed out that the Society's funds amounted to no more than \$30, and that the chances of building or buying a museum in the next few years were out of this world. I suggested that the Society get on with a program of historical research for the coming year, with the regular reading of historical papers, etc.

I kept hammering away at this theme, and we got such a program started and continued. I continued in the post of Secretary\*<sup>Treasurer</sup> for the first



two and a half years. By that time I was deeply engaged in work of the new Canadian Legion branch as well; the Mersey mill had brought in many skilled workers from Quebec and Ontario, and in the deepening depression there was a glut of unskilled labor here as elsewhere; many local veterans of War One were out of work, and we had a tough job to look after them and their families, to fight with Ottawa about a decent pension scheme, and so on. Austin Parker, the late Brenton Smith, and I carried this burden all through the hard times of the 1930's.

Consequently I ~~resigned~~ resigned as Secretary-Treasurer of the Historical Society at the end of the winter season of 1931-32. A Liverpool dentist, Dr. C. Porter Freeman, was appointed in my place, and I turned over the books, papers, etc. to him on March 10, 1932. Thereafter I attended meetings of the Historical Society whenever I could, as an ordinary member, and sometimes read papers before them. Dr. Freeman continued as Secretary-Treasurer for several years, I believe until his death; but what happened to the Society's books and papers and past correspondence I cannot say. The constitution must have been consulted in 1936, when old Miss Letitia Agnew died and her heir put the Perkins house up for sale. The house was in a run-down state, and so was the real estate market in Liverpool in '36.. By borrowing the money on a quaint system of \$250 bonds, with interest at 5%, sold mostly to members of the Society, we managed to buy the Perkins property and raise enough money for emergency repairs.

Thereafter for many years the Society rented the upper and part of the lower floor to a family, and maintained a small museum in what is now the right-hand parlor. The Society's papers (presumably including the constitution) were kept in a old iron safe, donated by a Port Medway merchant, which stood in the lower hall.

During the second World War the Society's activities fell into abeyance and during most of 1939-1945 the Perkins house was closed. In '46, at a largely attended meeting, the Society was revived and I was made President. The job of Secretary-Treasurer fell to a series of ladies. I assumed that they turned over to each other the papers of the Society in the usual manner. I had long realised that the Society would never be able to finance a proper restoration of the Perkins, nor to furnish it or provide a paid caretaker. Hence, with the Society's permission, I persuaded the provincial government to take over the Perkins property, gratis, in 1947. I remained President of the Society until 1951, when I resigned.

None of this rigmarole answers your query -- where is the Society's constitution? When the provincial government restored the house in 1949 the Society's museum and papers were placed and locked up in a shed at the back, where everything was badly damaged by damp. Subsequently we salvaged what we could of the papers and placed them in a sea-chest in the ell of the house. I can't recall whether the Society's constitution was among them or not.

It looks as if the best bet is a copy in the government files at Halifax.

With the season's compliments to your wife and self -- and do come and see us.

J. H. R.

**MCLELLAN & NICHOLS**

*Barristers, Solicitors, Etc.*

ROBERT F. MCLELLAN, Q.C.  
D. ARTHUR NICHOLS

795 PRINCE STREET

TRURO, NOVA SCOTIA

November 6th, 1962.

Thomas Raddall, Esq.,  
Liverpool,  
Queens County,  
Nova Scotia.

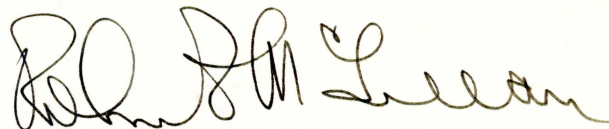
Dear Sir:

In the course of preparing a brief on a case current in our office, I had occasion to refer to some of the early text books which were contained in the library of my father, the late S.D. McLellan, Q.C. Judge of Probate for the County of Colchester. I came across volume 4 of Blackstone's Commentaries which has written in ink on the fly leaf "Simeon Perkins, 1784"; the same notation is inscribed on page one of the names of subscribers. The volume was printed by Robert Bell, Union Library, Philadelphia, in 1772.

If you would care to examine the book to determine the authenticity of the name "Simeon Perkins" I would be glad to forward it to you for this purpose. Furthermore, if the name is in the handwriting of Simeon Perkins and the museum in Liverpool in his honour would like to acquire this book, I would be prepared to donate it to the museum on condition that the records of the museum indicate that it came from the library of the late S.D. McLellan, Q.C., Judge of Probate for the County of Colchester and was donated to the museum by myself and my sister, Jean W. Newcombe.

Tucked in the pages of this volume was the enclosed photograph which may or may not have any reference to Simeon Perkins. You may be able to identify it. Please return it with your reply.

Yours very truly,



Robert F. MCLELLAN

RFM/mrm  
Enc.

November 7, 1962

Mr. Robert F. McLellan,  
795 Prince Street,  
Trenton, N.S.

Dear Mr. McLellan,

It was very good of you to write, and I know that the Queens County Historical Society would be very pleased to have the volume of Blackstone's Commentaries bearing the name of Simeon Perkins on the fly leaf. As you probably know, the Society has a small museum in the Simeon Perkins house.

If you send me the volume, it will be a simple matter to compare the inscription with Perkin's own signature on various documents here. The year 1784 was one in which the influx of loyalists during 1783 was affecting the life of towns like Liverpool profoundly. Until that time Perkins had functioned as a Justice of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas with only a sketchy knowledge of law. The advent of Loyalists trained in the law made it necessary for him to brush up his knowledge, and Blackstone was so revered at that time that I have always felt he must have acquired a set of the Commentaries.

A few years after Perkins' death in 1812 his widow sold the house and went to spend the rest of her days with a daughter living in the United States. Presumably the contents of the house were sold at the same time, for certainly they disappeared.

I would be happy to present the volume to the Historical Society, of which I am Honorary President, on behalf of Jean W. Newcombe and yourself. This would be recorded in the Minute Book of the Society, together with a notation that the Blackstone volume came from the library of the late S.D. McLellan, Q.C., Judge of Probate for the County of Colchester.

I return herewith the photograph, which I cannot identify. It is not a picture of the Perkins house, nor of any house in Liverpool, so far as my knowledge goes.

Sincerely,

Note - I turned the book over to the  
Q.C. Historical Society at a meeting  
on Feb. 20/63 & the secretary  
undertook to acknowledge the gift in a  
letter to Mrs. McLellan.

**MCLELLAN & NICHOLS**

*Barristers, Solicitors, Etc.*

ROBERT F. McLELLAN, Q. C.  
D. ARTHUR NICHOLS

795 PRINCE STREET

**TRURO, NOVA SCOTIA**

November 13th, 1962.

Thomas H. Raddall, Esq.,  
Liverpool,  
Queens County,  
Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Riddall:

Under separate cover I am forwarding you the volume of Blackstone Commentaries referred to in our earlier correspondence.

If you are satisfied that the signature on the fly leaf is indeed that of Simeon Perkins would you be good enough to let me have a line from you to that effect. Furthermore, under these circumstances this letter may be considered as evidencing the gift to the Queens County Historical Society under the conditions outlined in your letter of November 7th.

If you determine that the signature is not that of Simeon Perkins then I think the volume should be returned to me as it has no special significance to the Queens County Historical Society and would then be placed back in our library.

Yours very truly,



Robert F. McLellan.

RFM/mrm

November 19, 1962

Mr. Robert F. McLellan, Q.C.,  
795 Prince Street,  
Truro, N.S.

Dear Mr. McLellan,

The Blackstone volume arrived safely, and of careful comparison with holograph letters and documents I find that the name Simeon Perkins inscribed in two places in the book is indeed that of Colonel Simeon Perkins, the diarist of Liverpool. Amongst other characteristics there is his curious habit of writing "Simeon" with no loop in the "e", so that it is exactly like the "i", but being careful to put the dot over the true "i". In all ways the signatures are identical and unmistakable.

The Queens County Historical Society has charge of the museum in the Perkins House, which is now closed for the winter. The Society usually holds a brief business meeting late this month, but does not begin its regular meetings until January.

At the first opportunity I shall be happy to present the Blackstone volume in the manner set forth in my letter of November 7, 1962. You will then receive a formal letter of acknowledgement from the Historical Society. Meanwhile let me express the thanks of us all for this gift.

Sincerely,

BRANCHES  
116 GEORGE ST.  
NEW GLASGOW, N. S.  
451 KING ST.  
FREDERICTON, N. B.

K & W  
ENTERPRISES  
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GENERAL OFFICE  
LIVERPOOL, N. S.  
P. O. Box 1253  
TEL. 354-4413

DATE June 16, 1964.

TO Mr. T. H. Raddall FROM George W. Whalley.  
Liverpool, N.S.

Dear Tom:

We would like you to accept these rebound books  
belonging to the Queens County Historical Society. Binding  
compliments of K. & W. Enterprises Limited.

June 18, 1964

Mr. George W. Whalley,  
K & W Enterprises Ltd.,  
Liverpool, N.S.

Dear George:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the two volumes of Hooker's works, and the volume of Long's Annals of Queens County, which your firm has rebound.

On behalf of the Historical Society may I say how much we appreciate the generosity of K & W Enterprises in doing this for us, and the excellence of the binding, which will preserve these books for a very long time.

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Raddall

Chairman, Museum Committee,

Queens County Historical Society.

You were  
correct in  
the spelling  
of the Callisto  
Name - (The  
cone belonged  
to Eros Callisto's  
uncle - ) whose  
name was

Benjamin - (The  
old lady called  
him Ben Callisto  
and said he  
came to Liverpool  
very early - His



a friend of  
Dickins etc  
then went to  
the U.S. etc

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August 1th., 1964.

Dr. T. H. Radall,  
Liverpool, N.S.

Dear Dr. Radall:

Kindly be advised that I have to-day listed and placed in The Queens County Historical Museum the following articles.

1 cane. Owned by Benajah Collins. (Uncle of Enos Collins)  
One of the Freemans married a Collins and the cane was handed down to Hardy Freeman of Kempt. N.S.

1 hinged backcomb. App. 150 years old.. also one hand-made lace collar. Owned by Mrs Richard Kempton of Milton.

1 valentine dated 1805. Sent to Mrs Maggie Telfer. Caledonia.

1 wall watch pocket.

1 handkerchief. Made from Mrs R. Kemptons wedding dress.

1 bible. 1834.

1 pink lustre cup.. Owned by Mrs Curtis Kempton.

2 very old chemise.

All donated by Mrs Hardy Freeman. Kempt. N.S.

1 very old nutmeg grater.. donated by Mrs. D. Tozer.

Yours very truly,

*Margaret P. Pines*

P.S. I have written Mrs Kelsey asking her to write Mrs Freeman and Mrs Tozer.

*(M.P.)*

May 21, 1966

Mrs. William H. Strachan,

P.O.Box 254,

Kingston, Ontario.

Dear Mrs. Strachan:

The Queens County Historical  
Society has received the scrap book kept by the  
late Miss Emily Marshall of Liverpool, and wishes  
me to express the Society's thanks to you.

Sincerely,

Chairman

Museum Committee

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

VANCOUVER 8, CANADA

THE LIBRARY

6th October 1966

Perkins House Museum  
Liverpool, Nova Scotia

Dear Sirs,

I understand that you have in your collection of manuscripts a letter by Sir Edward Belcher.

Is there any way by which I might obtain a copy of that letter, or any other material written by or to him which you have in your collection? Do you know of the existence of any further correspondence?

Sincerely yours

*Basil Stuart-Stubbs*

Basil Stuart-Stubbs  
University Librarian

BSS:Im

*Answered Oct 22/66.*

*Sorry but museum is closed for winter & documents not readily available. We have one letter only.*

6080 South Street,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
December 18th, 1966.

Mr. J.H.Holloway,  
Clerk of the County Court,  
Queens County District No. 2,  
Liverpool, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Holloway,

Thank you very much for your letter in reply to my inquiry  
re a Manley White.

My correspondent says: "I have a picture here of his  
grandfather. On the back it states

Manly White  
Judge of Queens Co., N.S.  
for over fifty years.  
Presented by  
C.B.White (Clarence Busby white)  
Los Angeles Calif. Jan. 1, 1917."

I have been doing some research on this Manly White and  
in the T.B.Smith Collection I found

White, Manly Liverpool Advance, Nov. 21, 1900. Deaths:  
At Northfield Nov. 7th Manly White, Esq. in the 94th year of  
his age."

In August 1954, Dr. Albert Churchill McLeod has:  
"Mandly White and wife came from Annapolis on horse-back  
she with a baby in her arms. There was only a footpath. He was  
a carpenter and shoemaker, also taught school. He married  
1st Mary Ann London.

family of Mandly White and his first wife:

(1) Francis Joseph White (2) James (3) Henry (4) Busby  
(5) Mansfield

family of Mandly White and his second wife:

(1) Wesley - m. Susie Fancy, issue Ralph E. White; married  
Annie V. McBride  
(2) Thomas (3) Rachael.

From Granville Township records, Item No. 72 reads:

"Manly White born in Oswego, State of New York 9 June, 1767  
m. Mary Ann Mott London, (dau. of Richard Mott and Susannah White)  
b. Mar. 9, 1810

Children:

Henry Richard Mott White, born in Granville 10 Sept. 1829  
James Edward White, b. in Granville 11 July 1832  
Sampson Busby White, b. in Granville 12 JanY 1835."

All this may be of interest to Dr. Raddall, but I still have  
not found any record of Manly White being Judge in Queens County for over 50 years.

Again my thanks for your help and best wishes for a happy  
Holiday Season.

Sincerely, *Harold E. Dawson*

January 1967.

Dr. T. H. Radall,  
Liverpool, N.S.

Dear Dr. Radall:

Following is a list of articles donated to the Queens Co., Historical Museum, which were given to me and placed in the Museum;

Summary of minutes of <sup>the 63 meetings of</sup> the first The Queens County Historical Society.. 1929- 1938.

Donated by Mrs. S. M. Bartling.

Dishes and spoon excavated from the land formerly owned by Lawyer Fairbanks. (1794) 112 Main Street. Now owned by Margaret V. Inness.

History of The Queens County Historical Society from 1929 to 1959.. Compiled by Dr. T. H. Radall.

Old deeds. Donated by Mrs Harley Walker. Mill Milton.

Letter from Simeon Perkins to Joshua Newton. Dated Feb. 20th, 1802. Donated by Mrs Elizabeth Barrett.

Minute book.. Queens Co. Historical Soc'y., April 11th, 1946 to Nov. 16th. 1960.

DONATED BY MRS ETHEL CONRAD. (The following ~~are~~ articles)

I beaver hat.  
I egg beater.  
I grater.  
I egg turner.

I pair of white stockings knit by Miss Janet Mill Mullins,  
for her trousseau.

*Margaret V. Inness*

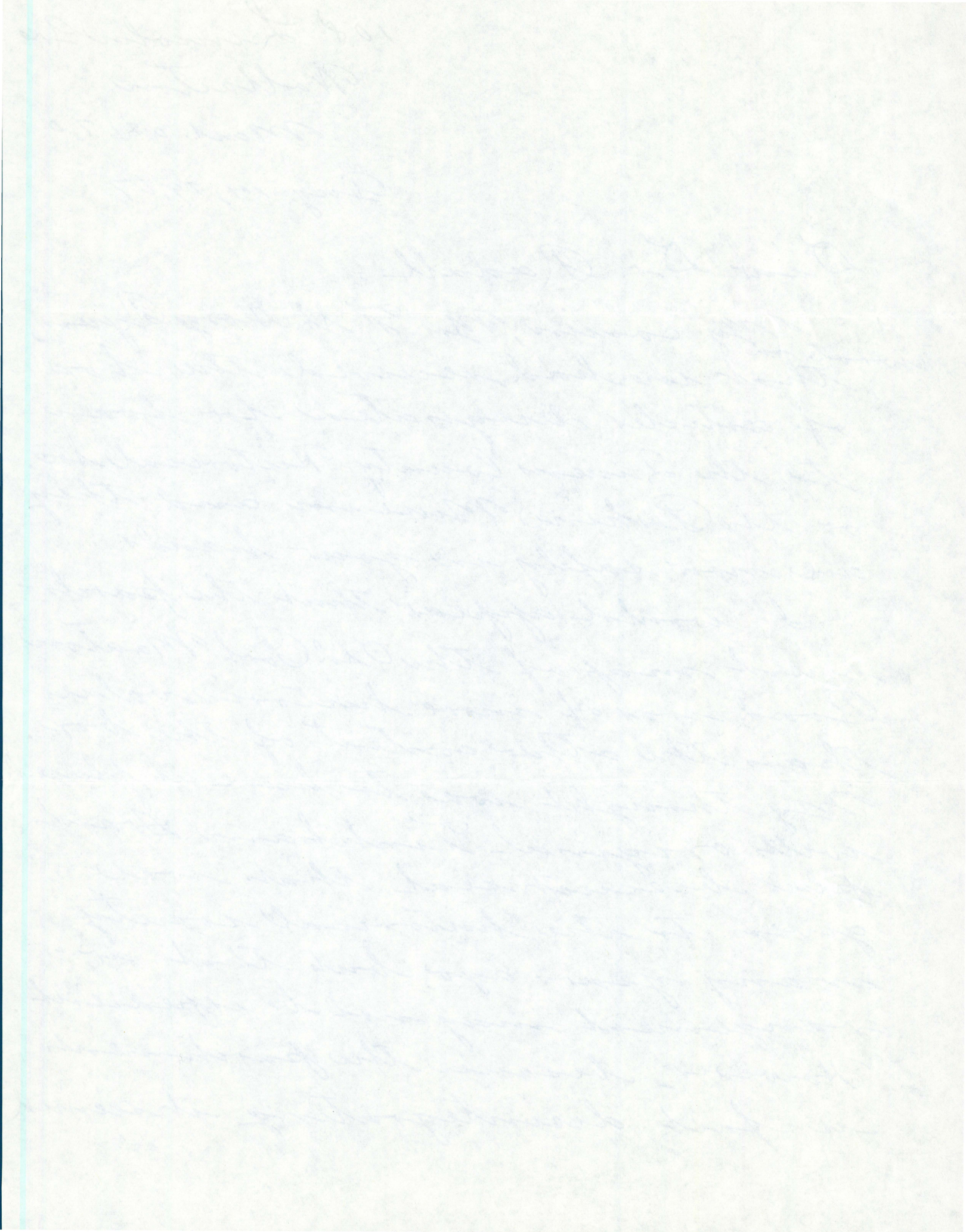
108 Lincoln Ave.  
Wollaston  
Mass. 02170

Aug. 14, 1967

Dear Dr. Radall,

My cousin, Mrs. F. St. George Ryan,  
wrote me that she had received the box  
of articles designated for loan  
to the Queens County Historical Soc.  
or the Perkins Museum and they  
are now safely in your hands.

It would appear that the parch-  
ment map of the Old Port Manton  
Road was of more historic value  
than the other contents of the box.  
My thought was to have it placed  
with original Tinkham Grant  
plus biscuit seal that was  
given to the historical society  
many years ago, but that ar-  
rangement may not be expedient.  
However, because the parchment  
is fast disintegrating it seemed





best that it receive suitable - even  
expert attention. My first thought  
was to mail it to Dr. Bruce Ferguson  
but my interest in Queens Co. won  
over. Will you please examine  
it and advise me?

Room temperature and exposure  
to air are factors that should be  
considered, and handling by a  
specially trained curator may be  
desirable I have been told.

Last week in reading the 100<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary issue of the *Hants Journal*  
I found on page 11 an article by  
J. W. Duncanson ~~and~~ mentioning  
Charles Morris - whose signature  
appears on the map. And stating  
that Governor Shirley of Boston  
appointed Charles Morris in 1745  
to survey Nova Scotia. Does that  
indicate that the map was drawn  
at that time? My father  
thought that Joseph Tinkham  
may have been a soldier from  
the British Isles fighting in the  
Rev. War for George III who

took a land grant in lieu of his wages, then did not fulfill the conditions to gain title so it became Crown Land. Thus Rev. John was able to obtain it for three of his eight sons. Or do you think Joseph Tinkham was a New England Planter who did not remain in Nova Scotia?

Although I spent the entire summer for the first twenty years of my life in Queens Co., I am a native born citizen of the N. S. A., and regret my lack of knowledge (in many details) of Nova Scotia history. Therefore I am most willing to acknowledge errors on my part in any of my assertions or deductions that come to your attention.

When my father gave me the map it was accepted as part of a small collection of old family papers and objects that had been passed down from Rev. John through his descendants. I do recall his telling me on that occasion that his uncle Lewis (1831-1865)

had been in charge of "surveying" or "laying the plans" for developing the road from the Payyant Homestead at First Beech Hill To Port Mouton - in other words completing the road of which the first portion was shown on the map. He explained that a leader went ahead to a high piece of ground and there placed a tall pole with white flag atop, thus giving the workmen a site toward which they might advance. Using this method the road was constructed from the top of one high point directly to the top of the next.

Perhaps that is why when I was a child riding along this inner Kings Highway from Port Mouton To Liverpool, the journey seemed like moving along a slow roller-coaster with drastic ups and downs. Often we had to step out of the carriage to relieve the load when an uphill pull was too great a strain on a horse. Later these steep sections on the road were eliminated by a few miles of new

road built around the base of the hill instead of over its summit.

My father was a young lad when his uncle "surveyed" the road, which term may have been used to indicate the planning or layout with the workmen in action and did not involve draftsmanship or paper work. My father did not explain the signature on the map. He probably did not really know anything about Charles Morris except that he had drawn the map. Do you think the map had been given to his uncle as a guide - or do you think it was obtained by the Payyants sons when the grant was obtained?

Of interest to me was the my father's explanation that the old stone wall running along a lane or path from the Beech Hill Payyant Homestead toward White Point, followed the Old Gull Island road, in my time overgrown and not passable, was in my grandfather's time the only road connecting Fish Beech Hill by way of the shore to

either Liverpool or Port Mouton -  
I have forgotten which.

A copy of the map is in Vol. III  
p. 162 of the set of four volumes on  
background material on the Payyant  
Jes-Juhans families in the N.S.  
Archives in Halifax. I do not  
have a negative because it was  
printed by Keenox-Offsett - several  
years ago directly on the sheets.

Could it be possible that a  
Mr. Morris, <sup>(?)</sup> jeweller of Liverpool  
and owner of the house bought  
by my <sup>great-</sup>grandfather Charles Payyant,  
(1793-1872) may have been in  
possession of the map at that  
period?

The article by J. V. Duncan  
has aroused my interest in the  
signature and I think if it may  
be of <sup>enough</sup> significance to <sup>be</sup> included  
in the Payyant Genealogy now in  
preparation for publication. <sup>My</sup>  
Could I make arrangements to  
have a negative made in Liverpool  
or do you prefer my obtaining a  
negative here and keeping the  
map temporarily for that purpose?

May I also inquire whether there are any pictures of the sons of Rev. John in the Queens Co. Hist. Soc. or grandchildren - such as Mrs. Simons Kempton (Jane Paygant). May I have a list?

If the articles sent you are suitable for exhibition and are not repetitions of items you already have, I should be very happy to leave them with the society. If they are not needed it would perhaps be best to return them to Margaret (Paygant) Ryan.

Please let me know if you feel that I am not disposing of them in the proper manner.

I am also wondering if you would be willing to allow ~~me~~ Mr. E. A. Crawley of Chester to read this letter that I may have his opinion on the map - regarding Charles Morris and how it happened to be in our old family records.

I do not type so I have made no copy.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,  
(Miss) Marion M. Paygant

\* He knows more about roads in N. S. than any other person.

MISS MARION M. PAYZANT  
108 LINCOLN AVENUE  
WOLLASTON  
MASSACHUSETTS 02170

Aug. 27, 1967  
Dear Dr. Radall,

In regard to the signature on the parchment map of the Old Post Mauders Road - Charles Morris,

I have found the notation I had been looking for in the Payzant records -

and it reads thus: -

1873 - The Liverpool house owned by Charles Payzant (1791-1873) was sold to

Myra Morse, a jeweller.

Therefore I had remembered the name incorrectly as well as a few details in the transaction.

The name Myra seems unusual in this case, yet there were families in Queens Co. with the surname Myra I am told. Perhaps my spelling is in error for I jotted down items as Father recalled them.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Marion M. Payant



June 15, 1968

Miss Marion M. Payzant,  
108 Lincoln Street,  
Wollaston, Mass. 02170

Dear Miss Payzant:

Thank you for your letter of May 30,  
enclosing the pamphlet on William Alexander Jackson.  
I shall bring these to the attention of the Queens  
County Historical Society at our next meeting, which  
will be in October.

Yours truly,

**WILLIAM ALEXANDER JACKSON**

MEMORIAL MINUTE ADOPTED BY  
THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES  
HARVARD UNIVERSITY  
FEBRUARY 16, 1965

## WILLIAM ALEXANDER JACKSON

BORN JULY 25, 1905

DIED OCTOBER 18, 1964

The highest point of a mountain range can always be discerned from afar — less clearly distinguished from its foothills. Now with the sudden death of William Alexander Jackson, first Librarian of the Houghton Library, on October 18th, 1964, the entire book world, as well as Harvard, sees in him the ultimate in bibliographical scholars, not simply the University's "Grand Acquisitor" that his L.H.D. citation in 1962 so aptly acclaimed him. The fact that he more than doubled, or possibly trebled, in quality as well as quantity, Harvard's rare book and manuscript holdings in these last twenty-six years, is only the most spectacular fact that can be cited about him, although an important one. There were many other qualities of an exceptional nature in a remarkable combination which set him apart from, if not above, other outstanding figures in his spheres of learning.

First of all, there were great strengths. His forbears were British Loyalists, who left New England as a matter of conviction and principle after the American Revolution. Jackson's adherence to principle was absolute. From his earliest youth, he considered books to be more worthwhile than any other human artifacts. He would do everything within his power to find the best of them, to know all that could be discovered about them, and to put them — after he was appointed (1938) an assistant Librarian in charge of the rare book room in Widener — at Harvard, which he clearly recognized as the leading Uni-

*From the Harvard University Gazette*

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versity Library in America. His singleness of purpose brooked no obstacles. He had never raised money before, but if money needed to be raised (as it did for his towering ambitions) he learned the best way to do it. He found a small but devoted professional staff to help him, and attached them by his consideration and his example. He worked harder and longer hours by far than anyone else. In spite of being no linguist, he learned to read any European language that became necessary to him. He often did not bother to eat, as friends who traveled with him can well remember! And when they fell exhausted into bed at night, he picked up a new book which he usually devoured in one unbroken reading, made notes from any available book catalogues, set down the knowledge gained in the day, and usually even found time to prepare something for the morrow. Jackson had a photographic memory. At least one important Swiss collector, whom he saw only about three times in all, recalls his picking books unerringly from her shelves after several years interval—and objecting when she had changed the arrangement which he considered had been excellent!

Born in Bellows Falls, Vermont (1905), he went to secondary school mainly in South Pasadena, California. Proximity to the Huntington Library, then being organized by George Watson Cole, exposed him to rare books in his teens. He was influenced to go to Williams College by the presence there of the superb Chapin Collection, and he worked his way through college by becoming its bibliographer. He often cut classes at Williams to come to Cambridge to use the Harvard library, or audit lectures by George Lyman Kittredge and other professorial luminaries. It was Kittredge who advised him to concentrate on books, to let graduate studies “go hang.” As a result, in the end he might well have inquired with Kittredge, “Who would examine me?” Later, he became (in 1930) adviser and bibliographer to

Carl H. Pforzheimer in New York, of whose very important *Catalogue of English Literature 1475 to 1700*, which was privately printed in 1940, he was the principal author.

Thus far, almost all his experience had been with English books. He had already started his revision of the *Short-Title Catalogue of Books Printed in England, Scotland and Ireland (1475 to 1640)* as soon as it was published by the Bibliographical Society at London in 1926. For he knew, at twenty-one, that there were still titles, and copies, that had not been cited in even this monumental work of the British scholars Pollard and Redgrave. But as soon as he arrived at Harvard in the fall of 1938, just in time for the memorable hurricane of that September, he began at once to broaden his field to cover Continental and American literature as well.

The Houghton Library, given by Arthur A. Houghton in 1942, was not an accident. Every detail of its construction was supervised by Jackson with the donor's approval, although the war was coming rapidly closer to America in 1940 and '41. At the formal opening in February, 1942, Jackson was ready to take command of every facet, despite losses of key personnel to the armed services and war activities. Observing all this, Williams gave him an honorary Master's degree in 1943, which was to be topped by his Harvard L.H.D. in 1962, already cited, and an Oxford D.LITT. on June 6, 1964.

Probably the Latin citation he received on that latter day was one of his happiest moments; for it recounted his wide services to bibliography, to young students, and to scholars in both Britain and America. It expressed “spontaneous affection for his charming nature” (as well as) “merited praise to his genius.” Although of his major scholarly publications only the Pforzheimer catalogue and *Records of the Court of the Stationers' Company 1602 to 1640* have yet appeared in print, the Bodleian Library and the British bibliographical fraternity, perhaps the most

exacting critics and the best scholars of all in this field, had countless evidences of his helpfulness and knowledge.

Jackson relaxed completely in those rare moments when his immediate work was done. He then became the most convivial of companions, on a yachting trip, or when traveling to see libraries, booksellers, and collectors. He could not bear fools lightly, nor knaves at all. But his reactions were as subtle as they were decisive, and his voice was seldom raised. Many men considered him an intimate friend, but it is unlikely that he felt as intimate with all of them. There was in his nature an element of loneliness and a wish for solitude which came from his overwhelming love of books. They were, in the end, perhaps his closest friends of all!

Nevertheless, Jackson valued greatly his membership in various clubs, like the Century and Grolier of New York, the Walpole Society of America, the Odd Volumes (he was currently President when he died), the Tavern Club of Boston, and the Athenaeum and the Roxburghe Clubs of England. Very few other Americans had ever been elected to this latter body when he was admitted in June, 1964.

Among learned societies, he was a member of all those that one would expect: the Bibliographical Society of America (President, 1946-48), the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Massachusetts Historical Society, the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, the Society of Antiquaries in London, as well as the Bibliographical Society there of which he was the Honorary American Secretary. Last, but not least, he was a Member of the Common Room of Lincoln College, Oxford — another honor not often accorded to a foreigner.

Handsome and tall, Jackson never looked his years — nor unwell. He would rarely admit to being ill. As a result, when he contracted mononucleosis in the late thirties, and had a slight heart attack in the later fifties, he was ill

indeed. The coronary thrombosis, which resulted in his death, did not cloud his mind. His wife Dorothy Judd [Jackson], whom he married in 1929 at Honolulu, and his son, the Reverend Dr. Jared Judd Jackson H'52 were with him during the last two anxious days. A brother also survives.

In one sense a golden, favored son of fortune, he always earned each successive step in his wide success. The revision of the *Short-Title Catalogue* will be finished by his assistant, Miss Katharine Pantzer over the next five years. With ten thousand additional entries to add to the twenty-six thousand titles in the 1926 listing, this enterprise may be said to be about three-quarters completed. It will be published by the Bibliographical Society (London).

Jackson's *Annotated List of the Publications of the Reverend Thomas Frognall Dibdin, D.D.* was already in the hands of the printers when he died. Some of his many contributions to periodicals and scholarly publications are to be collected and published as another book in the more distant future.

William H. Bond  
Douglas W. Bryant  
Paul H. Buck  
Merle Fainsod  
Robert L. Wolff  
Philip Hofer, *Chairman*



spiritual truths of life. He was held in high esteem by his associates and the townspeople.

His family consisted of five children, two sons and three daughters. The girls became teachers. One boy became a clergyman, the other followed a career of fine public service as Superintendent of Schools in Los Angeles. It was the latter who became the father of:-

William Alexander Jackson, late curator of Harvard University's Houghton Library, famous for its collection of rare books and manuscripts.

Enclosed is a Memorial Minute in honor of this remarkable man. It gives evidence of the stature of one descendant of an old Liverpool family. Although not a native of Nova Scotia, this fine American scholar felt heir to much that had been created for him in the family and community life of his grandfather who had contributed to the spiritual, ethical, and cultural life of Liverpool.

It would seem appropriate that the enclosure be read to the Queens County Historical Society and then presented to the Nova Scotia Archives at Halifax, suggesting to Mr. Bruce Ferguson,

that it be included with the material on the Jackson family in the T. Brenton Smith Collection.

(Mrs. Jackson)

In a letter from ~~his widow~~, she mentioned that she had sent me a Xeroxed copy of the speech by Sir Frank Francis Pres. of the Bibliographical Society of England (and Director of the British Museum) given at Houghton Library Sept. 14, 1965. upon the posthumous presentation of that Society's gold medal. (I cannot seem to find ~~it~~) At that time she had the formidable task of putting in order much material - tributes, biographical data, articles and photos - "one Backrach photograph taken Sept. 1964 showing William in full vigor, health and happiness".

It was my thought that after these enclosures are examined by you or the Queens County Historical Society, they be forwarded to Mr. Ferguson. If he feels they are perhaps suitable for the Jackson file, he perhaps would be willing



to notify Mrs. William A. Jackson  
1 Waterhouse St.

Cambridge

Mass. 02138

whose kindness and generosity  
made possible my sending them  
to you.

If they are not appropriate  
for this purpose may they be  
returned to me.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Marion M. Payzant

P.S. In the 1940's Mr. A. W. Jackson's son, then a young lad, spent several days in Liverpool with his grandfather who had travelled from California to revisit his birthplace and acquaint the boy with the land of his forbears.

Of the "three Jackson girls", Miss Minnie was the only one known to me. She was my mother's (1865-1937) first teacher at the Hunts Point School. Later she married and lived at Bellow's Falls, Vermont. The Misses Mary and Sophie on retirement lived in California at the home for the Order of Daughters of the British Empire. Both excelled in the arts of correspondence and conversation.

August 26, 1969

Arthur W. Rogers, Esq.,  
Marion Street,  
Caledon East, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Rogers:

Your gift is now hanging on the wall of the little museum in The Perkins House, in a prominent position, with a printed card stating that it is a presentation to the Queens County Historical Society by yourself, in memory of Grace Dean Macleod Rogers.

The older members of our Society, including myself, remember a delightful evening when she addressed one of our meetings years ago, so that her memory is very real to us.

The piece of scrimshaw work is drawing much interest, not least because one of the Liverpool pioneers, Peleg Coffin, was a whalerman from Nantucket (Coffin's Island in the harbour mouth was named after him), and of course in subsequent years there were other Liverpool men engaged in whaling.

With the appreciation of the Society,

Sincerely,

February 18, 1971

Arthur W. Rogers, Esq.,  
"Skecroft", Marion Street,  
Caledon, East Peel County,  
Ontario, Canada.

Dear Mr. Rogers:

On behalf of the Queens County Historical Society I write to acknowledge, with gratitude, your gift of the beautiful book entitled JOHN F. KENNEDY, SCRIMSHAW COLLECTOR, by Clare Barnes Jr., with photographs by Alan Fontaine.

Next May, when the Perkins House is opened for the season, it will be placed in the museum bookcase, where it will be available to visitors, especially those whose interest is drawn by the excellent example of scrimshaw you presented in 1969. In the meantime we are enjoying the book ourselves.

With our deep appreciation and good wishes,

Hon. President,

Queens County Historical Society



PUBLIC ARCHIVES  
NOVA SCOTIA

HALIFAX, N. S.

August 23rd, 1971

Dr. Thomas H. Raddall,  
Liverpool,  
Nova Scotia.

Dear Tom:-

I hope that you are having a most enjoyable summer and that things are going well with you. Besides greeting you in this fashion I would like to have your advice, if you are kind enough to give it, in connection with some of the records of the Queens County Historical Society. As you are fully aware, there are a number of items in the Perkins House of considerable historical interest. These include the Diary of William Ford, the Diary of Dr. Farish, a ledger of 1825-27, an account book of 1837-50, a history of education in Liverpool, the ancestry of Daniel James Siely, and a Methodist magazine of 1837.

I would like very much to borrow and microfilm those items at a mutually convenient time, if it is at all possible. Do you think that such an arrangement might be made?

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "C. Bruce Fergusson".

C. Bruce Fergusson  
Provincial Archivist

CBF:jm

Sep.3, 1971

Dr. C. Bruce Fergusson,  
Public Archives of Nova Scotia,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Bruce:

Thank you for your letter of August 23rd.

I am sure there will be no difficulty about borrowing the books and documents you mention, for the purpose of microfilming. However, as you will readily understand, I cannot authorize this by myself, as my present office in the Queens County Historical Society is simply that of Honorary President. I will bring up the matter at our next meeting, and make it a motion for authorization. Unfortunately the next meeting will not take place until the third week in October. The Perkins House will be closed for the season on Oct. 15, but we can get the keys if and when we want them.

Sincerely,

October 21, 1971

Dr. C. Bruce Fergusson,  
Public Archives,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Bruce:

Further to your letter of August 23, and mine of Sep.<sup>3</sup>, the Queens County Historical Society held the first meeting of the winter season last evening.

On my motion, duly seconded and approved, the Society agreed to lend you the documents you mentioned, for microfilming, on the understanding that you would arrange transportation back and forth. In younger days I would jump into my car and take them to the Archives; but long drives are an ordeal for me nowadays, and I have to avoid them as much as I can.

The Perkins house is now locked up for the winter, but access is readily obtained. If you will get in touch with me, or with Mrs. David Inness, 420 Main St. (phone 354-4451), the keys to the house, and to the museum cabinets, can be obtained.

Sincerely,



PUBLIC ARCHIVES  
NOVA SCOTIA

HALIFAX, N. S.

October 25, 1971.

Dr. Thomas H. Raddall,  
Liverpool, N. S.

Dear Tom,

Thank you for your very kind letter of the 21st instant in regard to the materials of the Queens County Historical Society now in the Perkins house.

I appreciate the action which you have taken in order to permit me to borrow and microfilm those items. I hope to visit Liverpool within the next two or three weeks and perhaps on that occasion I may be able to borrow the materials from the Perkins house.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

*C. Bruce Ferguson*

Provincial Archivist.

CBF-wm.





PUBLIC ARCHIVES  
NOVA SCOTIA

HALIFAX, N. S.

November 22, 1971.

Dr. Thomas H. Raddall,  
Liverpool, N. S.

Dear Tom,

Thank you very much indeed for the most kind hospitality of your wife and yourself to me and my sister, Hildred, on Saturday. We greatly enjoyed the opportunity of chatting with you.

I am also greatly obliged to you for your invaluable assistance in arranging for me to borrow for microfilming the records and papers of the Queens County Historical Society. Moreover, I appreciate also having had the opportunity of borrowing from you the Regimental Orderly Book of the Queens County Regiment of the Nova Scotia Militia, 1839-1861.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

*C. Bruce Ferguson*

Provincial Archivist.

CBF-wm.

89 Main St. Liverpool.  
November 22/71

Dear Mr. Raddall:

Enclosed the list, taken from Museum  
at Perkins House on November 20, by Mr. Ferguson.

In sending the original, as I didn't  
have carbon and this is the one Mr. Ferguson  
signed for us.

As you know, I wrote in a hurry; do  
hope you will find it readable.

Yours very truly,  
Merton R. Mack,  
Director, Perkins.

June 19/72. Mrs. Mack informed me that  
all these books & documents had been returned  
to the Perkins House some weeks ago.

J.H.R.

Books documents removed from Queens Co. Historical Society  
Museum by Mr. Bruce Ferguson November 20, 1971

\* deeds from Timothy Burtch to Jonathan Curwile. (1 bundle.)  
letter - Mr. Redley to his son 1796

Officers app. in Queens Co., 1849.

Copy of Crown grant in Guysboro Township ~~1905~~ to H. The Prison

Order between Tarleton Legion 1784.

Misc. documents 1840 - 1842 etc.

John Heater Dielman 1848 ..

Inferior Court Writs April term 1818.

Copies Royal Gazette 1895 etc.

No 98 9 doc. + letters 1792 - 1849.

.. 136 Lineage of R.V. Freeman.

.. 116 Education of Lord first 200 yrs.

.. 134 Kings. Halbmie paper by John Leif.

.. 133 Queens Co., cross roads to New England (R. F. Kirkpatrick)

Garham College by Mrs Robie Millard 1959

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.. 62 Burial Place Plymouth Mass.

.. 141 History Trinity Church } Lord

.. 139 } Jun

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- De 22 *Myflop descendents* vol. 4, 1902.
- " 23 *Sesley Trail Ancestory*.
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- 12 *Perkins granddaughters Album 1840.*
- 11 *Diary William Ford 1867-1870*
- 10 *Bible. Atlas Herlow.*
- 8 *Abnaki Dictionary*
- 7 *Freeman, Perkins Record of Births, Marriages, Deaths 1761-1812*
- 4 *Red fillers A. B. C. D.*
- Canon L. pool 1761*
- Seek list crew, passengers S.S. Monticello*
- Diary of J. S. Norton 1879*
- 103 *Costly Quilting Chestnut Hill Pa. Knout 1852*
- Ledger containing accounts of James N. Knout & others.*
- 85 *Ancestors & Father Joseph Freeman Laffer*
- 86 *vol 2.*

Rufus Lord papers (1 ply)

Type of vessels entered Log # 1604.

American pictures from Phil's long collection

Early map of R. York

Phineas Milledge

Survey of road from Dietz to Dietz by 1798

Notes on Lupper family

Scraps & Austerfield Home of Watsons.

Widow of Dennis Freeman 1846.

Application for Crown land by Nelson Douglas 1852

The Sprague family by A. S. L. Ford.

Settlement of estate of John Hecker

Early 1800s lists & Summons } 2 ply <sup>5</sup>/<sub>11</sub>

Documents of 1800

65 pieces  
as listed  
above.

Received on loan  
November 20, 1971

Bruce Ferguson  
Public Archives of N.S.

Nov. 23, 1971

Dr. C. Bruce Fergusson,  
Public Archives of Nova Scotia,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Bruce:

Thanks for your letter of yesterday. It was a pleasure to have you and your sister with us for even so brief a visit; and to our Historical Society it is a satisfaction to know that our documents, so valuable, and yet so vulnerable in a wooden house, will continue to exist on microfilm, whatever happens to the house. As the house is now locked up and without attendants for the winter season, I suggest that you keep the documents until next May (or later according to your traveling convenience) when the Perkins house and museum will be open and in daily charge of the attendants.

Now for another matter, of much less importance. One of my English correspondents asks me if I know anything about one of her ancestors, Thomas Williams, Commissary-General at Halifax, who was the father of Sir Frederick Fenwick Williams. If you can tell me anything about him, without going to a lot of bother, I'll pass it on to her. These genealogical enquiries can be a nuisance, I know only too well, and if this one means a consumption of valuable time -- forget it! In that case I can tell the lady the simple truth, that I don't know anything about the man.

Best regards,

July 18, 1972

Queens County Historical Society,  
Liverpool, N. S.

Dear Sir:

I recently left the following  
items in the museum at the  
Simon Perkins House as Mrs. M.  
W. Kator told me you were looking  
for these articles. I should like  
to donate these articles in memory  
of my parents, Mr. & Mrs. W. N.  
Freeman, Milton, Queens Co., N. S.  
To the best of my knowledge these  
articles have belonged to my  
family for a number of generations.

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My mother was still using them  
about 30 years ago. If you do not  
need all these articles for display,  
please contact Mr. Ayres, the antique  
dealer as he expressed interest in  
purchasing them.

List of articles:

- 1 wooden butter churn with dash
- 1 wooden butter processing tray
- 1 ceramic bowl
- 1 wooden skimmer
- 2 wooden spoons
- 1 wire corn popper

I trust these articles will  
be useful to you. Any further  
correspondence may be addressed to

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me at: 3253 Crabtree Drive,  
Mississauga, Ont.

Yours truly,  
George E. Freeman



July 23, 1972

Mr. George E. Freeman,  
3253 Mapleton Drive,  
Mississauga, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Freeman:

Thank you for your letter of July 18th, and for the donation of the following articles to the museum collection of the Queens County Historical Society.

- 1 wooden butter churn with dash
- 1 wooden butter processing tray
- 1 ceramic bowl
- 1 wooden skimmer
- 2 wooden spoons
- 1 wire corn popper

This list will be entered in the gift record of the museum as a donation in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Willard N. Freeman, of Milton, Queens County, as you request.

To complete the record, will you advise me, please, of the dates of birth and death of your father and mother.

With my appreciation of this gift, on behalf of the Society,

Sincerely,

3253 Robbleton Drive,  
Mississauga, Ont.

August 21, 1972

Dear Mr. Raddall:

Please excuse my delay in replying to your letter of July 23, 1972. I had a bit of difficulty in locating their birth certificates.

The data for my father is as follows:

Date of Birth: December 23, 1878

Date of Death: May 1958.

I regret I am unable to give the exact date of his death.

The data for my mother is as follows:

Date of Birth: July 13, 1893

Date of Death: February 26, 1972.

I trust this information will enable you to finalize your records satisfactorily.

Yours truly,

George E. Freeman.

March 8, 1977

The Mayor and Council,  
Town of Liverpool, N.S.

Gentlemen:

May I add my voice to those you have heard regarding the disposition of the former Armouries property adjoining the Perkins?

Originally this land was part of the Perkins grounds, and his son-in-law Joshua Newton built a mansion on it after Perkins' death.

If we are to have an adequate museum in Liverpool, of great value to our own students and to visitors alike, this is the ideal site for it. Naturally the first step in creating such a museum would be your reservation of the former Armouries property for this purpose.

The Queens County Historical Society, through whose efforts the Perkins house was preserved for posterity, are ready to take steps towards the erection of a museum on this site.

It cannot be done in a day or a year, but the time to make it possible is right now.

Yours sincerely,

*Thomas H. Raddall Sr.*

*C.C. to John L. McCall  
President,  
Queens County Historical Society*

Mr. John Bell  
Salisbury U. Library  
Hfx N.S.

Dear John:

My history of Zion United Church was printed, stapled, &  
in a blue paper cover by the Liverpool Coltrane printing company, &  
sold locally by a church committee in 1967. If I can find  
a copy I'll send it to you.