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Province of Quebec, 27th June 1784

THE Bearer hereof *Sam^l Sherwood the 3^d*
Samuel Sherwood III

being entitled to

~~Two Hundred~~ Acres of Land, by his Majesty's Instructions to the Governor of this Province, has drawn a Lot =
 (N^o *fourteen*) consisting of
two Hundred - Acres, in ~~part~~ ^{full} of the said Proportion, in
 the Seigneurie of *St Seven fourth Concession* and having
 taken the Oaths, and made and signed the Declaration required
 by the Instructions, he is hereby authorised to settle and im-
 prove the said Lot, without delay; and being settled thereon,
 he shall receive a Deed of Concession at the Expiration of
 Twelve Months from the date hereof.

By His Excellency's Command
J Sherwood

David Faldin and

LOT 15
CONCESSION 4



OLIVER EVERTS, May 1802, all 200 acres part of a large number of lots granted this gentleman.

EDWARD BIRKS came to this farm very early days. His son RICHARD BIRKS (1836-1913) married DORCAS THROOP, and occupied it next. Dorcas d 1895.

The family of Richard and Dorcas:

AUGUSTA (GUSSIE)	b 1867	m Burt Hurlbert	
BERTON	b 1869	m Marcella Connell	d
CORA	b 1872	m Alfred Leonard	d 1928
BROUSE		unmarried	
HOWARD		m Mabel Scott	
FLORENCE	b 1880	m Philip Avery	d 1928

This family was well-known for its musical ability. It is said that the mother could sing any part. She was organist and choir leader in Victoria Methodist Church for many years. With other young people, the Birks children sang in groups at many social affairs in the community.

After the death of Dorcas, Richard moved to Prescott, where he became the postmaster. He married LIBBIE PERRIN secondly.

Following World War I, the farm was sold to WILLIAM GLASGOW, a war veteran, son of James Glasgow, Prescott merchant and one-time mayor, and his wife, Mary Martin Glasgow. He married AMELIA HOUGH, daughter of Lemuel Hough and his wife, Lucy Bradford, all of Maynard. Amelia (1971 ae 87 years.) They had 1 daughter, Jean Blanche, who married Harvey Fee, and went to live in Montreal. Will b. June 18, 1892-d Mar. 7, 1980)

1955 the farm was sold to STANLEY YEATMAN, except for the buildings and lot. Mr. and Mrs. Yeatman erected a home for their family at the western extremity of the lot. The Glasgows continued to live in the farm house. Will Glasgow was employed for a time at the Dominion Lighthouse Depot, Prescott, retiring in 1957. Mr. Yeatman is a DuPont of Canada employee.

1976 the house was sold to JACK AND BEVERLY ANDERSON who moved there with their family after extensive renovations to restore the house. Their family: Kevin, Debra and Michael.



The farm barn and driveshed at Glasgow's
in the early 1920's

Will, at home, 1968

Amelia and Mrs. Mary Glasgow,
known familiarly to all
as "Nannie" Glasgow.



Glasgow in Maynard



Bert Birks, Will Glasgow,
Florrie McNally *Bill Durant*
Eva Carson

Amelia Glasgow; Eva Carson;
Bill Durant; Will Glasgow



Baby
Jean
Amelia
Glasgow



Catherine
Jean
McNally
at 10 mon.



Florence
Glasgow
McNally
& Jean G



Eva Carson; Amelia Glasgow,

LOT 16

CONCESSION 3

FRONTING CON. 4

"THE WHITNEY HOMESTEAD"

later the

" HOUGH FARMSTEAD"



The George Hough Family

WILLIAM J. HOUGH (1879-1962)

M. JEAN (JENNIE) (1892-1952) Mrs. Will Cook

MRS. GEORGE HOUGH nee HESTER PYKE (1859-1931)

MR. GEORGE HOUGH (1847-1939)

EVA M. (1888-1980) Mrs. Alder Carson

EDWARD HOUGH

NELSON WHITNEY and his 16 yr old bride came as United Empire Loyalists from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1806, and settled in virgin bush, 7 miles from the Port of Prescott, on what is now the farm owned by William J. Hough, (more recently by Mrs. Marilyn Conklin).

They built a one-room house of logs, and it stood until about 1938. Here a son, SAMUEL, was born soon after their arrival on June 4, 1806. Leaving his young wife and baby son, Nelson returned to Pittsburg on foot and by boat for more cattle and provisions.

Six children in all were born to this couple.

SAMUEL, born 1806, married MARY JACKSON, who had been born in Ireland, coming with her parents to Canada in 1819.

Samuel and Mary Whitney built the stone house which still stands on this land. They lived there, caring for their parents, who, on their deaths, were among the first to be buried in Maynard Cemetery. Their daughter, Cynthia, was interred in the SE3 section, December 23, 1857, aged 7 years, 10 months, 17 days. This grave is marked by a small white slab.

Other WHITNEY brothers built their houses nearby, those occupied sometime by William Durant, William Glasgow, William Byers and the Connell house. Originally, these houses were all built on the same plan, but subsequent owners have made changes. By some these sturdy stone dwellings were known as the 2nd line of defense from the American Colonies!

At the death of Samuel, his widow sold the farm to GEORGE HOUGH, an enterprising young farmer and blacksmith. With his wife, HESTER PYKE, he lived there, farming and blacksmithing, until his retirement to Prescott, when the farm land passed to his son, WILLIAM JAMES HOUGH, and his wife, the former FLORENCE MOFFATT. At the death of Mrs. Hough 1965, the farm became the property of Mrs. Marilyn Moffatt Conklin, a foster daughter and niece who made her home with them.

Under the spreading chestnut tree

The village smithy stands.....no more!

In any growing farm community of the 1800's the blacksmith was one of the most valued assets, not only for shoeing oxen and horses, but for a multitude of tasks necessary to the farm operation. The smithy was often a social centre for the men, a place to exchange news and views whilst the smith did his work. One such artisan, who served Augusta Township from his shop on Concession 3, Lot 16 (4th Con. Road), was GEORGE HOUGH, son of ERASTUS HOUGH (-1855), and his wife, LUANEY WHITNEY, bo of UEL stock. Nelson Whitney and his 16-yr old bride came to this farm in 1806, fro Pittsburg, Pa., when it was virgin bush. Several of the fine stone houses on this road from Charleville through to Lord's Mills were built by the Whitney family.

GEORGE HOUGH (1847-1938) was one of their family of 6 children. On Dec, 30,187 he married NESTER PYKE (1859-1931), also of Augusta. Their marriage certificate, signed by Rev. Wm. Brown, Methodist Episcopal Church, Maynard (now Victoria United) still in the family. In the cover photo you see them, surrounded by their family - Will and Jean on the left; Eva and Edward on the right. Two children died in infancy. In keeping with his pattern of life, George Hough made an ardent study of the Bible in his later years. He had read the New Testament some 88 times, and could repeat many chapters, as well as several of the Psalms from memory.

The greatest peak in the blacksmith trade came at the turn of the century, when there was no motor transport, no factory-made tools and equipment, and the horse was needed for driving and for hauling. Wagons and buggies were turned out by the smith and his wheelwright. They made their own nails and shoes before the rolling-mills began turning out semi-finished products. The first nails came to the shop blunt, and had to be sharpened by hand. Smiths vied with each other as to who could nail on and finish the most shoes in a day, and George Barton, who worked with Mr. Hough whe he had a shop in Prescott in later years, recalled once that he had a record of 127 shoes in one working day of 10 hours. We know that the smith often had to take his pay in farm produce or wait until the cash crop was sold. He made hinges, hasps, tools, fireplace equipment, buggy wheels, sleigh runners and many small hardware ite. essential in home or farm buildings. He learned his trade by working with a skilled smith, often at very low wages, if any.

Howard (1883-1951)
George's son, EDWARD HOUGH, and his wife, CLARA DAVISON, settled in Eston, Sask where their 3 sons, JAMES, GEORGE and HERBERT still live. Daughter JEAN (1892-1952) married Will Cook, and spent much of her married life in Toronto. Jean was a gifted musician who freely gave of her talents to her church and community. For a number o years she was the accompanist on the Morning Devotions program from Prescott's CFLC Radio. There was no issue. EVA MAUDE (1888-1980) married ALDER CARSON, and lived o their farm in Maynard until his death in 1948, at which time she moved to Prescott. They had no children, but a foster son, Melville Gibson, spent his growing years wit them. Both were active in the work of the church and community. WILLIAM JAMES (1879-1962) followed his father on the family farm. On Jan. 1, 1914, he married FLORENCE MOFFATT (1889-1965), reported in the newspaper account of the day, to be "one of North Augusta's fairest daughters". Theirs was the first wedding in the new Methodist Church in that village, and, to mark the occasion, the minister, Rev. R. Calvert, presented them with an inscribed Bible. Attendants were Annie Moff sister of the bride (later Mrs. Royal Newman), and Robert Simpson, of Maynard. Ther were no children born of this union, but for many years their home was enlivened wit children, wards of the Children's Aid. In addition, a niece, Marion Moffatt (Toppin lived with them while attending Prescott High School, and a grandniece, Marilyn Moff (Conklin) made her home with them as did Lorna Besley (Vanderkloet). Thus it is tha like many other pioneer families, there are no descendants in Augusta to carry the n even as there are no longer smithys on every concession. A sign of the times!

-Researched from Maynard Women's Institute

Tweedsmuir History....by Goldie A. Connell



MR. and MRS. GEORGE HOUGH
August 1940



MR. and MRS. WILL HOUGH
with Marion Moffatt

Photo of home - thanks to Marilyn Conklin



BLACKSMITH GEORGE HOUGH AT WORK

Blacksmith Shop, on 4th Con. Road

-kindness of Eva Hough Carson

THIS IS TO CERTIFY

That George H. Huff of the Township of
Augusta County of Granville in the Province of
Ontario Dominion of Canada, and Hester Maria Pike
of the Same of place County of _____
in the Province of Ontario Dominion of Canada, were by me joined
together in the

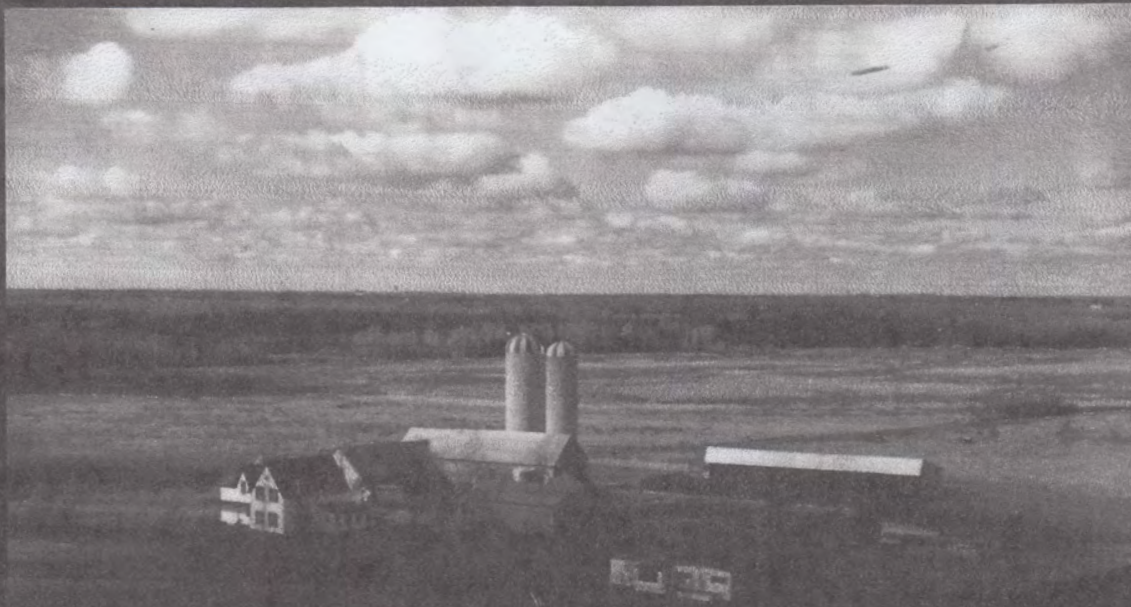
BONDS OF HOLY MATRIMONY,

on the Thirtieth day of December in the year of Our Lord
One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Six

In Presence of

Alvin Brown
R. C. Brown

William Brown
Minister of M. E. Church



THE WEIR FARM

James Weir

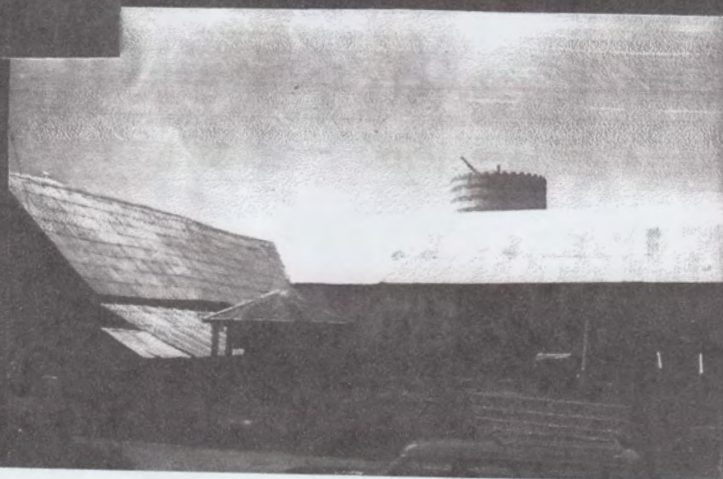
Con. 4 Lot 18; Con. 5, Lot 19 (parts)
and part of Commons, Lord's Mills

1989 owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Gil Cyr



Photos - thanks to Pauline Cyr

Pictures taken for ARDA
July 11, 1974
Lot 18 Con. 4, Augusta
This lovely old farm house
was beautifully restored
by owners, Gil and Pauline
Cyr while resident there.





**COLLENA AND NADYA
ZACHARCZUK**

Congratulations are extended, from Mrs. Vera Dillabough, to both of her daughters, Collena and Nadya Zacharczuk.

Collena Zacharczuk recently became engaged to Rob Logan of Deep River. Their wedding will take place in September of 1989.

Nadya Zacharczuk was married to Paul O'Connor of Merseyside, England on September 14, 1988 in Toronto.

Zacharczuk family
lived in the "Weir" house
and Collena and Nadya
attended Maynard Public
School

COnCession 4 lots 18 & 19

The farm was purchased by
Mr. and Mrs. Gil Cyr in 1973, and
extensive renovations made the

next year.

For many years, this was the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Weir;
(Charlotte Percival). Their family grew up here -

WILFRED, JAMES, GRESSIE, ELSIE, ETHEL, ROGER and WILLIAM.

Of this family, Jim remained, a bachelor, on the farm, with his
sister, Gressie, keeping house for him. She remained a spinster.
When he could no longer work the farm, it was rented or sold
several times. Gressie died, and Jim purchased a house and moved
to Algonquin where he lived out his life.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyr farmed the land for a number of years, then sold
it and built a new home on the Blue Church Road. There have been
several owners since that time.

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