

New Brunswick Branch

1967 Spring

Since its formation on May 18th, 1966, this Branch has steadily increased in membership and to date has the following matters under consideration. A letter is to be sent to the Provincial Legislature regarding some suitable commemoration of the Loyalist Immigrants and Founders of the province. A suitable historic float will be entered in the Giant Dominion Centennial Day Parade On July 1st in Saint John.

It is proposed to sponsor, with the permission and co-operation of the City, the Loyalist Day Youth Parade, held annually on May 18th, to mark the arrival of the Loyalists and the founding of the City. There will be a Loyalist Tea in November when the Provincial Government visits Saint John to mark and commemorate the first Government Meeting in the Province in 1784.

The Branch plans a long-term project to raise sufficient funds for the erection of a suitable Loyalist monument. The further development of the Loyalist Burying Grounds is also under consideration. This is located in the City of Saint John and is, at present, a great tourist attraction.

By E. L. Teed, Q.C

1967 Autumn

Loyalist Day, May 18th, was celebrated in Saint John with a bank and school holiday. At the Market Slip, the landing place of the Loyalists, a flag-raising ceremony took place using the Union Flag of Loyalist days. Wreaths were laid by the Mayor, Mr. Arthur L. Gould and by Mrs. J. F. H. Teed for the Loyalist I.O.D.E. Chapter. A youth parade of guides, scouts, Majorettes and youth bands helped to celebrate this day. A musical presentation depicting the Landing of the Loyalists was produced by Douglas Major and Frances Parkinson.

The freedom of the City of Saint John was granted to the President, Mrs. Teed and 12 others for their humanitarian work and great interest in the city's welfare.

Mrs. Morrissey has compiled a history of pre-Loyalist churches which is ready for publication. Major Flewelling has suggested erecting a monument to commemorate the landing of the Loyalists and a contest for a design by school children with prizes to be given by the Loyalist I.O.D.E. Chapter.

At the annual luncheon meeting at the Admiral Beatty Hotel it was noted that the Branch had increased from seven charter members to 50. The guest speaker was Dr. J. G. Dillane of Hamilton and Vice-President of Dominion Council of U.E.L. He gave a thoughtful address of the history of the Association, the use of "U.E." and the standing of descendants living in other countries. At the close Dr. Dillane presented Mrs. Teed with the Branch Charter.

The following new members were accepted, their genealogies having been found to be in order: Mrs. Roberta B. Teed, Mrs. Katherine T. Ramsay, Mrs. Helen T. Campbell, James V. Russell, Mrs. Zoe D. Beaton.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. F. H. Teed, 157 Germain St., Saint John, N.B.; Vice-President, Mrs. H. F. Morrissey, 58 Hazen St., Saint John, N.B.; Secretary, Mr. Eric L. Teed, Q.C., Seawood Lane, Stn. B., Saint John, N.B.; Treasurer, Mr. Carl M. Olive, 14 Prince William St., Saint John, N.B.; Provincial Editor for Gazette, Mrs. Janice McMulkin, Box 639, Saint John, N.B.; Membership

Chairman, Mrs. Dorothy Barbour , Westfield, N.B.; Genealogy Chairman, Mrs. Helen F. Orchard, 224 Westmoreland Rd., Saint John, N.B.

In May Mrs. Teed appeared on C.H.S.J - T.V. discussing tasty foods of the Loyalist Days, one of which was "Loyalist Baked Beans". If you write to the secretary you may have these recipes.

Loyalist Baked Beans

Soak overnight in cold water, about 4 cups of beans, yellow eyed preferred.

In morning drain off the water and parboil until a little tender (about 15 or 20 minutes) drain and spread in a large roasting pan, about 8 inches by 10 inches. Season with salt, pepper and a little mustard. Add about 3/4 cup of molasses.

Bake all together, after placing in centre a small roast of fresh pork and about a three pound rib roast for this quantity of beans. Stir frequently, and add water as required, just enough not quite to cover the beans. To add to this delicious way of baking beans, serve with Boston Steamed Brown Beans.

1968 Spring

Since the last issue of our Gazette four new members have been accepted in the New Brunswick Branch. Mrs. Marion C. Rankine has been appointed to contact all members of our Society in the St. John area concerning the song "My Own Canadian Home". It was desired by our Society that the song be adopted by Common Council of Saint John as the official song of the city. In January a letter was received from Saint John's Common Clerk saying that the song had been adopted. This decision was prompted as the composer, Morley McLaughlin, and the author of the lyrics, E. G. Newton. were both natives of Saint John.

Our President, Mrs. J. F. H. Teed, has appointed a committee headed by Major E. A. Flewelling, to investigate and recommend action to be taken with respect to Loyalist Grave Sites. Major Flewelling also heads a committee to report on the feasibility of raising a suitable monument to the Loyalist Founders of the Province of New Brunswick.

It appears that many citizens do not realize that there is a Queen of Canada. An experiment was conducted on a Youth Group and a University Class, and in both groups the members indicated that there was no Queen of Canada, only the Queen of England.

It is therefore, proposed that the Association consider urging the Government to give the Queen of Canada, a Canadian Crown, and that the Royal Proclamation Titles be revised to state, 'Elizabeth the Second by the Grace of God, the Queen of Canada, and Her other Realms and Territories'.

A book entitled "Canada's First City" has been compiled by Eric L. Teed. This contains information on the Charter of 1785 and Common Council Proceedings under Major G. G. Ludlow of Saint John, N. B., 1785-1795. This book may be purchased for \$4.00 by writing to New Brunswick Branch, Box 639, Saint John, N. B.

1968 Autumn

The Admiral Beatty Hotel was the scene of the Annual Luncheon meeting on May 18th, of the New Brunswick Branch. The President proposed a toast to the City of St. Johns to which the Mayor. Mr. J. A. McDougall responded and the official song of the city, "My Own Canadian Home" was sung. Dr. G.M. White introduced the speaker who was Mr. D. Burgoyne, Associate Editor of the Telegraph Journal. His address had for its theme, The Founders of the City, Province and Nation.

During the first part of the year ten new applications for membership have been received.

1970 Spring

The Fall meeting of the New Brunswick Branch took place in Sydney Arms Lounge, Saint John, N.B. A report on the Carleton Cemetery West Saint John was presented and discussed. As a result the Branch approved the earliest possible restoration of the burial ground which contains the remains of many of the city's founders. Dr. J. F. H. Teed was appointed to report further upon the history of the graveyard. The Society also approved the recognition of the City Market as a building of National Historic interest. The matter of a Chair of Loyalist History was considered. The acquisition of Ludlow House was discussed and also developing a museum of the history of Municipal Government in Canada. A genealogical record of Gabriel G. Ludlow has been obtained from the New York Historical Society, and Miss Louise Hill was asked to make further investigations of his descendants.

The securing of Aldermanic Robes for the Aldermen of Saint John was suggested. Since the Chamber of Commerce of St. Andrews was promoting Loyalist History in their area, it was resolved to study and report this for the edification of U.E.L. members throughout Canada.

It was agreed that the public be informed of the disassociation of United Empire Loyalists with the Canadian Loyalist Association.

New members are Arnold J. Slaney of Meductic, York Co.; Myrtle M. Burnham, Renford; Flora A. Brown of Teaneck, N.J., U.S.A.; and Susan W. Shank of New York.

Historic Designation For Market Urged

The New Brunswick Branch of The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada will request the City of Saint John to initiate steps to have the City Market declared a building of national historic interest, it was announced by Miss Ann Chisholm, president of the branch, following its January meeting. She said that the present Market Building was erected in 1876 and had survived the Great Saint John Fire and that it represents a past period of Canadian development. As a building of unusual architecture and design, it has gained a national and international interest.

In other business, the branch accepted the applications of Jessie E. T. Hall of Fredericton, and Ernest Edward Friars of Oromocto as members.

The branch agreed to assist the city in any way with plans for the dedication of the new City Hall on May 18, which commemorates the arrival of the founders of the city and the province.

New members: (a) Jessie Elizabeth Tweeddale Hall of Glengarry Place, RR #2 Fredericton, N.B., UE ancestors: Jacob Segee U.E.L., John Segee (1763), Isaac Segee 1801, John Peter Segee 1827, Charles Henry

Segee 1850, Ida May Segee Tweedale 1874. Jessie Elizabeth Tweedale Hall. (b) Ernest Edward Friars, Box 8 Oromocto, New Brunswick. UE Ancestors: John Burgess, Sarah (Burgess) Friars, 1778, Ed'vard Friars, Arthur Friars 1828, Helen Edward Friars 1865, Arthur Christopher Friars 1901.

Report of Gravesites in the Province of New Brunswick: St. Stephen Area by Melvin W. Chase; Burks Corner by D. A. G. Forbes; Ebenezer Hatheway by Harold R Hatheway; York Sunbury by Aida Fleming; Grand Point by Louise Hill; Alex Clark by Archie E. Clark; Magaquadavic by Mrs. Gerald Herron; Hoyt by Clarence B. Smith; St. Marks at St. George by Llewellyn Spinney; Waweig by Mrs. Allan Armstrong; Woodman's Point by Betty L. Short; Keirstead Mountain by R. D. Keirstead; Jack Smith by C. J. Briggs; Woodstock by Barbara K. Peabody; Charlotte County by George E. Haney; St. Andrews Island by H. Constance Wood (B.C.)

MISS MARY NORTHRUP-102 YRS.

The New Brunswick Branch records with regret the passing of their oldest member, Miss Mary Louise Northrup of Kingston, N.B., aged one hundred and two. Miss Northrup was in direct line from her U.E.L. great grandfather Benajah Northrup who was one of the earliest settlers in the Kingston Peninsula. For eighteen years she was associated with a family wholesale business before going to the United States to attend a school for trained attendants. After graduation she practised her profession for nearly thirty years in Philadelphia and in several New England States until she retired to spend her last years in her home town of Kingston. She was a devoted church worker, a keen gardener and was active almost up to the last. On her one hundredth birthday the residents of Kingston gave a special party in her honour when she received many telegrams of good wishes, including a special message from the Canadian Government and from the former president of the United States, Lyndon B. Johnson.

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If any of the young people across Canada are inculcated by a sense of history, those of New Brunswick are in a unique position to have knowledge and to feel great pride in their heritage. Each year the United Empire Loyalist Branch includes the youth groups in their Loyalist Day Celebration which commemorates the Landing of the Loyalists on May 18, 1783.

This year the dedication of St. John's new six million dollar City Hall took place on Loyalist Day and thus the city and countryside were involved in both events. Early in the morning the flag raising ceremony took place in Market Square. The Union Flag used by the Loyalists in 1783 was raised as well as the standard of the Municipal Chapter of the I.O.D.E. Mayor James E. Calvin spoke briefly to the many distinguished guests attending. Coffee and Loyalist muffins were served at Loyalist House by our N. B. Branch. Later in the morning stands erected in front of the City Hall steps filled with officials and spectators to see the Military Parade pass by. This included Royal Canadian Mounted Police, veterans of both world wars, the Canadian Armed Forces Band from Halifax and the Shriner Band, members of the Saint John City Police and Saint John Fire Department. Proceeding to the third podium level of the New City Hall, officials and clergy gathered in front of the commemorative wall where the unveiling ceremony was performed by Mayor Calvin. Printed on this wall is the following:

*"The ground on which this building stands is an integral part of the historic past.
Here on May 18, 1783, United Empire Loyalists landed.
Two years later, a royal charter incorporated this city, Canada's first!
Here, was established the first city hall, open market place and court of justice.
The first sitting of the New Brunswick Legislature convened nearby in 1786.
Here too, was cradled a commerce that was to spread across the seven seas.*

*This City Hall is dedicated to those who have gone before.
From their example may renewed faith and inspiration be born.
"May God grant that here on these shores a diligent and dedicated people continue to build a peaceful
and a progressive society?"*

The afternoon saw Market Square once more thickly lined with applauding spectators as the Youth Parade marched smartly to the music of their own bands. Cadet bands, majorettes, Girl Guides, Boy Scouts and various youth corps made a colourful display. The Black Watch Highland Band delighted the spectators with precision marching and the square echoed to the tattoo of their drums while a few seagulls soared overhead in the grey sky. Wreaths were laid by Mayor Calvin and by Miss Ann Chisholm, president of the New Brunswick United Empire Loyalist Branch on that occasion at a rock marking the spot where the original Loyalists had landed. A torchlight parade from Market Square to Fort Howe where a fireworks display ended the eventful day.

The Evening Times-Globe, Saint John, in its May 19 edition gave extensive press coverage with numerous photos many of which paid sincere tribute to the founders, the United Empire Loyalists, of the city of Saint John. An advance supplement was issued displaying the programs of festivities and the history pre-dating the futuristic new City Hall to be opened.

The Annual Meeting of the New Brunswick Branch of the U. E. L. Association was held on May 18 at the Loyalist House. Mrs. J. F. H. Teed was elected president, succeeding Miss Ann Chisholm. other officers elected are: 1st Vice-president, Mrs. I. V. Murray; 2nd Vice-president: Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe; Secretary, Eric L. Teed; Treasurer, C. C. Olive; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. C. C. Kirby; Genealogist, Colonel E. M. Slader; The Loyalist Gazette Reporter, Miss Janice McMulkin; Membership Convener, Fred Mayes; Publicity, E. Flewelling.

Annual reports reviewing the year's activities were received.

Abner B. Belyea was accepted as a member.

The meeting agreed to take steps to have a suitable recognition ceremony at the grave site of the first Mayor-Canada, Gabriel E. Ludlow, West Side Kirk.

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Mr. Carl M. Olive was elected as President of the New Brunswick Branch of United Empire Loyalists' Association, on May 18th, 1971, at the annual meeting of the Association, held at the Loyalist House.

Mr. Olive joined the Association in 1966 and the same year was elected Treasurer, which office he has held ever since.

Mr. Olive is a direct descendant from the United Empire Loyalist, Captain William Olive, R.N. Captain Olive is buried in the West Side Loyalist Burial Ground, where his epitaph reads:

"Captain William Olive, R.N. died 1821 at the age of 88 Also
his wife, Katherine S. Olive, United Empire Loyalist"

Mr. Olive's great-grandfather, James Olive was the first Mayor of the City of Saint John elected by the people in 1854. Prior to this, Mayors had been elected by the Council. Eben Olive, his grandfather was a druggist in West Saint John, as was his father and himself.

1973 Autumn

The New Brunswick Branch Saint John, met on March 7th in the Loyalist House. The President, Mr. Carl M. Olive, was in the chair, Miss Lois Lutton acted as secretary and Major Edis Flewwelling, Mr. Fred Mayes, Mr. J.F.H. Teed, Q.C.,

Mrs. Montgomery-Campbell, Mrs. Wood-Holt and Miss cooper were present. Mr. Mayes reported that a membership application has been received from Mrs. Muriel (Olive) Wilcox of Lehi, Utah.

The procedure for obtaining membership in The U.E.L. Association through the Dominion Headquarters was outlined. All new members since May 1970 should send \$5.00 with the application form to Headquarters. The applications have to be approved by the Dominion Genealogist and a five member committee in order to become a member.

Plans for Loyalist Day on May 18th. 1973 were announced. There was to be a parade, with participants from various parts of New Brunswick, and an L.O.D.E. Citizenship Court was planned.

Loyalist celebrations will take place in July also.

The president read a letter from Mr. Edward Van Koughnet thanking the New Brunswick Branch for their letter of good wishes on the formation of the Abegweit Branch in P.E.I.

Other correspondence was tabled which dealt with bequests and requests outside the scope of this Association. Condolences were sent to Mrs. K.I. Campbell on the death of her brother, Mr. J. V. Russell, both members of New Brunswick Branch.

Mrs. Wood-Holt agreed to obtain a copy of the General Order Book of General Guy Carleton which contains data about the landing of Loyalists locally in 1783.

At the conclusion of the business the meeting adjourned.

The Branch met on April 18th in the Loyalist House, Saint John, with the President, Mr. Carl Olive, presiding, and Miss Lois Lutton as Secretary.

A number of business items were discussed, including arrangements for Loyalist Day, May 18, which were in the hands of a committee: Mr. Wm. Teed and Major Edis Flewwelling.

Delegates to the annual convention in Toronto were to be Mr. Hugh Teed and Mr. Jack Connell. A resolution recommending each local branch be entitled to receive and approve applications for membership was to be sent to Dominion Headquarters for presentation at the annual meeting.

A request from the Dominion Association asking that records and other items be forwarded to Headquarters was received. The Branch decided that the records should be kept locally.

Mrs. Murray was appointed to represent the Branch at the Citizenship Court, expected to be held on May 18. A nominating committee for 1973-74 was appointed, comprising Mr. Teed, Mrs. Morrissey and Mr. Fred Mayes.

The annual meeting was set for May 30th.

Congratulations were extended to Mr. and Mrs. J.F.H. Teed on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary celebrated on April 22nd. Mr. Teed responded on behalf of Mrs. Teed and himself.

1974 Spring

During the Loyalist Days celebrations last July four members of the New Brunswick Branch, Saint John, were invited to take part in the re-enactment of the Loyalists Landing. The president of the New Brunswick branch along with Mrs. Janice McMulkin were among the twenty-eight citizens in the landing party. After landing they were greeted on the platform by the Lieutenant-Governor Honourable Hedard J. Robichaud, Premier Richard Hatfield, Mayor Robert Lockhart, the first Governor of New Brunswick, Sir Thomas Carleton (Sandy Gregory) and Gabriel Ludlow (George Teed), the first Mayor of Canada's oldest city, and Brigadier General Radley-Walter. The master of ceremonies was Charles Lynch of Ottawa. Mr. Lynch presented each member of the landing party to the thousands of people present. Following speeches the landing party along with the platform guests marched to the site of the Loyalist Cairn in front of City Hall where prayers for a safe landing were offered by the Reverend Archdeacon Caulfield, Rector of Trinity Church.

Following prayers a flag-raising ceremony was held with the flag being raised by one of the oldest members of the New Brunswick branch, Colonel E.M. Slader.

After the ceremonies the invited guests, led by a fife and drum band from Bridgeport, Connecticut, marched to the Admiral Beatty Hotel to attend a civic reception and luncheon. The guest speakers were Mr. Robert A. East, New York and Mr. Charles Lynch.

In the afternoon of July 25th a wreath-laying ceremony was conducted by the H.M.S. Hood Chapter of the L.O.D.E. at the site of the first known interment in the old Loyalist Burial Ground, that of Coonradt Hendricks buried in 1784. Mrs. Vince Saunders, Regent of H.M.S. Hood Chapter, laid a wreath on behalf of the Chapter. A number of the distinguished guests along with the standard bearers of H.M.S. Hood Chapter attended the ceremony

1974 Autumn

The New Brunswick Branch held its regular meeting on January 30 and on March 27 in Saint John N.B. The annual meeting is scheduled for May 18th at 2 p.m., following the usual Loyalist Day celebrations. At our January 30th meeting reports of various committees were read. Mr. Fred Mayes, branch genealogist, reported that three enquiries were received concerning new memberships and that he had forwarded application forms to those making enquiries. Mr. Olive reported that he ordered a Union Flag U.E.L. flag) to be flown on Loyalist House to replace the Union Jack which had become weather worn. Plans were made and committees appointed for the May 18th flag raising ceremony at Market Slip and for the Loyalist Breakfast and parade to follow.

At our meeting on March 27th the nine motions to amend the Dominion Council By-laws were discussed also final plans were formulated for our big day and the founding of Saint John the Loyalist City on May 18th, 1785.

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Branch was held on the afternoon of May 18th. Reports of the Annual Convention on May 11th were discussed and plans made for our Branch participation in The Loyalist Days Celebrations July 24th to July 28th. The Nominating Committee was unable to find anyone

willing to serve as President so Mr. Carl M. Oliver accepted for another year. We elected a new Vice-President, Mrs. I. B. Murray. All other officers remained the same as last year. We will not be holding another meeting until the Fall.

1975 Spring

The New Brunswick Branch, Saint John, at its December 7 meeting proposed it work together with the City of Saint John in planning three bicentennial observances in the 1980's.

Common Council referred to city staff a letter from the New Brunswick Branch of The U.E.L. Association, signed by Mr. Carl M. Olive, President. Mr. Olive noted that the 200th anniversary of the end of the American Revolutionary War and arrival of Loyalists in New Brunswick will be in 1983. The following year marks the 200th anniversary of the founding of New Brunswick, he added, and in 1985, the City of Saint John as Canada's first municipal government will be 200 years old.

"We would be pleased to cooperate with the city in formulating plans to ensure fitting observances were conducted for these three events and await your advice," said Mr. Olive.

The New Brunswick Branch decided to increase its annual branch dues and put aside the extra monies for a fitting celebration.

Plans were also made for May 18 parade and for Loyalist Days celebrations during the week of July 23 – 27.

1976 Autumn

Early in the year our Branch determined to do something about lagging membership and to induce prospective members to become involved and active.

Programs of interest were designed to encourage members to renew their interest in genealogy and in the historical sites of this city which require attention. One project taken under study is to prepare a booklet for tourists on the Loyalist Burial Ground, which holds a predominant place in the centre of the city.

Membership is increasing gradually due to the emphasis on Loyalist history in Saint John. A number of new members have been attending meetings and others are in the process of joining. Our meetings were scheduled monthly but unscheduled storms interfered with attendance. However, plans were laid to increase each year, some type of project leading, and drawing attention to the bicentennial in 1983. On May 18th a flag-raising ceremony took place at the site of the Loyalist landing, followed with a Civic Church Service to which our members were invited.

Loyalist Days, which consists of almost a week's planned activities, were celebrated during July, beginning with the Landing of Loyalists by boat, suitably dressed and received by the governor and officials of the era. The honour of raising the Union Flag was designated to the U.E.L. president and was followed by a Civic Luncheon which was addressed by Mr. John Fisher. The entire city takes part in the many events throughout the week and members of The United Empire Loyalists' Association Branches should find this an interesting time to visit Loyalist City.

Publicity was given following Loyalist Days through American press and Walter Cronkite's television program due to the emphasis on the American Bicentennial, some of which gave a rather slanted view of our feelings toward our neighbours to the south, which was unfortunate. Our members living in the United States reported a renewed interest in the history of the Loyalists at the time of the Revolution and they were glad to make use of the Gazette and other material sent from the Association during talks and presentations.

A resolution was presented to the Federal Government to ensure that fitting observances be conducted and recognition given, in 1983, to mark the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the Loyalist settlers in this country. This has also been presented to the National Council. A suggestion was also made that a suitable drama or opera be produced for the Bicentennial, which could be used throughout the country to commemorate the Loyalist heritage.

In all we feel we have had an interesting year and nucleus of several projects has been formed which will, we hope, provide interest among our members and in the community in the goals of this society.

1977 Spring

The association of Benedict Arnold with Saint John was the subject of a talk given by Eric L. Teed, Q.C. to the New Brunswick Branch of The United Empire Loyalists' Association at the Church of England Institute during the February meeting of the Branch. Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe, the Branch President, introduced the member speaker.

Mr. Teed related how Arnold, considered as an arch traitor by the Americans and a Patriot by others came to Saint John in 1791 and established a trading business in Lower Cove. He was a supporter of Saint John's first fire Brigade but nevertheless his business premises were destroyed by fire.

His former partner Munsen Hayt publicly stated Arnold had burned his building to recover the insurance and a lawsuit for slander was brought by Arnold. Arnold won the verdict but lost the award of damages. Benedict Arnold started a land assembly between Germain and Prince William Streets which later was acquired by William Pagan.

His will is recorded in the Saint John Registry of Deeds.

Prior to the meeting a social tea was held under the convenorship of Mrs. A.L. Young and Mrs. McLeod. The meeting welcomed a number of new members and presentation of a Certificate of Membership from the Dominion Headquarters was made to Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe.

1977 Autumn

May 18 marked the 194th anniversary of the Landing of the Loyalists in Saint John following the American Revolutionary War.

Activities which were sponsored by the United Empire Loyalist Association, New Brunswick Branch, began with the raising of the Union Flag at 8 a.m. with the IODE Standard bearers and a choral group from the Full Gospel Assembly taking part.

The choral group sang "My Own Canadian Home" and led the audience in the Royal anthem, "God Save the Queen." The mayor attended the flag raising.

The Loyalist flag (or the Union flag, with the two crosses of St. George and St. Andrew before the cross of St. Patrick was added to create the modern Union Jack, was the flag used by the Loyalists in 1783. It is traditionally flown on ceremonial occasions at Market Square, where the Loyalists landed, and on Loyalist House.

The main feature of the day was a youth parade in which local youth bands and organized groups as Boy Scouts, Girl Guides and Majorettes took part. All city youngsters were invited to march in the parade. The 'parade ended at Market Square for a short ceremony and march past. Mayor Edis Flewwelling took the salute. The band was under direction of Bruce E. Holder.

During the morning a reception was held for members and guests at Loyalist House followed by the annual meeting of Saint John Branch.

The menu for the reception was coffee and "Loyalist muffins," which are made with cornmeal from an old recipe.

Mr. Whittaker was elected president of the branch at its annual meeting. He succeeds Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe who was greatly appreciated as an able president. Mrs. Lowe contributed greatly to this branch in establishing new procedures for full processing of documented proven membership applications acceptable to the national organization as practised by other branches.

Other officers elected were: Vice-president, Carl Olive; secretary, Eric L. Teed, ; treasurer, Mrs. A.L. Young, and genealogist, Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe.

1978 Autumn

Members of the Saint John New Brunswick Branch on May 18 gathered at Market Square to take part in ceremonies commemorating the 195th anniversary of the landing of the Loyalists in Saint John.

Mrs. J.F .H. Teed, representing the New Brunswick Branch raised the Loyalist flag, followed by a brief speech by Mr. Carl Olive, Vice-president of the branch. Mayor Samuel Davis and Police Inspector John Dunham looked on as Mr. Olive placed a wreath on Loyalist Rock, which commemorates the landing of Loyalists on May 18, 1783 in what is now Market Slip.

Mayor Davis in an address to the Canada Cord Girl Guides and I.O.D.E. standard bearers attending the ceremony, said Saint Johners should be proud of their heritage. He said the Loyalists have made Saint John "a city to be proud of." The ceremony also marked the granting of the royal charter by King George III to Saint John on May 18, 1875, creating the first city in Canada.

The United Empire Loyalists' Association reception at the Loyalist House on Union Street followed the ceremony at Market Square. Loyalist Day events officially ended with a military gun salute at 11 a.m. on Fort Howe by the 3rd Field Artillery .

1981 Autumn

The New Brunswick Branch had its first meeting of the Fall on September 9th, in the King George Hall of the New Brunswick Museum. This meeting was timed to coincide with the visit of the Dominion President and his wife, and everyone enjoyed the fine address from Mr. Eaman on "The Loyalists in the '80's". It was very gratifying to have the largest attendance in years. resulting from increased interest in Heritage generally. as well as our public notices, inviting those interested in the Loyalist Heritage to attend.

The programme for 1983 as it now stands was outlined, and the New Brunswick Branch intends to present a programme before long, to be sent to Branches across Canada, to entice them to come to Saint John for more than just the time of the actual Annual Meeting. For those who cannot come to Saint John at the time of the Annual Meeting it is hoped that they will come at some other time in 1983. When the City of Saint John's plans are finalized, copies of the year's events will be sent to all Branches. More details in the next Gazette.

Plan your holiday for 1983 in the Loyalist City!

1982 Spring

Let your traditions be a rudder, not an anchor," J.A. Eaman, the Dominion President of the United Empire Loyalists Association told the Saint John Branch members at their meeting in the New Brunswick Museum. "Our Loyalist forefathers honoured the past, but looked bravely to the future. There are lessons for us to learn from them," he said:

Mr. Eaman, on a visit to the five Maritime Branches of the Association, spoke on the purposes of the Association and its focus for the future. He praised the two New Brunswick Branches in Saint John and Fredericton for their important role as hosts of the association's national convention in the bicentennial year for Loyalists, 1983.

The UEL Association works at perpetuating the memory and preserving the history of the Loyalists. For the Bicentennial celebrations there are many Association proposals such as a Loyalist stamp, a special commemorative coin, a Loyalist National Park and media projects on the Loyalists. The Association has also proposed inviting the Queen to Canada.

Mr. Eaman praised the local Branch for its project of a Loyalist History Prize, to be awarded annually at the University of New Brunswick in Saint John. It is very important to encourage Canada's youth to embrace the Association's goals, he said. The Loyalist characteristics of industry, responsibility and co-operation should take the Association's members into the future after the bicentennials with a strong 'contribution to a greater Canada. He urged the members to work to enlist a wider membership.

Saint John Branch chairman Mrs. Muriel E. Young of St. Andrew's noted that recent advertisements in local papers had drawn 24 enquiries. The branch's membership stands at 63 and will undoubtedly increase.

Since the City of Saint John is historically so involved with the Loyalist arrival in Canada, it is the ideal host for the national convention of 1983, Mrs. Young said. More than 300 people are 'expected to attend, Plans for the celebration were outlined by Mr. Keith Dow for the members.

The Saint John Branch of the UEL Association now has three genealogical records available to the public for consultation: George Hatfield Hayward, Keithland-Cathlines' and Matthew Marvin. The latter two were formally presented to the Branch.

The role of the UEL Association is to unite the descendants of the original Loyalists, now numbering. about four million people in Canada.

He warned his listeners not to allow elitism to dominate their group. "In the great social change of 200 years, hereditary honours are not favoured by most Canadians and Loyalist descendants." A new revitalized association needs an open-door policy that will welcome any Canadians willing to help achieve the other goals of the organization, he said.

The keystone of the association practice is Loyalty to the Crown, "which is for us today, Loyalty to Canada," Mr. Eaman said,

The UEL Association also works at perpetuating the memory and preserving the history of the Loyalists. For the Bicentennial celebrations there are many national association proposals such as a Loyalist stamp, a special commemorative coin, a Loyalist National Park and media projects on the Loyalists. The association has also proposed inviting the Queen to Canada.

We have held three meetings since the last report - on October 14, November 18 and January 12. With the severe winter weather we were lucky to squeeze in the January meeting between storms. and were grateful to those who came, a good turnout, in spite of driving conditions. We did not think that we should take another chance on the weather in February, but we hope to start a full busy season again in March.

At the October meeting we had as our guest speaker Mrs. Mary Gillis who is chairman of the N.S. U.E.L. Bicentennial Committee. We had invited guests from Service groups, Tourism, and others interested in the 1983 Bicentennial to hear her speak, hoping that they would be inspired by her enthusiasm. It is hard to get people out to meetings in Saint John but the response was good. There is no question but that we have a problem in New Brunswick due to what Premier Hatfield refers to as "the dual nature of the Province". The Loyalists have to struggle against prejudice and antipathy.

Our November meeting was a triple event, held in the Admiral Beatty Hotel. a very active business meeting, followed by a pleasant dinner. after which we had a mini-auction of articles brought by members, The auctioneer was Mr. Russell Bond. one of our members. who is a well known antique dealer. This was our first fund-raising effort for events in 1983.

Interest in our Association continues to grow and we have new members at every meeting, We hope to hit the 100 mark at the next meeting. and continue to grow after that.

Obituary: **CARL M. OLIVE**

Mr. Carl M. Olive died at his residence on March 31, 1982. Interment was in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Surviving besides his wife, Mary (Mills) Olive are one son, James M. of Waterford, Kings County. and two grandchildren.

Born in Saint John, a son of the late S. Morton and Jennie (Rupert) Olive, he had been a life-long resident of Saint John. He retired from the Canadian National Railway in 1969 as assistant terminal traffic manager

Mr. Olive was a member of 81. Andrew and St. David United Church, the Saint John Board of Trade, the New Brunswick Historical Society. the New Brunswick United Empire Loyalists Branch, and the Saint John Progressive Conservative Association.

Mr. Olive joined the UEL New Brunswick Branch in 1966 and served in several offices and as its President. 1971-1975. He will be missed by the members of the branch and by those at the national level where he was admired for his goodwill, co-operation and dedication.

Mr. Olive is a direct descendant from the United Empire Loyalist. Captain William Olive. R.N. Captain Olive is buried in the West Side Loyalist Burial Ground, where his epitaph reads: "Captain William Olive. R.N. died 1821 at the age of 88 Also his wife Katherine S, Olive. United Empire Loyalist" Mr. Olive's great grandfather. ,James Olive was the first Mayor of the City of Saint John elected by the people in 1854. Prior to this, Mayors had been elected by the Council.

1982 Autumn

Meetings were held in March. with a very good talk on Genealogy, and in April with a talk on restoration of a Loyalist house. In May many of our members attended the 18th May ceremonies. Our Annual meeting was held on 16th June at the Union Club. and following the business meeting and election of officers. a very pleasant dinner was enjoyed with 38 present. There were two guest speakers Mrs. Joanne finish the evening. Mrs. Joanne Claus. the Director of Loyalist Days Inc. gave a short talk on Loyalist costumes and how to make them. Mr. Eric Teed. Q.C. gave a talk on the relationship between the Magna Carta and the new Canadian Constitution. with some very amusing aspects of our laws being pointed out. Toasts were proposed to the Queen. to Loyalists past and present. and to the British Forces in the Falklands.

The membership chairman reported that we had increased our membership by over 40 percent in the past year, and have now reached 100 members. The Honourable George F. G. Stanley, Lieut. Governor of New Brunswick. and his wife, have accepted Honorary Membership in the New Brunswick Branch.

SAINT JOHN COMMEMORATES LANDING OF LOYALISTS I 11th MAY

The anniversary of the landing of the Loyalists in Saint John. N.B. was commemorated this year but with unusual problems which the New Brunswick Branch managed to overcome. The usual program is for a raising of the Union Flag at Market Square followed by a parade down King Street to the site. and a wreath laying at tile boulder which is the Loyalist monument. All was arranged. Just a few days before the 18th it was realized that there was no longer a site for these events! Due to a large new development to be called Market Square. the existing Market Square had been bulldozed away for landscaping purposes. the flag pole and boulder were gone and there were doubts as to whether King Street would be passable. Another flag-pole was found at the foot of King Street and plans went ahead, notices sent out. etc. Then just the day before the flag raising. We found that we did not have permission to use the flag-pole after all. So again, another flagpole had to be found! This time it was a "special events" flag pole on City Hall - permission was granted, and at 9 a.m. on 18th May the flag was raised. Mrs. Muriel Teed. one of the founding members. raised the flag. assisted by Mayor Robert Lockhart who made an inspiring speech, referring to the importance of the Loyalists, of loyalty, and of the monarchy.

Members of the New Brunswick Branch served coffee and "Loyalist" muffins at Loyalist House after the flag raising. A Youth parade managed to parade down King Street, in spite of the construction, and the wreath-laying ceremonies took place. with wreaths from the New Brunswick Branch. the City of Saint John, Loyalist Days Inc. and the I.O.D.E.

In 1983, the Bicentennial year, the ceremonies on 18th May will be done on a large scale with events going on all through the day arranged by the Saint John Bicentennial Incorporated, assisted by the New Brunswick Branch. This will just be one of the events going on throughout the year.

LOYALIST DAYS SAINT JOHN, N.B.

This annual festival held in Saint John in mid-July seems to improve every year. The re-enactment of the Landing of the Loyalists took place on 18th July. The Lieut. Governor, the Honourable George Stanley and his wife arrived on the scene in horse and carriage and went down to the shore to welcome the "Loyalists". Mayor Lockhart welcomed all spectators and participants. The Lieut. Governor spoke on the history of the Loyalists and the qualities which they had, "a loyalty and a devotion to duty". He also spoke of their courage, fortitude and faith - only those of strong mind and body were those who survived. He said that these very qualities inherent in the Loyalists are those which are needed today.

Other officials present included several cabinet ministers and other M.L.A. 's.

1984 December

The flag raising ceremony on May 18, our Loyalist Day, was enhanced by ladies in Loyalist costume serving muffins and coffee afterwards in a Loyalist setting.

A Loyalist Day dinner was held at a private club in Saint John at which were 81 members and special guests, all dressed in Loyalist costume. Among the special guests were Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Stanley.

Our Bicentennial project is a book, Loyalists All, an abridged version of each member's family tree, dating back to the Loyalist ancestor about whom is also included a short anecdote. The compiling, editing and publishing expenses to date have been kindly donated by Mr. and Mrs. A.B.L. Pipes.

A singular honour was awarded to one of our most loyal and active members when Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe of Renforth, N.B. received the Florence Nightingale Medal last summer. This medal is the highest award the International Red Cross Committee in Geneva offers nurses or Red Cross Volunteers who have distinguished themselves in their devotion to the sick and wounded. She is the seventeenth Canadian to receive this award since the First World War. Mrs. Lowe is also a past president and past secretary of the New Brunswick Branch of the U.E.L. Association, Saint John, and has worked tirelessly for the benefit of the branch.

1985 June

Meetings over the past six months have been well attended. Two new members have received their certificates: Mrs. Janet Yearwood and daughters, Linda and Heather, descendants of Col. John Peters, and Mrs. Clement Shea, descendant of Joseph McKeil.

President George Teed presented a brief on the controversial Bilingualism Report, on behalf of the St. John Branch.

One of our meetings was in the form of a tour of Judge Ward Chipman's recently restored house. He was a prominent Loyalist and a Founding Father of the City.

Several activities are planned for May 18th, Loyalist Day in Saint John: a Youth Parade, Military Parade, Flag Raising by this Branch at Market Square, and the unveiling of Parks Canada's memorial to the Loyalists at Loyalist House. The "City Market Court" convenes on this day and each week through the summer. All who take part will be in Loyalist dress. The day will end with a dinner for Branch members at the Union Club. 20 descendants of the first City Council will be special guests.

The greatest of our accomplishments is the publication of the book, LOYALISTS ALL. compiled by Mr. and Mrs. A.B.L. Pipes. This book and a Loyalist Colouring Book by Van Allen Turner (for children 5 to 10 years old).

NEW BRUNSWICK BRANCH - LOYALIST DAY

This year marks the end of our three Bicentennials: the Landing of the Loyalists, the founding of the Province of New Brunswick, and now the Incorporation of the City as the first incorporated city in British North America.

The Branch is actively involved in a number of projects. The first main project was the planting of 200 trees on May 14th. Our President, George F. Teed, planted one for the Branch. Each donor is allotted a page in a Memorial Book to describe its organization.

Loyalist Day, May 18, proclaimed a holiday was particularly busy. It began with the raising of the Union flag, or Loyalist flag, at Market Square Plaza. This event was closely followed by the unveiling of Parks Canada memorial to the Loyalist Founders by the Hon. Gerald Merithew, Minister of Forestry. It is a modern steel sculpture of red, white and blue built in the form of a three dimensional Loyalist flag surrounded by plaques that tell the story of the Loyalists of New Brunswick and the City of Saint John which they founded. Each cross is fragmented in such a way that the parts appear to form the entire flag from any viewing point. The memorial is placed on the grounds of Loyalist House. At the large noon luncheon, sponsored by the I.O.D.E., the Mayor re-activated several original municipal positions, and appointed George Teed, splendid in his gold satin breeches, to the post of Purveyor of Spices at the City Market.

That evening over 70 members and friends, a great many in costumes, gathered at the Union Club for their Annual dinner. Dignitaries from Federal, Provincial and Civic governments graced the head table, and there was a very happy family party, complete with singsongs and limerick making.

On that occasion, also, was the launching of our own Bicentennial project - our book, "Loyalists All". It is now ready for general distribution and contains a collection of 59 family stories about our Loyalist ancestors, with 88 direct line descendants shown, many told publically for the first time. The book is available for \$17.50 and may be obtained by ordering from: "Loyalists All", United Empire Loyalists' Association, New Brunswick Branch, P.O. Box 6044, Sta. "A" Saint John, N.B. E2L 4RS.

1986 June

The Branch wishes to pay tribute to two valued members who passed away this year. Both made substantial contributions to the Association. Miss Lucy Melick, our former treasurer, died in December and Mr. Arthur Pipes passed away the following month. Mr. Pipes recently collaborated with his wife to produce the book Loyalist All. an abridged version of our members' family trees.

This has otherwise been a good year for the Branch with our membership numbering 61, our activities and community involvement increasing, and co-operation with allied organizations continuing to develop. At the beginning of our year in October, we lopped the bad-weather months--January and February--from our

schedule, negotiated the establishment of a permanent office, and planned a larger role for Loyalist Day May 18th.

Our history prize to the U.N.B. Saint John Campus was presented by our president Mr. John Robinson, to Mrs. Anne Stroud for her essay on Justice Hutchison, a Massachusetts Loyalist. Mrs. Stroud spoke on this topic at the following meeting. At the first spring meeting we presented a Queen Anne Jack (Loyalist flag) to the City of Saint John with arrangement to borrow it for flying on the City flag staff on appropriate occasions.

Sunday, May 18th was the 203rd Anniversary of the landing of the first Loyalists at the site of our present Market Slip. Loyal Saint Johners were on hand to commemorate those founders, first by Councillor Edis Flewwelling's former president of this branch, raising the flag under which the Loyalists had lived and fought, and by branch President Robinson's remarks. Mr. John Robinson reminded us that the purpose of the branch is the perpetuation of the memory of the people who were the founders of this city, province, and nation-the first major population distribution in Eastern Canada. They came for a variety of reasons, he said, "but none of them came for a pleasure cruise." He also mentioned that the Association aims at "keeping history more accurate. The Loyalists were not a group of wealthy dignitaries; they were from a broad spectrum." He noted there were many Black Loyalists and they had not been given the recognition they deserve. Mr. Robinson also reminded us the branch is committed to maintaining the regimental colours of Delancey's brigade.

Wreath-laying at the Memorial Stone organized by committee Chairman Eric Teed included Councillor Flewwelling for the city, Connie Erb representative for the Ministry of Forestry, M.L.A. Nancy Clark-Teed, Don Hackett for the Board of Trade, John Messerlian for the Multicultural Association, and this Branch by Vice-president May Fawcett.

At 10 a.m. refreshments were provided at Loyalist House, arranged by the social chairman, Louise Dickson. Members and guests attending included Provincial Members of Government, City Councillors, representatives of the I.O.D.E., the Multicultural Society and St. David's Church.

At 12 noon, a "21-gun salute" was fired by the Loyal Battery R.C.A. and flower bouquets were placed by members and children on graves in the old Loyalist Burying Ground. A well-attended luncheon was held at the Hilton Hotel with Mrs. M. A. MacDonald, historian, author, and researcher, as guest speaker. A short presentation describing a proposal for a Loyalist monument for Fort Howe was given by Major Jack Lamport.

The program for Loyalist Days July 2-26 will interest anyone planning to visit Saint John this summer. There will be cross Fundy whaleboat races from Digby, a re-enactment of the Loyalist's landing, parades featuring the history of Saint John, a children's festival, theatre bands, entertainment, sporting events, and the largest-yet encampment of 18th century soldiers.

Our thanks for this report to Mr. Jeremy Taylor, branch chairman of publicity and to Pauline Dakin/or her article in the Saint John Telegraph, Journal May 19th, 1986,

1989 July

On December 8, 1988, our Christmas Potluck Supper meeting happily coincided with Mrs. Henry Morrisey's 98th birthday. Mrs. Morrisey (accompanied on the occasion by her daughter, Frances, who is Branch Genealogist) is the great - great granddaughter of Loyalist Edward Winslow Jr. - a founder of New Brunswick. As well, she is great granddaughter of Loyalist Sir John Saunders, Chief Justice of New Brunswick (1922) and President of His Majesty's Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Young (Mrs. Young is a past president) had donated for a draw, a copy of "True Blue: A Loyalist Legend" by Walter Stewart, award winning author. The draw was won by Mrs. Kathryn Watson, guest at the meeting and a Charter Member of the New Brunswick Branch. Mrs. Watson is presently living in Halifax.

Following a festive Christmas supper, Ken Brooks presented a magnificent birthday cake for the occasion, which was enjoyed by all - Particularly Mrs. Morrisey.

1989 December

The June 1989 Annual meeting was held at Stone Church Hall, with President, Mae Fawcett, in the chair. The President and Officers gave their Annual Reports, followed by reports from Committee Chairmen. John Robinson, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, gave his report. It was moved that nominations cease and the slate was accepted.

In appreciation of her active and productive three years in office, President Elect, Dr. Munroe Bourne, presented Past President, Mae Fawcett with the "Loyalist Rose," a corsage worn by the ladies at the U.E.L. Convention in Lennoxville, Quebec.

A special guest at the Annual Meeting was Priit Vesiland of the National Geographic Society. He is the writer working with photographer, Sara Leen, on a project concerning Canada/U.S.A. relations today. Sara Leen was in Saint John briefly at the time of our April 1988 meeting-which she photographed. Kenneth Brooks and his Vocational School Players were performing "Loyal and True" in costume at the April 1988 meeting, which was all recorded by Sara Leen's camera. Her pictures were taken in connection with that part of the project concerning the American Revolution and the United Empire Loyalists. We had hoped the article would be seen in "National Geographic" in 1989. However, due to various delays, it won't appear until sometime in early 1990.

Elected Officers & Chairmen - 1989-1990 .

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1990 Fall

May 18th, 1990 was the 207th Anniversary of the Landing of the Loyalists in Saint John. Although the day dawned grey and drizzly - probably not unlike that day in 1783 - celebrations proceeded on schedule.

At 10 a.m. a Coffee Party at "Loyalist House" was hosted by the New Brunswick Branch. At noon, on Fort Howe hill, the 3rd Field Regiment fired a 21 gun salute. At the same time, down on Market Slip, the Queen Anne Jack, the City of Saint John flag, and the New Brunswick flags were raised. Following the flag raising, wreathes were laid at "Loyalist Rock" by various dignitaries.

In the evening, a dinner was held in the Loyalist Room of the Trade and Convention Centre. Among 100 guests, were representatives from U.E.L. Branches in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. Mayor Elsie Wayne and several City Councillors also attended, as well as a group of visiting students from Jamaica Plains, Mass. We were fortunate in having Lt. Col. Frank Cooper as guest speaker of the evening; his address was both lively and informative.

1991 Spring

Our November 8, 1990 meeting proved most interesting. The guest speaker was M. A MacDonald of the Humanities Department of the New Brunswick Museum. She spoke about her recently published book - "REBELS & ROYALISTS: The Lives and Material Culture of New Brunswick's Early English-Speaking Settlers 1758-1783."

This pre-Loyalist period in what was then known as Nova Scotia, was time of turbulence -- a time somewhat neglected by historians due to the magnitude of the Loyalist arrival in 1783-84. Many of these sturdy settlers were to marry into the families of those who came later, and can be counted as part of our Loyalist heritage.

In the fall of 1985, the Museum requested that Mrs. MacDonald undertake the research of surviving artifacts which had belonged to the "English-Speaking Settlers" of those early years. The research required was rigorous: out of every dozen artifacts that turned up, Jan MacDonald was fortunate to have one or two which could be documented as authentic.

The book has very fine photographs -- a number in colour -- showing beautifully crafted chests, chairs, desks, tables, clocks etc. Oil portraits of various owners are also shown in colour.

This book, both informative and readable, may be obtained by writing to
The New Brunswick Museum, 277 Douglas Avenue, Saint John, N.B. E2K
1E5 (Soft cover: \$15, plus postage).

By Gail B. Pipes, Publicity Chairman

1991 Fall

Saint John's "Landing of the Loyalists" Day, May 18 1991, dawned bright and sunny. Following the morning's celebrations, the Branch hosted a luncheon at the Hilton Hotel, attended by Mayor Elsie Wayne and other dignitaries.

The guest speaker was Venerable Archdeacon Lyman Harding, Rector of Trinity Church in the Parish of Saint John. Trinity, known as "The Church of the Loyalists", is marking 200 years of worship on its present site, between Charlotte and Germain Streets.

Archdeacon Harding said, "It was on Christmas Day, 1791, that the first service was celebrated in Old Trinity", a Georgian style building whose cornerstone had been laid August 20th, 1788 by Bishop Charles Inglis, first overseas Bishop in the British possessions, and named "Trinity" by him, in honour of his former parish, Trinity Church in New York City.

The original church, greatly changed and improved in the 1850's was destroyed in the Saint John fire of 1877. Fortunately, the most significant of the Loyalists relics were saved. Among these was the Massachusetts Coat-of-Arms rescued from the State House by Edward Winslow and Ward Chipman, and displayed to this day over Trinity's west door. The communion silver, presented by George III is still in regular use.

After the Saint John fire, Trinity Church was rebuilt in the Architectural style on the Gothic revival. To quote the Archdeacon: "But one need look no further than the inscriptions on the stained glass and other memorials, or to examine the present parish list, to see the continuing association of Trinity Church with the traditions of the Loyalist. That tradition has often been summed up in the familiar verse from I Peter 2, 17: 'Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King. This is of course a tradition which sees Church and State, Christ and Caesar closely related. It speaks of a society which acknowledges a definite standard against which all things are measured. And it seems to me, in these days of moral relativism, when no standard so often seems even to be acknowledge, that the values of the Loyalists should indeed be clearly set forth by those of us who celebrate their contribution to our history."

As usual, Mayor Elsie Wayne of Saint John, N.B. was a guest at the head table, and also as usual, made some appropriate remarks, which on this occasion were expressed with much feeling. As may be remembered, Mayor Wayne and Richard Cashin of Newfoundland were the two members from the Atlantic Provinces appointed to the Spicer Commission, the Citizens' Forum on the future of Canada. She spoke very positively of her experience as a member of the Commission, commenting particularly on the excellent turnout of New Brunswick Acadians at Forum meetings. In a humorous aside, she remarked that Keith Spicer had told her she was "an old fashioned Canadian with old fashioned standards", to which she had replied that if he was trying to insult her, he had given her the greatest compliment possible.

Mayor Wayne thanked the President "and all of you in this room, for keeping the Loyalist heritage alive." In her closing remarks she urged the members of the Branch to get the young people of the province involved, and to make them aware of what their Loyalist ancestors had done in establishing an harmonious society in the Maritime Provinces.

By Gail B. Pipes, Publicity Chairman, New Brunswick Branch

1994 Fall

On April 14, 1994 a joint meeting with the New Brunswick Historical Society was held at Stone Church Hall. Guest speaker of the evening was Dr. Sheila Andrew, professor at St. Thomas University in Fredericton. Her address was titled: "Courage and Constraints: New Brunswick Loyalist Women". She dealt most evocatively with her subject, referring to the written diaries of Loyalist women; these, together with other documented stories recorded their courage and resourcefulness during those early days of settlement in New Brunswick.

May 18, 1994 was the two hundred and eleventh anniversary of the landing of the Loyalists in Saint John. Typical of the season, the day was cool and windy; however, all went according to plan.

The flag-raising took place at Loyalist Plaza (Market Square) with Wallace MacMurray, President of the N.B. Branch, the Hon. Jane Barry, MLA, and Mayor Tom Higgins officiating. There followed the Coffee Party at "Loyalist House". And at noon, atop Fort Howe, the 21 gun salute was fired by the Third Field Regiment. President Wallace MacMurray, and Mayor Tom Higgins reviewed the regiment.

That evening, the Loyalist Day Banquet was held at the Union Club. Guest speaker was Mr. Robert Nason (formerly with Historical Resources, Fredericton, NB). Mr. Nason gave a history of the "Penobscot Loyalists," who eventually became the founders of St. Andrews, New Brunswick.

President Wallace MacMurray's address at the flag-raising ceremony was thought-provoking. He referred to the fact that, by the end of the Revolutionary War (1775-1783), there were 57,000 British Regulars, 30,000 German Mercenaries, and approximately 70 Loyalist Regiments, totalling a considerable number for the times. He went on to relate, how in the spring of 1783, upwards of 20 ships assembled off Long Island, New York. On April 26, they set sail for the mouth of the St. John River. They arrived on May 11, and lay at anchor off Partridge Island (at the entrance to Saint John Harbour). Most passengers remained on ships until settlement sites were found. The final disembarkation of the Spring Fleet took place on May 18. Two years later, on May 18, 1785, Saint John was declared, by Royal Charter, the first incorporated city in Canada.

President Wallace MacMurray concluded with the words: "Respect for their loyalty, determination and duty is due the Loyalists, our founding ancestors."

1992 Fall

Dr. F.M. Bourne

Died, July 11th, 1992, a three-time Olympian, at the Saint John Regional Hospital. Dr. Frederick Munroe Bourne of Rothesay was 82. He was born in Victoria, BC.; received a BA in English and political science. While editor of the McGill (University) Daily, he captained their track, swimming and water polo teams and won two university championships in the mile.

But it was in swimming that Bourne represented Canada internationally, participating in the British Empire Games and three Olympic Games. At the Amsterdam Games in 1928, he won a bronze medal in the relay. He was the oldest Olympian to carry the torch at the 1988 Winter Olympics at Calgary.

Bourne's post-graduate medical training was in Montreal. During the World War II, he joined No. 14 Canadian General Hospital where he met nurse Margaret Fairweather; married in England in 1943. He went overseas in 1941.

Bourne practised medicine until 1983 and was an associate professor at McGill. He was Commander in the Order of St. John and active in many organizations. Besides his wife, Bourne is survived by three children:

Dr. Robert of Redlands, Cal.; Richard of Montreal; Mary, Mrs. John Colford, of Yellowknife, NWT; and eight grandchildren.

By Gail Pipes, N.B. Branch

Editor's Note: Mr. Bourne wrote an article, "Loyalist Robinsons of New Brunswick" for The Gazette which appeared in the February, 1989 issue.

1993 Spring

We initiated a meeting with the Fredericton Branch and met in Kingston, N.B., first settled by Loyalists in the fall of 1783 and now a thriving community.

Our day began at Trinity Church, the oldest Anglican church in New Brunswick (dedicated, November 1789). At morning prayer the pews were filled to capacity as sun slanted in windows framing the bright fall colours outside. The service was followed by "God Save the Queen" and "O Canada," each sung with equal fervour.

We then assembled in the large, airy, Georgian-style Church Hall with lovely views of the countryside. After the social hour, New Brunswick Branch President, Mrs. Elizabeth (Hoyt) Prescott, QC, welcomed the Fredericton Branch, the Kingston Heritage Trust and of course,

The Rev. John Matheson, rector of the church and member of the New Brunswick Branch. Mrs. Prescott then told of her ancestor, Israel Hoyt, one of the first Loyalists who settled in Kingston (in 1783. He was elected a vestry man in preparation for the building of their Trinity Church. The Rev. Marc Edward Smith, PhD, President of the Fredericton Branch, responded briefly to Mrs. Prescott's address with wit and humour.

Following the meeting, we toured Trinity Church and the "John Fisher Memorial Museum" (in The MacDonald Consolidated School, adjacent to the church).

By Gail B. Pipes, Publicity Chairman, New Brunswick Branch

Spring 1994

SAINT JOHN LOYALISTS OPPOSE SITE OF IRVING MEMORIAL

by Cbris Morris, Canadian Press, *The Vancouver Sun*, 21 January 1994

Saint John, N.B. - K.C. Irving was one of the world's richest men but his family is discovering that money may not buy everything. Relatives of the late New Brunswick billionaire want to erect a statue of K.C. in front of the Irving headquarters in Saint John.

The site is on the old and sacrosanct loyalist Burial Ground and the proposal has put New Brunswick's first family of commerce up against some of the first families on the province's social register.

The political manoeuvring at the local level has so far produced a somewhat bitter stalemate. But now, former mayor Elsie Wayne, the Conservative MP for Saint John, has waded into this tombstone tempest.

When Wayne left civic politics last fall for the national stage, the statue deal had been virtually sewn up.

The Saint John city council, with Wayne riding herd in the mayor's chair, had unanimously agreed to the proposal in a closed session last summer. That despite few details from the Irving family as to what it had in mind as a tribute to KC., who died in 1992 at the age of 93.

The council placed an innocuous advertisement in local papers saying it would seek an amendment to provincial legislation clearing the way for construction of the statue.

The descendants of Saint John's loyalist founders spotted the ad, alarm bells were sounded and soon a letter-writing campaign began opposing the statue proposal for the old burial ground.

My understanding is the Irvings are not of loyalist descent and have no connection with loyalists," huffed James Turnbull, a Saint John businessman whose ancestor, Conrad Hendricks, was the first person buried in the cemetery.

Turnull pointed out in a letter to city council that the land in question was dedicated as a burial ground *"and, accordingly, monuments and tombstones should be erected only for Loyalists or those of Loyalist descent who are buried in the Loyalist Burial Ground."*

Loyalist ancestry carries a lot of weight in Saint John, Canada's oldest incorporated city. Many of the port city's most prominent families trace their roots back to the founding fathers who established Saint John as a city in 1783.

But not the Irvings, whose immigrant Scottish forebears settled in Buctouche, N.B., in the early part of the 19th century.

Opposition to the statue prompted second thoughts and now the future of the proposal is unclear. The New Brunswick legislature put off consideration of legislation for the statue until the spring session.

For its part, the Irving family, apparently miffed at the controversy, wrote to city council saying it would withdraw the proposal. However, members of council are still working on the deal, hoping to smooth the waters.

Wayne says the Irving statue is a victim of politics. Politics happened to it and it's most unfortunate., she said angrily. "When I was there, it went through with a unanimous vote, everyone agreed that it was something that should happen and it was all right... and then I left. .

Deputy Mayor Shirley McAlary has promised a public debate a prospect that likely would not sit well with the ultra-private Irvings.

1995 Fall

The past few months have been most rewarding for our Branch in promoting a greater awareness of our Loyalist heritage to the general public.

Our May 18th celebrations commemorating the first arrival of Loyalists in Canada attracted a larger gathering than we have seen in a number of years. May 18th is a school holiday in Saint John only and it was nice to see many of the children out to the celebrations, flag raising in front of City Hall and ceremonies at Loyalist Rock, site of the landing.

Saint John is the only city in Canada allowed to fire a 21-gun salute and this was carried out on Fort Howe by the 3rd Field (The Loyal Company) R.C.A. The annual banquet was held at the Union Club and was addressed by Dr. Ann Gorman Condon, author and U.N.B.-S.J. professor of history who spoke on Loyalist families and the relationships with one another from letters held in the New Brunswick Museum.

THOROUGH-BREAD \$- RAISING

Two projects were carried out with great results and may well be of interest to other Branches. During the Loyalist City Festival week, in July, our Branch held a bread sale for the second year. This provided great exposure to the public for the Branch and at the same time we passed out membership forms and information on the Association. The sale was limited to bread only, with no fancy cooking, but that is not to say we will not expand in another year. Our supply ran out very quickly but we raised \$174 in a period of two hours. At the same time we received a great deal of favourable comments on our display.

Kids Contest

Our second project was an Essay Contest for the local School District. We had three topics for three age groups.

Grades 5 and 6, \$50 prize, 500+ words

Topic: A Day In the Life Of A Loyalist Child

Junior High, \$75 prize, 1000+ words

Topic: Cause And Reason Why The Loyalists Came

Senior High \$100 prize, 1500+ words

Topic: Loyalist Contribution To Education Law And Government

We had over 75 essays turned in and prize money and books were presented by the Mayor of Saint John and the Branch President at City Hall on May 18th.

1997 Spring

Since we last reported in *The Gazette*, our Branch has been active in many ways. The main event was the hosting of the Saint John part of the pre-convention Loyalist Loop prior to the meetings in Halifax. We held off our Loyalist Dinner from May 18th to have the tour group join us on June 3rd for a reception and dinner. Dr. Gregg Finley, Director of St. Stephen's University, spoke about early churches of Loyalist New Brunswick. The following morning we all had a walking tour of the Loyalist sights and concluded with a lunch in the new facilities of the New Brunswick Museum.

Our usual May 18th celebrations saw an increase in attendance and we again presented awards to a number of school children for their fine efforts in the Loyalist Essay Contest. This contest involves up to 100 children and is a very excellent way to interest our youth in their history.

We plan a full joint meeting of the four Maritime Branches in the fall of 1997.

October opened up our fall start-up for the year with Saint John hosting a joint meeting with Fredericton. It turned out it was somewhat like the Loyalist Loop Tour with another walking tour to the various sights here. A day that was warm and filled with sun and we were entertained with a short parade with a Pipe Band to add to all the colour of the day. We provided lunch for about 50 at Trinity Church and concluded with a tour of the Museum and a short joint business meeting. Getting together with close Branches is most enjoyable.

For a period of time our City lost the familiar figure of the Loyalist Man greeting visitors to our City from signs along the highways. If it were not for our Association he would have been lost forever but we fought back and got him back! Don't give in !

By W.P. MacMurray

1997 Fall

The year 1997 has been a busy and successful one for the New Brunswick Branch. At our March meeting we were privileged to have as guest speakers Linda Lodge and Janet McKinney, two teachers at Glen Falls School. Linda and Janet jointly received "Canada's National History Society, Governor General's Award for excellence in teaching Canadian History" (1995/96). In recent years they have created and implemented the "Early Saint John History Unit and Living Loyalist Museum". Over 60 of their students have learned about Natives, Explorers, Acadians and Loyalists, through role playing and experiencing everyday life in the late 1700s.

Our April meeting featured Dr. Ernest Clarke, president of the Halifax! Dartmouth Branch. His subject concerned his extensive research into the 1776 siege of Fort Cumberland.

Our "Landing of the Loyalists" celebration began one day early. On Saturday, May 17th, "Dinner at the Union Club," was to have had as guest speaker, Mary (Teed) Gillis of Middleton, N.S. Mary Gillis is Honorary Vice President of the Dominion Association and has had a long time interest in promoting the Loyalist story in schools. Due to travel difficulties, she was unable to be present; however, her cousin Edis Flewelling filled in with a most interesting talk.

May 18th observances began with 11 :00 a.m. service at Trinity Church. At 12 Noon, a 21-Gun Salute was fired from Fort Howe. In front of City Hall, at 12:45 p.m., a reenactment of the swearing in of the first Mayor of the City, Gabriel Ludlow, was staged. The Town Crier then read the Proclamation and the flags were raised.

At 1 :45 p.m., the Assembly proceeded to the "Red Room" for Mayor Shirley McAlary's Reception, and Presentation of Awards. The awards were for "Essays about the Loyalists" written by school children in the region. Six children received recognition and monetary awards. The presentations were made by our recently appointed Lieutenant Governor, Marilyn Trenholme. It was a colourful and auspicious occasion.

On June 12th we had our Annual Meeting, with Joan Pearce as guest speaker. Joan is a retired school teacher, an amateur historian and a genealogist. She helped write the scripts for the city's historic walks, and also conducts tours of the city centre for interested groups. Her subject was "Early Loyalists and above the city and identified by a restored Block House. Sites." She began with Major Gilfred Studholme, builder and first commander of Fort Howe. The site of the fort remains, high above the city and identified by a restored Block House.

Paul Bedell, a land surveyor and drafts came with the Loyalists from New York in the Spring Fleet of 1783. He was employed by Major Studholme in the laying out of the city. His work was well done, and speaks for itself today - it is his only monument; he lies in an unmarked grave in the Old Burial Ground. The streets named by Paul Bedell remain as a memorial to the Loyalists who came, and as a testimony of their loyalty to the Crown.

Joan had set up an easel with a large white pad of paper, and proceeded to ask for street names (other than those named for Royalty etc.) The response was quick; and she was there to give the story behind each "name." These were citizens, prominent in the Saint John of their day.

There are two existing buildings in the city centre, both built by Loyalist families. The Peters House on Coburg Street, is now occupied by the Knights of Columbus. The Merritt House (known as "Loyalist House" since 1958) was built in 1810 by David Merritt. Loyalist House stands on the corner of Union and Germain Streets; a fine example of Georgian Architecture. The house was lived in by five generations of the Merritt family, before coming into the possession of the New Brunswick Historical Society in 1958.

Joan Pearce had begun her talk with an excerpt from a poem written by Anna Minerva Henderson, titled: "Market Slip, 18 May, 1783". The lines read:

*"Voyaging, they came at last to land,
"Here in this sheltered inlet of the bay,
"Curved like the hollow of a mighty hand,
"The hills around greening and sweet with May.
"This land was Spring, present of dreams fulfilled.
"This land was life to the adventuring soul,
"His to subdue and shape it as he willed,
"The cherished dream of freedom as his goal. "*

Anna M. Henderson was one of three daughters born to a black family living in the south end of Saint John. She became a teacher, but was not allowed to teach in New Brunswick. Around 1915, she tried out for the Civil Service and placed third, thus becoming the first Black hired in the Civil Service. After living in Ottawa for many years, she retired to Saint John. In 1967, she wrote a book of poetry entitled "Citadel," from which these excerpts are taken. Anna M. Henderson died in her one hundredth year, in the 1980's.

Closing excerpt from "Citadel"

*"Steep streets, tall spires etched against the sky,
"Grey wharves that know the wind and tide.
"Dim drifting fog, the sea-gulls' plaintive cry.
"A city old, assured wearing the pride "Of epic memories and heritage, "*

By Gail B. Pipes UE

1998 Fall

This year the New Brunswick Branch was privileged to have the help of our Dominion President, Mrs. Bernice Flett, in celebrating Loyalists' Day. It began with a Sunday service at Trinity Church followed by lunch at the Reversing Falls Restaurant. The ceremonies in front of City Hall and Loyalist Rock included drills by DeLancey's Brigade, a re-enactors' group, and members of the 3 Field Regiment, RCA (The Loyal Company), a representation of the swearing in of Gabriel Ludlow, Saint John's first mayor, raising of three flags: Saint John, New Brunswick and the Queen Anne Jack, speeches, placing of memorial flowers around the Loyalist Rock, inspection of the firing party of the 3 Field Regiment and firing of the 21-gun salute, in memory of the signing of the Royal Charter in 1785. The climax of the day was a reception hosted by Mayor Shirley McAlary, when prizes for Saint John schools' Loyalist essay and poster contests were presented by Bernice Flett and Mayor McAlary.

The annual banquet at the Union Club was held the next day when Bernice Flett convinced us of the value of the national association and of the work being done to further our aims. Other guests were Lieut. Governor Marilyn Trenholm Council, Dr. Blair Orser, president of the Fredericton Branch, and Dr. Elsie Wayne, MP, honorary member of the New Brunswick Branch.

Other activities during the year included a joint gathering of the New Brunswick and Fredericton branches, hosted by the Fredericton Branch, a reading from the *National Geographic* magazine about the Loyalists, by Mae Fawcett, Christmas pot luck dinner and auction, lectures on the Loyalists by Anne Baker and Mary Gillis, honorary vice-president of the Association, and a program about the St. Andrew's Society by Wally McMurray.

Five books were presented to the children's department of the Saint John Free Public Library. A bread sale was held in a downtown mall during the Loyalist Days Festival.

By Frances Morrisey, Secretary

1999 Spring

Under the leadership of our president, Trevor Holder, and his capable executive, the New Brunswick Branch had three meetings during the first half of the 1998-1999 year.

In September the Fredericton Branch was invited to join the New Brunswick Branch in an interesting and entertaining walking tour of Saint John's Fernhill Cemetery. This was followed by tea at the historic Loyalist House and a brief meeting.

At the November meeting Bill Titus gave an enlightening demonstration of a variety of axes and other cutting tools used by our pioneer ancestors. The demonstration was illuminated by historical information.

A beautifully decorated hall and Christmas music played on the piano by Eric Teed greeted our members and guests at our Christmas party. The delicious pot luck dinner was followed by a lively bring and buy auction with George Teed as our auctioneer.

By Frances Morrisey, Branch Secretary

2000 Spring

Our year began with our usual flag raising ceremonies commemorating the landing of the Loyalists in Saint John on May 18, 1783. Local children were bussed to the event, courtesy of the School Board. They enjoyed the outing, especially the placing of flowers around the Loyalist Rock and the ringing of the Labour Bell. During the reception afterwards at the offices of Mayor Shirley Mac Alary prizes were presented to the winners of the poster contest by Lieutenant Governor Marilyn Trenholme Counsell, Mayor Mac Alary and Gordon Fairweather, education chairman. The day ended with a banquet at the Union Club where we were entertained with music and an interesting talk by author, Dorothy Dearborn.

At our first meeting of the fall, we were joined by members of the three other Maritime Branches where we worked on material to be used in the new Maritime Provinces Teachers' Resource Book on Loyalist Studies. This was arranged by our Regional Vice President, Frances Morrisey and held at the historic Marshlands Inn in Sackville, N.B., where we enjoyed a delightful lunch in a beautiful location. Later in the month we joined the Fredericton Branch at a luncheon and tour of Government House in Fredericton,

hosted by Lieut. Governor Marilyn Trenholme Counsell, who assisted in serving and in mingling with us in her usual friendly manner.

Other activities during the year included our annual Bread Sale, where, along with our home made bread, we had an opportunity to distribute our bulletins and other material to the public. Our Christmas potluck supper included a white-elephant auction and our talented auctioneer, Wally MacMurray, made it as entertaining as it was remunerative. Six books were donated to the Children's Department of the Saint John Free Public Library and the Loyalist History prize was presented to a student of the University of New Brunswick in Saint John.

The Internet has resulted in numerous enquiries about the Association and we have welcomed ten new members to the branch, bringing our membership to one hundred and thirteen. The new members are: Harold M. Partelow (Richard Partelow), Kenneth Mills (Peter Parlee), Charles L. Clarke (Joshua Currey), Marie F. Walpole, (Lewis Huestis), Llewellyn Goodfield (David Blakney and James Wheaton) Donald Treadwell (Ephraim Treadwell), Kenneth Day (Benajah Northrup and Seth Benson), Marianne Thorpe (William Miller), Robert Devine (Herman Hostetter), Gene Wallace (James Sutter, Ephraim Betts and John Wallace). Congratulations were extended to Janette Kirwan (George McGee) and Virginia Stoddard (William White) on receiving their certificates as Affiliate Members. We were saddened by the death of two long-time members, Doris Smith and Kathryn Taylor, whose sons, Derek Smith and Jeremy Taylor are also members of our Branch.

By Elizabeth Lowe UE

2001 Fall

The long awaited teachers' resource booklet, *The Loyalists, Settlers and Pioneers of the Maritimes*, was sent to the departments of education in the Atlantic provinces, and copies were received by each of the Maritime branches. We are delighted with the product and are thankful to Bernice Wood Flett UE for her excellent work.

In response to popular demand, *Loyalists All*, our bicentennial book containing fifty-nine biographical sketches of the Loyalist ancestors of some members has been reprinted and is selling well at \$26.50 Cdn, and \$18.50 U.S. including postage and handling.

On her visit to the Saint John area, we were pleased to introduce newly certificated member, Margaret Vallis, (Orangeville ON, ancestor Elias Secord), and her husband Bill an Associate member, to members of our Branch.

Dr. Elsie Wayne MP, and honorary member of the Branch was the speaker at our October meeting. In her dynamic speech she emphasized that we must continue to celebrate the Loyalists and to make them known. At our November meeting our member Elizabeth Prescott QC informed us of the origins of the Association and of the New Brunswick Branch, using our charter and other documents. Inclement weather caused our Christmas gathering to be cancelled. Terry Keleher represented Major Gilfrid Studholme at our March meeting, and in April Eric Teed, who was subsequently elected Regional VP for the Atlantic Provinces, presented an interesting talk on Fort Howe. It was built in 1777 to protect the community from the harassment by American privateers, and it became Saint John after the arrival of the Loyalists. At our annual meeting David Goss gave us a virtual tour of the area in the vicinity of our meeting place, St. John's (Stone) Church.

Our annual Loyalist Day celebrations went off well, with a church parade of our members in Loyalist costume to Trinity Church on May 13th. On the 18th there was a flag raising ceremony in front of City Hall, the laying of geraniums, our city flower, at the Loyalist Rock, a 21 gun salute from Fort Howe, and a reception at Loyalist House where Lt. Governor. Marilyn Trenholm Counsell presented prizes to the winners of our Loyalist poster contest for school children. In addition to the Lt. Governor, our local Member of Parliament and our Mayor took part in the ceremonies. In the evening we had a delightful banquet at the Union Club, where Mrs. M.A. MacDonald, local historian and author, informed us of the relationship between the Loyalists and the pre-Loyalists and of their lasting contribution to Canadian society.

Annual outreach activities included:

1. a presentation of a History Prize to a student of the University of New Brunswick in Saint John at their Fall Convocation,
2. a donation of money for Loyalist books and a video to the Children's Department of the Saint John Free Public Library,
3. subscriptions to the *Loyalist Gazette* given to five local libraries including the university, and
4. Branch brochures distributed to tourist outlets around Saint John.

A bake sale was held in one of the local shopping malls where brochures and surplus *Gazettes* were given to interested customers, and used *Gazettes* were distributed to waiting rooms in hospitals and doctors' offices.

By Frances Morrisey UE,

2002 Spring

Our Christmas potluck dinner and bring-and-buy auction was an entertaining and profitable way to augment our funds. The hall at St. John's (Stone) Church was attractively decorated by Elizabeth Prescott and her team. After the delicious dinner, Christmas carols were sung under the direction of Janice Willis, accompanied on the piano by her husband, Ray. Wally MacMurray was our entertaining auctioneer and the members and guests acquired many useful items, including pine boughs for decorating our homes, donated by Laurence Dickson and Kathryn Bradshaw.

At a recent meeting of the Saint John Common Council, our president, George Teed presented a Loyalist Flag, to be displayed in the Mayor's Reception Room. A workshop on the Loyalist Burial Project was held at our November meeting and several members submitted reports on their Loyalist ancestors to Myrna Fox, coordinator of the project. As a result of a radio announcement promoting the event, Myrna was interviewed on our local CBC radio station. Harold Wright, a local historian, gave an interesting talk on the preLoyalist Quinton family at our October meeting.

We have been saddened by the deaths of two of our members and one former member. Dr. Clifford Skinner LLD, who passed away 24 June 2001, made a significant contribution to the advancement of the black people in Saint John. Mrs. Mae Fawcett UE, Branch President (1986-89), who passed away 7 Oct. 2001 and Mr. John Robinson UE, Branch President (1985-86) are remembered for the work they did for our Branch.

We welcomed eight new associate members and presented twelve certificates to ten associate members.

By Frances Morrisey UE

2002 Fall

Our Branch's Loyalist Banquet was dedicated to Her Majesty the Queen in honour of her Jubilee. It was held on May 16th in Saint John's Union Club. Honoured guests included the Lieut. Governor, Minister of Trinity church, Member of Parliament, MLA and Mayor. The guest speaker, Bernard Cormier, gave an excellent talk on the Monarchy and a framed portrait of Her Majesty was presented to the Branch. On June 2nd, Branch representatives attended the Lieut. Governor's Jubilee garden party at Government House. Our members are looking forward to Her Majesty's visit in October.

Loyalist Day ceremonies took place on May 18th at the City Hall and Loyalist Plaza. Flag raising ceremonies were attended by the above dignitaries, the town crier, and a colour party from the IODE. Actors portrayed Brigadier General Oliver DeLancey (DeLancey's Brigade, 2nd Battn), Major Gilfred Studholme, commander of a Loyalist unit that built Fort Howe in 1777, soldiers in period costume and an air cadet band. At noon, the annual 21 Gun Salute was fired from Fort Howe by the 3 New Brunswick Brigade, RCA (The Loyal Company). This honour, in memory of the granting of the Royal Charter to the city in 1785 is unique to Saint John.

Since Christmas, eleven new Associate members were welcomed, and certificates were presented to three members.

By Frances Morrisey UE

2005 Spring

The annual 2005 New Year's Levee at Saint John's historic Loyalist House was an interesting and colourful affair. Many participants were attired in costumes. The event was hosted by the New Brunswick Historical Society with the assistance of the New Brunswick Branch UELAC, St. George's Society, Citizens for Fort La Tour, Multicultural Association including Native Americans, and the Loyalist Heritage Festival. The participants contributed ethnic finger food and drinks. Thanks to Eric Teed and others for organizing the party.

On a beautiful September day, King's Landing was the site of an enjoyable and informative tour by the Fredericton and New Brunswick Branches. The first stop was the Collections building where we examined a number of artefacts illustrating New Brunswick history. Following a delicious dinner and fellowship at the King's Head Inn, many of us visited historic buildings in the village. We are indebted to Andy Gunter and other members of the Fredericton Branch for arranging the event.

In November we were saddened by the death of Laurence Dickson, who passed away on the 16th after a long illness. Our sympathy goes to his wife, Louise.

Margaret Vallis gave an interesting talk at our November meeting on her experiences in restoring historic buildings in Saint John. The annual Christmas potluck dinner and bring-and-buy auction were held in December. Our auctioneer, Wallace MacMurray, succeeded in entertaining us; and our funds were enhanced.

By Francis Morrisey UE

2006 Spring

NB BRANCH SETS LOCAL RECORDS FOR NEW MEMBERS AND FOR UE CERTIFICATES

Membership Chairman for the New Brunswick Branch, Dr. Steve Bolton UE, has done an excellent job effecting a record membership increase for the Branch. Membership increased 20% in the past year. In place of traditional application forms that had to go through the mail, Steve created one form, which is sent electronically, when possible, in response to a membership request. He says that 80% of new members have e-mail.

Albert Button UE, former Treasurer of the New Brunswick Branch, took over as Genealogist last June and by the end of 2005 had fifteen certificates approved. In her congratulatory e-mail to Albert, UELAC Genealogist Libby Hancocks UE said that she had never received as many applications from the NB Branch in that time span.. Among the recipients were Albert's wife, Betty Button, who received five Certificates and new members, Ruth Lesbirel and her brother Donald Flewelling, who each received one.

By Valerie Teed UE, NB Branch Newsletter Editor

2006 Fall

N.B. HONOURS NINE LONG-TIME MEMBERS

The New Brunswick Branch was pleased to recognize some of its long-standing members, at its annual Loyalist Day Dinner on May 18, with awards of appreciation for their deep commitment. See photo below.

Eric Teed and his mother formed this Branch forty years ago. Muriel Teed was the first Branch President and Eric initially was Secretary. He was Regional Vice-President from 2001 to 2003. He cut a very colourful figure as Loyalist Day's Master of Ceremonies for several years.

Gregarious and sonorous, enthusiastic and musically gifted, George Teed is our most recognized member. He served two terms as Branch President, in 1983 and 2000.

Elizabeth Prescott was involved since the 1950s, holding a number of Executive positions including President in 1991. Elizabeth worked tirelessly on the Loyalist Day Committee for many years.

Louise Dickson held a number of offices, including Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary. For many years her calligraphy skills graced the beautiful place cards for the head table at the annual banquet.

Wallace MacMurray joined the Branch early on. He was a very popular, energetic President from 1993 to 1996, making many significant, creative suggestions to enhance our profile during public displays.

When the Charter was granted in 1967, **Elizabeth Lowe** was one of the signatories. She was President from 1975 to 1977, also becoming our first Regional Vice-President. Elizabeth inspired members to write biographical sketches of Loyalist ancestors for the publication "*Loyalists All*" and compiled a Branch history called "*A Backward Glance*".

Margaret Bourne and her husband Monroe both worked in our Branch, Monroe being President in 1989, Margaret supporting him and holding a number of positions herself. Her wise contributions to our meetings, her warmth and infectious smile have contributed immensely to the operation of the Branch.

Elizabeth McMullin worked for several years as Recording Secretary and Newsletter Editor. We recognize the tremendous contribution she made over many years. She has since moved to be closer to her family, first to British Columbia, then to the Philippines.

Carman Colwell, a chartered accountant, was our Treasurer for nine years. He streamlined the Branch's financial procedures significantly, reducing our banking fees, which is always a welcome benefit.

By Jim McKenzie UE, Branch President, and Ruth Flewelling Lesbirel UE, B.Sc.(CS), M.Sc.CS,
Branch Corresponding Secretary.

2007 Fall

On 18 May at 10:00 a.m. the Branch had the largest crowd in attendance for some years, many dressed in period clothing to celebrate the 224th anniversary of the landing of "*Spring Fleet*" Loyalists in Saint John. The ceremony got underway at the nautical pole in front of city hall where the Queen Ann flag in all her glory was raised on the centre pole flanked by the provincial and municipal flags and left to fly for all to see until the following week. Due to the inclement weather, the ceremony was moved indoors to the atrium of the Market Square complex next door. The usual greetings from various dignitaries representing each level of government were heard and a prayer given. Major Studholme, in full period dress, addressed the crowd to explain his role as overseer of the construction of Fort Howe that overlooks the Harbour of Saint John. Displays given by several classes of the five elementary schools dressed in period clothing were warmly received. The 527 Air Cadet Squadron of Simonds Regional High School provided band music for our enjoyment and the 2nd DeLancey's Brigade was in attendance to support the flag carrier and provide the period setting of the ceremony. At the conclusion everyone moved along to the City Market to share in a piece of birthday cake celebrating the city's 222nd birthday, as well as a 21-gun salute at noon given atop Fort Howe Hill by the 3rd NB Field Artillery Regiment.

Our annual celebration of the day concluded with the annual dinner and banquet held at the elegant Union Club in Saint John that saw the group of fifty enjoy a great evening of song, dinner and a wonderful presentation given by Peter Laroque of the NB Museum who provided a slide show and spoke of Loyalist's artefacts held at the NB Museum.

The Branch AGM was held at Stone Church on 21 June, the new executive John Watson UE President and Jim McKenzie UE as Treasurer being duly elected. Guest speaker Dr. Steve Bolton UE gave an interesting talk on DNA testing and how it relates to genealogy.

Upon gathering together the necessary funding shared between Dominion Office, our Branch and family members of the Botsford family, work is underway to complete extensive repairs to the Amos Botsford Memorial located in the family plot of Fern Hill Cemetery in Saint John. Repairs are extensive to the impressive memorial and are being carried out by "*Old World Masonry*" of Kingston NB. Amos Botsford was a Connecticut Loyalist appointed by Sir Guy Carleton in 1782 as an agent for the Loyalists then embarking at New York to seek asylum in Nova Scotia. He arrived at Annapolis with the first fleet in the fall of that year. When New Brunswick was formed, he represented his county of Westmorland and was elected speaker of the House of Assembly in 1786 and every year thereafter for the next twenty-seven years.

Planning of the UELAC National Conference to be hosted by our Branch and held in Saint John on 10 – 12 July 2008 is well underway. The main venue will be held at the Hilton Hotel located at the very spot where our Loyalist ancestors landed and first set foot in New Brunswick. The conference will prove to be a very exciting and rewarding experience for everyone. We're all looking forward to the event.

By John Watson

2008 Spring

After two years of planning, repairs to the Loyalist Amos Botsford family Memorial in Fernhill Cemetery have been completed.

The Branch Executive met on 14 September to clear up several pieces of branch business.

The Fall General meeting was held on 18 October. Peter Little, a local amateur historian, gave an interesting talk and slide presentation on the restoration of St Luke's Church in Gondola Point. The church was built in 1833 by first and second generation Loyalists and has been named a National Historic Site.

Jim McKenzie, Dr. Steve Bolton and I attended the October National Council meeting in Toronto.

The annual Christmas Pot-luck Dinner and auction was held on 13 December, always an eagerly anticipated event that went off like clockwork and the auction proceeds gave the treasury a boost. The branch was represented again this year at the Loyalist House New Years Day Levee hosted by the NB Historical Society. Many members were seen in period dress enjoying the savouries and sweets.

The branch was stricken with grief to learn on 30 December the passing of George F. Teed UE, a Past Branch President and long time member of the Association. George, although 92 years of age, never slowed down and got the most out every minute and was an inspiration to all with his cheerful personality. He was an active member of many organizations with a passion for singing and took every opportunity to be involved with anything involving singing. He will be missed.

The Loyalist Learning Centre will be established in the New Brunswick Museum and will be operational by spring.

Plans are coming together for the UELAC Conference and AGM this summer in the Loyalist City, the happiest city in Canada, possibly the world according to a study conducted by UBC earlier this year.

By John Watson UE

2010 Spring

The New Brunswick Branch held its annual Christmas Potluck Luncheon and Auction on Saturday, 12 December 2009 at St. John's Anglican (Stone) Church. We enjoyed great food, lots of laughter and a lively Christmas Song Along, despite the chilly weather. Potluck foods included shepherd's pie, baked beans, several delicious casseroles, English trifle, and homemade sweets, many from old family recipes. The auction not only raises funds for branch activities but also provides some of its members with additional Christmas decorations and gifts.

On New Year's Day, the branch joined The New Brunswick Historical Society in hosting a levee at the historic Loyalist

House, which was built in 1810-1817 and belonged to five generations of the Merritt family. Again, delicious traditional foods were served with tea, cranberry punch, and apple cider in the dining room.

Impromptu tours of the house also took place. Guests of all ages, from near and far, enjoyed a roaring fire in the kitchen fireplace and some music on the rare piano organ in the parlour.

We remember our Loyalist ancestors through functions such as these and know that they enjoyed many of the same pleasurable activities, breaking up the long cold winters in their new homeland so long ago.

By Ruth Flewelling Lesbirel UE, B.Sc. (CS), M.Sc.C.S., Corresponding Secretary

2012 Spring

Seventy-two members and guests of the New Brunswick Branch had an old-fashioned good time like our Loyalist ancestors would have enjoyed at this year's UEL Christmas Party. The record number of attendees enjoyed an afternoon of fabulous food and entertaining merriment, beginning with a buffet lunch.

After lunch, a truly inspirational Christmas Story presentation began with "*An Introduction to the Loyalist Christmas*," providing the fascinating historical background to the customs and traditions of our ancestors. Then through the age-old scriptures for the season and traditional carols, the presentation told the Christmas story that our ancestors loved so much. Following this presentation, we continued in the festive spirit that such Loyalist gatherings would have had, with an enthusiastic sing-along of some of the well-known and loved Christmas carols.

Guests eagerly visited our old-time General Store, choosing from an excellent selection of homemade pickles and preserves, baked goods from biscuits to fruitcakes, cookies and squares to homemade pies and breads, hand-knit or sewn treasures, handmade Christmas ornaments and decorations, crocheted and smocked items, wooden toys, jewellery, and much more! Prizes were awarded for best in show in several categories of these donated items. Buying was brisk and "*customers*" were very pleased with their Christmas gifts and pantry additions. The proceeds from the sale of these treasures more than offset the cost of the meal, decorations, prizes, song sheets, and publicity.

The afternoon, with its lively, well-received program, proved to be a spectacular kick-off to the Christmas season that everyone seemed to enjoy immensely! It would have been a dismal failure without the enthusiastic support of all the members and guests who came this year.

Special thanks go to Deborah and Ron Coleman for the delicious lunch and Deborah's Loyalist Traditions talk, Valerie and George Teed for historically accurate décor, set up, and Val's books at the General Store, John Watson's great MC skills, Don Flewelling for Christmas music as people arrived, musical accompaniment for the carols and the contemporary sing-along, and sales help in the General Store, Rev. Paul Brown for the Christmas Story in scriptures, Mike Plourde for so much help in the kitchen, Steve Lesbirel for the photos, set up, and General Store help, and many others, whose contributions were invaluable and very much appreciated.

2013 Fall

Loyalist Day, 18 May 2013

Our celebrations started on Sunday, 12 May, with a special Loyalist Day service at Trinity Anglican Church, Saint John, New Brunswick. Several members of the New Brunswick Branch were in attendance, most in Loyalist period dress. Peter Conley was the bearer of the Queen Anne flag leading our members to their seats and he also read one of the scripture passages. Roy Carson read another scripture passage and the Rev. Dr. Ranall Ingalls, the rector of Trinity Anglican Church, spoke on the ideals and

contributions of our Loyalist ancestors. Trinity Church was founded by Loyalists, although the present building was built in 1880, right after the great Saint John fire of 1877. It houses the Boston Coat of Arms, a symbol of the monarchy, rescued from the Boston council chamber by a British Colonel during the American Revolution. One of the largest bells in Trinity's 1882 carillon is inscribed: "In Memoriam the Loyalists 1783: Faithful alike to God and the King."

It was unusually cold and blustery as we gathered this year at City Hall Plaza for our Loyalist Day morning ceremonies on Saturday, 18 May 2013. We were commemorating the 230th anniversary of the landing of the first Loyalist fleet at the mouth of the St. John River in May of 1783, just steps from where we stood. The 3rd Field Artillery Regiment RCA, "The Loyal Company," contributed greatly to the ceremonies with their marching band and a large contingent of the Regiment, performing drills and a march past. This regiment was formed in 1793, largely from the Loyalist population, and has been in continuous service ever since, including two world wars and most recently in Afghanistan.

The Honourable Graydon Nicholas, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, was also in attendance. David Laskey, UELAC New Brunswick Branch President, Hon. Nicholas, Hon. Trevor Holder (NB MLA and Minister of Tourism, Heritage, and Culture), Hon. Rodney Weston (MP), and His Worship Mel Norton, Mayor of Saint John, all spoke eloquently of the Loyalist contributions to the city of Saint John and the province of New Brunswick. Dr. Lee Windsor, the Regimental Historian, as well as Lieutenant-Colonel Stephen Strachan, Commanding Officer of the 3rd Field Regiment RCA, also spoke on the history of the 3rd Field Artillery, its Loyalist roots, and its service to Canadians at home and abroad over the past 220 years. The Reverend Dr. Ranall Ingalls delivered the prayer and Terry Keleher, in period dress as Major Gilfred Studholme of Fort Howe, read the Loyalist Day Proclamation as Town Crier. Don Flewelling, in red coat period dress, bore the Queen Anne flag. The Mayor, Lieutenant Governor, and Branch President inspected the troops.

The Regiment exercised their Freedom of the City by a special signing ceremony with the Mayor. After the ceremonies, a large 230th birthday cake was cut and the 21-gun salute was fired, Saint John being the only non-capital city in Canada permitted to fire this salute in the absence of a member of the Royal Family.

Our celebrations culminated in a gala banquet at the historic Union Club, Saint John, where members and guests met over punch for a reception before enjoying a delicious chicken dinner. Tables were handsomely decorated with fresh red and white flowers complemented by red, white and blue ribbons, and Queen Anne flags. The head table party entered behind the Canadian flag (carried by John Watson) and the Queen Anne flag (carried by Peter Conley), to the march "Men of Harlech," played by Don Flewelling on the piano.

Rev. Philip Williston asked the blessing on the meal and David Laskey was the Master of Ceremonies. Jim McKenzie proposed the toast to the Queen and also presented a lifetime honorary membership to Elizabeth Lowe in recognition of her many outstanding contributions to our branch.

Hon. Trevor Holder, also a Past President, was our guest speaker. He spoke on drawing tourism north of the border from Maine, emphasizing the Loyalists and that we in the UELAC (NB) have a story to tell. Some came from as far as Fredericton and Halifax to attend the banquet.

LOWE, Libby, UE [1916 – 2016]



Remembering Libby Lowe UE It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our eldest member, Elizabeth Louise Burnham Lowe UE, on 25 July 2016. Libby, as she was called, was born in Saint John on 16 March 1916, the daughter of the late O. Arnold Burnham and Myrtle (Holder) Burnham.

A graduate of Saint John High School, class of 1933 and the Saint John Hospital School of Nursing, class of 1939, she enlisted in the army in 1940 and served as a nurse in England, Italy and Sicily before returning to Saint John in 1945. She attended McGill University for Public Health Nursing and later moved to Ontario. She returned to Saint John in 1959, became a school nurse at Saint John Vocational and initiated a training course for nursing assistants.

In 1964, Libby became Provincial Director of Health Services for Canadian Red Cross, New Brunswick Division. She retired in 1981 and in 1983 was awarded the International Red Cross Florence Nightingale medal for her work with wounded soldiers in Italy during World War II.

Libby was a charter member of our Branch when the charter was granted in 1967. She worked faithfully throughout the years as she fulfilled many executive positions. She was Branch President from 1975 to 1977. She fought for representation of the Atlantic Provinces on the Dominion Council and became our first Regional Vice-President. In 2015 I was honoured to present Libby with her Past President's pin. Libby was loved and will be sorely missed.

By Deborah Coleman

2017 Fall

On a rainy 01 July 2017 in New Brunswick, members of the New Brunswick Branch celebrated Canada 150 at the Kings Landing Historical Settlement in Prince William, a community of Loyalist heritage on the banks of the Saint John River. About twenty folks, the majority being members and supporters of our Branch, heard our Past Branch President, Deborah Coleman UE, speak on the role of Loyalist women in their families and in 18th century American society. The talk was an extension of Coleman's recent work in writing the text of two interpretive panels now on display at the settlement in the Jones House Gallery, a beautiful brick home dating to the 1820s. One panel discusses maternal and infant mortality in the 19th century. The other panel tells the story of Sara Love, a Quaker Bostonian who fled to the Maritimes after her husband was murdered during the Revolution. Rhona Hoyt, the Senior Exhibit Coordinator at Kings Landing, had first met Coleman at a Beaver Harbour gathering a few years back and, being impressed with her work, asked her for assistance with the new panels. Our Branch is pleased to have had one of our own contribute in such a way to a place very near and dear to so many New Brunswickers.

Following the talk, members of the Branch and their friends headed off to the Kings Head Tavern for lunch, where the menu consisted of Salmon Chowder and Turkey Pot Pie. After dinner, we explored all the settlement has to offer, including a functioning mill, a village of family homes, farm animals, two churches, various businesses and a one-room schoolhouse. Re-enactors mill about, living the lives of their characters, engaging in cooking, farming, the trades and even militia drills. All buildings in the settlement date from the 1800s or earlier, and are visible reminders of the Loyalists and other immigrants who arrived in rural New Brunswick in the decades after the Revolution. The New Brunswick Branch would like to thank the

Dominion Grant Committee for their support in providing \$500 funding for transportation costs pertaining to the event.

By Peter Conley UE