

**IN MEMORIAM**

**ERNEST EDWARD WARREN**

Mr. Ernest E. Warren, Warren's Mills, North River, entered into rest at the Prince Edward Island Hospital, on Saturday, October 15th, 1955. Born in North River, in the year 1889, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Warren, he moved to Tryon with his parents, later returning to North River where he successfully operated a combined grist and sawmill.

During his lifetime his quiet disposition, and his high integrity won him a place in the esteem of all those with whom he did business. For many years a deacon in the North River Baptist Church, his place was seldom vacant when health permitted.

Mr. Warren was married to Ida Maud Dockendorff who, along with the passing of a beloved husband and father. The family is Lorne, Gordon and Ada (Mrs. Philip Dercole) of Vancouver, B. C.; Keir and Fulton of North River; Helen, (Mrs. Roland Sellick), of Charlottetown, P. E. I.; Copeland) Gunningsville, N. B., and the youngest son, Mellick living in Halifax. A brother, Dr. Gordon Warren, lives in Sydney, N. S., and a brother, Garfield, resides in North Bend, Oregon, U. S. A. Members of the family who predeceased him were a sister, Mrs. George Owen, and two brothers, Leigh of Charlottetown, and Herbert of North River.

The funeral was held from the MacLean Funeral Home, 1111 St. Charles Street, on Saturday, December 3rd, 1955, where service was conducted by Rev. Harold Mitton. Interment was in East Wiltshire Cemetery. During the service a quartette composed of Messrs. Milton Stewart, Preston Beck, Lloyd Archer, and W. A. MacKee sang, "There's a Beautiful Land." Mr. and Mrs. Neil Matheson sang as a duet, "Good Night and Good Morning."

The pallbearers were: Messrs. Leslie Warren, Bertram Younker, Brenton Stevenson, Harry Scott, John Warren and William Molyneux.

The memory of a father's love remains secure, Reflected in the lives if best, it will endure. He built his life of faith and love, his task is through, And in the better world above, he lives anew.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank Dr. MacKenzie, Seaman, Laidlaw and Lea, the staff of the Prince Edward Island Hospital for their care of our husband and father while a patient there. To the Clergy, our friends and neighbours who assisted in many ways, and to the many friends who sent cards and messages of sympathy during the illness and homegoing of our loved one, our sincere appreciation. Mrs. Ernest Warren and Family

gards to you and your family, and to your grandchildren who are now the outermost twigs on the Cairns' family tree.

To your bridesmaid who is present we extend our greetings and to your groomsmen who were present this morning, may we say we regret he is not present tonight and ask you to forward to him our best wishes. Tomorrow will be the sixth wedding anniversary of your son John and daughter-in-law Jeanne, and may our wishes to them be, that on November 30, 1959, some of us may be back here for another Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Cairns we thank you for the example of your life among us, for the friendly welcome we have always received in your home, and for many other kindnesses. Mr. Cairns, we offer you our heartfelt congratulations and Mrs. Cairns, we wish you much happiness.

Yours very sincerely,  
Your Friends and Neighbours.

**COUNTRY GARDEN**

les the common lilac and they have proved earlier blooming. Lemoine made crosses with the purple early lilac and now we have these hybrids which are so early that they are of the greatest value in our gardens. They bloom a week to ten days earlier than the common lilac and have more open spikes but must be pruned as they are so fast growing so that they are more suitable for country gardens where there is plenty of space when they grow into magnificent specimens.

Another Canadian, F. L. Skinner of Dropmore, Manitoba, was the originator of many fine hybrid lilacs to which he gave names of Indian chiefs and other early settlers. One of these is one of the most beautiful lilacs; it has a fine broad-tipped habit and is literally covered each year with wonderfully fragrant flowers close to the common lilac in color. The variety "Pocahontas" was the first to have a really deep color.

In Rochester, the collections of lilacs thrill all who have seen the display in spring as visitors to this garden have told me about the beauty and fragrance of that garden.

In books showing illustrations of this wonderful shrub it is easy to see the many places in a garden, especially a large country garden, where they can be used in a great many places. So, when planting the lilacs the other day I was thinking of all these things and anticipating the color and fragrance in

the springtime garden. Even when there is a quantity of snow on the ground and you just must do some garden work it is possible to cut off the dead flowers, for the development of seed is presumably a drain on the plant and hinders the formation of great numbers of flower buds for next year. Care must be taken to handle the branches so no flower buds will be injured. It is a satisfying job of garden work to do in the winter time and the more snow the easier it is to reach the highest branch of the shrub.

Under the snow of each December Lie buds of next year's flowers, remember, Under the snow lie next year's flowers, And always ahead lie happy hours. —Malloch.

**SORTING SEEDS**

Always in December there is one task which is a pleasant one for me... sorting over the garden seeds which have been gathered from the garden as soon as they ripen on the many perennials, and biennials. In the busy summer days they are hurriedly pushed into pockets and then transferred to paper bags and boxes. When everything is protected from the weather and the fall planting is done I begin the happy task of sorting and labelling the different packets of seed for next year's sowing.

It is wonderful to have a good supply as many, many plants are obtained from your own garden seed. The essence of summer is in these seeds and the fragrance reminds you of the sunny summer days.

Sorting seeds in chill December Calls up visions. I remember How, from flat flakes drab and dry, Zinnias salute the sky; How each black crumb, once alert, Swirled a morning-glorious skirt. Sweet-peas frilly pastel bonnets. Fit in balls compact as sonnets. Pin-point poppy seeds hold things Butterflies might choose for wings, Slim brown splinters tightly rolled Guard a mint of Marigold Or those dainty Cosmos lassies Resting from their dancing classes Miniatures of Mignonette

Resting from their dancing classes Miniatures of Mignonette Tell of fragrance gone, and yet By a miracle sublime, Hoarded here for blossom-time. —Harrison

**PATRON OF GARDENS**  
The link between the library window-seat and the garden, quite properly, is Saint Fiachra, for that gentlest of saints stands vigil indoors, the garden in view below him, one hand resting on his spade, the other holding a book. What surer comfort, what more abiding joy has life to offer than a friendly spade and a friendly book? Saint Fiachra, Abbot of Breuil, Patron of Gardens, has an appeal all his own. There is something that few can resist in the story of his being compelled to use what he had at hand in lieu of a spade...

his crozier. And of a Bishop wise enough to reward-not blame-this uneclesiastical use of an abbot's staff. Indeed, the good Bishop presented Fiachra with a plough and a spade and a fork, with cart and horse thrown in for good measure. It was Saint Fiachra, 1530 years ago and more, who told us we should enter the miracle of each new day on our knees in gratitude for the wonder and beauty of it. Through the centuries legends have grown up about him and his miracles, and of the hospice he founded and the abbey he founded. But of them all, men have remembered longest his love for flowers and the skill with which

**MILBURN SCHOOL NOVEMBER REPORT**  
Grade VIII: 1, Sheila MacKay; Grade VI: 1, Gloria Rapson; 2, Colleigh MacKay (equal); Grade IV: 1, Earl Rapson; 2, Arthur Flynn; Grade II: 1, Irene Flynn; 2, Wayne Rapson; Grade I(a): 1, Sylvia MacKay.

Grade I(b): 1, Peter Fyke; 2, Marion Flynn. Highest average in senior grades, Sheila MacKay; in junior grades, Sylvia MacKay 99 per cent. Teacher: Edwina MacDonald.

**BIG EXPANSION**  
OTTAWA (CP)—City council endorsed the Ottawa Civic Hospital's expansion plan of \$3,200,000 which in four or five years will add 300 beds to the hospital's present 1,000, and strengthen facilities generally.



MR. AND MRS. J. SCOTT CAIRNS

**Celebrate 50th Wedding Occasion With Family**

The Cairns' home at Dunstaffnage was the scene of a happy Golden Anniversary and family reunion when on November 29th Mr. and Mrs. J. Scott Cairns celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Cairns were surrounded by their entire family including their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. The celebration was a joyous occasion with many friends and family members present.

The celebrants were the recipients of many gifts, messages, and flowers from friends and family members. A beautiful bouquet of yellow roses from the Dunstaffnage Women's Institute of which Mrs. Cairns is a member, and a personal letter conveying best wishes from Premier A. W. Matheson.

Their son Robert, speaking on behalf of the family, paid a fitting tribute to their parents and presented them with gifts in recognition of the occasion.

During the afternoon and evening about two hundred friends called to extend congratulations and good wishes. In the evening the bride and groom of fifty years were presented with an address and gifts from their friends and neighbours.

Mr. and Mrs. Cairns extended a hearty welcome to all and expressed pleasure and thanks for the many gifts.

Following is the address presented on behalf of their many friends and neighbours:

**DEAR MR. AND MRS. CAIRNS:**  
It is seldom people have the happy pleasure which is ours tonight. We, your friends and neighbours, are proud to be present on this date, the Golden Anniversary of your marriage.

Fifty years ago tonight, on November 29, 1905, you Scott Cairns and Lillian MacLeod, a youth and a maid, vowed your eternal love and devotion to each other before God and man, and embarked on the often stormy sea of matrimony, but destiny privileged you ride out all storms in a placid and sheltered harbour at Dunstaffnage, Prince Edward Island.

During fifty years you have wrought much of benefit to your country and your community, and we are pleased to extend our re-

have not only witnessed much change and progress but have actively participated therein. And we feel we may be pardoned if we are reminiscent for a few minutes about some of these changes and marks of progress.

Fifty years of life in Dunstaffnage has seen the gloomy, troublesome, and odorous light of kerosene lamps and lanterns become the brilliant and clean glow of electric light. In fifty years the discordant clanking of the treadmill has become the staccato bark of the internal combustion engine. In fifty years the jangling harness of the plodding draft horse has become the deep-throated roar of the farm tractor.

In fifty years the hand water pump has become the electric motor, automatic switch and pressure tank, while the water bucket has become a concealed metal pipe terminating in a gleaming chromium-plated faucet. In fifty years the crossed saw and the axe have been replaced by the coal scuttle, and it in turn, by the automatic oil furnace. In fifty years the buggy or sleigh which brought the young bride to her new home over a narrow road of snow, sand or mud, has been replaced by the speeding motor car carrying you and yours, in sheltered warmth and comfort over endless mile upon mile of smooth asphalt ribbon.

Yes indeed, in fifty years God through man hath wrought all these and many other changes, until today, instead of the once rugged life, the farmer enjoys all the luxury and comfort of the city, and in addition his soul derives inner comfort and contentment through constant communion with that which He hath wrought through Mother Nature.

You have throughout your married life been active not only in the betterment of your home but in the affairs of your church and community as well, and may we in that regard, say a humble thank you, and ask you to accept this small token of our esteem.

It is almost anticlimax to state that we know we are welcome here tonight as the welcome mat has always been out to your friends and neighbours far and near, and you have always been noted for your hospitality. Tonight we are pleased to extend our re-

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