

derful neighbors?

Now in 1964 only Gordon is home. Lorna tried teaching at Coxworth for one year, then took a stenographer's course. She spent a short time in the bank in Hartney and since 1957 has been employed in Kerr Meighen law office in Brandon. In June, 1965 she married Gary Doyle of Souris.

Lloyd joined the Manitoba Hydro in 1957, and has seen most of Manitoba during his training. He is still relieving district man. In 1961 he married Vivian Collett and resides in Brandon.

Duncan entered Cook Lumber, Brandon, in 1958 as bookkeeper, and he is still so employed. In September, 1963, he married Sandra Cantlon of Hartney.

Maxine became a stenographer in Robinson and Robinson Insurance offices until her marriage to Keith Forbes in October, 1963. She now lives in Hartney.

William (Bill) passed away April 5, 1966 in Brandon General Hospital in his 66th year. The service was held in Dand United Church with burial in Hartney Cemetery.

THE SAMUEL HAMBLIN FAMILY HISTORY

Written by Eva Grierson

My mother's parents, Samuel Hamblin and Charlotte Payne, were married at Lakefield, Ontario in the late 1860's, and lived at Warsaw prior to 1900. They had 11 children—Hattie, Bella, George, Luella, Lillie, Lottie (Charlotte), Percy, Ernie, Roy, Grace and Harold—all born at Warsaw.

Percy and Ernie only lived a few short years; all other members of the family grew up.

Grandpa was a blacksmith in Warsaw and also served as the village constable. He and Grandma also kept the bakeshop for a number of years.

In 1900 the Hamblins decided to come west and arrived at Lauder, Manitoba in April. They had spent over a week en route. The boys, Roy and George, travelled with the stock, implements and household effects in a settler's car, the balance of the family included Lottie, Grace and Harold, in the day coach.

Grandma had made large baskets of sandwiches, cakes and cookies for food and the boys came back to the day coach to eat.

At one stop the two coaches were attached to two different trains and they didn't meet again until they reached Winnipeg. Needless to say the boys were glad to see their parents, and those baskets of food.

After unloading their two cows, three horses, lumber for the house and granary, and other chattels, they, with the help of Dad and other neighbors, arrived at their new home on 21-4-23. Here they built the granary and shop first. The granary was home until the crop was planted and time was available to build the house. All the work was volunteer. The house still stands. The first years, there were no partitions upstairs, just hand-woven carpets used as dividers.

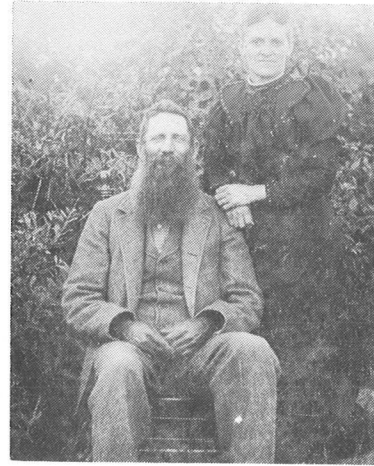
Grandpa did blacksmith work that summer to earn money to live on. He had built the old shop, with a built-in forge, and until a few years ago it still stood, with many of the old horseshoes still on the racks. During his lifetime Grandpa did blacksmith work for his neighbors, or anyone who required it. He also did carpenter work. He blasted rock in preparation for the first road through the Big Ravine on Highway 21 at Dand. In January, 1914 he passed away in his 69th year. Two years later Grandma returned to Ontario to make her home there.

The same year in October or November, Harold joined the armed forces and served overseas until the armistice in 1918. He returned to the farm for one year and then went east to Peterborough where he still lives with his wife Vivian. Their only son, Don, also lives in Peterborough.

Hattie married Robert Moore and remained at Warsaw. They had 10 children, six boys and four girls, all of who lived in Ontario.

Bella became Mrs. Wakefield Oke in 1890. Their union was blessed with three children, two boys and a girl. In 1954 they celebrated their sixty-fourth wedding anniversary.

Luella married Jerry Marshall and lived at Stirling, Ontario. Their family was also two boys and a girl.



Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hamblin, late 1860's

Lillie became Mrs. George Reynolds in 1897 (my mother) and came to Manitoba to live.

Their family consisted of three boys and five girls.

Lottie married Dad's brother, Ted Reynolds, in December, 1903 and passed away on February 22, 1904.

In 1903 George chose as his wife, a Scottish girl, Margaret McKay. They lived in the Dand (then Lauder) area for several years, part-time $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles west of Highway 21, where Mrs. Billiaert now lives, and later just west of Grandpa's, where Herbert Roberts now resides. About 1912 he and his family moved to Ontario. Their family was three boys and three girls.

March 24, 1915 Roy and Margaret Snodgrass of Ireland were married and lived on the home farm until March, 1944 when they moved to Hartney where he lived until his death in 1955. They have four daughters.

Grace became Mrs. William Burke on March 18, 1913 and went to Conquest, Saskatchewan to live. Eileen and Olive are their two daughters.

During my grandparents' life on the farm they were faithful attendants of Bethel Church and took part in any community activities.

Harold and Grace attended Luther School where they had many good times and received their education.

THE ROY HAMBLIN FAMILY HISTORY

Written by Mrs. R. Hamblin

Roy Hamblin, son of Sam and Charlotte Hamblin, was born at Warsaw, Ontario. In 1900 he, as a boy, came with his parents to the Hamblin farm (21-4-23), where he lived until we retired in 1945. Roy attended Luther School.

I, the former Margaret Snodgrass, was born in Tyrone, North Ireland. When I was 17 years old my friend, Minnie Young, and I came to Deloraine where my sister, Nellie, Mrs. William Bates, had arrived two years previous. We were 10 days by boat and then by train from Halifax to Deloraine. I started to work for the Dunc McDougall family soon after I arrived.

In 1915 we were married in the Presbyterian manse in Deloraine. We were blessed with four daughters, Evelyn, Viola, Eva and Muriel, all of whom attended Dand School. We drove the school van with a team of horses. Viola helped her dad drive and I helped during the busy season. Roy was school trustee for many years.