



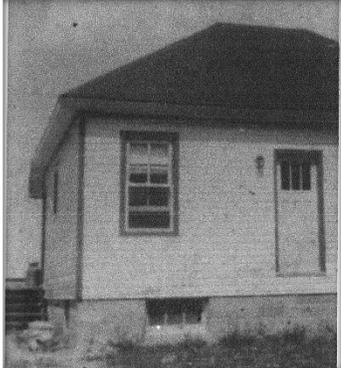
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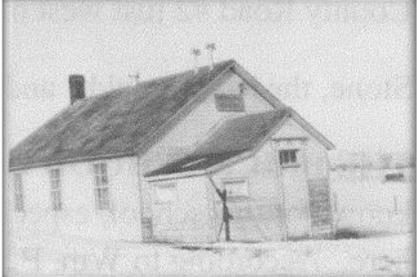
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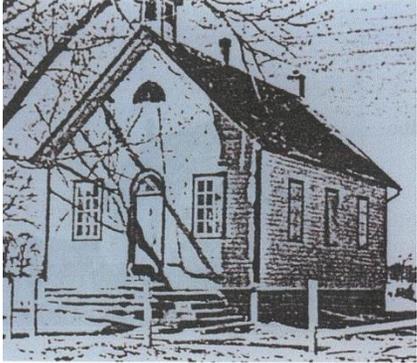
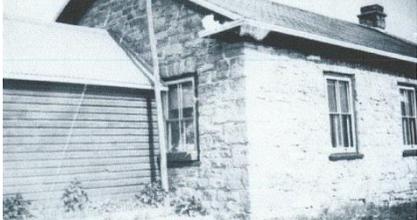


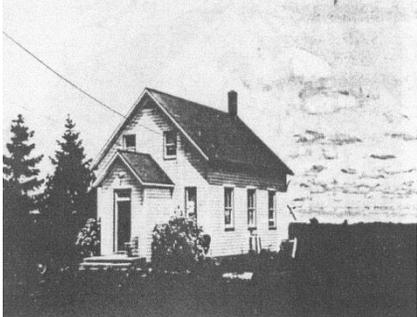
Township of
**Leeds and the
Thousand Islands**

September, 2017

DATE	FACT	IMAGE
1	<p>S.S. #1 Willowbank – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne In 1844 a log school was located on the site of the present cemetery. When the cemetery was created in 1867, the school board was asked to remove their building. A new stone school was built at a cost of \$346.00, on the south side of the road. It had between 30 and 45 students. It was replaced by this brick building in 1924. The school closed in 1964.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
2	<p>S.S. #2 Sand Hill – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne Little is known about this school. The first school existed here before 1890. It was probably of log construction. This building was built between 1900 and 1912. It closed in 1940. In 1957 Bernie Turner bought the building, dismantled it into three pieces, and moved it to the west end of the Station Road, where it still stands as a residence.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
3	<p>S.S. #3 Greenfield - Font of Leeds and Lansdowne David and Mary Grier donated land for a school in 1885. The first school was probably log construction. The present building was built before 1890. The school closed in 1963. The property was returned to the Grier family in accordance with the original agreement. In an agreement with the Grier family, the Historical Society has maintained and used the building since 2000.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
4	<p>S.S.#4 Legge – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne The original school was located at the corner to the south west. The present stone school was built in 1862. Pupils paid 12 ½ cents a month to attend the school in 1871. The school closed in 1960.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	

<p>5</p>	<p>S.S. #5 Wilstead – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne Wilstead’s first school was built before 1880. The new frame building was built in 1887 at a cost of \$508.00. The school closed in 1960. It was destroyed by fire in 1965.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p>S.S. #6 Ebenezer – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne Ebenezer School may have been originally known as Robinson’s School. Ebenezer School was originally built on the south-east corner of the cemetery. It was moved diagonally across the road in 1886. The school closed in 1957.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>S.S. #7 Oakville – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne This school has had three names, Porcupine, Shipman’s and Oakville. It was originally built on the north side of River Road before 1861. It was rebuilt directly opposite on the south side of the road, date unknown. It closed in 1957. Students were bussed to Lansdowne District.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p>S.S. #8 Selton – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne Before 1867 there was a school beside the church near the corner of the present Selton Road and Reynolds Road. In 1867 a new brick school was built to the east. It was a union school with the Front of Escott Township. The school closed in 1957.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>9</p>	<p>On this day in 1949 Reynolds Road, connecting Hwy. 2 and the 1000 Islands Parkway was officially opened. A shorter route, rather than the narrow twisting road from “Reid’s Corner” to Ivy Lea, eliminating the famous “Whiskey Hill” had been discussed for many years. Over 100 school children from Lansdowne walked the mile to the first rock cut to take part in the ribbon cutting. Pictured is the Senior Room of Victoria School at the opening.</p> <p>(Information collected from http://www.ltihistoricalsociety.org/November1999.pdf)</p>	

<p>10</p>	<p>S.S. #9 Lansdowne – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne McKelvey School was a log school built in 1825-26 on the north side of the present County Road #2 west of Prince Street. It was built with local subscriptions. The Brick School was built on Railway Street south of the railway tracks. Brae head School, built in 1872, was the first school built in Lansdowne Station. This stone building still stands.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>11</p>	<p>S.S. #10 Maple Grove – Front of Lansdowne Maple Grove School was once known as Gananoque Junction. The date of the building is not known, but in 1884 there were 96 students in this small log school. The new brick school (pictured) was built in 1884. The students moved their material to the new building. It closed in 1962.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>12</p>	<p>S.S. #11 South Lake School – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne The first log school was built about 1840 on the present Airport Road. It served both South Lake and Taylor communities. This was replaced in 1864 by another log school on South Lake Road. This was replaced by a frame structure and again by a clapboard structure (pictured). It closed in December 1965.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>13</p>	<p>S.S. #12 Emery – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne In the early 1800s a frame school was built on the south side of the road. Sometime about 1850 it was replaced by a stone building on the north side of the road. The school closed in 1960.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>14</p>	<p>S.S. #13 Eden Grove – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne This school was also known as Mooretown School A brick building had been built at an unknown date. This second school, a frame building, was built in 1885. It closed in 1957.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	

<p>15</p>	<p>S.S. #14 Fairfax – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne In 1845 a school existed here, either built of logs of stone. IT was replaced in 1862 by this frame building. It closed in 1957 and the students transferred to Dulcemaine.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>16</p>	<p>S.S. #15 Rapid Valley – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne Rapid Valley School was originally in a brick house behind the cemetery. It burnt, and was replaced with a building where the cemetery gates are now. This was replaced with a building west of the four corners. In 1862 the present stone building was built. Over the years it has been known as Young’s, Johnston, Malakoff (after a battle in the Crimean War), and finally Rapid Valley. It did not join the Township Board, and was the last school to close in June 1963.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>17</p>	<p>S.S. #16 Dulcemaine – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne A log school was built at the south-west corner of the cemetery as early as 1844. A new brick school was built in 1857 at the south-east corner of the cemetery. Due to lack of space a new brick school was built on the east side of the road above the hill in 1912. For its time this was a very modern building with a furnace and playroom in the basement. The school closed in December 1962.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>18</p>	<p>S.S. #17 Taylor – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne The first school was built in 1840 on what is now Airport Road. It was replaced in 1872 by a log building on Taylor Road. In 1888 a frame building was built on the north side of Taylor Road, just west of the hill. It was moved back from the road and a new house built in front of it. In 1952 a new brick two-room school was built close to Highway 32. It closed in 1965 and pupils moved to Hiscocks School.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	

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<p>19</p>	<p>S.S. #15 & 18 Sand Bay – Front of Leeds and Lansdowne Sand Bay was a Union school with the Read of Leeds and Lansdowne. It was built in 1861 and closed in 1954. Students were transferred to Fairfax and Greenfeild. In 1958 the building was moved to the Griffin farm for a house. (Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>20</p>	<p>S.S. #19 & 22 Mitchelville Mitchellville was a Union school with the Front of Escott Township. It was built in 1880 but the deed was not registered until 1946. It closed in 1962. (Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>21</p>	<p>S.S. #15 & 28 Tilley Tilley was a Union school with the Front of Escott Township. It closed in 1963. (Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>22</p>	<p>Victoria school was built in Lansdowne in 1912 at a cost of \$7,945. The elementary rooms downstairs opened immediately. In 1914, one room upstairs opened for the Continuation School. The second room, for grades 11 and 12 opened in 1921. The Continuation School closed in 1956. The elementary section closed in 1963. (Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	

<p>23</p>	<p>S.S. #12 Grenadier Island – Front of Escott The original school was built in 1850. It was replaced by a frame building, shingled on the outside, at the east of the islands circa 1926. The school closed in 1964.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>24</p>	<p>S.S. # 13 Poole’s Resort – Front of Escott Poole’s Resort was built on Old River Road in 1881. It was a frame building. It closed in 1965.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>25</p>	<p>S.S. #14 Rockport – Front of Escott There had been three school built in Rockport between 1888 and 1925. This brick school, built in 1925, on the Escott-Rockport Road was the fourth. IT had two classrooms. At one time a grade 9 continuation class was held in the basement. It closed in 1965 and is now the Rockport Recreation Hall.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>26</p>	<p>S.S. #15 & 8 Selton – Front of Escott Selton School was a Union School with the Front of Leeds and Lansdowne. It was a brick building built in 1867 on the present Selton School Road. It replaced two older schools, one in each township. It closed in 1957.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>27</p>	<p>S.S. #16 Holland – Front of Escott This is the second school in this school district. Facts about the first are not available. This brick school was built on Escott-Rockport Road in 1904. It closed in 1965.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	

<p>28</p>	<p>S.S. #17 Escott – Front of Escott Escott started as a Union School with Yonge Township. The first school was built on the north side of the road in 1880. It was replaced with a brick school on the south side of the road. IT was so poorly built that it was constantly having to be rebuilt. This frame building was erected on the same site in 1875. It closed in 1963.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
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<p>29</p>	<p>S.S. #19 Quabbin – Front of Escott Quabbin School was a Union School with Yonge Township. It was on the south side of Quabbin Road close to the township line. The school was built in 1860. It closed in 1921 when the Consolidated School opened in Mallorytown.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	
<p>30</p>	<p>S.S. #22 & 19 Mitchelville – Front of Escott Mitchelville was a Union School with Front of Leeds and Lansdowne. It was built in 1889 and closed in 1962.</p> <p>(Information collected from William Boulton)</p>	