

Practically every town and village has a number of stalwart citizens who at times are referred to as bulwarks, something really substantial. Bobcaygeon village, the metropolis of Verulam Township, has had many including such names as Boyd, Stewart, Henderson, Devitt, Reid, Woolard, Bottum, Lithgow and many others.

Another pioneer name which cannot be left out is that of Cosh. Grandfather Cosh crossed the wide and rough Atlantic Ocean many years ago, landed at Bowmanville and crossed country to settle in the Township of Galway near Kinmount. He was a stone mason by trade but visualized "green fields" in the advertised agricultural land in and around Kinmount. As a stone mason he found plenty of rich land, plenty of bush land and beautiful lakes and streams, which did not make an appeal to the sturdy tradesman from the auld sod." He was attracted to picturesque Bobcaygeon and as he began to apply his trade he soon found plenty to do. He tackled any kind of a job from building barn and house foundations, stone fences to artistic stone chimneys, fire places and stone pillars. It can be said he left his trademark and the trade was in later years followed conscientiously and industriously by his son Victor. The latter had a natural flair for the stone mason business and calls were numerous and some of the finest buildings in the village and countryside were erected on a Cosh foundation. Notice a stone building, fence or chimney in the village and it is more than likely that Vic. Cosh had a hand in its erection.

He married a Miss Junkin and Miss Amy Cosh B.A., the highly respected librarian in 'Caygeon for many years is a daughter.

Quiet, amiable, courteous and obliging — that describes Miss Amy Cosh who has been librarian in the village for a long term of years. From a few hundred books on the shelves several years ago the number of books is now well over 12,000.

Miss Cosh, who lives in the family home is also in charge of the Museum. It is reported that the Museum has also been showing splendid growth and it is expected that this year that many valuable relics and antiques will find their way to the Museum. It is interesting to note that the late Vic. Cosh was a well known naturalist,



a lover of birds and animals and that his large collection of stuffed animals and birds is one of the largest in the country and has been the centre of attraction for young and old for many years.

It is expected that this taxidermist collection will some day become the property of the Museum. Following the printing of the above article it is expected that Miss Cosh will be hearing from many friends in different parts of the Country. Incidentally, Miss Cosh has been a worker in the Methodist Church and in the Women's Institute.