

Historical Report to W.I., August 1950

Kirk Family:

g. Hunter, John Kirk, his wife, and his wife's sister, Miss Hunter, a daughter, sons David, William, John, Edward Thomas, and George about five years old, in about eight <sup>settled in Macanalar</sup> seven years ago. David settled in the West, William opened a store, John clerked and farmed, Edward and George farmed. Thomas died in the West. A daughter married and lives in Toronto.

Wages and Prices 70 years ago:

cutting wood 40 cts a cord,  
90 cts a cord in B-B.,  
Maple Syrup 90 cts. Imperial gallon,  
Wages, 1.00 a day, 15.00 a month

Roads : Railway came as far as Orilla, mud and rock over the hills - no going around, example from Kirk's cemetery to Coopers.

Oxen drew the wagons and ploughed the fields.

Church: Methodist, S.S. and church met in the Town Hall.

Later.

George lived on the old homestead. He died, aged 92 years in the Memorial Hospital in Jan. 1951.



Mr. John Ennis