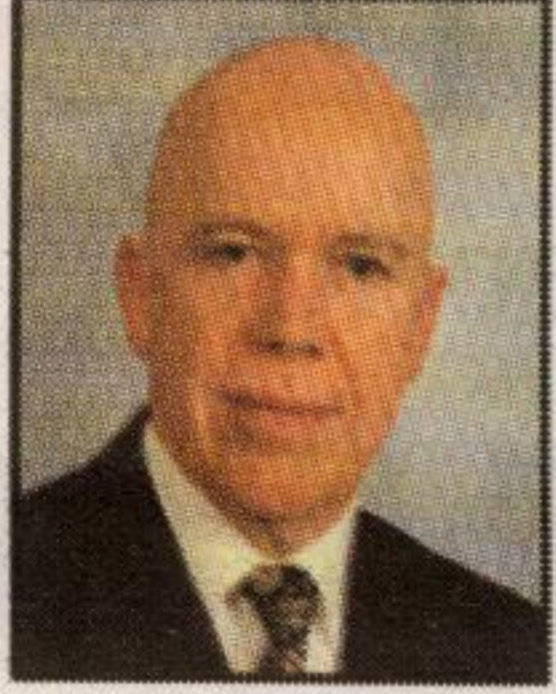


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Mariah (Scriber)
and William
Alexander Service
~ circa 1870 ~



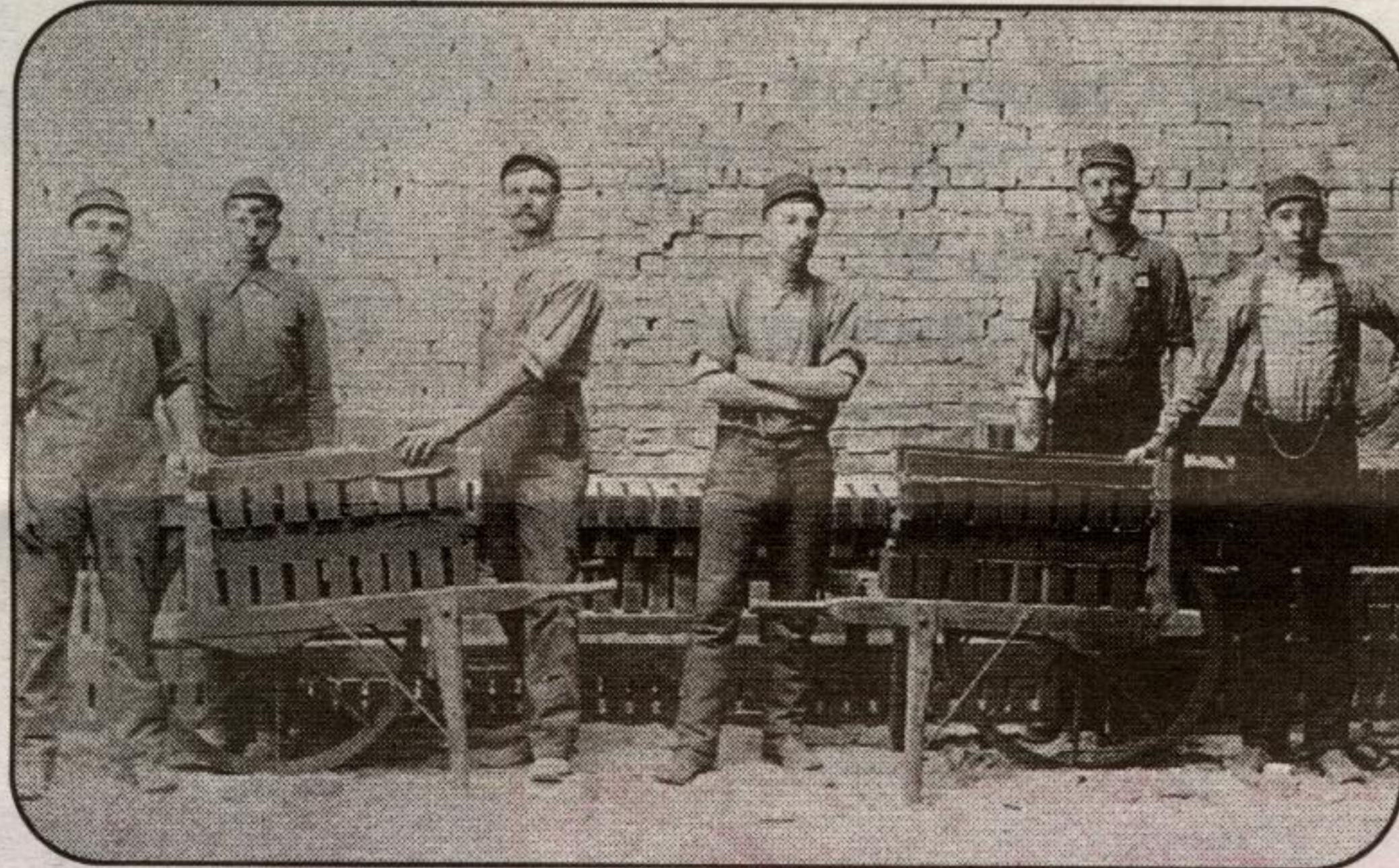
William Henry Service Sr. (marked with X)
working at Milton Brickyard ~ circa 1900 ~



Ellen Peer and
William Henry
Service
on their wedding day
~ March 24, 1915 ~



Michael
Mc Laughlin
and Maggie
(Service)
Family Portrait
~ circa 1905 ~
Children
unknown



Milton Heights Brickyard ~ circa 1890 ~
James Service is standing at the far right.

SHOEBOX



The Service family came to Canada via the United States in the mid 1800s. They were of Scottish descent and worked the rich farmland of Nassagaweya for well over 150 years.

William Alexander Service, the first recorded member of the family in Halton, was born in the Campbellville area about 1830. As a young man he worked the area farms as a labourer, and in 1859 he married Mariah Scriber. They established their own home in a lovely board and batten house which once stood where the Kelso Conservation Authority gates are now located.

William and Mariah Service were staunch Methodists and raised a young family on the lands that now form part of the Halton Regional Conservation Authority and the Ontario Agricultural Heritage Park.

Their family consisted of three girls and three boys: Margaret Elizabeth, Lucinda, William Henry, Richard Alexander, James Alexander and Christina Mary.

William and Mariah died just before the turn of the last century and are buried in unmarked graves in Campbellville.

The eldest daughter, Margaret (born August 28, 1860), was married to Isaac Hilson on November 15, 1882. There were two children from this marriage. Isaac passed away six years later, and then Margaret married Michael (Jack) Mc Laughlin. The McLaughlins had four children. After Jack's death in 1912, Margaret operated a boarding house in Milton Heights for brick and lime kiln workers. Margaret died February 28, 1937.

Lucinda Service was born in 1863. She married Richard Ferrier on March 23, 1880.

William Henry Service, the eldest son of William Alexander and Mariah, was born on December 11, 1864, and worked in the lime kilns at Kelso. He was a young man and farmed in the Moffat area. He married Gertrude Cardine on September 29, 1886, and raised two children: William Henry (born July 30, 1892). The eldest daughter, Eva Josephine, was born March 1, 1888 and passed away at the tender age of five months on October 8, 1891. William owned Lot 11, Concession 6, between 1894 and 1900. Land registry records show that he purchased Lot 18, Concession 6, in Nassagaweya on April 1912. The Service family farmed there for another 40 years. William operated a blacksmith shop on the property for a number of years.

William Henry Jr. married Ellen Peer from Kilbride on March 24, 1915, at the Moffat United Church. They raised eight children at the Lot 18, Concession 6 farm until they moved onto Bruce Street in Milton after selling the farm about 1951. Will and Ellen's family consisted of Henry Alexander (born 1916) who lived in the Kitchener area, Jessie Josephine (born 1918)

William Alexander Service
b. 1830, d. 189?

Margaret Elizabeth
b. 1860, d. 1937
m1. I. Hilson
m2. Michael Mc Laughlin

Lucinda
b. 1863, d. 1882
Richard Ferrier

William Henry
b. 1864, d. 1932
m. Gertrude Josephine Cardinell, b. 1871, d. 1897

Richard Alexander
b. 1868, d. ?

James Alexander
b. 1872, d. 1948

Louisa Neilson
b. 1872, d. 1948

Christina Mary
b. 1874, d. ?

Eva Josephine
b. 1888, d. ?

William Henry
b. 1890, d. ?

m. Ellen Peer
b. 1897, d. ?

Margaret Mary
b. 1892, d. ?
m. Alexander



Service
Family Tree

Mariah Scriber
b. ?

Partial direct line for the Service family of Lot 4, Conc. 7, Nassagaweya. Photos and background information are courtesy of John McDonald.
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