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THE LAST SURVIVOR OF WINDMILL BATTLE

L. N. Fuller Writes About Nelson Truax and His Part in Patriot War.

In another copyright article in the Watertown, N.Y., Times, L. N. Fuller has a story concerning Nelson Truax, the last survivor of the Windmill Battle. The article reads as follows:

The last known survivor of the Patriot war, certainly the last who came from Northern New York, was the venerable Nelson H. Truax, who died only eight years ago. He took part in the Battle of the Windmill and only his youth saved him from death or banishment. Mr. Truax passed away Jan. 25th, 1915, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. D. Walrath, in Bay City, Mich., in his 98th year. The body was brought to Watertown and it rests in the North-Watertown cemetery. His death came the direct result of a fall a few days previous in which his shoulder was broken.

Mr. Truax was born in Lowville, March 23rd, 1813. When he was but a small boy his father left home to seek his fortune, leaving the mother with five children. The father never returned and the children went to live with relatives. Mr. Truax went to the home of a relative, the late William McAllister of Antwerp and remained there until he reached the age of 15. At that time he came to Watertown and apprenticed himself to Jason Fairbanks to learn the trade of harness making.

The animosities caused by the border warfare in 1812 had not died down and when Papineau and Mackenzie raised the standard of revolt they found many sympathizers on this side of the border. Truax, young and impulsive, listened to the stories that refugees had brought back from Canada and was greatly stirred. When Mackenzie, the gifted leader of the revolt in Upper Canada came to Watertown, Truax allied himself with one of the Hunter's Lodges and attended the almost nightly meetings.

He joined the ill-fated expedition which set out to capture Prescott and probably embarked at Sackets Harbor or Clayton. At any rate he was among those who followed the

brave Von Schoultz and he landed on Canadian soil.

From ten in the morning until three in the afternoon," he once said, in telling his experiences, "we fought and when the British were ordered to charge bayonets you should have seen us Yankees run—we had no 'javelins' on our rifles.

"We had about half a mile to run to reach the windmill. We had gone about ten rods, when we came to a high rail fence. I had just scaled it and was but a few feet away when one of the militia rushed up, nestled his rifle on the top rail and fired at me. This man jumped the fence and was about to put his bayonet through me when a British regular came up and pushed him away, claiming me as his prisoner.

"With the other captives I was marched to a temporary fort where my wounds were dressed and the next morning we were put on board a ship and taken to Kingston. We were stowed away in the fore-castle, without much room and no place to sit or lie down. We were in damp quarters and had nothing to eat and it was a discouraging and miserable lot of boys and men who comprised the passenger list of that boat.

"On arriving at Kingston we were taken to Fort Henry where we were confined about six months. We were tried before the judge advocate of Upper Canada on the charge of causing the death of her majesty's subjects. We all pleaded not guilty, but of course were found guilty and were sent back to the fort, where we remained several months more.

"There we saw our less fortunate comrades marched out to the gallows. I think that thirteen in all, the officers and leaders of the expedition, were executed, including the brave Colonel Von Schoultz and a number of Watertown and Jefferson county men. Queen Victoria took pity on the very young men of the party of whom there were 33, including myself, and she pardoned us and we were allowed to return to our homes. Over 150 of the older ones, however, were transported to Van Dieman's land.

After being pardoned Mr. Truax returned to Watertown and resumed his trade of a harness maker, and then went to Antwerp. Later he returned to Watertown.

Despite his experiences in the little war with Canada, when the Civil war broke out Mr. Truax enlisted in the 4th New York infantry in 1861 and served with that regiment until

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the close of the war. In the second battle of Bull Run he nearly lost his sense of hearing, but remained with the regiment and took part in the grand review at Washington at the close of the war. He retired from active business several years before his death and

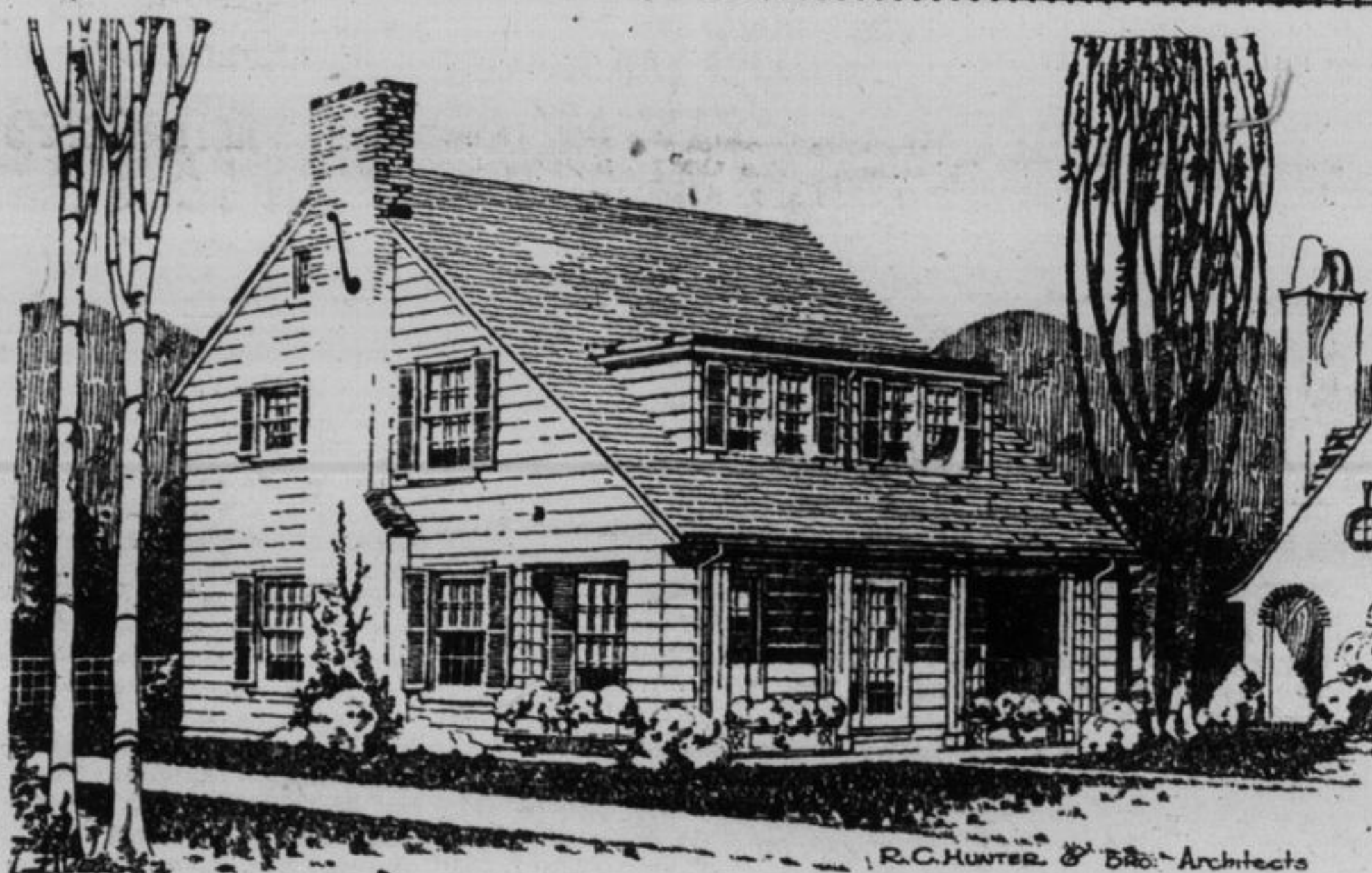
boarded at the City hotel for several years before going to Bay City to make his home with his daughter. A son, Floyd L. Truax of 549 LeRay street, is still living.

A number of other survivors of the battle of the windmill passed away comparatively recently. William D. Sweet, whose death occurred in Pamelia in 1905, was in that battle and when he was in prison at Fort

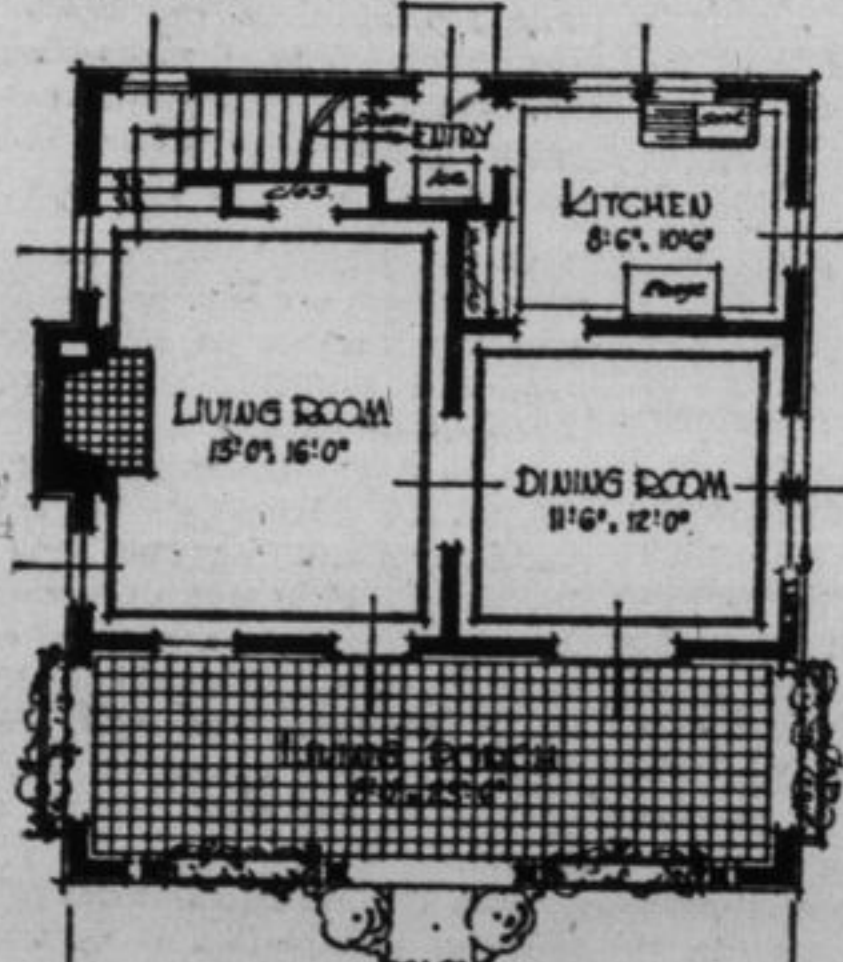
Henry he saw his brother Sylvanus Sweet led out to be hanged. George Kimball died on his farm in Brownville in 1908 and in 1913 Josiah D. Holley passed away at his home in Syracuse.

The records of the Canadian militia show that the last man on that side was John Pymmer who died at Bloomfield, Ont., in 1910, aged 103 years.

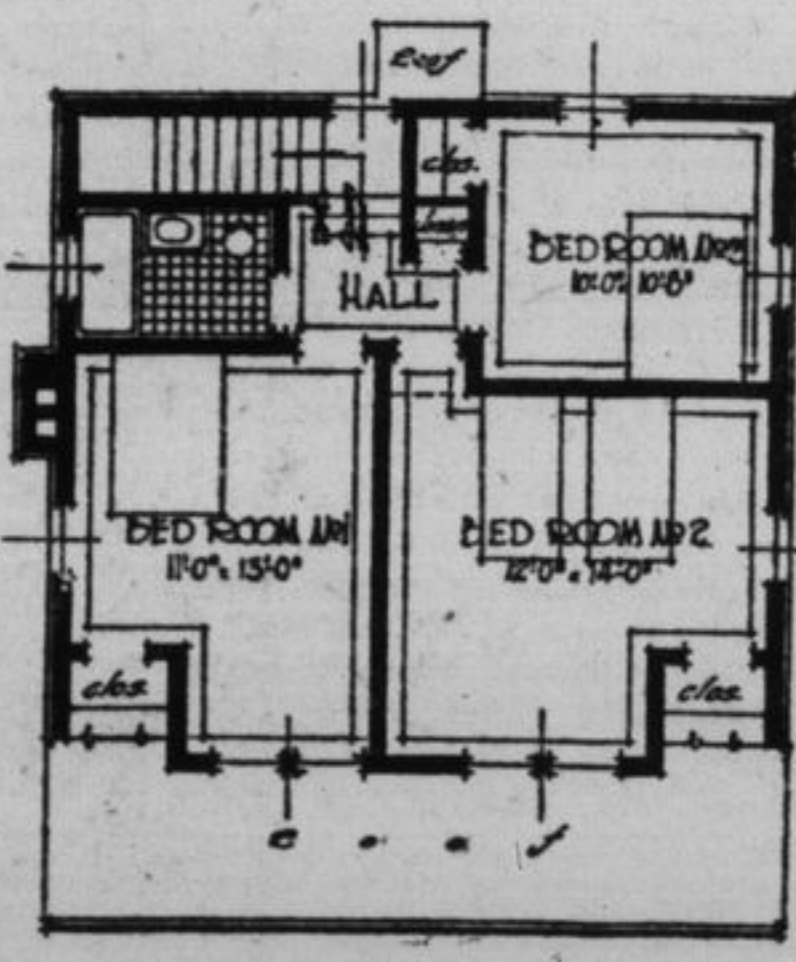
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN



SECOND FLOOR PLAN

Fads and fancies in house design, as in most everything else, are but short lived. Good design is a matter of taste and proportion and, as a rule, is akin to simplicity. Freak houses, built just because they are odd, do not represent the best in home building, but rather otherwise.

The curious holds one's interest but a short time, then it becomes loathsome. This applies with double force to home building; once up, a building stands for years, a monument to good taste or to bad.

What a community needs is well designed, attractive homes, planned along sane rational lines—economical, simple, neat and charming, a credit to the owner and a credit to the community, a home that will give one a sense of pride.

The little house shown herewith is a good example of what can be done in the way of simplicity, economy and good design.

The plan is rectangular in shape (the most economical in form, as breaks and extensions are expensive), even the living porch comes under the one main roof; the partitions are plumb over each other and the construction is most simple.

The room arrangement is compact and livable; full, square rooms with no nooks, waste corners or extravagant halls.

On the second floor the hall has been reduced to a size that just serves the various rooms and the stairs. This arrangement allows three large bed rooms and a bath. All of the rooms are light and airy, plenty of large windows properly placed insures this.

The exterior of the house leaves nothing to be desired. The long sloping roof that extends down over the porch gives a pleasing cottage effect, while the broad dormer allows a full second floor.

The simple detail of the porch and cornice, the well proportioned windows and the broad brick chimney; all lend strong character that no amount of "gingerbread" would give.

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